



Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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MEMO

TO: Julian Tackett, Commissioner

FROM: Sarah Bridenbaugh, Assistant Commissioner

DATE: September 1, 2023

RE: Prime Date Report for 2022-23

After review of the 2022-23 KHSAA member schools' girls' basketball schedules, I have found that eight (8) member schools failed to comply with any of the methods outlined in the Board of Control's Prime Date Scheduling policy. Upon further review and after contacting each school, I have provided an update for each one below:

- Knox Central
 - Started the season in compliance with Method 1 (45.5%), was meeting the requirement on January 15 (41.7%) but finished the season with Method 1 at 38.5% (Method 2 was 30.8%).
 - Games with Hazard and Danville were canceled, both were canceled due to All-A Regional Tournament.
 - Athletic Director did confirm that Head Coach tried to reschedule both games, but teams couldn't get a date to work later in the year.
 - Knox Central did play in one boy/girl double-header on Tuesday, January 24.
 - Knox Central did not meet the requirement in the 2021-2022 season.
- Lafayette
 - Started the season out of compliance with Method 1 (36.4%), but was meeting the requirement on January 15 (40%). Finished the season with Method 1 at 33.3% (Method 2 was 25%).
 - Athletic Director Dallas Kingsolver stated they had to move one game due to a conflict of some sort and then had a game cancelled that had to be rescheduled and the only option was a week night for the make-up date.
 - Lafayette did play one boy/girl double-header on Thursday, December 15.
 - Lafayette did not meet the requirement in the 2021-2022 season.
- Letcher County Central
 - Did not meet the requirement at any point throughout the season.
 - Athletic Director Jim McAuley reached out on December 1 to notify me that their school was going to have issues during the 2022-2023 season due to loss of 4 gymnasiums in their community due to the 2022 flooding.
 - Athletic Director Jim McAuley confirmed that they used the high school gym for the majority of the sporting events in the entire county causing scheduling conflicts throughout the year.
 - Letcher County Central did play one boy/girl double-headers on Thursday, December 8.
 - Letcher County Central did not meet the requirement in the 2021-2022 season.
- Newport Central Catholic
 - Did not meet the requirement at any point throughout the season. Finished the season with Method 2 at 36% (Method 1 was 30%) and confirmed that all notices were sent and received by the school.
 - Athletic Director response stated that the last 5 games of the season were prime dates. The Bellevue game that was played on 1/23/23 was originally scheduled for 12/23/22 but was cancelled due to weather.
 - Newport Central Catholic did not play any boy/girl double headers on Monday – Thursday.
 - Newport Central Catholic did not meet the requirement in the 2021-2022 season.

- Oldham County
 - Did not meet the requirement at any point throughout the season. Finished the season with Method 2 at 32.1% (Method 1 was 28.6%) and confirmed that all notices were sent and received by the school.
 - Athletic Director response stated that before tryouts their initial schedule met the 40%, however the schedule in the KHSAA database was not meeting the requirement at the first check (November 28).
 - Oldham County did play one boy/girl double-header on Tuesday, January 31.
- Owen County
 - Started the season in compliance with Method 1 (50%), was meeting the requirement on January 15 (50%), but finished the season with Method 2 at 28.6% (Method 1 was 28.5%).
 - Athletic Director TJ Wesselman stated they fell under the required number of Prime Date games due to advancement in the All "A" State Tournament and a team that would not play us. After advancing to the All "A" State Tournament and then winning a game to advance to the Elite 8, school had to drop games so that they did not exceed the regular season limit. Therefore, school dropped two contests against non-district opponents. Those dates were Prime Dates, AD called Carroll County, Trimble County, Eminence (district opponents) to see about moving games to Feb 3, 4, 11. However, they either had a conflict or did not want to play back-to-back.
 - Owen County did play one boy/girl double-header on Tuesday, January 31.
- Paintsville
 - Did not meet the requirement at any point throughout the season. Finished the season with Method 2 at 32.1% (Method 1 was 28.6%) and confirmed that all notices were sent and received by the school.
 - No response from Athletic Director or Principal as to why they did not meet the requirement.
 - Paintsville did play one boy/girl double-header on Wednesday, February 8.
- West Jessamine
 - Started the season in compliance with Method 2 (44%), was meeting the requirement on January 15 (40.7%) but finished the season with Method 2 at 37% (Method 1 was 11.1%).
 - Athletic Director response stated had a game cancelled December 22nd by opponent and could not reschedule. Also had one additional prime date game cancelled on February 4th.
 - West Jessamine did not play any boy/girl double headers on Monday – Thursday.