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NFHS Launches First Rules Application for Mobile Devices

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INDIANAPOLIS, IN (November 2, 2011) — The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), which has written and published playing rules for high school sports throughout its 91-year history, has released its first rules application for mobile devices.

The 2011–12 NFHS Basketball Rules Application (App), which is now available in the Android Market, combines the 2011–12 NFHS Basketball Rules Book and the 2011–12 NFHS Basketball Case Book into one searchable mobile app. The material is cross-referenced to display related content, and is offered as a companion piece to the printed books.

Developed in partnership with ArbiterSports, the 2011–12 NFHS Basketball Rules App is available at this time for Android devices only; however, the iPhone/iPad version will be released soon. In addition, apps for NFHS rules in other sports will be coming later this year and into 2012.

“We are excited about this technological advancement in our offerings of rules–related material,” said Bob Gardner, NFHS executive director. “As the national leader of playing rules for high school sports, this is a natural progression in today’s fast–paced, online world. We believe these rules applications will be a great supplement to our printed publications.”

Currently, the NFHS writes playing rules for 17 sports for girls and boys competition at the high school level, and annually publishes about 25 rules books, case books, officials manuals and handbooks. More than 1.3 million copies of rules–related publications are distributed annually throughout the world.

In addition to basketball, the NFHS writes playing rules in the sports of baseball, cross country, field hockey, football, boys gymnastics, girls gymnastics, ice hockey, boys lacrosse, soccer, softball, spirit, swimming and diving, track and field, volleyball, water polo and wrestling.

NFHS playing rules are written specifically for varsity competition among student-athletes of high school age and are intended to maintain the sound traditions of the sport, preserve the balance between offense and defense, encourage sportsmanship and minimize the inherent risk of injury for participants.

The 2011–12 NFHS Basketball Rules App is available for purchase through the following link: [2011-12 NFHS Basketball Rules App](#).

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About the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)

The NFHS, based in Indianapolis, Indiana, is the national leadership organization for high school sports and fine arts activities. Since 1920, the NFHS has led the development of education-based interscholastic sports and fine arts activities that help students succeed in their lives. The NFHS sets direction for the future by building awareness and support, improving the participation experience, establishing consistent standards and rules for competition, and helping those who oversee high school sports and activities. The NFHS writes playing rules for 17 sports for boys and girls at the high school level. Through its 50 member state associations and the District of Columbia, the NFHS reaches more than 19,000 high schools and 11 million participants in high school activity programs, including more than 7.6 million in high school sports. As the recognized national authority on interscholastic activity programs, the NFHS conducts national meetings; sanctions interstate events; produces publications for high school coaches, officials and athletic directors; sponsors professional organizations for high school coaches, officials, spirit coaches, speech and debate coaches and music adjudicators; and serves as a national information resource of interscholastic athletics and activities. For more information, visit the NFHS Web site at www.nfhs.org.

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