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COMMISSIONER'S NOTES

Weekly Newsletter of the South Carolina High School League

Greetings,

I hope you all had a relaxing Spring Break and returned with renewed vigor as we begin to move toward the completion of the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) athletics school year. Μv apologies for not providing а "Commissioner's Notes" in last week's TuesNews. I was attending an NFHS (parent organization) Summit and Legal meeting held in Indianapolis, Ind.

The Summit and Legal Meeting are held annually to allow opportunities for state associations, commissioners/executive directors, and their legal counsels to share/discuss issues and legal challenges occurring in their respective state associations. While I find these meetings to be informative, I also realize that the SCHSL has not been faced with many of the issues/challenges shared. It also reminds me to be appreciative of the member schools of the SCHSL. Many of the issues and challenges occurring in other state associations have been avoided because of the working relationship within and among the SCHSL's member schools. I commend you for your willingness and efforts in working together to solve SCHSL matters.

However, we cannot relax and rest on our laurels. Athletics issues and legal challenges are occurring more often than ever before and in ways, we may have never seen before. As a result, we must continue to be proactive in enhancing the services provided for student-athletes. I continue to share that your role and efforts are critical to the success of SCHSL's mission.

The NFHS Summit and Legal meeting continue to remind me of the areas. locally and nationally, which continues to need priority focus (student-athletes mental health, sportsmanship, social media challenges. state/national legislative involvement, fair play, liability issues, etc.). I am confident that with your continued intentional efforts, the SCHSL is prepared to meet any challenges it may face. I encourage you to continue to be great stewards and stakeholders of SCHSL educational athletics

I will end with that note and intentionally not provide an update on ejections for unsportsmanlike behavior.

Have a great week!

~Dr. Jerome Singleton SCHSL-Commissioner











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PUBLIC NOTICE POSTED

The South Carolina High School League's Appellate Panel will meet tomorrow, Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 10 a.m. A Public Notice has been posted at <u>https://schsl.org/archives/10664</u>. Stream live and on demand on any device on the NFHS Network:

https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/events/schsl/evt86854f4db3

SOCCER, BASEBALL, AND SOFTBALL QUALIFIER ENTRY FORMS

Please be reminded that all qualifiers for Boys and Girls Soccer, Softball and baseball must be submitted via the SCHSL website.

The entry form can be found under the forms link on the SCHSL website, <u>www.schsl.org/forms.</u>

SOCCER ENTRY FORM DEADLINE

The deadline to submit the soccer entry forms for Class AA Boys and Girls and Class A Boys is this **Friday**, **April 28**, **2023**: **9** am.

The entry forms can be found under the forms link on the SCHSL website, <u>www.schsl.org/forms.</u>

2023 SOCCER SEEDING MEETING

The Class AA Boys and Girls and Class A Boys Soccer seeding meetings are this **Friday**, **April 28**, **2023**, at the South Carolina High School League office.

Intent to participate forms and schedules will be posted on the League's website this week for schools to fill out for the seeding meeting.

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SPRING SPORTS PLAYOFF BRACKETS

Brackets for the Spring Sports are now available on the SCHSL webpage. Brackets can be found at the following link on the page: <u>https://schsl.org/brackets</u>.

For questions pertaining to brackets, please reach out to Romanda Noble-Watson, Director of Public Relations and Communications at Romanda@schsl.org.

2023 LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIPS



The 2023 SCHSL Lacrosse Championships are scheduled for this Saturday, April 29, 2023, at Irmo High School.

Class AAAA girls will begin at 11:00 am followed by the boys 25 minutes after the conclusion of the girls' contest.

Class AAAAA girls will begin at 5:30 pm followed by the boys 25 minutes after the conclusion of the girls' contest.

Visit https://schsl.org/archives/9902 for complete details.



2023 BOYS TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS: FLORENCE, SC

The 2023 SCHSL Boys Tennis Championships are next Saturday, May 6, at the Dr. Eddie Floyd Florence Tennis Center in Florence, S.C. For more information, including accommodations, visit:

https://schsl.org/archives/10146

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SCHSL CONTINUES TO CELEBRATE TITLE IX

As the nation continues to celebrate the icons of female sports this year, the SCHSL wishes to highlight our present-day female sports teams in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Title IX.

We are asking each high school to submit **ONE** team photo per female sport to be showcased on the website. If you have not submitted your photos to be included, please do so by using the following link: <u>Title IX Photo Submission Form</u> (cognitoforms.com)

SOCCER TEAM OF THE WEEK RECOGNITION

As part of its partnership with the SCHSL, the Charlotte Football Club (Charlotte FC) will be sponsoring a new Soccer Team of the Week social feature that will recognize teams during the season for their accomplishments on and off the field. Nominations for the Soccer Team of the Week recognition can be submitted <u>here</u>.

In addition, Member schools are encouraged to nominate athletes and coaches for the Carolina Soccer Honor event in June. The Carolina Soccer Honors is the premiere soccer event in the Carolinas honoring the best players, coaches, schools, and clubs in the region. The event will be held on June 9th in the Atrium Health Dome near the Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte, NC. Award categories and nominations forms can be found <u>here</u>.



Farm Bureau Insurance and the SCHSL are pleased to once again partner during the upcoming Softball postseason by providing the Full Coverage Scoreboard.

Providing scoring updates on all playoff games, the Full Coverage Scoreboard can be found on the SCHSL Twitter account. Fans can follow along from the start of the postseason on May 3rd through to the State Championships. Farm Bureau Insurance has partnered with the SCHSL since 2019 in its support of high school athletics in South Carolina. If you don't already follow the SCHSL on Twitter, be sure to do so for the most detailed account of the softball postseason.

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EXITING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

During its final 2023-24 Executive Committee meeting, April 18, 2023, the SCHSL Commissioner presented exiting members Sonya Bryant and Tony Folk Certificates of Appreciation for their service to the committee.



SONYA BRYANT



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