

# **All Girls and 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Boys to Use Smaller Basketball**

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The Board of Control of the Ohio High School Athletic Association adopted a resolution at their meeting on March 21, 1985 which mandates the use of a smaller basketball in girls interscholastic and tournament competition. The smaller ball will be used in all girls' contests, grades 7-12, and grades 7-8 boys' effective with the 1985-86 school year.

The ball adopted by the Board of Control is 1 inch smaller and 2 oz. lighter than the regulation sized basketball being used to day.

The measurements are a minimum of 28½" to a maximum of 29" in circumference and a minimum weight of 18 oz. to a maximum of 20 oz.

The above smaller ball has been adopted for use by the National Federation Basketball Rules Committee. This is the same size ball that is being used by college women.