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#### **Upcoming Events**

Winter Officials' Week: Jan. 7, – Jan. 13, 2024

Living Clean Week: Jan. 8, - Jan. 12, 2024

Executive Committee Meeting: Jan. 10, 2023: 10:00 am

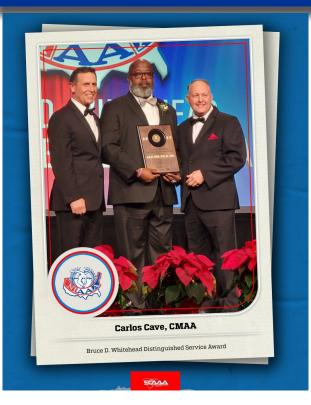
Lacrosse, Baseball, Softball, Soccer, Track Rules Clinics: Jan. 10, 2024

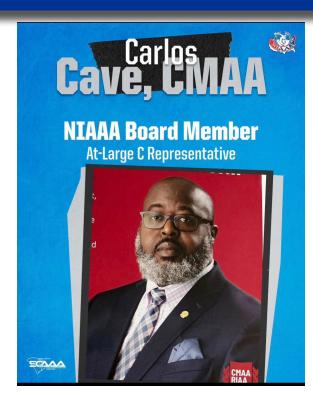
SCHSL Office Closed Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Jan. 15, 2024



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

# CONGRATULATIONS





South Carolina High School League Executive Committee Member **Carlos Cave** is the receipient of the Bruce D. Whitehead Distinguished Service Award, which is presented annually to National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) members in recognition of their length of service, special accomplishments and contributions to interscholastic athletics at the local, state and national levels.

"Winning this award is truly an honor. It represents years of hard work dedication, and perseverance," said Cave. "I am grateful to be recognized for my achievements and contributions in my profession. This award is not just a symbol of my individual accomplishments, but also a testament to the power of teamwork. None of this would have been possible without the collaboration and support of my colleagues, friends, and family. Their unwavering belief in me has been a constant source of motivation and inspiration."

Nominations for the award are submitted by state athletic directors associations, screened by the Awards Committee, and selected by the Board of Directors.

Additionally, Cave was named Also named to the NIAAAA Board as the At-Large C Representative.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Public Notice Posted**

A Public Notice has been posted from the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL). The SCHSL Executive Committee will hold a meeting, Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 10:00 am. All public viewing of the Executive Committee meeting will be done via live stream on the NFHS Network website: <u>https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/events/schsl/evt7bbfccf833</u>.

Viewing of the Legislative and Activities Subcommittee meetings will be available with limited seating at the SCHSL office at 9:00 am.

Click Here for complete details.

### **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

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### **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.

<u>Click here</u> 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.



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: <u>https://schsl.org/archives/12535</u>.

#### 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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



#### Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week (January 7-13, 2024)

Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week is this week, January 7-13, 2024. Officials work to maintain the integrity of the sports they officiate and ensure student-athletes have a safe environment to play in. Without our officials, our student-athletes would not be able to enjoy the sports they love, so show your appreciation to the unsung heroes of interscholastic contests. Submit your photos or flyers showing your support of our officials at: <u>Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week</u>.

Complete information, including appreciation examples, can be found in the Officials' Whistle Column on page 7.

### **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

### SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Something to Think About is a periodic column from the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Communications & Public Relations Department. It can be found under the Communications Link on the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org.

This week's column focuses on the New Year and revisits the **NON-OFFICIAL** SCHSL social media pages and game networks.

As we are a few days into the New Year, it is time to evaluate last year, paying close attention to those things we wanted to accomplish last year but ran out of time. It is never too late to pick up where you left off and keep pressing forward. We often say, "I wish I could have finished that project." What's stopping you from finishing? Instead of throwing it out, revamp it to fit the New Year and press on.

Something else that needs revisiting in the New Year is the multiple non-official SCHSL social media pages using the SCHSL Logo, especially on Instagram.

Additionally, please be mindful, the SCHSL has only **ONE** official network that broadcasts its games, www.nfhsnetwork.com. In the event you receive an email or social media graphic with the opportunity to order a game from one of the fake pages offers, **DO NOT CLICK THE LINK**, it is a **scam** that aims at getting your credit card information.

When in doubt, reach out to the Director of Communications and Public Relations, Romanda Noble-Watson at Romanda@schsl.org for verification.

Finally, I have listed below the official social media pages for the SCHSL. All other pages using the SCHSL logo or anything similar are unofficial, and the South Carolina High School League highly suggests unfollowing and discourages following them.

Please note, SCHSL uses Twitter (X) page and SCHSL official page.



as the profile picture on its official Facebook, official Instagram uses as the profile picture on the

Below are the ONLY OFFICIAL social media handles for the SCHSL.



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# 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
- Fatigue
- 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.

Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week is this week, January 7-13, 2024. Participation in Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week can be as simple, or as extravagant as you want it to be. You can get your teams and student groups on campus to get involved. It is a great community project for school student councils, spirit groups, or other groups who are ambassadors of your school and community. A few ideas that you can use for Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week are:

- Special appreciation signage in the officials' locker room.
- Gift cards/cookies/donuts/other items presented to the crew by both the home and visiting team
- Read a PSA at the start of the game, thanking the crew for working the contest.
- "Thank you" cards, signed by the team and coaching staff.

For additional questions concerning the Officials' Whistle contact Associate Commisioner Sarah Hayes at Sarah@schsl.org.

### **Officials' Whistle Tools for Success**

It's Living Clean week! We want all of our member schools to have the tools to live clean all week! The theme for that week will center around keeping the sport clean. This means, NO EJECTIONS, NO EXCUSES, CLEAN IT UP!

Please submit pictures and videos of student athletes around the state showing their commitment to living clean! Remember, these activities count toward the sportsmanship award. The SCHSL can't wait to see what sportsmanship looks like all over our great state. Submit your photos in the form below or tag us in your posts @schsl with the #livingclean #sportsmanship #itsinthecontest. Click below to submit your images

#### Living Clean Images Form

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

