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Upcoming Events

Schedules Due Today: Aug 1, 2023

Tennis, Golf, Cross Country, Swim

ArbiterGame Webinar, Aug 2, 2023: 9:00 am

First Football Scrimmage: Aug 3, 2023

Administrative Assistants Meeting

Aug 3, 2023 – 9:00 am via Zoom

Fall Sports First Scrimmage: Aug 4, 2023

Preseason Golf, Swim: Aug 4, 2023

Executive Committee: Aug 11, 2023

Preseason: Aug 11, 2023

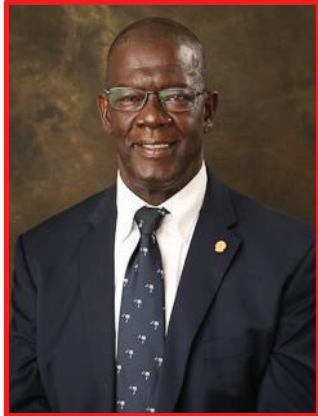
Volleyball, Tennis, Cross Country

JOBS

**For job openings around the
SCHSL, visit www.schsl.org/jobs**

COMMISSIONER'S NOTES

DR. JEROME SINGLETON



Greetings,

Hope your summer break has been relaxing and enjoyable. As we approach the start of another exciting academic year, I extend a warm welcome to all member schools of the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL). It is with great excitement that we begin another season of education-based athletic competition, with a renewed commitment to fair play, athlete health and safety, and sportsmanship.

At the heart of SCHSL's mission lies the core belief that high school sports should serve as an extension of the classroom, instilling invaluable life skills and character traits in our student-athletes. As educators, we have a collective responsibility to ensure that the experiences gained through sports contribute to the growth and development of well-rounded individuals.

As we compete on the fields, courts, courses, tracks, and pools, let us always remember that fair play is the foundation upon which your SCHSL stands. We expect all participants, including athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators, to uphold the principles of fairness, respect, and integrity. Let us embrace healthy competition, respecting the rules and each other, irrespective of the final outcome.

The well-being of our student-athletes remains a top priority. We continue to promote and implement comprehensive health and safety protocols to ensure that every athlete can participate in a safe and secure environment. Coaches and staff are encouraged to remain up to date with the latest guidelines, certifications, and training to protect the physical and mental health of our student-athletes.

Sportsmanship is a fundamental aspect of our association's ethos. As we engage in spirited contests, let us remember that our actions on and off the field reflect not only on ourselves but on our schools and communities. Displaying good sportsmanship, even in the face of adversity, strengthens the bonds between competitors and fosters an atmosphere of mutual respect.

In closing, I want to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches, administrators, officials, and volunteers for their dedication to education-based athletics. Your commitment and passion continue to play a vital role in shaping the lives of our student-athletes positively long after playing days are over.

As we venture into this new academic/athletic school year, let us cherish the memories of the past and look forward to creating new and inspiring moments. Together, we will make the upcoming seasons ones filled with camaraderie, growth, and achievements.

Wishing everyone a successful and fulfilling school year of education-based athletic competition.

~Dr. Jerome Singleton
SCHSL- Commissioner

WELCOME ABOARD



Dr. Curtrell Rhodan joins the staff at the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) as the Director of Educational Services.

Dr. Rhodan has been in education for fifteen years. She has taught in Anderson County, Greenville County, Richland County and most recently in Lexington/Richland 5.

She joins the SCHSL after teaching and serving as the Head Girls Track coach at her Alma Mater, Irmo High School in Irmo, SC for the past three years (2020-2023).

Prior to her stint at Irmo, she was the Head Girls Track Coach at W.J. Keenan High School for four years (2016-2020), and before that she was a teacher and the Head Girls Track Coach at Berea High School for five years (2011-2016).

A former SCHSL State Champion as well as Gatorade Female Athlete of the Year, Dr. Rhodan was a Three-Time All-ACC track performer at the University of Virginia, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts. She holds a Doctor of Chiropractic from the Sherman College in Spartanburg, SC.

Dr. Rhodan recently returned to the track as a master's athlete and won the National Championship in the long and triple jumps and placed 2nd in the 100 hurdles.



Tim Kinney joins the staff at the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) as the Director of Health, Safety & Wellness.

Kinney joins the League after serving nine years as the Head Athletic Trainer and Assistant Athletic Director at Irmo High School in Irmo, SC (2014-2023). While at Irmo, he was also on the staff with the SC Bantums Semi-Professional Team for three seasons (2015-2018).

Before joining the staff at Irmo, Kinney served as the Clinical Outreach Athletic Trainer for Drayer Physical Therapy (2012-2014). He has also had stints as the Head Athletic Trainer at Lexington School District 2 (Brookland-Cayce, 2011-2012) and Lexington School District 4 (Swansea, 2008-2011).

While enrolled in Graduate School at the University of South Carolina, where he received his Master of Science in Physical Education with a concentration: Advanced Athletic Training in 2008, Kinney served as the Graduate Assistant Athletic trainer for men's tennis, women's golf, and as the Head Trainer for Eau Claire High School in Columbia, SC.

Throughout his tenure at the high school level, Kinney was instrumental in growing the Athletic Training profession, teaching several Athletic Training and certification courses. He was the Advisor for the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) and taught classes for CPR & First Aid Certification, Intro to Health Sciences, Sports Medicine I and II, and Sports Medicine Work-Based Credit.

Kinney holds several certifications including, Board Certified Athletic Trainer, DHEC South Carolina State Certified Athletic Trainer, CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer with the American Heart Association, CPR/AED/First Aid instructor through the American Heart Association, and holds a South Carolina Board of Education Certificate and South Carolina Principal Certificate - Tier 1.

Additionally, Kinney holds memberships in the South Carolina Coaches Association (2012-Present), National Athletic Trainers' Association (2004-Present), Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainers' Association (2004-Present), South Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association (2006-Present), and the ASEP National Coaches Registry (2008-Present).

Kinney received his Bachelor of Science degree in Athletic Training from Liberty in 2006 and his Master of Education (Education Administration and Leadership K-12) from Columbia College (SC) in 2021.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Schedules Deadline

Reminder: Schedules for Tennis, Golf, Cross Country and Swim are due **today, Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023.**

Arbiter Game Webinar

The SCHSL will hold an ArbiterGame Webinar, tomorrow, **Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2023**, at 9:00 am.

This Webinar is specific to the membership of the SCHSL. It will cover general information as well as provide a better understanding of the scheduling process and the changes over the past year.

Please make sure all appropriate staff are made aware and attend the webinar training. The registration link was emailed to Principals, Athletic Directors, and Athletic Department Administrative Assistants on Monday, July 31, 2023.

Fall Sports Captains Course

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) will host a virtual Fall Sports Captains Workshop, Thursday, Aug. 17, 2023, at 10:00 am. An invitation to register will be sent to Athletics Directors and Principals no later than Friday, Aug. 4, 2023.

SCHSL Mobile App

A new partnership forged between the SCHSL and Lucas Sports, a company with roots in the Palmetto State, has resulted in an SCHSL App for smartphone users.

The SCHSL App allows users to perform tasks more easily such as accessing the League's website, purchasing tickets for championships, shopping the online store for championship merchandise, and receiving communication via Push Notifications. Additionally, it allows users to receive timely information for those events, like time changes, weather delays, and parking information.

Please share this information with your entire staff. We encourage all coaches and administrators to download the SCHSL App. The SCHSL App is available for iPhone and Android users in the respective App Stores. Schools interested in exploring the potential for its own app can contact Lucas Sports at (423) 381-7374 or email support@lucassports.net

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2023-24 League Pass

The South Carolina High School League is switching from DragonFly to Home Town for its League Passes. An email has been sent to Principals and Superintendents.

The pass must be shown to enter the pass gate. The pass will have a QR code, but it is **not required** to scan it for entry. The QR code will be scanned at SCHSL hosted events. The pass is good for the pass owner and 1 guest.

The rules will remain the same for the number of passes that are available to each school. Please see Article VII in the SCHSL By-Laws for details.

High School League passes will be issued as follows:

DISTRICT OFFICE: 2 Passes: one each for the Superintendent and/or district athletic director.

MIDDLE SCHOOLS: (4 Passes Total)

HIGH SCHOOLS: will receive one (1) each for the principal, athletic director, and each varsity sport offered.

There will be a \$25 charge for all passes requested after the allotted number.

Superintendents and Principals, an overview how the process will work is below.

1. Home Town will email each superintendent and principal a link to an online form. Only the superintendent and principal will receive this link.
2. The superintendent/principal or the their designee will enter the name, email address, cell phone number into the form and upload a photo for each recipient. It is important that you don't distribute this link to anyone not authorized to request passes for the school or district. When this form is submitted, you are authorizing Home Town to generate a pass.
3. Each pass recipient will need to download the Hometown Fan app and create an account using the same information entered into the form.
4. Each recipient will receive the pass in the Tickets area under My Passes.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

The Health Spot is dedicated to the Health, Safety, and Wellness of the SCHSL. It's a new section in TuesNews and will include information that focuses on the 4 H's: Health, Heat, Heart, and Head. Tim Kinney, the Director of Health, Safety, and Wellness will be the contributor to this section. All questions related to the information contained here should be directed to him at tim@schsl.org.

Have you asked yourself: Do you know where your AED is located? Information on AED's and much more will be contained in this section.



Officials Whistle

The Officials Whistle column is dedicated to all things officials. It's a new column in TuesNews that will provide sportsmanship tips at contests, tips on officials' hospitality, information on how to become an official, ideas on how to get to know your officials, and the Bench Bad Behavior updates. #BenchBadBehavior

Associate Commissioner Sarah Hayes, will be the contributor to this section. All questions related to the information contained here should be directed to her at sarah@schsl.org.



Tools for Success

The Tools for Success column is dedicated to the education of the student-athletes of the SCHSL. It's a new column in TuesNews that will focus on Leadership, Sportsmanship and Community Service. It will also provide information on upcoming educational workshops and deadlines for student-athlete awards.

Dr. Curtrell Rhodan will be the contributor to this column. All questions related to the information contained here should be directed to her at curtrell@schsl.org.

