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Greetings,

Last week marked the end of the Tennis sports season. This past weekend, four state champions and four state runners-up were crowned.

Congratulations to the schools and their teams on a successful season. As we continue the playoff season with the schools still competing, I remind you about the importance of good sportsmanship in school sports.

Good sportsmanship is more than just playing by the rules. It is about respecting your opponents, teammates, coaches, and officials. It is about showing integrity, fairness, and grace in both victory and defeat. It is about setting an example of excellence on and off the field. When we teach our students about good sportsmanship, we are not just teaching them how to behave during a game. We are teaching them how to be good citizens. We are teaching them how to work together towards a common goal, as well as how to handle disappointment and setbacks with resilience and how to treat others with respect and kindness.

It is also important to remember that good sportsmanship is not just for the players. Coaches, parents, and spectators all have a role to play in creating a positive sports culture. When we compete against our opponents and/or cheer for our team, we should also respect the other team. When we win, we should do so with humility and without gloating. And when we lose, we should do so with dignity and without blame.

I urge all schools to continue to prioritize the promotion of good sportsmanship in their athletic programs. This can be done through intentional efforts such as pre-game meetings with players, coaches, and officials to review expectations and post-game evaluations of sportsmanship.

I close with an update on last week's ejections of coaches and athletes. 12 schools had players and/or coaches ejected for unsportsmanlike behavior. There were 14 individuals ejected (one (1) boys soccer coach, eight (8) boys soccer players, two (2) girls soccer players, and three (3) baseball players). Player and coach ejections are disruptive to the game and can be demoralizing for the teams involved. In addition, they set a poor example for our student-athletes and can lead to a culture of aggression and disrespect.

Let us continue to work to create a culture of positive sportsmanship and respect in our schools. Have a great week of success in athletics and academics.

~Dr. Jerome Singleton Commissioner- SCHSL

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STATE FINALS NEWS

May 6, 2023, the SCHSL held its 2023 Boys State Tennis Finals. At the end of the four teams were crowned State Champions.

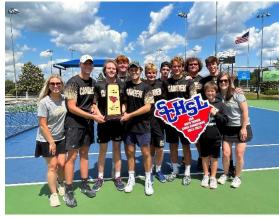
AA: Oceanside Collegiate Academy; **AAA:** Camden High School; **AAAA:** Myrtle Beach High School; **AAAAA:** JL Mann High School

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PLAYOFF FINANCIAL FORMS ARE DUE

REMINDER: If your school hosted any round of the playoffs for fall, winter, or spring sports, please make sure that you have completed the associated financial forms and emailed it to the SCHSL office (cindi@schsl.org) and visiting schools. All financial statements can be found on the League website at https://schsl.org/forms.

SOCCER, BASEBALL, AND SOFTBALL PLAYOFF SCORE REPORTING FORMS

Please be reminded that all playoff scores for Boy's and Girl's Soccer, Softball and Baseball are to be submitted via the SCHSL website immediately following the contest.

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

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: https://schsl.org/brackets.

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

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2023 BOYS' & GIRLS' SOCCER STATE FINALS



The 2023 SCHSL Boys' and Girls' Soccer State Finals are this Friday-Saturday, May 12-13, 2023, at Irmo High School.

There will be State Finalists Press Conferences, this Wednesday and Thursday, May 10-11, 2023, at 10:30 am and 11:30 am both days. All Press Conferences will be available live on the SCHSL Facebook Page.

SOCCER STATE FINALS GAME SCHEDULE

Friday, May 12, 2023

12:00 pm - 4A Session

*Girls Kickoff First

*Boys Follow 25 minutes after Girls

Saturday, May 13, 2023

10:00 am - 1A/2A Session

*1A Boys Kickoff at 10 am

*2A Girls Follows 25 minutes after 1A Boys *Boys Follow 25 minutes after Girls

*2A Boys Follows 25 minutes after Girls

Friday, May 12, 2023

5:30 pm - 5A Session

*Girls Kickoff First

*Boys Follow 25 minutes after Girls

Saturday, May 13, 2023

6:00 pm - 3A Session

*Girls Kickoff First

For complete details including tickets and directions click the following link: https://schsl.org/archives/9905



Farm Bureau Insurance and the SCHSL are pleased to once again partner during the 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 through the State Championships. Farm Bureau Insurance has partnered with the SCHSL since 2019 in support of its 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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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 (cognitoforms.com)</u>

THANK YOU



The Week of May 8-12, 2023 is Teacher Appreciation Week. The Commissioner and Staff of the SCHSL express our thanks to all the teachers for all you do as you help guide and mold the students.