



Kansas State High School Activities Association

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA

MEETING LOCATION –KSHSAA OFFICE
601 SW Commerce Place, Topeka, Kansas

Thursday, April 27, 2023 – 3:00 p.m.
(Hearings, discussion, final action and Executive Board elections)

Bylaws, XVI, amendments, state:

Section 1: The bylaws and articles of incorporation may be amended at any regular or called meeting of the Board of Directors by a majority vote of those present of the Board of Directors, and the approval of the Kansas State Board of Education.

Section 2: KSHSAA Board of Directors' agenda items must be presented in writing to the Association Executive Director 40 days in advance of the September and April meetings. Only those items submitted by the following will be recognized:

1. Board of Directors members
2. Executive Board, provided the item received a majority vote of those present
3. Superintendents, principals and board of education members of member schools
4. The Board of Directors may add items, which were not previously published on the agenda, at the time of the meeting, provided it is done by three-fourths vote of those present.

On page 25 of the *KSHSAA Handbook*, under **Rules and Regulations Governing Grades 7-12**, the first paragraph concerning AMENDMENTS reads as follows:

The rules and regulations for grades seven through twelve (grade school, middle school, junior high and senior high) may be amended at any regular or called meeting of the Board of Directors by a majority vote of those present.

In the 1981 legislative session, the following, which applies to unified school districts, was passed:

Any member who abstains from voting shall be counted as having voted against the motion or resolution. If a member announces a conflict of interest with regard to the issue, the member may leave the meeting until the voting on the issue is concluded, and the member who abstains from voting thereby shall not be counted as having voted. K.S.A. 72-1138..

1. Each Handbook rule is divided into three or four sections

Section 1: General Regulations (*apply to grades 7-12*)

Section 2: Senior High Regulations

Section 3: Middle/Junior High School Regulations (*includes students in grades 7 and 8, middle school and junior high*)

Section 4: Unified Activity Regulations (*apply to grades 9-12*)

2. Unless stated otherwise, articles passed by a majority of the members present will become effective upon publication of the minutes.

1. **Call to Order & Welcome – President**
2. **Review of Meeting Procedures and Roberts Rules of Order – President**
3. **Roll Call, Announcements, and Introduction of Members – Executive Director**
4. **State of Association Remarks – Executive Director**
5. **Public Forum – Speakers must register by 2:55 p.m. on the day of the meeting and identify which agenda item they will address with remarks. Public comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker.**

*Public comments are also accepted via email in advance of the meeting. Comments should be sent to bfa flick@kshsaa.org **prior to noon, April 25, 2023**, with subject line of “Board of Director Public Forum Comments”. Public comments received in digital format will be shared with Board members and referenced in the meeting. (Comments shall not reference/identify personnel matters concerning Association or school employees and/or matters that would violate the privacy of students.) When providing comments in person or via email, complete contact information (first/last name, city/state, daytime phone number) is necessary. Incomplete information will result in the comments not being shared nor included in the minutes.*

6. **Approve September 14, 2022 Minutes.**

*Introduction, Discussion and Vote will be held simultaneously on the following action items:
(Unless otherwise indicated, underlined portions are recommended changes in rules.)*

7. **Temporarily Suspend Section 3 of Bylaw XIV – Approval of Events** which indicates the following:

Any contest or activity under the jurisdiction of the KSHSAA sponsored by an outside agency which is on the approved list of the National Association of Secondary School Principals shall be considered automatically approved.

The NASSP is discontinuing the service of approving events. At this time, no other agency or process has been identified to provide this service. The Executive Board recommends the Board of Directors temporarily suspend **Bylaw XIV, Section 3**, and utilize the roster of all events historically approved by the NASSP and attended by KSHSAA member schools to be approved for the next school year. Staff will identify and recommend a new protocol prior to the April 2024 Board of Directors meeting.

Referred by KSHSAA Executive Board (March 16-17, 2023)

8. **Modify Rule 5, Classification of Senior High Schools, Section 2, Article 1** by adding the following exception at the end of the existing Handbook rule:

Spirit Competition Groups Exception: Classifications for the purpose of creating Spirit Competition Group assignments shall be based on the total enrollment in the school's ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades as submitted to the KSHSAA on the date established by state statute for official enrollment from the previous school year.

Referred by KSHSAA Executive Board (March 16-17, 2023)

9. **Modify Rule 5, Classification of Senior High Schools, Section 2, Article 1** by adding the following exception at the end of the existing Handbook rule:

Music Exception: Classifications for the purpose of creating Music assignments shall be based on the total enrollment in the school's ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades as submitted to the KSHSAA on the date established by state statute for official enrollment. Due to facility size for State Solos and Small Ensembles all music classification assignments will be made according to the following, Class 6A shall include the thirty-two (32) high schools with the largest enrollments; Class 5A the next thirty-two (32); 4A the next fifty-six (56); 3A the next sixty-four (64); 2A the next sixty-four (64); and Class 1A, the remainder.

Referred by KSHSAA Executive Board (January 11-12, 2023)

10. **Modify Rule 7, Physical Examination Parental Consent, Section 1, Article 1 as follows:**

Art. 1: No student is eligible to represent any school in interschool athletics, spirit or spirit competition groups until there is on file with the superintendent or principal, a statement certifying that the student has passed an adequate

physical examination and is physically fit to participate in interschool athletics, spirit or spirit competition groups. The statement must be signed by any of the following licensed health care providers: (i) a physician; (ii) a chiropractor; (iii) a physician assistant (PA) who has been authorized to perform this examination by their state's law and licensing body a Kansas licensed supervising physician; or (iv) an advance practice registered nurse (APRN) who has been authorized to perform this examination by their state's law and licensing body a Kansas licensed supervising physician. This statement shall also be signed by a parent or legal guardian, stating the student has permission to participate.

Referred by KSHSAA Executive Board (March 16-17, 2023)

11. Modify Rule 18, Transfer, Section 1, Articles 12 & 14 as follows:

Art. 12: INTERNATIONAL AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS —

- a) A student from a foreign country on an F-1 or J-1 Visa who attends a member school as the result of participation in a foreign exchange academic program which has been approved by the Executive Board, and on the provision of the student meeting and which student meets all other eligibility requirements, shall not be considered a transfer student during his or her first academic year of attendance. Such a student is eligible for full, varsity level participation during the first year of academic attendance if Form FES found online at www.kshsaa.org is completed, filed with the Executive Director and approved before participation.
- b) Should a student from a foreign country on an F-1 or J-1 Visa attend a member school as the result of participation in a foreign exchange academic program for, but not as the result of participation in a foreign exchange academic program approved by the Executive Board, or attend a second academic year, regardless of the length of attendance in the first academic year, that student shall, for purposes of this rule, be treated as all other students who change schools. If there is not an accompanying move on the part of the students' parents, the student will be ineligible for interschool extracurricular activities for one calendar year for grades 9-12, eighteen weeks for grades 7-8, beginning with the first day of his or her attendance.
- c) A student from a foreign country on an F-1 or J-1 Visa who attends a member school as the result of enrollment in the member schools' residential boarding program, shall be considered a transfer student during his or her first academic year of attendance, but may apply for transfer eligibility by submitting Form T-E found online at www.kshsaa.org on behalf of each student, showing eligibility status and a record of participation in interschool activities.

Art. 14: BOARDING SCHOOLS — An international student who transfers for the first time to a residential boarding program at a member school, provided the school is not a specialized athletic academy/boarding school, and who lives in the residential dormitory of the member school, may be eligible for full, varsity level participation on the provision of the student meeting all other eligibility requirements. A boarding school which has a significant number of foreign students enrolled, may play soccer in the fall and/or spring seasons without the one calendar year for grades 9-12, eighteen weeks for grades 7-8 waiting period being enforced for these foreign students. Such a team may not compete in a KSHSAA postseason tournament.

- a) A student who has been attending a non-member boarding school, provided it is not a specialized athletic academy/boarding school, and living in its residential boarding facility, may be eligible upon the student's first transfer to a residential boarding program at a member school, provided the transfer does not involve undue influence, is not for athletic reasons, and on the provision of the student meeting all other eligibility requirements.
- b) For purposes of Article 14, a boarding school is defined as a school that provides a residential community setting for students in which a full range of boarding services are provided (dormitory counselors, 24 hours a day supervision, a social program, 3 meals a day, etc.). Homestay or host family programs are not considered a boarding school and do not meet the requirement for student eligibility under Rule 18, Section 1, Article 14.

Referred by Atchison-Maur Hill-Mount Academy (March 16, 2023)

12. Modify Rule 30, Seasons of Activities, Section 1 by adding the following new **Article 3:**

Art. 3: Following a change in schools, a student is not eligible at the new school if he/she tries out for a team at a former school, does not make the competitive team roster, and subsequently transfers to a new school seeking eligibility for the same activity in the same season.

(Subsequent Articles are to be renumbered sequentially.)

Referred by KSHSAA Executive Board (March 16-17, 2023)

13. **Modify Rule 30, Seasons of Activities, Section 1, Article 5** to allow for jamborees in the activities of baseball, basketball, soccer softball and volleyball. Also modify **Rules 32, 33, 38, 39, and 43** by adding new articles as follows:

Rule 30, Seasons of Activities, Section 1, Article 5:

Art. 5: Interschool scrimmages (practices) in all activities shall be prohibited (Exceptions, Rule 32 – Baseball, Rule 33 – Basketball, Rule 35 – Football, Rule 38- Soccer, Rule 39 – Softball, Rule 43 - Volleyball).

- a) Schools may not hold interschool scrimmages (practices) in athletics, (Exceptions, see Rule 32 – Baseball, Rule 33 – Basketball, Rule 35 – Football, Rule 38- Soccer, Rule 39 – Softball, Rule 43 - Volleyball) scholars bowl or debate. Interschool is defined as middle/junior school with another middle/junior school and senior high school with another senior high school. This does not eliminate scrimmages between alumni and the school team.

Rule 32 – Baseball (Boys)

Section 2: Senior High Regulations

Art. 5: All practices and competitions shall be held between the opening and closing of the regular season, unless approved by the Executive Board. No senior high school shall participate in more than one scrimmage. No scrimmage shall be conducted except the one scheduled by, and entirely under the control of the principals of the participating schools or the Executive Board.

Rule 33 – Basketball (Boys and Girls)

Section 2: Senior High Regulations

Art. 3: All practices and competitions shall be held between the opening and closing of the regular season, unless approved by the Executive Board. No senior high school shall participate in more than one scrimmage.

No scrimmage shall be conducted except the one scheduled by, and entirely under the control of the principals of the participating schools or the Executive Board.

(Subsequent Articles are to be renumbered sequentially.)

Rule 38 – Soccer (Boys and Girls)

Section 2: Senior High Regulations

Art. 3: All practices and competitions shall be held between the opening and closing of the regular season, unless approved by the Executive Board. No senior high school shall participate in more than one scrimmage. (For fall soccer, see Rule 30-1-8a-e, Seasons of Activities). Each individual player playing in the fall season shall participate in at least five days of practice (prior to, and not including the scrimmage) before their permitted scrimmage. No scrimmage shall be conducted except the one scheduled by, and entirely under the control of the principals of the participating schools or the Executive Board.

(Subsequent Articles are to be renumbered sequentially.)

Rule 39 – Softball (Girls)

Section 2: Senior High Regulations

Art. 4: All practices and competitions shall be held between the opening and closing of the regular season, unless approved by the Executive Board. No senior high school shall participate in more than one scrimmage. No scrimmage shall be conducted except the one scheduled by, and entirely under the control of the principals of the participating schools or the Executive Board.

(Subsequent Articles are to be renumbered sequentially.)

Rule 43 – Volleyball (Girls)

Section 2: Senior High Regulations

Art. 3: All practices and competitions shall be held between the opening and closing of the regular season, unless approved by the Executive Board. No senior high school shall participate in more than one scrimmage. (See Rule 30-1-8a-e, Seasons of Activities). No scrimmage shall be conducted except the one scheduled by, and entirely under the control of the principals of the participating schools or the Executive Board.

(Subsequent Articles are to be renumbered sequentially.)

Note: The Executive Board has reviewed and approved parameters under which these scrimmages/jamborees are conducted. That detail is provided as support material and is approved pending approval of such a scrimmage/jamboree by the Board of Directors.

Referred by KSHSAA Executive Board (March 16-17, 2023)

- 14. Modify Rule 30, Seasons of Activities, Section 1, Article 8 to amend practice requirements for students in fall activities beginning practice after a certain date. Also modify Rules 34, 35, and 38 with clarifying language for those fall activities starting prior to or following SCW 13:**

Rule 30 - Seasons of Activities

Section 1: General Regulations (apply to grades 7-12)

Art. 8: Beginning Monday of SCW #7, the following practice rules apply to football, boys and girls cross country, fall season-boys soccer, girls volleyball, girls gymnastics, fall season-girls tennis and fall season-girls golf:

Rule 34 - Cross Country (Girls & Boys)

Section 1: General Regulations (apply to grades 7-12)

Art. 1: Each athlete shall participate in twelve (12) days of practice with the team prior to participating in a meet taking place prior to Monday of Standard Calendar Week 13 of the current school year. Each athlete shall participate in a minimum of seven (7) days of practice with the team prior to participating in any meet taking place on or after Monday of Standard Calendar Week 13 of the current school year (See Rule 30-1-8a-e, Seasons of Activities). Credit shall be given for a day's practice whether or not it is on a school day.

Art. 2: Dual sport fall season student-athletes competing prior to Monday of SCW 13, may use up to three (3) football or soccer practices to count towards the cross country minimum practice requirement.

Rule 35 - Football (Boys)

Section 1: General Regulations (apply to grades 7-12)

Art. 1: Competition shall not begin prior to Wednesday of Standardized Calendar Week #9. (See Rule 30-1-8ae, Seasons of Activities).

a. Credit shall be given for a day's practice whether or not it is on a school day.

b. Each individual player shall participate in at least twelve (12) days of practice with the team prior to participating in a game taking place prior to Monday of Standard Calendar Week 13 of the current school year. Each athlete shall participate in a minimum of seven (7) days of practice with the team prior to participating in any game taking place on or after Monday of Standard Calendar Week 13 of the current school year before their first game.

c. Dual sport fall season student-athletes competing prior to Monday of SCW 13, may use up to three (3) cross country or soccer practices to count towards the Football minimum practice requirement.

Rule 38 - Soccer (Girls & Boys)

Section 1: General Regulations (apply to grades 7-12)

Art. 1: From the first Tuesday following Labor Day through the last Friday preceding Memorial Day, no more than six players (excluding seniors) from the same school squad may practice or participate together on the same outside team. Participation by more than six squad members (excluding seniors) shall make them ineligible for the remainder of the school year and any further middle/junior or senior high soccer, unless reinstated by the Executive Board.

Art. 2: No member school shall participate in a boys soccer contest until it has had (9) nine days of team practice, prior to and not including the first scheduled day of competition. (See Rule 30-1-8a-e, Seasons of Activities). a. Each athlete shall participate in (9) nine days of practice with the team prior to participating in any fall a boys soccer contest taking place prior to Monday of Standard Calendar Week 13 of the current school year. Each athlete shall participate in a minimum of five (5) days of practice with the team prior to participating in any fall season soccer contest taking place on or after Monday of Standard Calendar Week 13 of the current school year. (See Rule 30-1-8a-e, Seasons of Activities).

a. Dual sport fall season student-athletes competing prior to Monday of SCW 13, may use up to three (3) cross country or football practices to count towards the Fall Soccer minimum practice requirement.

Referred by KSHSAA Executive Board (January 11-12, 2023)

15. Modify Rule 32, Baseball (Boys), Section 2, Articles 1 & 4 as follows:

Art. 1: Practice shall not be held prior to Monday of Standardized Calendar Week #35. Starting Monday of Standardized Calendar Week #31, school coaches may work with their students two times per week, over a four-week period, for no more than 1.5 hours per session.

Art. 4: Varsity squads No team (at any level) shall participate in no more than twenty-six twenty games of interschool competition during a season, exclusive of the state championship series. Only thirteen ten of twenty-six twenty playing dates may involve school time. Sub-varsity squads shall participate in no more than twenty games. A student may participate in twenty-six games of interschool competition during the season, exclusive of the state championship series.

Note: A student who participates in more than twenty-six games during the season is ineligible until reinstated by the Executive Board.

Referred by Sunflower League (March 15, 2023)

16. Elect Executive Board Members from the Board of Directors per Bylaw Article V.

Sec. 2: Board of Director members shall elect Executive Board members at their spring meeting in the categories listed to two-year terms. A Director shall serve at least one year as a member of the Board of Directors prior to being elected to the Executive Board. Members in each category shall elect their own representative. Board of Directors organizational members are eligible for election in their school's respective category.

- a. Classes 6A, 4A, 2A, in even years **3**
- b. Classes 5A, 3A, 1A in odd years **3**
- c. Middle/Junior High Schools in even years **1**
- d. Board of Education in odd years **1**
- e. State Board of Education in even years **1**
- TOTAL 9**

Vacancies in the above categories shall be elected by their respective representatives within sixty (60) days after notice of such vacancy. They shall fulfill the unexpired term of that position.

** = *Current Member of Executive Board*

CLASS 5A (2-YEAR TERM)

Ath. Dir. Rick Byers, Kansas City-Turner

Prin. Alan Penrose, Lansing

**Dist. Ath. Dir. Tammie Romstad, USD 500 Kansas City

Asst. Prin. Laura Scaglione, Andover

Pres. Andy Tylicki, Lenexa-St. James Academy

CLASS 3A (2-YEAR TERM)

Prin. Matt Bayer, Scott Community
Prin. Jay Doornbos, Council Grove
Prin. Scott Dunham, Douglass
Prin. Patrick Graham, Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail
Prin. David Schenk, Olathe-Heritage Christian Academy
Prin. Casey Seyfert, Beloit
**Prin. Sean Spoons, Eureka
Prin. Toby VanCleave, Galena
Prin. Dustin Wilson, Larned

CLASS 1A (2-YEAR TERM)

Prin. Tammy Baird, Madison
Prin. Bryant Briggs, Grainfield-Wheatland/Grinnell
Ryan Burrows, Satanta
Supt. Tyson Eslinger, USD 216 Deerfield
Prin. Cory Jensen, Hanover
Prin. Ron Levan, South Haven
Prin. David Morrow, St. Francis
Prin. Nick Owen, Solomon
**Supt. Roger Perkins, USD 334 Miltonvale-Southern Cloud (Ineligible – End of Term)
Prin. Travis Powell, Greensburg-Kiowa County
Prin. Rob Schneeberger, Oswego
Prin. Brent Shaffer, Kiowa-South Barber (Ineligible – End of Term)
Prin. Kenny Waddell, Wichita-Central Christian Academy
Prin. Jon Webster, LaCrosse

BOARD OF EDUCATION (2-YEAR TERM)

Sue Bolley, USD 501 Topeka
Bob Dietz, USD 237 Smith Center (Ineligible – End of Term)
Shelby Green, USD 396 Douglass
** Mike Kastle, USD 503 Parsons
Matt McCabe, USD 313 Buhler
Sharon Mitchell, USD 230 Spring Hill
Mark Richards, USD 265 Goddard
Rob Vohs, USD 416 Louisburg

17. Approve proposed meeting dates for the 2023-24 school year as follows:

Fall:

Wednesday, September 15, 2023

Thursday, September 16, 2023 (tentative)

Spring:

Thursday, April 29, 2024

Friday, April 30, 2024 (tentative)

18. Recognitions & Closing Announcements – President & Executive Director

19. 2023-24 Executive Board – Organizational meeting – all Exec Board members for next year will attend an organizational meeting which includes selection of officers for the 2023-24 Executive Board. The organizational meeting will be conducted in the Hall of Fame Room and will begin approximately fifteen minutes following full BOD adjournment.

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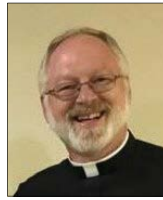
State Board Of Education Representatives



Deena Horst
Salina



Jim McNiece
Wichita



Delvin Strecker
Salina
CD-1



Linda Wiley
Silver Lake
CD-2



TBD
CD-3



David Abel
Wichita
CD-4

Governor At-Large Appointees

Board of Education Representatives by Congressional District (CD) and Division (D)



Matt McCabe
Buhler
USD 313
CD-1, D-I



Bob Dietz
Smith Center
USD 237
CD-1, D-II



Sue Bolley
Topeka
USD 501
CD-2, D-I



Mike Kastle
Parsons
USD 503
CD-2, D-II



Sharon Mitchell
Spring Hill, USD 230
CD-3, D-I



Rob Vohs
Louisburg, USD 416
CD-3, D-II



Mark Richards
Goddard, USD 265
CD-4, DI



Shelby Green
Douglass, USD 396
CD-4, DII



Organizational Representatives



Ryan Burrows
Satanta
KASBC



Stan Boggs
Dodge City
KCA



Shawn Steiner
Dodge City
KIAAA

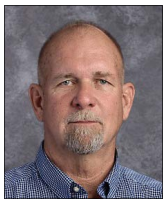


Mark Gard
Coffeyville-Field
Kindley
KMEA



Mike Harris
Wichita Southeast
KSCA

Middle/Junior High School Representatives



Steve Oliver
Prin. Wabaunsee
CD-1



Kellen Adams,
Supt. Chanute,
USD 413
CD-2



TBD
CD-3



Cort Haynes
Prin. Maize South
CD-4



Justin Briggs
Ath. Dir. Dodge City-
Comanche
At-Large



Connie Redic
Prin. Wichita-Curtis
At-Large

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Senior High School League Representatives



Shannon Haydock
Prin. Rose Hill
Ark Vly./Chisholm Tr.



Laura Scaglione
Asst. Prin. Andover
Ark Vly./Chisholm Tr.



Russell Baldwin
Ath. Dir. Derby
Ark Vly./Chisholm Tr.



Justin Seuser
Ath. Dir. Buhler
Ark Vly./Chisholm Tr.



Rod Wittmer
Prin. Holton
Big Seven



Rebecca Morrisey
Prin. Topeka
Centennial



Bobby Taul
Ath. Dir. Topeka-Hayden
Centennial



Dustin Wilson
Prin. Larned
Central Kansas



Scott Dunham
Prin. Douglass
Central Plains



Jon Webster
Prin. La Crosse
Central Prairie



Toby VanCleave
Prin. Galena
CNC



Andy Tylicki
Pres. St. James
Academy
Eastern Kansas



Kelli Kurle,
Ath. Dir.
OP-Blue Valley North
Eastern Kansas



Jay Doornbos
Prin. Council Grove
Flint Hills



Jeff Hines
Prin. Paola
Frontier



Matt Bayer
Prin. Scott City
Great West Act. Conf.



Eric Hofer-Holdeman
Prin. Wichita-Northwest
Greater Wichita



Sara Richardson
Prin. Wichita East
Greater Wichita



Ben Mitchell
Prin. Wichita-Southeast
Greater Wichita



Donald Raymer
Prin. Marion
Heart of America



Brent Shaffer
Prin. Kiowa-South
Barber
Heart of the Plains



Paul Zuzelski
Prin. Syracuse
Hi-Plains



David Schenk
Prin. Olathe-Heritage
Christian
Kaw Valley Conference



Tammie Baird
Prin. Madison
Lyon County



Lacy Warren
Prin. Atchison
Meadowlark Conf.



Tammie Romstad
Dist. Ath. Dir.
Kansas City USD 500
Meadowlark Conf.



Greg Koelsch
Prin. Smith Center
Mid-Continent



Adam Hurla
Prin. St. Marys
Mid-East



Casey Seyfert
Prin. Beloit
North Central A. A.



Ben Smith
Prin. Abilene
North Central Kansas



Larry Mills
Prin. Horton
Northeast Kansas



Roger Perkins
Supt. Miltonvale-Southern
Cloud
USD 334
Northern Plains



David Morrow
Prin. St. Francis
Northwest Kansas



Patrick Graham
Prin. Santa Fe Trail
Pioneer



Tyson Eslinger
Supt. Deerfield
USD 216
Santa Fe Trail

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Senior High School League Representatives (continued)



Ron Levan
Prin. South Haven
South Central Border



Travis Stalford
Prin. Coffeyville-Field
Kindley
Southeast Kansas



Travis Powell
Prin. Greensburg-
Kiowa County
SPIAA



Jay Novacek
Prin. Olathe West
Sunflower



Jessica Bassett
Prin. Lawrence
Sunflower



Todd Dain
Prin. Shawnee Mission
South
Sunflower



Marilyn Chrisler
Asst. Prin. Shawnee-
Mill Valley
Sunflower



Rob Schneeberger
Prin. Oswego
Three Rivers



Sean Spoons
Prin. Eureka
Tri-Valley



Cory Jensen
Prin. Hanover
Twin Valley



Alan Penrose
Prin. Lansing
United Kansas
Conference



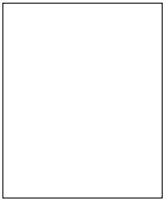
Rick Byers
Ath. Dir. Kansas City-
Turner
United Kansas
Conference



Ashley Kappelmann
Prin. Liberal
Western Athletic
Conference



Drew Thon
Ath. Dir. Garden City
Western Athletic
Conference



Bryant Briggs
Prin. Grainfield-
Wheatland/Grinnell
Western Kansas-
Liberty



Nick Owen
Prin. Solomon
Wheat State



Kenny Waddell
Prin. Wichita Central
Christian Academy
Independent Schools

Academics + Activities = Curriculum Partners

WHY HAVE STUDENT ACTIVITIES? In the last few years the value of high school activities has been questioned. Let's set the record straight as to what high school activities are all about. First of all, they are not a separate part of our overall education program but an integral part of it. A good, well-rounded education means not only one that is academically oriented, but one that also includes physical, social and emotional development. These are available through a good school activities program.

Activities are a citizenship laboratory—Participation in activities encompasses all races and creeds, and teaches a student that it is a privilege and an honor to represent his or her school. Students learn that activities are important because they show a person how to win, and how to lose. Activities teach self-confidence, poise, respect for the rules and good sportsmanship. Through participation in activities, students learn tolerance and understanding for people and how to control their emotions. They also learn the self-satisfaction of accomplishing a goal.

Interscholastic activities constitute a part of the right kind of "growing up" experiences for American boys and girls. Youth are interested in doing things well—in belonging—in displaying loyalty. With a well administered school program, students and spectators become better citizens through participation and observance of activities conducted under established rules impartially administered.

Activities encourage physical and mental excellence—Documented reports and statistics from the high schools of Kansas continue to show the "holding power" of activities programs. Those students engaged in any phase of the extracurricular program show a drop-out rate far below that of the uninvolved student. Over 90 percent of those students who drop out of school at the senior high level have never been involved in any activity as representatives of their school!

Grade point averages of students in athletics, speech, music, cheerleading, club programs, etc., rank well above those students who choose not to participate. Interestingly enough, the statistics point out "the more participation the better the GPA!"

The loss of school instructional time, documented by reports from member schools, clearly shows students miss more instructional class time for family vacations, medical reasons, parental excuses, vocational activities, etc., than they do for all KSHSAA-sponsored school activities combined.

Activities reach out to the community—Activities in our Kansas schools will be as good and as sound as those who administer and support them. Rules and regulations are valueless unless they are embedded in the "grass roots" of the local school and community. The underlying philosophy of interscholastic activities presupposes these rules and regulations are for the good of the students themselves—just as are the other phases of the educational program—and that is the way the citizens of Kansas want them to be.

