

Week #11 – October 23, 2023

Sub-State Volleyball

This past weekend, we had 56 host sites conducting sub-state volleyball across the state. We could not have a postseason without the assistance of these host site managers and those who worked at these events. The officials are to be commended for making the sport of volleyball be the focus at each tournament. Thank you to our host sites, seeding managers, and officials!

Congratulations to Sub-State Winners

There are 56 schools that advanced to the state volleyball tournaments to be held this weekend, October 27-28, 2023. Congratulations to each school team, the coaches, and their fans for making it to the last weekend of the volleyball season. All sub-state winners should have received an email from Sarah Smith with information about the state tournament. Please let us know if you did not receive that information. Please take the time to review all the materials so that you are best prepared for the state tournament. As a reminder, once tournament play starts on Friday, only those 12 players may be on your roster throughout the tournament. Good luck to all!

State Tournaments

It is difficult to believe we have reached the last week of the season! 56 schools across the state now have their sights on a state title. State pairings were posted Sunday morning (10/22/23). As a reminder, this is an odd-numbered year, therefore, the odd-numbered classes at multiple tournament sites (5A, 3A, 1A DI) will start state competition first on Friday morning at 8:30 a.m. (10:00 a.m. for 1A DII), followed by the schools in the even-numbered classes (6A, 4A, 2A), beginning action no earlier than 3:30 p.m. Friday afternoon. Saturday competition begins at 9:00 a.m. (5A, 3A, 1A, DI 1A DII). Classes 6A, 4A, and 2A will begin Saturday semi-final matches at 1:00 p.m.

Please share state site information (and ticketing information) with your athletes, parents, and fan base. State site information may be found (along with state seedings and pool play information) using the link below.

STATE SITE INFORMATION: [KSHSAA State Volleyball](#)

Congratulations to the State Tournament Officials

Congratulations to the 42 officials who have been identified to officiate at one of seven (7) KSHSAA state volleyball tournaments. Each state tournament will have six officials working pool play on Friday, October 27, 2023. Four officials will return to officiate the semi-finals, consolation, and championship matches on Saturday, October 28, 2023.

State Tournaments – High Expectations for All!

The state tournament is a time when expectations are high for all teams, schools, and officials, to perform at their best level. Hopefully, officials and coaches have enforced the NFHS and KSHSAA rules and policies of the game throughout the season. Please set your expectations for and enforce the correct procedure for:

Court Protocol (start of match, end of set, split sets, and end of match)
Prolonged Huddles
Appropriate Behavior and Sportsmanship by All
Bench Decorum
Libero Situations and Correct Placement
Substitutions
Head Coach Standing and Where Allowed; Assistant Coach Standing and Where/When Allowed

REMINDER: The home team will choose their bench at state sites and teams WILL NOT SWITCH benches after sets. Teams will remain at their bench throughout the match.

REMINDER: State teams will need to bring their own warm-up balls to the state tournament!

Required Postseason Warm-Up

The required warm-up for all KSHSAA postseason tournaments will be:

20 Minutes

4 minutes shared court time for ball handling
4 minutes for visiting team to use the court (no home team skill work)
4 minutes for home team to use the court (no visiting team skill work)
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10 Minutes

2 minutes for shared ball handling
4 minutes for visiting team use of court (no home team skill work)
4 minutes for home team use of court (no visiting team skill work)

Unsporting Conduct

Unsporting conduct includes actions which are unbecoming to an ethical, fair, and honorable individual. It consists of acts of deceit, disrespect, or vulgarity and includes taunting. No player, coach, or fan shall act in an unsporting manner while on or near the court before, during, or between sets. (12-1; 12-2-1). Remember, any celebration by a team after a “good play” must be directed toward teammates and not the opponent.

#1 Team = Tournament Managers, Officials, School Administrators

There will be 7 State Championship teams crowned on October 28, 2023. The success of the state volleyball tournaments will be a product of many groups of individuals. Tournament managers take care of all managerial details involved with the tournament; officials oversee the actual match on the court; and school administrators are a key link in crowd control and team assistance. Good luck to all teams on being #1!

Useful Websites

KSHSAA Volleyball Website: [Volleyball \(kshsaa.org\)](http://Volleyball(kshsaa.org))
KSHSAA Volleyball Manual: [Volleyball.pdf \(kshsaa.org\)](http://Volleyball.pdf(kshsaa.org))
NFHS Volleyball Website: [Volleyball \(nfhs.org\)](http://Volleyball(nfhs.org))
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