

2022 SONJ Update

After a year off, Special Olympics of New Jersey has announced that this year there will be games, albeit with a shortened season! And once again, Board 33 has signed on to supply referees for two of their four sites, the North Region at Woodrow Wilson MS in Clifton and the East Region at Carl Sandberg MS in Old Bridge. Due to the recent surge in Covid cases due to the Delta and Omicron variants, they have decided to start a bit later than usual, with opening day being on Sunday, February 20th. Games will be played each Sunday through March 13th.

It is anticipated that we will have the usual slate of games at both locations, with two courts each. Games start at 9AM and will run until around 2-3PM, depending on the number of teams that register this year. As of now, that number is down significantly from previous years but may increase in the coming weeks.

The folks at SONJ have mandated that **ALL** volunteers, which includes referees, must sign a Communicable Disease Waiver form prior to working games. You can do this online at www.sonj.org/volunteer/volunteers-class-b-form-and-waivers/ or at the venue on the day of competition. This form only needs to be submitted once and is good for three years, so you won't need to do it repeatedly every time you volunteer. This is done to protect the organization in the unfortunate event that any of us do end up contracting the Covid virus despite their many precautions. Remember, this is done to protect everyone involved and we are hoping our officials will comply.

The schedule of games is updated weekly by SONJ, depending on team availability and matchups. We usually receive that update on Wednesday or Thursday each week. The revised schedule will then get posted to the board's website (www.board33.org) shortly after. If you have volunteered, and once again we hope you strongly consider it, you should double check for any changes that might affect you prior to coming to the venue on that day. We will make every effort to contact those who are scheduled beforehand, but it is better to double check on your own.

Come out and join us. You will not regret it.

Board 33 Special Olympics Committee

2022 SONJ Basketball Season Tentative Schedule

North Region-Woodrow Wilson Middle School, 1400 Van Houten Ave, Clifton, NJ 07013

East Region-Carl Sandburg Middle School, 3439 Rte. 516, Old Bridge, NJ 08857

(All games times/dates are subject to change by SONJ)

Sunday, February 20th

North-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

East-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

Sunday, February 27th

North-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

East-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

Sunday, March 6th

North-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

East-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

Sunday, March 13th

North-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

East-9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00

Please note: This schedule is tentative and may be revised weekly. Be sure to look at the latest schedule posted to the Board 33 website before venturing out to one of the sites.