

SOCCER ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 17, 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](#).
- **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 Saturday, October 21.
- Higher seeds host regional and state quarterfinal contests and are 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.
- Ticket Prices for Regional Contests: Adults = \$8.00 and Students K-12 = \$6.00
- Ticket Prices for State Contests (Quarterfinals, Semifinals, & Finals): 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).

NFHS RULE 10-2 – FORFEITS

“The score of a forfeited game shall be 1-0 if the game is not started, the score is tied, or the offending team is ahead at that time. If the offending team is behind at the time of forfeit, the score at that time is the final score.”

RED CARD DATA FOR BOYS SOCCER

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PLAYERS / COACHES</u>
2018	98 / 10
2019	111 / 7
2020	81 / 5
2021	110 / 6
2022	97 / 14
2023	128 / 4 (as of 10-16-23)

76 red cards this season have been direct red cards:

27 = exhibiting violent conduct

32 = serious foul play

17 = using insulting, offensive or abusive language or gesture

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

SPORTSMANSHIP

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SOCCKER POSTSEASON SEEDING CRITERIA

Seeding Criteria

Seedings and pairings will be determined at this meeting based upon the win-loss-tie points and percentages of each participating team (see below). **Teams must play 10 games or seeding percentage will be halved.**

All game contracts/commitments between KSHSAA member schools in soccer, either written or otherwise, shall be honored.

Use the following to determine the points for each team when seeding the bracket:

2 points for a win

1 point for a tie

0 points for a loss

NOTE: Games must be against varsity competition to count for purposes of seeding percentage. After determining the total points earned, divide that number by the maximum points possible of **games actually played** times 2 (carry to the third decimal point) to figure the percentage.

If two teams have an identical percentage, the tie will be broken as follows:

- a. If the teams played each other, the one defeating the other a larger number of times will receive the higher seed. If after they have played each other and each has defeated the other team under consideration an identical number of times, the team with the most wins will receive the higher seed.
- b. If the teams did not play each other, the team with the most wins will receive the higher seed.
- c. If the tie still remains, the team with the fewest goals allowed during the regular season will receive the higher seed.
- d. If the tie still remains, then a coin will be tossed to determine the team receiving the higher seed.

If three teams are tied with an identical percentage, the tie will be broken as follows:

- a. If one team won over all the other tied teams or has a winning record over all the other tied teams, it shall receive the higher seed. The two remaining tied teams will revert to the procedure used for two tied teams.
- b. If one team has lost to each of the other teams, that team shall be dropped from the tiebreaking procedure. The two remaining teams will revert to the procedure used for two tied teams.
- c. If the above procedure did not break the tie, the teams with the most wins shall receive the higher seeds.
- d. If the tie still remains, the teams with the fewest goals allowed during the regular season will receive the higher seeds.
- e. If the tie still remains, a drawing by lot will determine the teams receiving the higher seeds.

If four teams are tied with an identical percentage, the tie will be broken as follows:

- a. If one team won over all the other tied teams, or has a winning record over all tied teams, it shall receive the higher seed. The three remaining tied teams will revert to the procedure used for three tied teams.
- b. If the above procedure did not break the tie, the teams with the most wins will receive the higher seeds.
- c. If the tie still remains, the teams with the fewest goals allowed during the regular season will receive the higher seeds.
- d. If the tie still remains, a drawing by lot will determine the teams receiving the higher seeds.

The principal or his/her designee should attend the seeding meeting so that tickets and plaques may be distributed to regional tournament host schools. Be sure to supply the seeding meeting host with an up-to-date win-loss-tie record prior to the day of the seeding meeting and make certain all regular season game scores have been entered on the KSHSAA website.

After the seeding has taken place, teams will be placed in regionals, depending upon the number of teams in each section. **The host schools for the regionals in each section will be the top seeds in each section.**

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 a **10-goal difference** or if it achieves such a differential during the second half, the game shall be terminated.

LIGHTNING SAFETY – [KSHSAA Lightning Guidelines](#)

OVERTIME PROCEDURE FOR POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT CONTESTS

All postseason tournament games that end in a tie will continue to play until a winner is determined using the following format: When the score is tied at the end of regulation time, the referee will instruct both teams to return to their respective team boxes. There will be five minutes during which both teams may confer with their coaches, and the head referee will instruct both teams as to proper procedure.

1. There shall be two 10-minute sudden victory overtime periods with a two-minute interval between periods.

- a. A coin toss shall be held as in Rule 5-2-2(d)(3).
- b. At the end of the first 10-minute sudden victory overtime period, teams shall change ends.

2. If a tie still exists, there shall be two five-minute sudden victory overtime periods.

- a. A coin toss shall be held as in Rule 5-2-2(d)(3).
- b. At end of the first sudden victory period, teams shall change ends.

3. If the score still remains tied, all coaches, officials and team captains shall assemble at the halfway line to review the procedure as outlined below:

- a. The head referee shall choose the goal at which all the penalty kicks shall be taken.
- b. Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the penalty kicks.
- c. A coin toss shall be held. The team winning the toss shall have choice of kicking first or second.
- d. Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
- e. Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring the greatest number of kicks shall be declared winner.
- f. Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory. An asterisk (*) may be placed by the team advancing to indicate the advancement was the result of a tiebreaker system.

4. If the score remains tied after each team has had five penalty kicks:

- a. Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the penalty kicks in a sudden victory situation, wherein if one team scores and the other team does not score, the game is ended without more kicks being taken.
- b. If the score remains tied, continue the sudden victory penalty kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating penalty kicks. If a tie still remains, repeat 4-a.

INCLEMENT WEATHER UNIFORM EXCEPTION

The KSHSAA has adopted an exception to NFHS Soccer Rule 4-2-1h and allows players to wear soft and yielding caps during inclement weather. Caps must be alike in color. Players may also wear undergarments of similar length and a solid-like color for the team.

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.**

When teams are placed on the opposite sides of the field, each team area shall be located as specified above 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>

SPECTATOR AREAS (NFHS RULE 1-6)

Spectators shall be confined to areas at least 10 feet from the touch line, team/official area and goal line. No one shall be permitted directly behind either goal.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.