# SOCCER ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 9, 2023



#### 2023 BOYS SOCCER POSTSEASON

- Regional assignments, postseason brackets, state site information, and current "Boys Standings" may all be accessed via links located under "BOYS STATE" on the right side of the KSHSAA SOCCER HOMEPAGE.
- Higher seeded teams will host throughout regionals and state quarterfinals and will be the home teams for uniform purposes.
- Squad Lists/Rosters are completed online by each participating school (SC-3 = Regional Contests & SC-4 = Quarterfinal Contests) and shared/emailed to host schools/sites prior to any contest.
- <u>Ticket Prices for Regional Contests</u>:
  - Adults = \$8.00 and Students K-12 = \$6.00
- <u>Ticket Prices for Quarterfinal Contests</u>:
  Adults = \$10.00 and Students K-12 = \$10.00



# POSTSEASON SCHEDULE

October 23-24 (Monday-Tuesday) – Regional First Round Contests

October 26 (Thursday) - Regional Finals

October 31 (Tuesday) - Quarterfinals

November 3 (Friday) – Semifinals (4:00 & 6:30 p.m.)

November 4 (Saturday) – Finals (12:00 = Consolation & 3:00 = Championship)

#### REPORTING GAME SCORES

Please remember to report scores after each game during the season. Be certain to remove any games from your schedule that will not be played or revise game info (dates, opponents, etc.) that changes throughout the season. All regular season game scores must be reported by **Friday, October 20**. There is a box for schools to check off once their regular season is completed (all games have been played).

# OFFICIALS – POSTSEASON APPLICATION

To be eligible for postseason, an official must have completed an online rules meeting and scored a 90% or higher on the NFHS rules exam. All officials meeting these two criteria are encouraged to complete a postseason application. **Applications are due October 18.** The online application is accessible at the official's page on the KSHSAA website. Officials can enter their schedule and save and add dates to it through Oct. 18.

# SCHOOLS – POSTSEASON OFFICIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Schools, please submit recommendations for officials online **October 11-18** for the KSHSAA Boys Soccer State Championships. To submit recommendations, login to the KSHSAA Website with your administrator password. In the Entry Forms section click on October. To submit Boys Soccer Officials, select the **SC-1 Form** and select between 5-10 officials. Only schools participating in soccer should submit recommendations. Please select officials you have observed over the past two years that you feel should be considered for a postseason assignment. Only officials who have met all the requirements and are eligible for a postseason assignment will be available for you to choose from. For Cooperative Teams, only one school should submit the recommendations (the school who provides the coach who took the online rules meeting and exam). There is a **\$50 penalty fee** for schools not submitting postseason soccer official recommendations.

#### **RED CARD DATA FOR BOYS SOCCER**

<u>YEAR</u>	PLAYERS / COACHES	SPORTSMANSHIP
2018	98 / 10	#StartsWithMe
2019	111 / 7	21011 12 7 7 11 11
2020	81 / 5	
2021	110 / 6	
2022	97 / 14	
2023	113 / 1 (as of 10-9-23)	

The better all involved know the rules, follow the rules, and enforce the rules, the fewer cards issued and improved, higher-quality play occurs. Red cards for violent conduct, taunting, and insulting-offensive-abusive language/gesture (profanity) should be minimal. Sportsmanship, proper behavior, and language can be expected and carried out by all participants. Coaches, team captains, upperclassmen can set the tone and hold themselves and everyone else on their teams accountable. Officials can set the tone at the beginning of contests during the pregame meetings with coaches and captains by establishing their expectations for behavior, language, and play and issuing cards when appropriate early in games. Clearly setting expectations and following them creates a positive playing environment. Also, addressing unsporting conduct including reckless play, profane language, and dissent when it occurs early in contests can be proactive and preventative for rougher play, harsher language/dissent, and potential injuries later in contests.

# 64 red cards this season have been direct red cards:

23 = exhibiting violent conduct

29 = serious foul play

12 = using insulting, offensive or abusive language or gesture

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

Cards can be issued after the conclusion of a contest if warranted while officials are leaving the field of play and its immediate surroundings.

NFHS/KSHSAA Soccer Contests are education-based. For teaching and learning purposes, communication between the officials and the head coaches is imperative. Explanation, not debate or argument, of carded situations should take place.

Taunting/excessive celebrating in front of/near an opponent's team area should not be allowed and should be addressed immediately with appropriate disqualifications/cautions.

# NFHS RULE 3-1-3 – TEAM ROSTERS

"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 the contest. 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." This rule applies to all levels of KSHSAA soccer play (Varsity, Sub-Varsity, Middle School). It is vital for rosters to be accurate.

# NFHS RULE 6-2-3a — CLOCK START & STOPPAGE

In NFHS/KSHSAA soccer contests, the clock should stop after every goal scored. Thus, there should be no reason for any player/s to rush the goal and attempt to retrieve the ball.