



Kansas State High School Activities Association

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TO: 2020-2021 KSHSAA Out-of-State Officials
FROM: Bill Faflick, Executive Director
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SUBJECT: Officials Reciprocity Agreements for 2021-2022

The KSHSAA has a reciprocity agreement with the four contiguous states (Missouri, Nebraska, Colorado and Oklahoma). This allows officials registered in these states to work in Kansas and pay a reduced registration fee. **The criteria for this agreement are:**

- 1) Officials must be registered and in good standing in their home state.
- 2) Rules books, case books, official's manuals, etc. are provided only by the home state association, not by the KSHSAA.
- 3) If the home state does not register officials in a particular sport, the official must fully register as a KSHSAA official.
- 4) **Officials who register under the reciprocity agreement are not eligible to officiate postseason games (playoffs) in Kansas.**
- 5) An official **cannot** be reciprocally registered in some activities and fully registered in others.

REGISTRATION

**A Kansas reciprocity agreement form is enclosed. Fill it out and send it in with your registration fee.
There is no online registration for reciprocal officials.**

REGISTRATION FEES **\$20 PER SPORT**

THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS OF REGISTRATION FEES.

\$25 PENALTY FEE ON ALL RETURNED CHECKS

ONLINE OFFICIALS LICENSE

The KSHSAA does not mail licenses. Officials can obtain a printable version of their KSHSAA license, NFOA membership card, and NFHS sportsmanship pocket card on your official's page of the KSHSAA website.

OFFICIALS DIRECTORY

The *Officials Directory* is provided on the KSHSAA website for all schools, league commissioners and registered officials.

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ARBITER INFORMATION

Only KSHSAA registered officials will be available for assignment through Arbiter. **Therefore, it is crucial that you register early with the KSHSAA in order to be available for assignment by league commissioners and schools using Arbiter. The KSHSAA DOES NOT assign officials for regular season contests.** Please see the enclosed instructions for the Arbiter assigning system.

Only out-of-state residents who are fully registered with the KSHSAA are eligible for Kansas postseason tournament assignments.

WEBSITE ACCESS

We are constantly updating and enhancing our website to help it better meet your needs as an official. To access the official's portion of the website go to www.kshsaa.org. Go to the Officials tab and click Login. Enter your official's number and password. Below are just a few of the items you can find on the website:

- Update Contact Information
- Printable Officials License
- Sport Registration History
- Weekly Newsletters
- Unusual Situation Form
- Officials Patch Information
- Officials Apparel
- School Directory
- Officials Directory
- Officials Education Resources
- League Commissioner Information



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To learn more about becoming an official contact the Kansas State High School Activities Association: 785-273-5329 or kshsaa@kshsaa.org

or scan here



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ARBITERSPORTS INFORMATION FOR KSHSAA REGISTERED OFFICIALS

The majority of leagues use ArbiterSports to notify officials of game assignments. The KSHSAA pays for all school league commissioners to use this assigning tool. The KSHSAA will use ArbiterSports to notify all officials of postseason assignments. **The KSHSAA DOES NOT assign officials for regular season contests.**

Only KSHSAA registered officials will be available for assignment through Arbiter. **THEREFORE IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU REGISTER EARLY WITH THE KSHSAA IN ORDER TO BE AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT BY COMMISSIONERS/LEAGUES AND SCHOOLS USING ARBITER.**

Please note the following regarding the ArbiterSports officials assigning system:

1. All officials registered with the KSHSAA will be automatically placed in the KSHSAA Administration Arbiter account #103765.
 - You must join this account in order to be assigned games by individual schools.
 - You must join this account in order to be added to sub-groups (commissioner) accounts.
2. **YOU MUST PROVIDE AN EMAIL ADDRESS WHEN YOU REGISTER WITH THE KSHSAA. After registering with the KSHSAA, login to your ArbiterSports account and check the email address listed. Be sure it is the email address you want to use to receive game assignments through ArbiterSports. You must have an email address in ArbiterSports to receive game assignments.**
3. Officials registering for the first time will be sent a welcome message via email to join the KSHSAA Administration account (103765). Officials must accept this group invitation in order to be added to other groups.
4. Officials that were registered for the 2020-21 school year will remain in Arbiter sports as assignable until the new registration period begins for 2021-2022.
5. Once you accept the invitation to be in group #103765 (KSHSAA Administration) other commissioners can choose to add you as an official to their account.
6. You will receive a welcome invitation from each sub-group (commissioner) that wishes to add you to their account. You will need to accept each sub-group invitation in order to be assigned by that commissioner.
7. In order to remain in the KSHSAA Administration account and be assignable an official **MUST** register with the KSHSAA.
8. If an official fails to register with the KSHSAA by the registration deadline the official will show as unregistered in ArbiterSports and will not be able to receive game assignments. **ANY EXISTING ASSIGNMENTS AT THIS TIME WILL BE REMOVED.**
9. In order to not jeopardize your ability to receive games from individual schools or from league commissioners, officials should register with the KSHSAA as quickly as possible after June 1.
10. Information on blocking dates, accepting/declining games and other functions of ArbiterSports is available on the ArbiterSports website.
11. It is each official's responsibility to keep up to date all contact information (including your email address) in the KSHSAA.org website account and all Arbiter accounts.
12. **NFHS Learn** – Educational materials are available at nfhslearn.com. The site includes sport specific online training courses. Kansas is a 100% NFHS state therefore, the cost of these courses is reduced. Officials can also review video of plays on the nfhslearn.com site. In addition, all officials have access to the NFHS rules book app in the sports they are registered for no cost.
13. On the following page you will find the league commissioners and their contact information. If you are looking for regular season contests please contact them telling them your experience and dates available. You can find the schools in each league by logging on as an official on the KSHSAA website. After you are logged in, go to Directories>School Directories>View High School Leagues.

2021-2022 League Commissioners (revised 4/19/2021)

LEAGUE	COMMISSIONER	EMAIL	PHONE	SPORTS
AVCTL Division I & II	Bob Benoit	bob.benoit@cox.net	316-259-8451	FB, VB, BB, WR, SB, BSB
AVCTL Division III & IV	Bob Benoit	bob.benoit@cox.net	316-259-8451	
Big Seven	Josh Tanking	jptanking@yahoo.com	785-364-6296	
Centennial	John Moore	johnm626@sbcglobal.net	913-832-3373	BB, FB
Centennial	Tegan Swoboda	tegan.swoboda@gmail.com	785-224-7595	VB, BSB, SB
Central Kansas	Mark Goodheart	goodheartm@gbta.net	620-923-5442	
Central Plains	John Mies	jfmies@yahoo.com	316-640-9544	
Central Prairie	Mark Goodheart	goodheartm@gbta.net	620-923-5442	
CNC	Mike Oplotnik	mikeoplotnik@ckt.net	620-724-3477	
Eastern Kansas (EKL)	John A. Dehan	jdehan@callthegame.com	913-897-7500	
Flint Hills	Tegan Swoboda	tegan.swoboda@gmail.com	785-224-7595	
Frontier	Lary Trowbridge	commishtrow@sunflower.com	785-393-2666	
Great West Activities	Quintin Flanagin	qflanagin@gmail.com	785-462-9043	
Great West Activities	Jason Johnson	jsquared2110@gmail.com	620-290-2621	
Greater Wichita (GWAL)	J. Means	jmeans1@usd259.net	316-973-4476	
Heart of America	Bruce Krase	bwkrase@gmail.com	316-288-1549	
Heart of the Plains	Scott Goodheart	scott_goodheart@hotmail.com	620-923-5615	
Hi-Plains	Randy Richter	swkref@yahoo.com	620-260-6114	VB, FB, BB
Kansas City-Atchison	John A. Dehan	jdehan@callthegame.com	913-897-7500	
Kaw Valley Conference	No Commissioner - contact individual school Athletic Directors			
Lyon County	Ron Slaymaker	shirslay@aol.com	620-344-0800	
Mid-Continent	Terry Ostmeier	tostmeyer@ruraltel.net	785-673-6348	
Mid-East	No Commissioner - contact individual school Athletic Directors			
North Central Act. Assoc.	Rodney Palen	refnrodney@nckcn.com	785-738-8559	
North Central Kansas	John Wondra	jwondra@ksu.edu	785-317-6980	
Northeast Kansas	Lary Trowbridge	commishtrow@sunflower.com	785-393-2666	
Northern Plains	Rodney Palen	refnrodney@nckcn.com	785-738-8559	
Northwest Kansas	Jim Keenan	jkeenan.oakley@gmail.com	785-672-2681	
Pioneer	Ed Clearwater	clearwater@usd367.org	913-731-1587	
Santa Fe Trail	Nathan Morse	njmorse11@gmail.com	785-202-1133	
South Central Border	John Kaufman	john_kaufman@usd465.com	316-305-8917	
Southeast Kansas	Doug Lee	dougandjoycelee@gmail.com	620-332-4935	FB, BB
Southeast Kansas	Jeff DeLaTorre	jeff.delatorre@usd234.org	620-644-8207	VB, SB, BSB
SPAA-Iroquis	Brett Post	brett_post@hotmail.com	620-408-5934	
Sunflower	John A. Dehan	jdehan@callthegame.com	913-897-7500	
Three Rivers	Mike Kastle	mikelindakastle@gmail.com	620-875-6380	
Tri-Valley	Danny McDorman	danny_mcdorman@hotmail.com	620-955-7449	
Twin Valley	Josh Tanking	jptanking@yahoo.com	785-364-6296	
United Kansas League	John A. Dehan	jdehan@callthegame.com	913-897-7500	
Western Athletic Con.	Mark Goodheart	goodheartm@gbta.net	620-923-5442	
Western Kansas Liberty	Marvin Gebhard	marvingebhard@gmail.com	785-664-8231	
Wheat State	David Johnson	djohnson@tctelco.net	785-466-1044	