

# KHSAA Regional Meetings and Updates 2024-2025

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# INTERACTIVE THROUGHOUT MEETINGS FOR 24-25

- ▶ 1) Send questions for today's meeting and the Advanced Administrators Workshop to [questions@khsaa.org](mailto:questions@khsaa.org)

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Julian Tackett, Commissioner

- ▶ Primary Contact - Football, Basketball Postseason

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Butch Cope, Associate Commissioner and Director of Championships

- ▶ Officials and Student Services, Ruling Officer for Hearing Officer Matters related to Bylaws 3, 4, 5, 9, 10
- ▶ Primary Contact-Volleyball Boys and Girls; Basketball Regular Season and Basketball Rules, Baseball

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Joe Angolia, Assistant Commissioner for External Relations and Media Operations

- ▶ Ruling Officer for Hearing Officer Matters related to Bylaws 7, 12, 13;
- ▶ Primary Contact-Field Hockey, Golf, Tennis Team and Individual, Wrestling

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Darren Bilberry, Assistant Commissioner – Director of Eligibility for Hearing Officer Matters (Bylaw 6)

- ▶ Ruling Officer for Hearing Officer Matters related to Bylaw 6; Title IX Compliance Officer
- ▶ Primary Contact-Bowling, Archery, Bass Fishing, Softball

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Sarah Bridenbaugh, Assistant Commissioner – Director of Middle Schools and Assistant Director of Championships

- ▶ Ruling Officer for Bylaws 11, 14
- ▶ Primary Contact-Cross Country, Cheer, Dance, Swimming and Diving, Track and Field (Indoor and Outdoor)

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Abby Jackson, Assistant Commissioner – Director of Emerging Sports and Opportunities

- ▶ Ruling Officer for Bylaw 2 and Emerging Championships
- ▶ Primary Contact-Boys and Girls Lacrosse



# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Chad Collins, General Counsel to the KHSAA and Board of Control

- ▶ Primary Contact-Soccer

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

Rob Catron, Information Technology Director, Information Technology Director

- ▶ Arbiter/KHSAA 360 Platform Support for Athletic Admins / KAAA; Open Jobs; Online Rules Clinic Production including Sports Safety Course; Clinic Videos
- ▶ Primary Contact-Esports

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

- ▶ Jenny Elder, Event Services and Social Media Director
- ▶ Connor Link, Media Relations and Publications Director
- ▶ Kara Howard, Event Services Manager / Office Logistics Coordinator; Accounting – General Ledger
- ▶ Scott Bottoms, Supervisor of Officials Licensing

# KHSAA Staff Introductions – 2024-2025

- ▶ Jeremy Ison, Administrative Assistant, Student Eligibility Records
- ▶ Jeanie Molloy, Administrative Assistant, Event Management Support
- ▶ Sara McClain, Administrative Assistant, Assistant to the Commissioner and Board of Control
- ▶ Marilyn Mitchell (PT), Administrative Support, Accounting
- ▶ Roy Tatum (PT), Physical Plant Director
- ▶ For details on job descriptions, see <https://khsaa.org/general/bottom-tab-pages/meet-the-staff>

# Current Events (Tackett/Cope)

As all of you know that have read the dozens of communication pieces we have sent out, our long-time software developer told us last December that CY24 was to be his last year.

We are forever indebted to Frank and his work.

But we were left with no option but to seek another solution as no one thought a mid school year transition was feasible

100% of our schools were already using arbiter for officials assignments, and KHSAA was using for licensing of officials.

Clearly, we had only one option.

But we are thankful for his more than 20 years of support for our schools.

# KHSAA360 ONLINE SYSTEM

Rob Catron, our IT Director, is here today if you have a quick question during one of our breaks

- ▶ Still primary liaison with ADs for support.
- ▶ To sign up for 1:1 AD/Rob training at
- ▶ <https://ly.khsaa.org/tgxq>:



Advance Training - October 15, Bowling Green (WKU)

Advance Training - October 16, Lexington (CBC)

# KHSAA360 ONLINE SYSTEM

Changes are made weekly as they have done 17 months worth of work in five months

We have multiple days of in-person training coming as well

Many more features with new things rolled out each day!

- ▶ Dedicated Arbiter Support Team email support
  - ▶ Send emails to [khsaa@arbitersports.com](mailto:khsaa@arbitersports.com) and copy Rob on all emails.
  - ▶ *Please* let Rob know if you are not getting timely response from Arbiter.

# KHSAA360 ONLINE SYSTEM

- ▶ Award Programs (not available yet in our new system):
  - ▶ Academic All State program online only (do not use old certificates) - Targeted to be complete by Golf Postseason
  - ▶ Triple Threat Program is automated, cannot be printed until all rosters have been reviewed and Title IX and Participations lists submitted for the year
- ▶ Title IX Survey Assistance (24-25 is not a mandatory survey year for all schools unless there are additional surveys required or requested)



# ONLINE (KHSAA 360) Known Issues

- ▶ Delay in the time that it takes a coach's eligibility Dashboard (and AD's Monitor Eligibility page) reflect clinic completions (and receive the emailed certificate).
  - ▶ *Please convey that they will receive credit as long as they see the green requirement met notice on the last slide - and to not just take the clinic over (and over). Should be at the latest every hour now, if not, let me know*
  - ▶ *Black Screen - content not available - should be fixed*
- ▶ Removed Coaches appearing on AD's Monitor Eligibility page (was *not* corrected in last week's release)
- ▶ Game Cancellation notices - yesterday's release should have fixed
- ▶ Biggest issue - Coaches using a different account to get authenticated - effects stats and eligibility dashboard

# RED FLAGS – ONLINE ROSTER REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ KHSAA360 online system only, no other form will substitute
- ▶ No one can play in a contest unless they are on roster. *Need your help getting Freshman/JV rosters loaded into Arbiter.*
- ▶ School decides who edits rosters. Must work cooperatively with AD or Principal in getting assigned rights, or having them do the editing.
- ▶ Setting permissions can be found on you Arbiter Staff->Roles page.
- ▶ Fourth level (postseason) so that roster manipulation at end of season doesn't cause inconsistencies in yearly reporting. *Not in place yet, but will be by Golf Postseason*
  - ▶ In our new system, everyone is set to postseason *by default*, so you only need to change if they *aren't* participating in the postseason.
- ▶ Only those on postseason roster are eligible for the postseason.
  - ▶ “Where can Media, PA, fans find rosters in Arbiter?” - Your ArbiterLive Athletic Website. A listing of every school's ArbiterLive Athletic Website is available on our khsaa.org main site (Directory and Media Resources pages)

# Governance of KHSAA (Tackett/Cope)

- ▶ Arbiter Live Example
- ▶ Constitution Establishes a “Board of Control”
- ▶ Recognition of those in attendance
- ▶ Board sets policy, staff manages procedures and implementation

# NFHS (Tackett/Cope)

- ▶ What is the NFHS and our Role
- ▶ KHSAA Well Positioned on many NFHS committees to represent Kentucky Interest
- ▶ NFHS Network and Partners, School Broadcast Program
- ▶ NFHSLearn Opportunities, more than coaching education
- ▶ Many of their initiatives mirror KHSAA initiatives as we work collaboratively around interscholastic sports

# NFHS Board of Directors Priorities (24-25)

- 1) **New Service Initiatives for the Membership**
- 2) **Legislative Awareness**
- 3) **Wellness and Risk Minimization**
- 4) **Technology**
- 5) **NFHS Network**



# LEARNING CENTER

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COURSES

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FREE COURSES

15,000,000+  
COURSES DELIVERED

## COURSES FOR EVERYONE



Coaches



Students



Administrators



Parents



Officials



Performing Arts



# SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

## LEVEL 1 COURSES



*Fundamentals of Coaching*



*Concussion in Sports*



*Sudden Cardiac Arrest*



*Protecting Students from Abuse*

# Basic KHSAA Organization

- ▶ A voluntary nonprofit 501 (c)3 organization made up of 289 member schools, both public and non-public.
- ▶ No school more important than any other school, as all have equal influence, from our smallest, Holy Family and its approximately 20 students in Ashland, to Lafayette in Lexington and its nearly 2,500

# KHSAA

- ▶ The KHSAA
  - ▶ Awards 229 state championships to 72 teams and 270 individuals in 21 sports and sport-activities;
  - ▶ Funds catastrophic insurance coverage for its more than 109,000 rostered member school student-athletes;
  - ▶ Provides coaching education and sports safety programs for more than 12,000 coaches and
  - ▶ Licenses and facilitates the distribution of training material for over 4,000 contest officials.



# Authority

- ▶ KRS 156.070 (2) requires the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) to manage and control the common schools, including interscholastic athletics in the schools, and authorizes the KBE to designate an agency to manage athletics.
- ▶ The KHSAA is the designated agency of the Kentucky Board of Education as per Kentucky Administrative Regulation 702 KAR 7:065.
- ▶ This administrative regulation annually designates an agent for high school athletics; establishes the financial planning and review processes for the agent; and incorporates by reference the bylaws, procedures and rules of the agent.
- ▶ By definition, KHSAA is regulatory agency (develops regulations for approval) but is not enforcement agency

# KHSAA VISION

- ▶ To provide diverse and equitable opportunities for all students to enjoy the privilege of participation in school and education-based sports or sport-activities as part of the educational experience to teach and hone life skills, learn perspective, have fun and develop character.

# KHSAA MISSION

- ▶ To provide governance and leadership to regulate and progressively administer the highest quality interscholastic athletic sports and sport-activities in an efficient manner, and promote the values of participation for all involved in education-based athletics and school-based sports. The KHSAA will work collaboratively with its member schools to recognize and promote the primary focus of high school academic success and college and career readiness for the student participants, risk minimization for all participants in the programs, and ensure the efficient administration of the education-based athletic program in the schools.

# Operational Philosophy

- ▶ It is not the objective in any of the 21 KHSAA championships, to create an event that ensures the absolute best possible field is at the state tournament or that quality of play is a criterion
- ▶ The role of the Board of Control in developing policy, and of the staff in implementing that policy through procedures and events, is to ensure that all regions of the state have an opportunity to have competitors experience the state championship and represent their schools, communities and regions
- ▶ This may not always result in the absolute best individuals or teams, or even the best quality of play, but does ensure a quality experience for all.

# Regulations vs. Rules

- ▶ Annually, the Constitution, Bylaws, Due Process Procedure, Board Policies and Necessary Forms are reviewed through the regulatory process, with the Board of Control having final authority over the conduct of tournaments through competition rules
- ▶ Competition rules have always been necessarily fluid as schools add and delete sports, playing rules change, and safeguards are necessary to help ensure competitive equity and curb cheating

# Current Discussions with General Assembly

- ▶ Strong desire on part of legislature to find a participation path for non-enrolled students (i.e. home school)

# KHSAA RECORDS AND HALL OF FAME

- ▶ State Records (Elder)
- ▶ Nomination Procedure
  - ▶ Online Application on KHSAA website
  - ▶ Need Geographic and Demographic Balance

# STATISTICS AND SPORTS INFORMATION ITEMS

- ▶ Statistics Submission (Link)
  - ▶ Ultimate objective is benefit for the students
  - ▶ Required in Football, Basketball, Field Hockey, Soccer, Baseball and Softball
  - ▶ Ongoing expansion of data collected
  - ▶ Enter each game, game by game
  - ▶ Missed submissions (later than 72 hours) will be subject to fine for late submission during season
  - ▶ Official Entry and Compilation Remaining Internal to KHSAA



# STATISTICS AND SPORTS INFORMATION ITEMS

- ▶ Picture Submission (Link)
  - ▶ Required in baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, soccer, softball and volleyball including cutline
  - ▶ Only exception is we receive letter signed by all school authorities that you don't have any type of team picture taken for any purpose
  - ▶ More Information Forthcoming

# Anniversary Teams

- ▶ Recognize 25 and 50 year anniversary teams at State Championships - Fall Schedule-Rest At Annual Meeting (Howard)

GF-B-1999-St. Xavier-25	XC-G-1999-Ludlow-25	FB-1999-Eminence-25
GF-G-1999-Glasgow-25	XC-G-1999-Warren East-25	FB-1999-Beechwood-25
GF-B-1974-Bowling Green-50	XC-G-1999-Daviess County-25	FB-1999-Boyle County-25
GF-G-1974-Ky. Country Day-50	XC-B-1974-West Hardin-50	FB-1999-Highlands-25
VB-1999-Assumption-25	XC-B-1974-Lloyd Memorial-50	FB-1999-St. Xavier-25
XC-B-1999-Bishop Brossart-25	XC-B-1974-St.Xavier-50	FB-1974-Murray-50
XC-B-1999-Warren East-25	SO-B-1999-Ballard-25	FB-1974-Owensboro-50
XC-B-1999-Saint Xavier-25	SO-G-1999-South Oldham-25	FB-1974-St. Xavier-50

# KHSAA Bylaws



[https://khsaa.org/common\\_documents/handbook/bylaws.pdf](https://khsaa.org/common_documents/handbook/bylaws.pdf)

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# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 1- Responsibility for Eligibility
  - ▶ Bylaw 1, first Bylaw, designates that the Principal is the primary person responsible for school, and can designate an individual to act in that role (normally Athletic Director)

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 3. Maximum Number Of Years, Cope
  - ▶ Four Years (eight semesters), starts with first entry into grade nine

# Long-Term Impact of Legislative Changes (SB128 Example)

School Year	Grade	Grade	Grade	Grade
2017-18	9			
2018-19	10	9		
2019-20	11	10	9	
2020-21	12	11	10	9
2021-22	12	11	10	9
2022-23		12	11	10
2023-24			12	11
2024-25				12

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 4. Enrollment Requirements, Cope
  - ▶ No one plays high school level while repeating in 7-12,
  - ▶ Below Grade 9 Playing Up Allowed except SO, FB
  - ▶ Must be A1 enrolled at your school full-time

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 5. Minimum Academic Requirement, Cope
  - ▶ Conversion between credit systems, Normal Progress
  - ▶ One-time reinstatement only permitted after being ineligible for one credit period
  - ▶ Local schools determine the requirements for reinstatement following the period of ineligibility
  - ▶ Proposal to allow for mid-credit period restoration will be on Annual Meeting agenda



# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 6. Transfer Rule- Citizens Of The U.S. And D.C. And Other Students Previously Enrolled In Member Schools, Bilberry
  - ▶ Last Date of Participation,
  - ▶ Willingness of Sending School to Stand up and Be Heard including evidence,
  - ▶ Forms Submission, Both Schools Will have all materials when decision is made (no secret determinations)
  - ▶ In Depth Review at October Advanced meeting

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 7. Transfer Rule – Foreign Exchange Students, Angolia –
  - ▶ Exchange and Foreign Students
  - ▶ Residing with coach or athletics staff is huge red flag

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 9 – Basketball/Football Contestant On Other Teams, Postseason And All-Star Games, Cope
  - ▶ No restrictions until October 15 for basketball
  - ▶ Does not supersede awards rule

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 10. Amateur/Awards and NIL, Cope
  - ▶ Limitations on awards, expanded to include NIL per statute
  - ▶ NIL NOT permitted wearing high school uniform or using school facilities
  - ▶ NIL NOT permitted before signing of NLI per state law (must be eligible to get collegiate NIL before can receive it and it not impact high school eligibility)
  - ▶ Prize money for playing in an event and winning IS NOT NIL, that is being paid to play which is not legal

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 11. Financial Aid, Bridenbaugh
  - ▶ Applies to public and non-public
  - ▶ Annual Reporting Requirements - Will send Sept 30, deadline Oct 15 this year.
  - ▶ More schools could be impacted with tuition changes flowing from HB563 / SB145 (2021)

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 12. Physical Examination, Parental Consent and Insurance, Angolia
  - ▶ Double check underlying coverage
  - ▶ Physical Form Changes

# CATASTROPHIC INSURANCE RED FLAGS

- ▶ Basic Provisions, Collins
  - ▶ 25,000 deductible, \$7.5M Maximum
  - ▶ Paid for through membership dues
  - ▶ Linkage with Bylaw 12 (up to \$25K)
  - ▶ Local Board Option as to Who Pays 0-\$25K

# CATASTROPHIC INSURANCE RED FLAGS

- ▶ What is covered by catastrophic insurance?
  - ▶ All sports and sport-activities for which the KHSAA sponsors a championship
    - ▶ Fall – Golf, Girls Volleyball, Field Hockey, Soccer, Cross Country and Football
    - ▶ Winter – Cheer, Dance, Bowling, Swimming, Wrestling, Basketball
    - ▶ Spring – Archery, Bass Fishing, Tennis, Track, Fast Pitch Softball, Baseball, Esports, Boys' Volleyball, Boys and Girls Lacrosse
- ▶ What is not covered?
  - ▶ Any activity contrary to the Constitution, Bylaws, Competition Rules or other adopted policies of the KHSAA
  - ▶ Any activity outside of the restrictions contained in Bylaw 23



# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 14. Other Eligibility Requirements and Regulations, Bridenbaugh and Collins
  - ▶ Graduates & College Students
  - ▶ Practice of Ineligible Students
  - ▶ Assumed Name
  - ▶ Chart in Case Situation

# DUE PROCESS RED FLAGS

- ▶ Hearing Attendance
- ▶ Opportunities (or Lack of) for New Evidence if Don't Attend
- ▶ Mandated Timelines
- ▶ Minimum period to allow for ruling (3 business days) with expected implementation in second semester of online transfer forms

# DUE PROCESS RED FLAGS

## BYLAWS AND CASE SITUATIONS

### Statutory Matters

No appeals possible, regulations required to match statute

# OTHER BYLAWS

## BYLAWS AND CASE SITUATIONS

### BOARD MATTERS

- ▶ First ruling by Commissioner's office
- ▶ Possible appeal to Board of Control
- ▶ Specified in Due Process Procedure (<https://ly.khsaa.org/tgnw>)

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 2. Age, Jackson
  - ▶ Statutory
    - ▶ Must meet all 3 requirements with documentation
      - ▶ Services, IEP
      - ▶ ARC Recommendation to repeat in primary school
      - ▶ Not completed 4 consecutive years

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 8. Enrollment / Transfer Of Non-Resident Student, Tackett
  - ▶ Formerly HB563, amended by SB145
  - ▶ Basic Decision Points
    - ▶ If never have been in grade 9 and played varsity, not impacted at all unless by local rule
    - ▶ If subject to Bylaw 6, must meet transfer rule exception for provision not to apply
    - ▶ If subject to Bylaw 6 and don't meet exception, one year all sports applies if out of district (per statute)
  - ▶ Ability to play non-varsity does not apply to HB563 due to statute

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 15. Requirement For Gender-Based Participation, Tackett
  - ▶ Special Emphasis on Rosters
  - ▶ SB83 – pay attention to litigation

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 16. Recruitment/Undue Influence, Tackett \*
- ▶ Burden of proof
- ▶ Requirements of Chapter 13B



# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 21 - Sportsmanship and Protests (Tackett/Cope)
  - ▶ No appeal of judgment
  - ▶ No protest of contests
  - ▶ Video Policy very limited
- ▶ Carryover between school years minimized, penalty will be financial for those ejections from last contest of year

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 22-Contests (Jackson)
  - ▶ Contracts
  - ▶ No rules deviation from NFHS for contests played in state
  - ▶ Allows member schools to play:
    - ▶ Schools in Kentucky that are members of the KHSAA;
    - ▶ Out of state schools as determined by the KHSAA member;
    - ▶ Out of state schools must comply with Kentucky rules for contests in state
    - ▶ Against home school students or groups of students (legislative change).  
Reminder: Home Schooled students cannot play FOR a KHSAA member, only against in regular season

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 22 - Contests (Jackson)
- ▶ NFHS Sanctioning Required for host school if:
  - ▶ Non-bordering states if five or more states involved
  - ▶ Non-bordering states if more than eight (8) teams involved
  - ▶ More than two (2) schools with a titled sponsor with tangible benefits provided
- ▶ Continued development with arbiter to streamline tournament entry, especially out of state tournaments

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 23 (Cope)
  - ▶ No organized interscholastic play on school facility (or competition against any outside opponent) during school year outside of limitation of seasons
  - ▶ Facility may only be used during these periods for sports specific play if a market value lease with the third party organization (with no affiliation with the school or any member of the athletics staff) and if no students or coaches from that school participate in any way
  - ▶ No play involving outside players if more than ½ of squad size involved

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 23 (Cope)
  - ▶ No “open gym” kids from non-feeder without permission, including summer
  - ▶ No activity may be held where teams are evaluated or chosen for future seasons

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 24, Dead Period (Tackett/Cope)
  - ▶ June 25 through July 9, including both of those days
  - ▶ Dead is dead, nothing sports specific involving coaches and players
  - ▶ Includes all sports and sports activities, high school coaches cannot be involved with high school kids
  - ▶ Minimal exceptions include postseason celebrations for teams in KHSAA spring state events
  - ▶ Coaches cannot be involved in sports specific activity at their schools regardless of age and arrangement

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 24
  - ▶ Direct coach to player communication (including paraprofessional) may not be made to students or families (including social media tags) related to school or participation
  - ▶ Institutional announcements from the official athletic account may be put out without tagging players (physicals, schedules, etc.)

# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 25 Coaches (Tackett/Cope)
  - ▶ Coaching Ed – Level 1 coach not continuously on faculty since 95-96
  - ▶ All Level 2 coaches
  - ▶ Grandfathering goes away when they retire from teaching or leave district
  - ▶ NOT A LOCAL DISTRICT OPTION, required by state law and regulation
  - ▶ Age minimum (21) is hard coded in state law for both middle and high school and cannot be waived



# RED FLAGS WITHIN SPECIFIC BYLAWS

- ▶ Bylaw 25
  - ▶ Required Entry of CPR Expiration Date
  - ▶ Required Coaching Education Completion Data
  - ▶ AD Requirements
    - ▶ 18 hours first three years
    - ▶ 12 hours after three years
- ▶ Open Records Challenges in managing Bylaw 25 (Collins)

# Sports and Championship Updates

## Fall Sports and Sport-Activities

- ▶ Golf
- ▶ Field Hockey
- ▶ Volleyball
- ▶ Soccer
- ▶ Cross Country
- ▶ Football
- ▶ Cheer and Dance
- ▶ Esports

# SOCCER PAIRINGS

SFR#- Soccer	2023- 2024	2024- 2025	2025- 2026	2026- 2027	2027- 2028	2028- 2029
1	1 @ 2	3 @ 1	1 @ 4	2 @ 1	1 @ 3	4 @ 1
2	3 @ 4	4 @ 2	2 @ 3	4 @ 3	2 @ 4	3 @ 2
3	5 @ 6	7 @ 5	5 @ 8	6 @ 5	5 @ 7	8 @ 5
4	7 @ 8	8 @ 6	6 @ 7	8 @ 7	6 @ 8	7 @ 6
5	9 @ 10	11 @ 9	9 @ 12	10 @ 9	9 @ 11	12 @ 9
6	11 @ 12	12 @ 10	10 @ 11	12 @ 11	10 @ 12	11 @ 10
7	13 @ 14	15 @ 13	13 @ 16	14 @ 13	13 @ 15	16 @ 13
8	15 @ 16	16 @ 14	14 @ 15	16 @ 15	14 @ 16	15 @ 14

**Draw for Second Round Pairings in four region pods (1-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-16)**

**Random draw for final games to be played at state site**

# VOLLEYBALL PAIRINGS

SFR#- VB	2023- 2024	2024- 2025	2025- 2026	2026- 2027	2027- 2028	2028- 2029
1	1 @ 2	3 @ 1	1 @ 4	2 @ 1	1 @ 3	4 @ 1
2	3 @ 4	4 @ 2	2 @ 3	4 @ 3	2 @ 4	3 @ 2
3	5 @ 6	7 @ 5	5 @ 8	6 @ 5	5 @ 7	8 @ 5
4	7 @ 8	8 @ 6	6 @ 7	8 @ 7	6 @ 8	7 @ 6
5	9 @ 10	11 @ 9	9 @ 12	10 @ 9	9 @ 11	12 @ 9
6	11 @ 12	12 @ 10	10 @ 11	12 @ 11	10 @ 12	11 @ 10
7	13 @ 14	15 @ 13	13 @ 16	14 @ 13	13 @ 15	16 @ 13
8	15 @ 16	16 @ 14	14 @ 15	16 @ 15	14 @ 16	15 @ 14

**Random Draw for Q-Finals, game times for ALL matches set after draw**

# Sports and Championship Updates

## WINTER AND SPRING

- ▶ Lacrosse (Boys and Girls), Boys Volleyball
- ▶ Esports season survey coming
- ▶ Important to enter on KHSAA360 (arbitersports) whether you will have a team or not

## Others at Annual Meeting

## Reference Calendars and Basketball

- ▶ With the extra week in March, be sure you are working with the commissioner and your local host schools on schedule adjustments

# Helpful Hints - Seasons



Corresponding Dates



<https://ly.khsaa.org/k4mw>

Reference Calendar



<https://ly.khsaa.org/zu5q>

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# Ongoing Efforts-Typical Business

- ▶ RPI and Statistics (Link/Cope/Tackett)
  - ▶ The fourth Monday of the season for initial stat leader reports
  - ▶ The fifth Monday of the season for initial RPI rankings
  - ▶ Huge push from member school coaches to enforce penalties for failure to report statistics
  - ▶ No change in RPI calculation for 2024-2025
  - ▶ A game that has not begun does not count even if fail to play unless forfeit is awarded by rule

# 2024-2025 ISSUES AND INFO

- ▶ Several Additional Surveys
  - ▶ Esports
  - ▶ Fall Facilities (Football, Soccer, Field Hockey)
  - ▶ 2024-2025 Triennial Survey (Girls' Flag Football, etc)
  - ▶ Basketball Shot Clock
  - ▶ Further Data Collection on Boys Volleyball and Lacrosse
- ▶ Proposals
  - ▶ Bylaw 5, 23
- ▶ Meetings
  - ▶ September 17, Annual Meeting
  - ▶ October 15 (Bowling Green), Advance Arbiter In Person Training
  - ▶ October 16 (Lexington), Advance Arbiter In Person Training
  - ▶ October 17 Advance AD Workshop

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# Sports Medicine Updates

## HB331 (22), HB169 (24) Changes (Tackett)

- ▶ Data System
- ▶ Heat Index to WBGT and Changes
- ▶ Smoke Guidance
- ▶ Lightning (site and sound, no use of devices)
- ▶ Concussion Awareness and Requirements
- ▶ NFHS position statements available which are adopted by KHSAA on such issues as in game fluids, nutritional supplements, etc.



<https://ly.khsaa.org/cxmg>

# COMPETITION REMINDERS

- ▶ Member Schools use GE54 for district seeding plans
- ▶ Seeding plans need to be re-submitted, all of them
  - ▶ ANY tie not contemplated by the plan (including coin tosses/draws) will be decided by RPI as of seeded game deadline
- ▶ Seeded game deadlines on calendar (Wednesday of last regular season week)

# COMPETITION REMINDERS (What happens when you host or play)

- ▶ Regional Event Information- Applying, Hosting, Differences between Events, Financial Reports, Site Selection Plans, Regional Instructions
- ▶ Member Schools use GE57 for district site selection plans
- ▶ Member Schools use GE58 for region site selections
- ▶ Shift away from applications to agreed site selection plans in individual sports and sport-activities
- ▶ Information is projected online for hosting 5 weeks before and manager information will be solicited
- ▶ Video Conference Call for Managers at least three weeks prior to event

# KHSAA MEMBER SERVICES

- ▶ Public Rosters
- ▶ AED Purchase Program
- ▶ Required NFHSLearn – Copyright Course, Diving, Pole Vault
- ▶ Automated Academic Awards and Triple Threat Recognition
- ▶ Other Automation Possible
- ▶ ArbiterPay (249 schools now using)
- ▶ State HYPE Conferences – Two in Lexington. Significant costs, must go where most students are served
- ▶ NSLS National Conference and Linkage Back

# KHSAA MEMBER SERVICES

- ▶ Student Recognition and Awards
  - ▶ Various Scholarship Programs
  - ▶ UK Awards Programs
  - ▶ Stout Scholarship and Other Awards
  - ▶ Midway Awards Program
  - ▶ Sparks Family Foundation, two \$2,000 scholarships for three-sport athletes with significant community service
- ▶ Sponsor Acknowledgement and Recognition

# OFFICIALS DIVISION

- ▶ Officials Division, Recruiting and Retention
  - ▶ Recruiting of young officials down
  - ▶ Trouble spots include Soccer and Wrestling
- ▶ Assigning Secretaries and 9-12 Authority
- ▶ Policy Boards and 9-12 Authority
- ▶ Highly Recommend Policy Board be composed of ALL schools
- ▶ Varsity Pay Scale set by Board, reviewed every four years
- ▶ Non-Varsity Pay Scale revisions for postseason to be considered year after Board reviews varsity (ONLY)

# OFFICIALS DIVISION

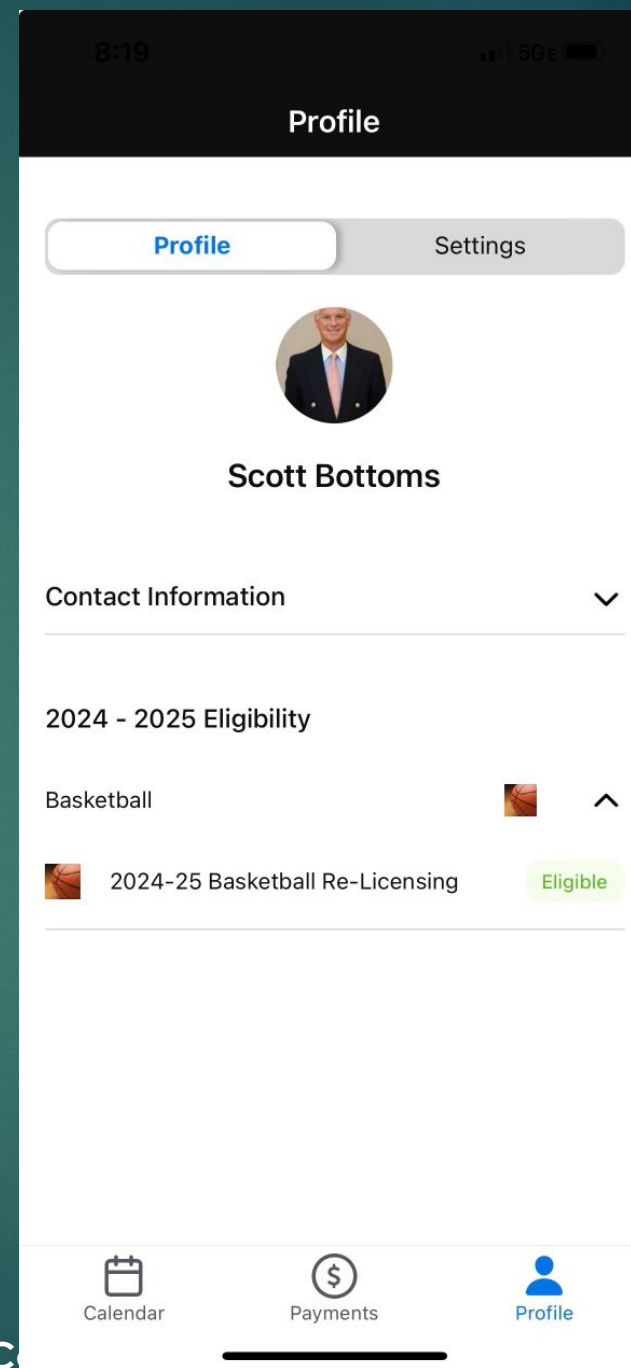
- ▶ ArbiterPay. Fee is charged by arbiter to cover credit card and payment charges, operation is turnkey for schools in that no checks are written, substitutes are easily paid, click of a button following game and officials are paid.
- ▶ Typical Arbiterpay fee example, \$55 cost for entire football season, paying five officials for five home games at just over \$2.00 transaction fee. Compare to collecting tax forms, security of information concerns, checks being written and timely processed, etc.
- ▶ Junior High/Middle School officials must be licensed by KHSAA
- ▶ Evaluation module within Arbiter to be only evaluation system
- ▶ Assigners pay method determined by region, but must be through Arbiterpay or through KHSAA to ensure tax law compliance

# OFFICIALS DIVISION

No longer a printed version of the i.d. card

Bottom of card on app shows current eligibilities

Local discretion as to acceptance



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# Game Administration

- ▶ Importance of Game Administrator on Site
- ▶ Handle Sportsmanship - Once contest begins school administrators are responsible for unruly spectators
- ▶ Coaches/Administrators & Sportsmanship
- ▶ EAP
- ▶ Officials - Must be collaborative, working relationship between contest officials and game administration to promote good sportsmanship and safely conduct the contest.
- ▶ Evaluate location of fans (Endzone/Track/Behind opposing team)

# FAN BEHAVIOR

- ▶ Officials should not directly eject fans, however, officials have every right to halt a contest until school administrators remove an unruly or unsportsmanlike fan.
- ▶ In that case, officials should penalize as necessary within the rules, find the previously identified game administration and direct the removal, and if such does not occur, the game can be terminated within the rules and the KHSAA notified through the use of an online incident report.
- ▶ Revised Policy requires schools to not allow fans to attend game following ejection, totally administered by local schools however schools will be required to submit a report if incidents occur.

# FAN BEHAVIOR

- ▶ Everyone in this great country has freedom of speech, but not consequences from what you say, particular in a “privilege” environment. Simply paying for a ticket doesn’t give you unfettered and unrestricted ability
- ▶ Spectators and fans, officials do not engage. When officials do, they make them an equal. Fans are not peers.

# ASSISTANT / NON VARSITY COACH BEHAVIOR

- ▶ Targeted emphasis on conduct in non-varsity games by coaches, and assistant coaches in varsity contests
- ▶ Officials instructed to rigidly enforce conduct restrictions on these individuals
- ▶ Officials should have the wisdom to have a certain amount of leniency for the head coach in varsity contests, but deal with them professionally
- ▶ This sideline conduct is number one reason for loss of officials.
- ▶ Not coach's job to "see what they can take". Officials are learning, just like coaches and players

# TITLE IX EDUCATION PROGRAM

- ▶ Annual Reports (archived on website)
- ▶ 2023-24 was a required survey year
- ▶ Site Visit Program, List is online
- ▶ Historical data on web site
- ▶ Resources Available by Contacting Office
- ▶ Two Title IX Seminars planned

# UNIFIED AND ADAPTED SPORTS OPPORTUNITIES

- ▶ Geared at education-based inclusion
- ▶ Exhibition special events at State Bowling and Track & Field competitions
- ▶ No current plans for statewide expansion
- ▶ Purposes include year-round integration with students
- ▶ Adapted opportunities are available specifically in these two sports, contact staff for information

# Other Partner Programs

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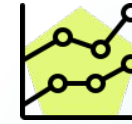
# Benefits of Digital Ticketing



**SAVE TIME  
MANAGING  
EVENTS**



**ELIMINATE  
REVENUE  
LEAKAGE**



**ENHANCE  
FINANCIAL  
TRANSPARENCY**



**IMPROVE  
SAFETY &  
SECURITY**



**REDUCE  
EVENT  
STAFFING**



**BETTER FAN  
EXPERIENCE**

# Conclusion

- ▶ Two things people in sports do not like, The way things are and change. However, we have to evolve to survive
- ▶ The staff works diligently to carry out the objectives of the schools and Board, but likely get far too much credit and too much blame
- ▶ EILA Certificates will be emailed following conclusion of meeting
- ▶ QUESTIONS?