2027 - August – September - October 2027

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 No Gopher	27	28
29	30	31 No HVL	1	2 No Big Nine	3	4
5	6 Laber Day	7 No SEC	8	9 No Three Rivers	10	11
12	13	14 No Gopher	15	16 No HVL	17	18
19	20	21 No Big Nine	22	23 No SEC	24	25
26	27	28 No Three Rivers	29	30 No Gopher	1	2
3	4	5 No HVL	6	7 No Big Nine	8	9
10	11	12 No SEC	13	14 No Three Rivers	15	16
17	18	19	20	21- MEA	22- MEA	23

Re: Volleyball Scheduling Strategies 2027-2028

From: Jeff Newton (Rochester Area Officials Association)

To: Activities/Athletic Directors of the Southeast Conference, Gopher Conference, Three Rivers Conference, Hiawatha Valley League, and the Big Nine Conference.

Date: 8/25/2026

In an effort to try and balance official scheduling for the 2027 volleyball season, I recommend that a conference does not schedule any games on the following nights. I rotated Tuesday and Thursday for each Conference. MEA week is usually split between Monday and Tuesday.

1. The following dates and corresponding conference will NOT schedule any volleyball matches these days.

Thursday, August 26 – Gopher
Tuesday, August 31 – HVL
Thursday, September 2 – Big Nine
Tuesday, September 7 – SEC
Thursday, September 9 – Three Rivers
Tuesday, September 14 – Gopher
Thursday, September 16 – HVL
Tuesday, September 21 – Big Nine
Thursday, September 23 – SEC
Tuesday, September 28 – Three Rivers
Thursday, September 30 – Gopher
Tuesday, October 5 – HVL
Thursday, October 7 – Big Nine
Tuesday, October 12 – SEC
Thursday, October 14 – Three Rivers

Hopefully this will encourage all schools to schedule more matches on Monday, Wednesday, and/or Friday.

The total number of RAOA Volleyball Officials is consistently going down and the ages of Volleyball officials may be the oldest of all the sports we provide officials for.

Thank you for your consideration,

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