Good morning! Guessing tonight is a big play date, be ready!

This clip is something that usually seems obvious but we occasionally are careless about. Take a look at the clip <u>here</u>.

The official threw the ball to his partner in the air *instead of rolling it*. The ball deflected off the first player and hit another...both were hit in the head/face. The ironic thing about this is that the first player hit in the head left her game the night before after hitting her head on the floor. She left this game after getting hit by the ball. ROLL the ball to a partner, even if it takes time to walk to get a direct line. Safety is top priority.

Tuesday Extra: This is not an 'extra' but a necessity. The PIAA DQ and Supplemental DQ are nearly the only 'paperwork' that we need to complete, when necessary. Filling out the DQ form correctly is of utmost importance. The FACTS need entered on the form, nothing else – no opinion, no commentary – just the FACTS. If two players are ejected, a separate DQ form is required for each player.

The link to the DQ form is at <u>https://www.piaa.org/officials/forms/dq/</u>. This needs completed within 24 hours of the game, but PLEASE complete it when you get home the NIGHT of the game, that way Pat and the PIAA office can act upon it first thing the next morning and schools will get notified right away.

In addition, the supplemental DQ is defined on the form as below. PLEASE CHECK THE SUPPLEMENTAL BOX WHEN APPROPRIATE. This is basically ANY physical or language DQ OR confronting someone. When in doubt, make it a supplemental.

NOTE: A Supplemental Disqualification is triggered when a Coach or contestant is ejected from a contest and a component of the disqualification is the any of the following actions: <u>confronting an official, coach, or contestant; physically contacting an official, coach, or contestant; directing foul or vulgar language/gestures toward an official, coach, contestant or spectator(s); using ethnic or racially insensitive comments. This section is <u>NOT</u> intended for other infractions described as "rules of the game" or actions which do not meet the above criteria.</u>

Does this disqualification meet the requirements for a Supplemental Disqualification?

If you are in doubt of a supplemental or not, contact your chapter interpreter, assigner or call me. My cell is always on and calls WILL be returned if at a game! My number is (814)229-4787.

Have a GREAT game tonight!

Tim