

2009 VOLLEYBALL NEWSLETTER

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STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The 2009 KSHSAA State Volleyball Tournaments are history! There are 6 new state champion teams. Results will be located soon on the volleyball page of the KSHSAA website. The Championship schools are: 6A-Topeka-Washburn Rural; 5A-Shawnee Mission-Miege; 4A-Lenexa-St. James Academy; 3A-Wichita-Collegiate; 2A-Moundridge; 1A-Frankfort. NOTE: Class 6A, 5A & 4A are repeat champions. Congratulations to all!

SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS AVAILABLE NOVEMBER 2

Volleyball officials are reminded that you may access the school recommendations/votes you received for the 2009 season on November 2. Please go to the KSHSAA website and login as an official, going to your own personal page. Votes will be made available for 30 days.

MATCH CONTRACTS FOR THE 2009 SEASON

Soon, League Commissioners and/or School Athletic Directors will be extending contracts for matches and tournaments for the 2010 volleyball season. **ALL CONTRACTS SHOULD BE MADE IN WRITING AND CLEARLY IDENTIFY THE DETAILS OF THE CONTEST** - Date, Location, Starting Time, Level of Play (i.e., HS, Jr. High, Varsity, Jr. Varsity, etc.), Number of Matches, Salary per Match, Mileage Reimbursement (optional in some leagues/schools), etc.

●Officials, you are responsible & encouraged to contact league commissioners and/or school Athletic Directors regarding your availability & interest in working matches.

OFF-SEASON PREPARATION

Preparation in athletic officiating is never ending. Preparation cannot be limited to the period during which matches are played. The season is too short and the matches too few to achieve the necessary proficiency. The officials approach (attitude) to officiating will, in large measure, determine the degree and extent of preparation.

OFFICIALS OFF-SEASON PREPARATION SHOULD INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:

- ▶ Maintain a physical conditioning program
- ▶ Replace/repair officiating gear (uniform, equipment)
- ▶ Attend camps/clinics; Stay abreast of the latest offensive/defensive systems
- ▶ Review procedures, become reacquainted with the academics of officiating
- ▶ Take time for philosophical reflection

There are no shortcuts to becoming a competent and complete official. Preparation is a result of unremitting thought, study, review and labor.



REGISTER FOR THE 2010-11 SEASON

In the spring of 2010 (**usually around April 1st**) the KSHSAA will mail registration materials to all 2009-10 registered officials. These materials allow officials to register for the 2010-11 school year. Officials who were registered during the 2009-10 school year and who register for the following school year will have until June 1 to register at the current rate of \$45 for 1 sport and \$25 for each additional sport. After June 1, experienced officials (those registered during the 2009-10 season) will pay a \$65 fee for 1 sport and \$25 for each additional sport.



UPDATE ADDRESS/PERSONAL INFO CHANGES

Officials are reminded that if you have a change of address or change in your name, phone number, email address, etc. you are responsible to go to your personal page on the KSHSAA website and make the appropriate change. Remember –the KSHSAA cannot contact you if you don't let us know of any personal changes.

WANTED: OFFICIALS FOR 2009-10

This season there were 889 KSHSAA registered volleyball officials. While that number may seem rather large, if you consider how many volleyball matches take place across the state on any given night or week-end, there continues to be an ongoing need to recruit new officials to fill the needs of the member schools. During the off-season, all officials are encouraged to promote among friends, former coaches and players, etc. the opportunity to register as an official in the 2010 season. **PLEASE REFER INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS TO THE OFFICIALS BROCHURE on the KSHSAA website (www.kshsaa.org/officials/brochure).**



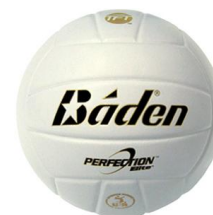
IDEAS FOR RULE CHANGES WELCOME

The KSHSAA has submitted the names and email addresses of 11 volleyball coaches & 11 officials to represent our state in the NFHS Volleyball Questionnaire. Your cooperation in responding to this survey as requested is appreciated. Remember – as a coach you are representing over 355 high school coaches and as an official you represent the 889 registered volleyball officials.

Officials & coaches who do not receive a questionnaire but would like to suggest a rule change are encouraged to contact Cheryl Gleason @ the KSHSAA (785/273-5329); cegleason@kshsaa.org. Recommendations for NFHS playing rules are needed by 11/15. Recommendations for the KSHSAA volleyball program are always welcome.

GAME BALL FOR 2010-2011 SEASON

At their September Board Meeting, the KSHSAA Executive Board voted to require the use of an all-white volleyball for regular season and post-season competition for the 2010 season. On January 1, 2010 the KSHSAA will begin a new 3 year contract identifying the Baden VX5E PERFECTION as the official post-season volleyball.



THANKS FOR SERVING KSHSAA SCHOOLS

On behalf of the KSHSAA membership, thanks for serving as a KSHSAA registered volleyball official. School activities are an exciting part of the school year. Athletic officials play a valuable role in providing a consistent interpretation of the rules and ensuring that the activity is played in an educational environment.

We look forward to your service in the 2010 season!

BEST WISHES FOR A HEALTHY YEAR!