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Upcoming Events

Lacrosse, Baseball, Softball, Soccer, Track Rules Clinics: Jan. 17, 2024

Appellate Panel Appeals (Reclassification/Realignment): Jan. 18, 2024 – Jan. 19, 2024

Lacrosse, Tennis Rules Clinics: Jan. 18, 2024

Baseball, Soccer Rules Clinics: Jan. 22, 2024

Softball, Golf Rules Clinic Jan. 23, 2024

AA classification meeting: Jan. 23, 2024 – 9:00 am



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

NFHS HOTA & SOS Nomination Deadline



The NFHS Heart of the Arts and Spirit of the Sports Nominations are due to the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Office by 12 noon, Thursday, January 25, 2024 Please send completed nomination forms to Romanda@schsl.org on or before the deadline. Please do not send forms directly to the NFHS Office. Nomination Forms were mailed to High School Principals and Athletics Director on Thursday, January 11, 2024.

Include any supporting documentation you would like to have considered during the selection process (i.e., action photos). Additionally, please include a head shot of your nominee with the email submission.

Thank you and please feel free to contact the league office with any questions.

Heart of the Arts Award: Deadline to SCHSL is Thursday, January 25, 2024: Noon

For the Heart of the Arts Award, the nominee could be any student, adult or group associated with the school's performing arts program. This award seeks to recognize individuals who exemplify the ideals of the positive heart of the art that represent the core mission of education-based activities. Complete criteria are listed on the application.

Spirit of Sport Award: Deadline to SCHSL is Thursday, January 25, 2024: Noon

For the Spirit of Sport Award, the nominee can be a coach, athletic administrator, administrator, contest official, trainer, student-athlete, or any others associated with the school or the school's athletic program. This award seeks to recognize individuals who exemplify the ideals of the positive spirit of the sport that represent the core mission of education-based activities. Complete criteria are listed on the application.

Student-Athlete Advisory Committee



The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) has selected 15 student-athletes to serve on the SCHSL Student Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC). The 15 members represent each SCHSL classification and the more than 100,000 athletic participants. The purpose of the Council is to provide a voice for student-athletes within the SCHSL governance structure. Principals and Athletic Directors selected their best and brightest student-athletes, and those student-athletes submitted a rigorous application to the SCHSL for consideration. Selections were made on January 4, 2024. Below are the 2023-2025 SCHSL Student Athlete Advisory Council Members:

5A: Alexis M. Jodie: River Bluff High School; Carissa F. Guion: Mauldin High School; Kelly L. Gristwood: Sumter High School; Niyah J Haywood: Spring Valley;

4A: Ako Taylor: Westwood High School; Matthew Blocker: Irmo High School; Tyler E White: Midland Valley High School;

3A: Halen T Moss: Dreher High School; Ella K Barnett: Aynor High School

2A: Ryan C Conder: Mid-Carolina High School; Paris A Mayes: Blacksburg High School; Destinee N Tiller: Eau Claire High School;

1A: Wyatt L Krashner: Riverwalk Academy; Alexa Tamayo: Calhoun County High School; Kinsley E Price: Great Falls High School



The Spring Sports Rules Clinic dates are set. It is mandatory that all head coaches attend one of these clinics. All coaches must attend one of these clinics if they did not attend it at the SCACA Summer Conference.

Dates and locations are available at the following link: https://schsl.org/archives/12535.



Last Week, January 7-13, 2024, was Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week in the SCHSL. Thank you to all the schools who showed appreciation to our Officials. Although storms came through our state, our schools still showed thanks to our officials who make our games possible. From pictures taken with officials to gifts and thank you cards, this week was a celebration of our officials.

Be on the lookout in TuesNews and on the SCHSL for our Spring Sports Officials' Appreciation Week coming this spring!

A list of participating schools can be found in the Officials' Whistle Column on page 6. Additionally, schools will be highlighted on the SCHSL Social Pages.



Last Week, January 7-13, 2024, was Living Clean Week in the SCHSL! Thank you to all the schools who participated and focused on Living Clean throughout the week and following the week's theme: **NO EJECTIONS, NO EXCUSES, CLEAN IT UP!**

A list of participating schools can be found in the Tools for Success on page 6. Additionally, schools will be highlighted on the SCHSL Social Pages.

Arbiter Reminders

Below, are some important reminders related to wrestling and basketball scheduling in Arbiter. Please review the bullet points below and address any issues ASAP. Please double check to make sure your basketball schedules are correct in Arbiter.

Click here to access the Arbiter Help site. Once on the site, enter a couple of keywords in the search bar.

- Varsity games should be set to SCHSL 101800 for officials.
- Contact your local assigner to verify your Sub-Varsity 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.

Contact Jill White, SCHSL Arbiter Booking Coordinator, at Jill@schsl.org with any additional questions regarding scheduling.

Retiree Passes/Book Order Links

The links to order SCHSL Retiree Passes and Rules Books, Case Books, and Umpire Manuals are now available on the home page of the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org. The links can be found on the right side of the page under Quick Links. You can also access the pages by clicking below.

Retiree Pass Application Link

SCHSL Rules Books, Case Books, and Umpire Manuals

For additional information, contact Office Coordinator, Maeoceisha Jenkins-Suber at Maeoceisha@schsl.org

Out-of-Attendance-Area Students and 3.0 Multiplier

The SC High School League's Executive Committee approved the use of a 3.0 multiplier for out-of-attendance-area students to be applied in the 2024-2026 Reclassification/Realignment process.

The link below share details on how out-of-attendance-area students are determined and how the 3.0 multiplier is applied.

Reclassification and Realignment PowerPoint

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

HYPOTHERMIA

As we head into the winter months, it's important to understand how cold weather can affect our student-athletes. Hypothermia is when the body loses heat faster than it can generate it, resulting in a drop in core body temperature below the normal range of 95-98.6. Recognizing the signs and symptoms of hypothermia is crucial for coaches, student-athletes, and support staff to ensure prompt intervention. Key indicators include:

- Shivering
- Numbness
- Confusion
- Fatique
- Slurred speech

If a student-athlete exhibits these signs, move them to a warm environment, remove wet clothing, and provide dry layers. Warm beverages and blankets should be used to raise the body temperature gradually, and professional medical attention should be sought if symptoms persist or worsen. For more information go to: CDC Hypothermia.

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

Last Week, January 7-13, 2024, was Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation in the SCHSL. Thank you to the following schools who submitted submissions showing your support of our Officials:

American Leadership Academy Palmetto Scholars Academy Stratford High School Wando High School Westwood High School Charleston Math & Science Military Magnet

For additional questions concerning the Officials' Whistle contact Associate

Commisioner Sarah Hayes at Sarah@

schsl.org.

Officials' Whistle Tools for Success

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Gray Collegiate Academy

Riverwalk

Abbeville

Irmo

Westwood

Rock Hill

American Leadership

Clover



Toolsfor

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