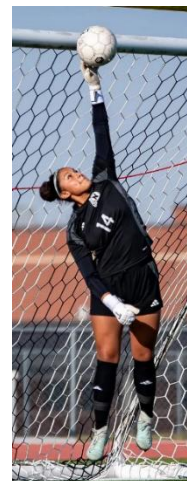


# SOCCER ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 13, 2025



## 2025 GIRLS SOCCER POSTSEASON

- Regional assignments, postseason brackets, state site information, and current team standings may all be accessed via links located under *GIRLS* on the right side of the [KSHSAA SOCCER HOMEPAGE](#).
- There are no postseason play-in games. The top 16 teams are seeded in the East and West for all three classifications (6A, 5A, & 4-1A). Postseason brackets will be posted May 17.
- Higher seeds host regional & state quarterfinal/semifinal contests and are the home teams for uniform purposes.
- Ticket Prices for Regional Contests: Adults = \$8.00 and Students K-12 = \$6.00
- Ticket Prices for State Contests: Adults = \$10.00 and Students K-12 = \$10.00
- The [KSHSAA SOCCER MANUAL](#) provides more postseason info including Seeding Criteria & Overtime Procedures.



### POSTSEASON SCHEDULE

May 19-24 = Regionals (1<sup>st</sup> Round = May 19/20 & Finals = May 22)

May 26 (Monday) = State Quarterfinals

May 28 (Wednesday) = State Semifinals

May 31 (Saturday) = State Consolation & Championship Finals

10:00 a.m. 4-1A Consolation Final

**10:30 a.m. 4-1A Championship Final**

1:00 p.m. 5A Consolation Final

**1:30 p.m. 5A Championship Final**

4:00 p.m. 6A Consolation Final

**4:30 p.m. 6A Championship Final**

May 31 will be a *SUPER SOCCER SATURDAY* in which a \$10 admission fee will allow spectators access to all six state final contests being played on two fields at the Wichita-SCHEELS Stryker Sports Complex!

## OFFICIAL BALL FOR KSHSAA POSTSEASON SOCCER

The KSHSAA is proud to partner with SELECT and have the SELECT Royale as the official postseason ball for KSHSAA soccer. Balls will be provided by the KSHSAA to host schools/sites for each postseason contest. For special school rates and discounts for SELECT items and a list of SELECT dealers in Kansas, click [HERE](#).



## SUSPENSION OF POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT GAMES – NFHS RULE 7-1-3

In the event a game must be suspended because of conditions which make it impossible to continue play, the head referee shall declare it an official game if one complete half or more of the game has been played. If less than one-half of the game has been played (according to KSHSAA adoption), the game will be restarted from the point of suspension when conditions allow. A winner must be determined in postseason competition, so all efforts to complete a game will be conducted. Full, complete games are desired in postseason competition.

The KSHSAA does have a **GOAL DIFFERENTIAL POLICY** whereby at the end of the first half, if one team has gained an **8-goal difference** or if it achieves such a differential during the second half, the game shall be terminated.

**LIGHTNING SAFETY – [KSHSAA Lightning Guidelines](#)**

## TEAM ROSTERS (NFHS RULE 3-1-3) – REQUIRED AT ALL CONTESTS

Each team shall submit a team roster, containing the first and last names and numbers of all players, and substitutes, all bench personnel and all coaches, to the officials at least five minutes prior to the start of any contest (varsity or non-varsity). **The game shall not begin until this is complete.** Players, substitutes, numbers, bench personnel and coaches may be added to the roster after the start of play. Goalkeepers may have two numbers listed on the roster, a goalkeeper's number and a field player's number. It is vital for rosters to be accurate for stats and issued card reporting.

## OFFICIAL SCOREBOOK & BALL HOLDERS (NFHS RULE 6) – REQUIRED AT ALL CONTESTS

It is REQUIRED that all schools provide a scorer's table, official soccer scorebook and at least two ball holders at all interscholastic soccer contests. This requirement includes all varsity and non-varsity contests.

**6-3-2** The **SCORER** shall verify that each team's complete roster is submitted at least five minutes prior to the kickoff, record all scores, record the number and reasons for all cautions (yellow cards) and ejections (red cards), and obtain the referee's verification of the score.

**6-2-3** The **TIMER** shall start or stop the timing device as per Rule 7-4 (injury, penalty kick, caution, ejection, scored goal, when ref orders the clock to be stopped), signal to the official/s when substitutions are to be made, countdown verbally the last 10 seconds of each period of play to the nearest official, be aware of the position of the ball when it becomes dead, signal when time for a period has expired, signal the last two minutes of any period when applicable, and signal the last two minutes before the end of the interval between the periods.

## OFFICIAL & TEAM AREAS (NFHS RULE 1-5)

There shall be **marked areas** for each team's bench, separated by an official area for entering substitutes, scorer's table and timers. These **marked areas** shall be at least 10 feet from the touchline. **The state association shall be notified if team areas are not marked.** The official area shall extend 5 yards on each side of the halfway line. The team areas shall extend from 10 yards on each side of the halfway line for a distance of 20 yards, and each area shall be marked by a solid line. *Coaches, bench personnel and team members shall be restricted to the team area.* **THESE AREAS MAY BE MARKED TEMPORARILY WITH CONES OR WASHABLE CHALK/PAINT.**

*When teams are placed on the opposite sides of the field, each team area shall be marked as stated in Rule 1-5 and shall be placed **diagonally** across from each other.*

**Is your soccer field marked correctly?** Here's a link to the NFHS Soccer Field Diagram:

<https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/Soccer/PDF/NFHS-SoccerFieldDiagram.pdf>

## NFHS SOCCER RULE 4-3-2 (NO JEWELRY)

Jewelry shall not be worn except for religious or medical medals.

- a. A religious medal or other religious items must be taped to the body and worn under the uniform.
- b. A medical alert must be taped and may be visible.

## SUMMER MORATORIUM = JUNE 30 - JULY 6, 2025

There shall be NO school related athletic activities. During this time coaches (licensed teacher coaches and coach aides employed by member schools) shall be prohibited from engaging in any type of activity involving student athletes whether it be practice, training, weightlifting, conditioning, competition or travel. All member school athletic facilities will be closed during this period to school personnel and students grades 7-12. If member school athletic facilities also serve as non-school community recreation facilities, these facilities may remain open during the moratorium so long as no school teams are playing, and no school coaches are coaching the teams/individuals. During this one-week dead period, students may attend camps or competitions but may not do so with their school coaches. Click [HERE](#) for more info and interpretations.

## SUMMER GUIDELINES FOR COACHES

**KSHSAA Rule 10-1-8:** Beginning Sunday of SCW #5 (August 3) through and including Sunday of SCW #7 (August 17) only voluntary weight training and conditioning is permitted for all school athletic teams. No school team practices shall be permitted until Monday of SCW #7 (August 18).

The purpose for two weeks with no coach contact for sports specific instruction is to allow families (coaches and athletes) to have time for vacations and to have some free time prior to the start of the season. Weight training and conditioning are permitted to continue, on a voluntary basis, so students retain their physical conditioning.

Coaches in volleyball, football, boys soccer, girls tennis, girls golf, cross country, and gymnastics may not have team gatherings (ex: soccer kick arounds, tennis hitting, etc.) where these sports are being played. Coaches can only have contact with their potential players for voluntary weight training and conditioning. No balls should be present, or school sport specific equipment may be used during the time between August 3 and August 17.

## KSHSAA COACHING SCHOOL & SUMMER SOCCER SYMPOSIUM

The KSHSAA Coaching School is back in Salina August 4-5. There will be an in-person KSHSAA Soccer Rules Meeting offered there at 4:00 on August 4; however, there will not be any soccer specific learning sessions. Soccer coaches and officials, mark your calendars though for **July 26** and plan to attend the first ever **Summer Soccer Symposium** at Olathe Northwest High School. More details to come. There will be a KSHSAA Rules Meeting at the symposium.

## GUIDANCE FOR COACHES & ATHLETES

If you ever have questions about what coaches and athletes can or cannot do during the school year (outside the season of sport or during the season of sport) or during the summer, please click [HERE](#).

## RED CARD DATA FOR GIRLS SOCCER

| <u>YEAR</u> | <u>PLAYERS / COACHES / FANS</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 2022        | 22 / 1                          |
| 2023        | 25 / 4                          |
| 2024        | 33 / 4 / 10                     |
| 2025        | 31 / 1 / 3 (as of 5-12-25)      |

### 24 Red Cards this season have been direct Red Cards:

10 = exhibiting violent conduct

4 = using insulting, offensive or abusive language or gesture

8 = denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity

1 = Taunting

1 = Serious Foul Play-Disproportionate/Unnecessary Force

## SPORTSMANSHIP

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**Teach, role model, prioritize, and expect good sportsmanship!**

## ARTIFICIAL NOISEMAKERS – KSHSAA Soccer Manual Page 22

Artificial noisemakers (including megaphones, cow bells, thunder sticks, air horns, sirens, etc.) are not to be used and bands are not to play (including the beating of drums) while the game is in progress, indoors or outdoors.

They may be played or used during pregame introductions, halftime, after scored goals and after the conclusion of a contest. If the host school administration questions the safety or appropriateness of any noisemaker it shall not be permitted. By policy of the KSHSAA Executive Board, use of fireworks, cannons, air concussion cannons, hand-held explosives and other devices is not permitted at any KSHSAA postseason athletic event. Member schools have the authority to determine if they permit such devices at their regular season events.

## NFHS SOCCER RULES CHANGES FOR 2025-26 (NEXT SCHOOL YEAR)

The NFHS Soccer Rules Committee announced this spring rules changes for next school year. To read more about the rules changes, visit the NFHS Website at <https://www.nfhs.org/activities-sports/soccer/>.