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Upcoming Events

AD Admin Assistant Workshop Aug. 8, 2024 – 9:00 am

> Appellate Panel Aug. 8, 2024 – 10:00 am

Middle School Principal/AD Aug. 13, 2024 – 9:00 am



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

COMMISSIONER'S NOTES DR. JEROME SINGLETON



Greetings Member Schools Administrators, Coaches, Athletes, and Families:

As we embark on another exciting athletic year, I am filled with enthusiasm and optimism for the opportunities that lie ahead. On behalf of the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL), I extend a warm welcome to each of you as we prepare to make this year one of the best yet in our rich history of high school sports.

The past year has brought its share of challenges and triumphs, showcasing the resilience and determination of our athletes, coaches, and school communities. Your commitment to excellence, both on and off the field, has been truly inspiring. It is this unwavering dedication that makes

South Carolina middle/high school sports a beacon of pride and achievement.

As we step into this new year, I encourage all participants to embrace the core values that define our League: sportsmanship, integrity, and teamwork. These principles are the foundation of our success and the pillars upon which we build our programs. Whether you are a seasoned athlete or new to middle/high school sports, remember that the spirit of fair play and respect for one another are paramount.

To our coaches, your leadership and mentorship are invaluable. You shape the future of our student-athletes, instilling in them the skills and character needed to succeed not just in sports, but in life. Your role extends beyond the playbook, and for that, we are profoundly grateful.

To the parents and families, your support and encouragement are the bedrock of our athletes' success. Your involvement and passion fuel their drive to achieve their best. Thank you for being their biggest fans and for contributing to the vibrant community that makes middle/high school sports so special.

This year, we look forward to thrilling competitions, memorable moments, and the continued pursuit of excellence. Let us all commit to upholding the highest standards of conduct and to fostering an environment where every athlete can thrive.

In closing, I wish each of you a successful, safe, and enjoyable athletic year. Together, let's make this season one that will be remembered for years to come with fond memories.

~Dr. Jerome Singleton SCHSL- Commissioner

CONGRATULATIONS



PAULA KIRKLAND

NFHS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE











Dorman High School's longtime girls' volleyball head coach, Paula Kirkland, was inducted into the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) National High School Hall of Fame.

The complete video of the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony can be viewed on the NFHS Network at https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/events/nfhs/evt33a44db674. Kirkland's presentation begins at the 1:17:05 mark.

Visit https://schsl.org/archives/13057 for additional information on Kirkland's selection.

Rules Clinics Date Change

Due to inclement weather conditions forecasted for the upcoming days, we will be canceling all scheduled fall sports rules clinic meetings at the League office to ensure everyone's safety and well-being.

The upcoming rule clinic meetings will now be held as virtual sessions via Zoom. There is no need for coaches to register for these meetings. Instead, please see your Principal or AD for the Zoom link to join on the scheduled day and time for your rule clinic.

Sport Date & Time

Golf Monday, August 12th @ 5:00 pm
Volleyball Monday, August 12th @ 6:00 pm
Cross Country Tuesday, August 13th @ 5:00 pm
Swimming Tuesday, August 13th @ 6:00 pm
Tennis Wednesday, August 14th @ 5:00 pm
Competitive Cheer Thursday, August 15th @ 6:00 pm

Fall Schedules Deadline

Reminder: Schedules for Tennis, Golf, Cross Country and Swim were due **last Thursday**, **August 1, 2024**.

DON'T LET AN EMERGENCY BE THE FIRST TIME YOU IMPLEMENT YOUR EAP!!!

Next Week, August 12-16, 2024, is Emergency Action Plan (EAP) Practice Week in the SCHSL. Be sure to practice your EAP during the week.



Submit your EAP Practice Photos Here:

https://www.cognitoforms.com/southcarolinahighschoolleague/eappracticefall2024

Fall sports are finally here, and with that comes South Carolina heat and humidity! Please ensure you are following the pre-season practice plans for all fall sports. These guidelines dictate practice times, contact, and equipment use to ensure the proper acclimatization for student-athletes. Also, be aware of the updated heat-acclimatization guidelines. These practice plans and guidelines can be found under our health and safety tab here: https://schsl.org/archives/category/health-safety.

Fall Sports Captains Workshop



The first Captains' Course is August 15, 2024, at 10 a.m. One of the speakers is our very own NFHS Hall of Fame Volleyball Coach, Paula Kirkland. Our athletes are in for a treat. These Courses and Summits are completely free to our membership. Online registration for the Captains' Course is available through this link <u>Fall Captains' Course</u> through Wednesday, August 14, 2024. All students must be registered through their school. If you have any questions, please contact me at curtrell@schsl.org or (803) 798-0120. Additional information can also be found in the Tools for Success Section.

Clean The Slate: Sportsmanship Award Changes

The South Carolina High School League is intentional about putting our student-athletes first, they are students first and athletes immediately after. Our goal this year is to decrease unsportsmanlike conduct and increase sportsmanship through the education of student-athletes, coaches, and parents. In an effort to increase leadership and sportsmanship, we are cleaning the slate. The Sportsmanship Award dates have been changed and will now correlate with the school year, Aug. 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025. This change will allow member schools to start fresh each school year.

2024-25 League Pass

Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors

We will be distributing information soon regarding the process for applying for SCHSL passes. The process will be with a company that specializes in digital passes. It will be very similar to the process last year, but we will have complete control of the workflow.

A form will be filled out by the principals and superintendents with the name, email address, cell phone number, and position of each person who should receive a pass. An email will then be sent to the recipient of the pass with instructions to download the pass and add a photo to the pass.

The instructions containing the link to the form will be sent to the principals and superintendents only. This will ensure that the principals and superintendents have control over who is allowed to get a pass. Keep in mind that the school will be charged for any number of passes that exceed the free threshold. Invoices will be sent in the spring.

Book Order Links

The links to order SCHSL Rule Books, Case Books, and Umpire Manuals are 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.

SCHSL Rules Books, Case Books, and Umpire Manuals

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

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

The Health Spot is dedicated to the Health, Safety, and Wellness of the SCHSL. This section in TuesNews will focus 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. Throughout the year, this column will provide tips on officials' hospitality and sportsmanship to help the retention of officials, information on how to become an official, and profiles on our officials in South Carolina so you can get to know who is making the calls at your contests.

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, Sportmanship 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.

