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Upcoming Events

Open Season Ends: Oct. 31, 2023

Boys VB Business Meeting: Nov. 1, 2023: 8 AM

Boys VB Press Conference:

Nov. 1, 2023: 9 AM

Boys VB Championship: Nov. 2, 2023

Girls Tennis Business Meeting: Nov. 3, 2023: 8 AM

Girls VB Press Conferences:

Nov. 2, 2023: 9:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Girls Tennis Press Conferences:

Nov. 3, 2023: 9:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Girls Volleyball Championship: Nov. 4, 2023

Girls Tennis Championship: Nov. 4, 2023

Last Date Competitive Cheer: Nov. 4, 2023

Girls Tennis Individual Championship

Nov. 6, 2023 – Nov. 7, 202306NOV

First Scrimmage Basketball, Wrestling

Nov. 6, 2023

Competitive Balance Subcommittee Virtual Meeting: Nov. 6, 2023 – 1:00pm



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

FROM THE COMMISSIONER



Greetings,

Congratulations to the teams in the football playoffs!

As we approach the exciting football playoffs, I wanted to take a moment to emphasize the importance of good sportsmanship. The essence of high school sports goes beyond the scoreboard, and it's our responsibility to set a positive example for our students, coaches, and fans.

Our commitment to sportsmanship means treating opponents, officials, and fellow spectators with respect, regardless of the outcome. Here are some important reminders for all member schools participating in the football playoffs:

- 1. **Respect for Opponents:** Encourage your athletes to show respect for their opponents before, during, and after the game. If appropriate, a simple handshake or a few words of appreciation can go a long way in promoting a positive atmosphere.
- 2. **Respect for Officials:** Remember that referees and officials are crucial to the integrity of the game. Even when decisions may not go in your favor, it's essential to treat them with respect, and refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct.
- 3. **Fans' Behavior:** It is important to remind your school's fans about appropriate behavior. Encourage them to support our teams vocally and passionately but to do so in a manner that reflects positively on our school and community.
- 4. **Coaches' Conduct:** Coaches are the role models for student-athletes. It is imperative that they lead by example and emphasize good sportsmanship during practice, games, and interactions with opposing teams.
- 5. **Post-Game Handshakes:** After each game, our schools should participate in the traditional post-game handshake to show respect and appreciation for their opponents' efforts.

NOTE: If you feel that handshaking will create an opportunity for problems, reserve the handshakes for coaches only.

6. **Display of Integrity**: Emphasize the importance of integrity on and off the field. Winning should never come at the expense of ethics and good sportsmanship.

Good sportsmanship reflects the character of our schools and our student-athletes. Let's remember that we are not just competing for a trophy but also to instill valuable life lessons in our students.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring that the football playoffs are conducted with the highest level of sportsmanship. I look forward to an exciting and respectful tournament. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need further clarification. **GOOD LUCK IN THE PLAYOFFS!!!!!**

~Dr. Jerome Singleton SCHSL- Commissioner

CONGRATULATIONS

2023 GIRL'S GOLF



The 2023 SCHSL Girl's Golf State Finals were held 16 & 17, and October 24-25, at the Dr. Eddie Floyd Florence Tennis Center in Florence, S.C. In the end four girl's teams acrowned champions.

Class AA: Chesnee High School Class AAA: Waccamaw High School Class AAAA: May River High School Class AAAAA: Dorman High School

CONGRATULATIONS

2023 SCHSL GIRL'S GOLF STATE CHAMPS





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2023 Student of the Month Nominations



Reminder: The deadline for the Student of the Month (October) is today. Please use the link below to submit your nomination. Pelase upload two photos (one head shot and one action shot preferred) for each nominee.

For additional information, visit the Student of the Month link under the Student Services link on the SCHSL website.

Contact Dr. Curtrell Rhodan, Director of Educational Services at Curtrell@schsl.org with questions.

Student of the Month Nomination Form

Winter Sports Rules Clinic

TODAY is the last day for the Winter Sports Rules Clinic. The Clinic is available on Big Teams at https://www.bigteams.com/.

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Arbiter Reminders

Below, are some important reminders related to basketball and wrestling scheduling in Arbiter. Contact Jill White, SCHSL Arbiter Booking Coordinator, at Jill@schsl.org with any questions regarding scheduling. Please review the bullet points below and address any issues prior asap but before the start of the season.

- Please double check to make sure your basketball schedules are correct in Arbiter.
- Varsity games should be set to SCHSL 101800 for officials.
- Contact your local assigner to verify your SV games.
- When entering girls and boys games linked on the same day, please make sure the sites are the exact same.
- Contact your wrestling assigner to verify your matches.

Playoff Score Reporting

In order for the timely updating of the playoff brackets, playoff scores should be entered on the score reporting forms following the contest. The links are below and are also listed on the Forms link on the SCHSL website.

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

Volleyball Score Reporting: https://schsl.org/archives/9107
Girl's Tennis Score Reporting: https://schsl.org/archives/9111
Football Score Reporting: https://schsl.org/archives/9113

Fall Sports Playoff 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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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!

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)
- Nov. 4: Girls Volleyball State Finals Saturday, Oct. 28- Wednesday, Nov. 1 (2 PM)
- 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)

SUPPORT THE INITIATIVE

Breast Cancer Awareness

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Throughout the month of October, the staff of the SCHSL wore pink on while we worked on Thursday's in support of 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/.



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



SAAC is back and we are excited about it. We want the best and brightest from all over our great state to apply. Please be reminded that only one student-athlete can be nominated per school. Also, your nominee can be a rising junior or rising senior. Submit your nomination here.

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