

COMMISSIONER'S NOTES

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FROM THE COMMISSIONER'S DESK



KHSAA Goals & Objectives include working together with organizations that have a similar educational mission. As you may or may not be aware, the NCAA has increased the number of required core courses a student must complete in high school to be eligible to

participate in college athletics. Because it is our hope that KHSAA member school student athletes are in a position to take advantage of college athletic opportunities, it is important that they are aware of the changing educational climate at the NCAA level. Information regarding NCAA initial-eligibility changes are included in this mailing for your information, and is also being sent to high school guidance counselors. We should all be reminded that high school athletes are students first and athletic participants second. The "academic agenda" for students needs to be the focal point for school personnel on our high school campuses.

Let's celebrate NFHS High School Activities Week Monday-Friday, October 19-25, 2003. We have provided a variety of suggestions to encourage participation.

State Volleyball Soccer and Cross Country Championships are just around the corner. Please join us at one of these great events.

SCHOOL MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Please remember, school media requests for advancing teams to state tournament play, must be requested **PRIOR** to the event. Schools are to submit form SI103 in advance of the event in accordance with published deadlines. Each school is limited to three (3) credentials. This includes yearbook, newspaper, journalism class personnel or video yearbook personnel. Students or other representatives simply showing up at the gate will not be issued media credentials.

REPORTING OF SCORES

This is a reminder to call in the scores of games to the KHSAA/Riherd's Scoreboard following each contest. The number is 1-800-715-8388 and is toll free. If you have results from any fall sport, superlative performance or other note of news, you may submit that via e-mail to bcope@khsaa.org for inclusion in the KHSAA weekly news release.

ANNUAL MEETING REMINDER

All schools are reminded this is a voting year for the Delegate Assembly. All proposals must be submitted by the December 1 deadline for proposals to be presented at the Annual Delegate Assembly Meeting of Member Schools January 15, 2004 at the Hyatt Regency in Lexington.

Proposals should be addressed to the attention of Julian Tackett, Assistant Commissioner. Prior to the meeting, proposals submitted will be posted on the KHSAA website as well as mailed to each member school's delegate.

TICKET ORDER FORMS

Football ticket order forms are to be mailed electronically to the schools on Monday, October 20.

Ticket order forms for member schools and the general public to purchase tickets to the 2004 KHSAA Girls' and Boys' Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments will be mailed prior to November 4, 2003. Ticket information and online ordering through the KHSAA website (www.khsaa.org) will begin in early November for each event.

BYLAW 6 AND 9 REMINDER

Student athletes applying for eligibility, including those applying for eligibility in Bylaw 6, are reminded that they cannot practice or participate in competition until being ruled on by the Commissioners office.

2003-04 KHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS CALENDAR

Date(s)	Sport	Site	City
Oct. 24-25	Volleyball	Farnham Dudgeon Arena	Frankfort
Oct. 29-30, Nov. 1	B&G SO	Rawlings Stadium	Georgetown
Nov. 8	B&G XC	Kentucky Horse Park	Lexington
Dec. 5-6	FB Finals	Papa John's Stadium	Louisville
Feb. 26-28	Wrestling	Farnham Dudgeon Arena	Frankfort
Feb. 27-28	Swimming	UK Aquatic Center	Lexington
March 17-20	Boys' BK	Rupp Arena	Lexington
March 24-27	Girls' BK	WKU Diddle Arena	Bowling
			Green
May 14-15	Slow Pitch	TBA	TBA
May 27-29	B&G TN	UK Boone/Downing Ctr.	Lexington
June 4-5	Track	UK Shively Track	Lexington
June 11-12	Fast Pitch	Jack Fisher Park	Owensboro
June 16-19	Baseball	Applebee's Park	Lexington

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RULES CLINIC SCHEDULES

Following is a listing of in-season rules clinics. To view a full listing of clinics in all sports, go to the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org.

BASKETBALL

10/21 Louisville, Southern HS, 7:00 p.m.

10/22 Eastern, Allen Central HS, 7:00 p.m.

12/10 Make-Up Clinic (\$50 Fine) Lexington, KHSAA Office, 1:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

10/19 Lexington, KHSAA Office, 3:00 p.m.

10/22 Princeton, Caldwell Co. HS, 6:00 p.m.

12/9 Make-Up Clinic (\$50 Fine) Lexington, KHSAA Office, 1:30 p.m.

NEXT BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING

The next regular meeting of the KHSAA Board of Control will be Nov. 19-20, at the Association Office in Lexington. For an agenda contact the KHSAA.