

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO BECOME A KSHSAA REGISTERED OFFICIAL

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PLEASE SEND ME INFORMATION FOR THE FOLLOWING SPORTS:

- GYMNASTICS
- VOLLEYBALL
- FOOTBALL

- SOCCER
- BASKETBALL
- WRESTLING

- BASEBALL
- SOFTBALL
- TRACK & FIELD

CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE AND MAIL TO KSHSAA, PO BOX 495, TOPEKA, KS 66601-0495



**Get Back In The Game
Become An Official!**

for all sports
and at all levels
of competition.

by Kansas schools.....

*You Are
Needed!*



**TAKE TIME TO
BECOME AN OFFICIAL**
(Becoming a KSHSAA Official)



Baseball

Basketball

Cross Country

Football

Gymnastics

Soccer

Softball

Track & Field

Volleyball

Wrestling



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www.khsaa.org



Get Back in the Game

Participation in high school athletics does not have to end with graduation. There are numerous opportunities to continue involvement in one of the 15 sports sponsored by the KSHSAA. One of the best ways to maintain interest and participation is by becoming a registered official.

Every school activity needs competent and qualified officials. The KSHSAA actively recruits new female and male officials, and this includes you!

The need is great! The time is now for you to join a network of educators from which students learn about treating people with dignity and respect, and about being part of activities that enhance and encourage healthy life-styles.

As a KSHSAA official, you can make the values of fair play and honorable competition part of the action for students playing the game. You have the opportunity to teach good sportsmanship, fairness and equality – how to play by the rules.

We welcome your questions and encourage you to contact the KSHSAA, an athletic director, coach or official who can provide guidance and direction to keep you in the game.

Make the Right Call

Registration is very easy and can be done online or by sending a registration card to the KSHSAA. The registration fee is \$47 for the first sport and \$25 for each additional sport. The fee includes: NFOA insurance, rule books, casebooks, official manuals, and many publications from the KSHSAA. It also provides access to a lot of information on the KSHSAA website. Registration is good for one school year and officials should re-register by June 1st.

Become an Official

To learn more about how to take time to become an official, call the KSHSAA at (785) 273-5329 or visit www.kshsaa.org and go to the officials tab to complete the application form online. Once registered, officials are required to attend a KSHSAA sponsored rule meeting either online or face to face prior to each sport season and complete the rules test prior to the deadline.

What are the Benefits?

Officiating gives you an opportunity to meet and work with students and others who share your interest in sports. You will be able to stay involved in your favorite sports, maintain physical fitness and develop long lasting friendships. Officiating also gives you a chance to earn some extra money and to build personal networks. There is no age requirement, just a desire to help in the educational development of young people.

How to Get Games

Contact athletic directors and league commissioners for games. As a KSHSAA official, your name will be listed in the *Officials Directory* and on the KSHSAA website - www.kshsaa.org. Be patient. Officials work many years to advance to the varsity level. Establish your ability and credibility by working sub-varsity and junior high contests. Officiating fees are based on the level of competition, the number of games officiated and the travel distance.

Questions?? 785-273-5329

Tips for Success

- Read and study your rules book, case book and officials manual.
- Maintain peak physical and mental condition for the demands of your sport. A physical examination should be a priority.
- Attend area supervisor meetings and any clinics available in your sport.
- Attend contests officiated by others and observe mechanics and application of rules.
- Honor all contracts. Write down each date to avoid accepting two contracts for the same date. Return contracts promptly.
- Purchase the appropriate uniform and contest equipment and keep in good condition.
- Return telephone calls and written correspondence promptly. Keep copies of all correspondence for your files.
- Report all incidents to the KSHSAA office promptly and provide all written reports as requested.
- Remember the contest you are working is the most important contest in the eyes of the athletes, coaches, and fans. It must also be your priority.

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