

## **Kentucky High School Athletic Association**

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TO: Members of the Board of Control

FR: Commissioner Julian Tackett

RE: Officials Fees

Annually, the KHSAA is to review its pay structure for officials. The KHSAA sets the base minimum fee for regular season competition in the sports listed on the attached grid. The Regional Policy Board may add an additional amount to those fees, but such may only be added for travel and necessary expenses of getting to the contests. For the postseason, the KHSAA sets a fee which cannot be altered by the local schools, for each round of the playoffs in all sports.

For 2015-2016, the KHSAA is to review the fee paid to officials/judges in Basketball, Competitive Cheer and Wrestling. The members of the Commission (the Commissioner, Associate and the three Assistants) have reviewed these fees and make the following recommendations.

## **BASKETBALL**

- While it has been several years since there was a fee change in regular season, the staff is also keenly aware of the impact that the new provision requiring three officials has had on school athletic program budgets. As such, the Commission recommends no change in the regular season fee as part of this review.
- For postseason however, the Commission recommends that the fees be set at \$70 per district game, \$80 per region game, and \$90 per state game. This will ensure, based on the fee comparison from around the state, that no official takes a reduction in pay to work postseason play.

## WRESTLING

- The current fee structure for regular season is \$45 per standard dual match for one official, per match. Tri-meet, 1 officials, 3 matches, \$100 per official. Quad, minimum 2 officials, maximum 6 matches, \$100 per official. Tournaments, \$25 per mat, per official, per hour, with a minimum of \$175 per official.
- To simplify and appropriately compensate the officials, the following is recommended by the Commission: \$45 per standard dual match for one official, per match. For team based dual meet competition (tri, quad, etc.), the fee shall be \$40 per team round per official.
- Tournaments, \$25 per mat, per official, per hour, with a minimum of \$175 per official
- For postseason, the fee structure is currently \$165 per single day tournament, \$250 per multiple day tournament (Region)
- The new recommended structure for postseason (region) is \$175 per single day tournament, \$250 per multiple day tournament

## CHEER

- The current regular season fee is \$50 per competition. Mileage is at the discretion of the host.
- The Commission recommends no change to the regular season fee.
- The current postseason fee is \$60 for region, \$80 for state.
- The Commission recommends the fee for region be \$80 per judge, and the fee for state set at \$80.
  Travel for both regions and state will be not to exceed mileage at the Board adopted mileage rate for one judge per three assigned.