

Week #11 – October 28, 2024

Please read through this information as this is important information coaches and officials need to be aware of this season. These newsletters will be sent weekly throughout the season. If you are aware of an unusual situation or rules/protocols that should be addressed, please email ssmith@kshsaa.org. Thank you for all you do for Kansas athletes!

REGIONAL & SUB-STATE COMPLETION

In the past two weeks, 64 schools (3A-1A) hosted a Regional and 56 schools (6A-1A) hosted a Sub-State tournament. 240 officials worked the Regional round; 128 officials worked Sub-states. There is a lot of time and effort put into postseason volleyball by our schools and officials – THANK YOU! You have helped create lifelong memories for Kansas kids. I hope you have found the experience rewarding and meaningful.

Congratulations to the 56 schools that advanced to State Volleyball!

STATE TOURNAMENTS

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

Information was sent to all qualifying schools on Sunday, October 27 after state seeding was announced. As a reminder and as it is an even-numbered year, even-numbered classifications (6A, 4A, and 2A) will play the morning session (8:30 am for the first matches of the day on Friday; 9:00 am on Saturday) and odd-numbered classifications (5A, 3A, and 1A DI) will play the afternoon/evening session (to start no earlier than 3:30 pm on Friday; 1:00 pm on Saturday). 1A DII will start play at 10:00 am on Friday and 9:00 am on Saturday. See pages 44-48 in the [KSHSAA Volleyball Manual](#) (please note that the start time for 1A DII is misprinted in the manual – 1A DII starts play at 9:00 am on Saturday)

CONGRATULATIONS TO STATE TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

State officials received invitations to work a State Volleyball Tournament on October 24. There were 42 officials invited to work State Volleyball. Each state tournament will have six officials working pool play on Friday, November 1, 2024. Four officials will return to officiate the semi-finals, consolation, and championship matches on Saturday, November 2, 2024.

Officials are assigned largely based on recommendations from our member schools. MEMBER SCHOOLS: It is very important that schools recommend officials for postseason assignments – please be sure to complete this every year!

STATE TOURNAMENT LINE JUDGES

REMINDER: State line judges are required to wear the KSHSAA Volleyball Official's cyan blue shirt.

HIGH EXPECTATIONS AT STATE VOLLEYBALL

The state tournament is a time when expectations are high for all teams, schools, and officials, to perform at their best level. Officials and coaches are expected to enforce 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 events is:

20 Minutes

4 minutes shared court time for ball handling

4 minutes for visiting team to use the court (no home 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)

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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.

Looking Ahead:

-November 1-2: State Volleyball Tournament

Useful Websites/Links

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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