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Upcoming Events

Health Summit (Virtual) Oct. 26, 2023 – 10:00am

Deadline - Hardship Application for November Meeting: Oct. 27, 2023

Cross Country Last Date: Oct. 28, 2023

Football Qualifiers Due: Oct. 28, 2023 12:00 pm

Winter Sports First Practice: Oct. 30, 2023

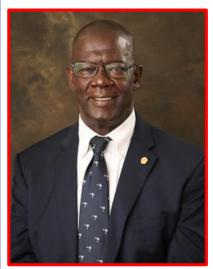
Competitive Balance Subcommittee Virtual Meeting: Oct. 30, 2023 – 1:00pm

Open Season Ends: Oct. 31, 2023



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

FROM THE COMMISSIONER



Greetings,

I trust this message finds you well. We are excited to gear up for the upcoming State Cross Country Meet, a culmination of hard work and dedication from athletes, coaches, and schools across the state. In preparation for this event, we want to inform you of an important adjustment to the admission fee structure.

In recent years, the Meet was held at the Sandhills Extension Center, and we have been pleased to offer a \$10 admission fee per car for the State Cross Country Meet. However, the Meet has been moved to "The Farm" in Newberry, SC and we have encountered some traffic concerns that have the potential to affect the overall experience for all attendees. Charging admission by car would

cause traffic to be backed up on the main highway. Our priority is to ensure the safety and convenience of all participants and spectators.

To address these traffic concerns and maintain a seamless experience for everyone involved, we have decided to make a slight change to the admission fee structure. Effective immediately, the new admission fee for the State Cross Country Meet will be \$5 per person. This adjustment will help alleviate traffic congestion and streamline the entry process.

We understand the significance of this event to our member schools and student-athletes. It remains our mission to provide a positive and efficient experience for all who attend. We believe that this fee adjustment is a step in the right direction to achieving this goal, ensuring that the event remains accessible and enjoyable for everyone. You will be able to purchase tickets online through GoFan as done with our other sports.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the State Cross Country Meet, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 803-798-0120.

Your understanding and support are greatly appreciated, and we look forward to hosting a successful and memorable State Cross Country Meet this year.

~Dr. Jerome Singleton SCHSL- Commissioner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023 SCHSL Health Summit



The SCHSL 2023 Health Summit is this Thursday, October 26, at 10 am. Schools are encouraged to register for the Summit which will feature some dynamic speakers.

Registration is open now through tomorrow, Wednesday, October 25 at the link below.

For additional information, contact Dr. Curtrell Rhodan, Director of Educational Services at Curtrell@schsl.org.

Health Summit Registration Form

Fall Sports Brackets

The updated 2023-24 Fall Sports Brackets are available on the SCHSL website. Brackets can be accessed under the brackets link on the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org, or by clicking the following link: https://schsl.org/brackets.

For additional information on brackets please contact Romanda Noble-Watson, Director of Communications and Public Relations at Romanda@schsl.org.

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Football Qualifiers Due October 28, 2023

The due date for the Qualifiers for the upcoming Football Championships are the Saturday, October 28, 2023: 12 p.m. The qualifier reporting forms can be found under the AD's Notebook Link on the SCHSL website, https://schsl.org/archives/11884.

Please Note: In order for the timely updating of the playoff brackets, the below deadline is a hard deadline. Qualifiers may be entered as soon as they are available but must be entered on or before the deadline.

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Winter Sports Rules Clinic

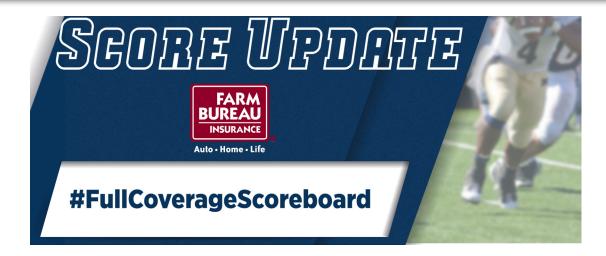
Next week is the final week for the Winter Sports Rules Clinic. The Clinic is available until next Tuesday, October 31, 2023 on Big Teams at https://www.bigteams.com/.

Media/School Credential Link

The 2023-24 SCHSL Media & School Credential Links for upcoming championships can be found under the Communications tab on the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org. Below are the credential request windows for the remaining Fall Championships.

- Nov. 2: Boys Volleyball State Finals Thursday, Oct. 26- Tuesday, Oct. 31 (2 PM)
- Nov. 4: Girls Tennis State Finals Saturday, Oct. 28- Wednesday, Nov. 1 (2 PM)
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- Nov. 6-7: Girls Tennis State Finals (Individuals) Will use Credential from Team State Final
- Nov. 10-11: Cross Country State Finals Friday, Nov. 3- Tuesday, Nov. 7 (2 PM)
- Nov. 18: Competitive Cheer State Finals Saturday, Nov. 11- Wednesday, Nov. 15 (2 PM)
- Nov. 30-Dec. 2: Football State Finals Friday, Nov. 24- Tuesday, Nov. 28 (2 PM)

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Once again this season, the SCHSL is partnering with Farm Bureau Insurance of South Carolina to celebrate postseason football. The playoff brackets, presented by Farm Bureau Insurance, will be posted on the SCHSL website following the conclusion of the regular season this weekend for all 5 classifications.

As the calendar turns to November, be sure to follow @SCHSL on X, formerly known as Twitter, for the Farm Bureau Insurance Full Coverage Scoreboard. We'll be posting scores of every playoff game, from the opening round to the State Finals in Orangeburg.

We encourage schools to use the hashtag #FullCoverageScoreboard and tag @SCHSL when they post scores of games on their social media platforms. The SCHSL would like to say thanks to Farm Bureau Insurance of South Carolina for their support of SCHSL football these past 5 years!

Breast Cancer Awareness

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. According to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, Inc., **1 in 8** women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. In 2023, an estimated **297,790 women and 2,800** men will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer.

Awareness of the facts and statistics surrounding breast cancer in the United States is key in empowering individuals to make informed decisions about their health.

The staff at the SCHSL will wear pink once a week during the month of October in support of the fight.

For additional information visit https://www.nationalbreastcancer.org/breast-cancer-facts/.

CONGRATULATIONS

2023 Middle School Volleyball Regional Invitational Champs





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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

Winter Sports EAP Practice Week

EAP practice week for winter sports will be December 4th-8th. The SCHSL encourages all schools to participate in practicing your emergency action plan for each winter sport. Coaches and medical staff should collaborate and practice for when a medical emergency occurs. It is important to be prepared to act before an actual medical event happens.

Direct all questions for this section to Tim Kinney, Director of Health, Safety, and Wellness, at Tim@schsl.org.

The Bench Bad Behavior Toolkit has been updated just in time for the winter sports season. Download today at www.benchbadbehavior. com/ to take advantage of the new resources to help promote positive behavior by all stakeholders at contests so that everyone can enjoy the high school sporting events that we love.

#BenchBadBehavior

Direct all questions for this section to Associate Commissioner Sarah Hayes at Sarah@schsl. org.



Officials' Whistle Tools for Success

Remember what it's like being a teenager? Between school, sports, activities, peer pressure, social media, and just trying to figure out who you are, it's easy to see why high school students have a lot on their minds.

The SCHSL released an Op-Ed that encourages creating a culture of caring, in schools and communities, one where everyone feels seen and supported, especially our students. Once recieved, we encourage you to send it in your newsletters and other forms of communication in your community.

The points outlined in the Op-Ed will be addressed during the SCHSL Health Summit which will be this Thursday, Oct. 26, 2023. Please refer to page five (5) to register for the Health Summit. Registration is open until tomorrow, Wednesday, October 25.

Thank you for helping us share this message of empathy and support. And thank you for continuing to inform our community about important issues like this.

Direct all questions for this section to Dr. Curtrell Rhodan, Director of Educational Services at Curtrell@schsl.org.