

RIVER VALLEY CONFERENCE

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

Alma, FS Chaffin, FS Darby
FS Kimmons, FS Ramsey,
Greenwood, VB Butterfield, VB Coleman

Freshman football (Thursdays):

1. Games to start at 7 p.m.
2. NFHS rules apply (4 man officiating mechanics).
3. Play clock rule (25 seconds) to be enforced.
4. Overtime for conference games ONLY.

7th and 8th Grade football (Tuesdays):

1. Games to start at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.
2. NFHS rules apply (4 man officiating mechanics).
3. Play clock rule (25 seconds) to be enforced.
4. Timeouts: 3 per half, 60 seconds long. **STRICTLY ENFORCED!** Play clock starts immediately after end of timeout.
5. **NO** extended sideline conferences at the end of the 1st & 3rd quarters & after extra point. **60 SECONDS** after end of quarter, ball will be marked ready for play.
5. Full kicking game rules. (Have kickoff team getting ready during extra point and punt team ready on third down).
6. Warm up team for next game and have on sideline, ready to go at end of prior game. ~~Coin toss to be IMMEDIATELY after end of prior game.~~ (No extended warm-up on field between games).
7. Chain crew and clock operators to be **ADULTS.**

8. NO overtime for 7th and 8th grade games

Chip Johnson

From: Danny Robins [dan@cjforms.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2012 9:24 AM
To: Chip Johnson
Subject: ATTENTION ON ALL TUESDAY NIGHT GAMES FOR OCT. 9TH FORWARD

Gentlemen,

The football gods have spoken !! After much debate and talking with calm heads we have the following rules for the remaining year on JUST Arkansas RIVER Valley Jr. High Conference games. Guys A.D. want this to speed the game up !! Do not drag on keep clock running as soon as possible !!

ARKANSAS RIVER VALLEY JUNIOR HIGH CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 3, 2012

The ARV conference athletic directors met October 3, 2012, to discuss ways to speed up our 7th and 8th grade football games. We have had complaints from parents over the past few years about the long night and late finish on Tuesday nights for these games. In an effort to speed up the games, we have agreed to use the following steps in our 7th and 8th grade football games starting October 9, 2012.

1. On incomplete passes, the officials will start the game clock as soon as the ball is ready for play, rather than waiting for the snap to start the clock.
2. On out of bounds plays, the official will start the game clock as soon as the ball is ready for play.
3. We will have a three minute half time for each game.
4. For the second 7th grade game and the 8th grade game, there will be no warm-up on the game field. The game will start as soon as the previous game ends.
5. There will be a coin toss prior to the start of the first 7th grade game. There will be no coin toss for the following games. The decisions made at the coin toss for the first game will be used for the second 7th grade game and the 8th grade game, including which team will kickoff, which team will receive and which goals will be defended.
6. Teams will not change ends of the field at the end of the 1st quarter nor the end of the 3rd quarter. Teams will change ends at halftime.
7. After a score, officials will keep play moving by getting teams lined up promptly for the ensuing kickoff. Do not allow teams to huddle on the sideline.

We ask all officials and coaches to support these changes and help to implement them. We will try these changes for the remainder of this football season and we will evaluate them after the season. If we do not feel that this has accomplished what we have in mind, we will look for other remedies before next season. Moving the 8th grade games to Thursday night would be one possibility for next year.