

# SOCCER ANNOUNCEMENTS 2021-22



## CONGRATULATIONS 2021 BOYS CHAMPIONS

### Championship Finals

- 6A = Olathe West def. Topeka-Washburn Rural 1-0 (OT)
- 5A = Overland Park-Blue Valley Southwest def. Maize South 3-2
- 4-1A = Shawnee Mission-Bishop Miege def. Wichita-Trinity 2-1 (OT)

### Consolation Finals

- 6A = Overland Park-Blue Valley Northwest def. Wichita-North 3-1
- 5A = Overland Park-St. Thomas Aquinas def. Valley Center 4-1
- 4-1A = Tonganoxie def. Augusta 3-2 (2 OT)

## FINAL RED CARD DATA - BOYS SOCCER

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PLAYERS / COACHES</u>
2017	86 / 7
2018	98 / 10
2019	111 / 7
2020	81 / 5
2021	110 / 6

## SPORTSMANSHIP

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### 75 Straight Red Cards

Exhibiting Violent Conduct = 23

Using Insulting, Offensive, Abusive Language, & Unsporting Behavior Toward an Official = 29

Taunting = 1

Serious Foul Play Including DOGSO, Excessive Force, & Deliberate Handling in Penalty Area = 22



## IMPORTANT SOCCER DATES – GIRLS 2022

Beginning Practice Date	February 28
Earliest Possible Competition	March 17
Early Season Tournaments	March 28 - April 2
Mid-Season Tournaments	May 2-7
Regional Tournaments	May 16-21
State Quarterfinals	May 24
State Semifinals & Finals	May 27-28

## 2021-22 NFHS RULES & POINTS OF EMPHASIS

To access and review NFHS soccer rules changes and points of emphasis with rationale and explanation, please go to [NFHS.ORG – SOCCER](http://NFHS.ORG) or [KSHSAA.ORG – SOCCER](http://KSHSAA.ORG). For a brief, quality video version, click [HERE](#).

This year's points of emphasis include:

1. Properly Worn Uniforms and Marked Fields
2. High School Athletics is Education-Based.
3. Professional Responsibilities for Officials
4. Reckless and Serious Foul Play
5. Sportsmanship

## 2021-22 RULES MEETING & EXAM

**COACHES** – Annually, all KSHSAA head soccer coaches (high school and middle school) are required to attend a rules meeting and complete a rules exam prior to the season. For girls only high school coaches and middle school spring coaches, there will also be online accessibility December 1 – March 15. Coaches may attend one of the in-person rules meetings listed below. Important information including the KSHSAA Soccer Manual and online passwords were mailed in July to school athletic directors.

**OFFICIALS** – Registered soccer officials are REQUIRED in 2021-22 to attend an IN-PERSON rules meeting prior to the season. The rules exam will be accessible for girls only officials December 1 – March 15. Information packets are mailed to officials once they register.

### **IN-PERSON RULES MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS (REQUIRED FOR OFFICIALS)**

Monday, March 7 @ Wichita-Alvin Morris Admin Center (7 p.m.)

Tuesday, March 8 @ Topeka (7 p.m.) – KSHSAA Office

## **KSHSAA EJECTION POLICY (NEW for 2021-22)**

On June 17, 2021, the KSHSAA Executive Board approved the following policy for all interscholastic activities designed to enhance sportsmanship and to support adjudicators:

***Any participant (player, coach, spectator) who is ejected for making contact with an official or who is ejected for unsporting behavior directed toward an official, shall be subject to a non-appealable suspension from the next contest at that level and for all contests at any level (in that activity) until the suspension has been served. Local school leadership may levy additional sanctions as they deem appropriate.***

Note: the requirement for all ejected students to complete the NFHS Sportsmanship course and the requirement for all ejected coaches to complete the NFHS Teaching and Modeling Behavior course prior to being reinstated remain in effect.

## **NFHSLearn.COM** (Be sure to check out all the offerings at [www.nfhslearn.com](http://www.nfhslearn.com).)

So many helpful courses and videos are available for coaches, officials, students, parents, administrators . . . Two, new, FREE courses are *Implicit Bias* and *The Collapsed Athlete*.

Officials – take advantage of FREE officiating courses, *Pregame Conference*, *Fouls & Misconduct*, & *Offside Rule Coaches* – *The Parent Seat*, *Beyond the Scoreboard*, & *A Lasting Relationship* are FREE, brief (around 5 minutes) videos you can download and show at parent meetings or share electronically. Click [HERE](#) to access.

## **GUIDANCE FOR COACHES & ATHLETES**

If you ever have questions about what you or your 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](#). Once on this page ([www.kshsaa.org](http://www.kshsaa.org) – schools – coach/athlete), then click on “KSHSAA Regulations During the School Year” and/or “KSHSAA Regulations During the Summer”.

## **NEW FOR 2022 – GIRL SOCCER PLAYERS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE 9 DAYS OF PRACTICE**

In September, the KSHSAA Board of Directors approved a modification to Soccer Rule 38-1-2 making the nine-day practice requirement applicable only to the fall boy soccer season. Now, only fall activities have minimum practice requirements before competing primarily for heat acclimatization concerns.