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Upcoming Events

Officials' Appreciation Week

Oct. 7, 2024 – Oct. 12, 2024

Principals/AD Meeting (Virtual)

Oct. 9, 2024 – 9:00 am

Swim Championships: USC Natatorium

Oct. 15, 17, & 19, 2024

JOBS

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

FROM THE COMMISSIONER



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FROM: Dr. Jerome Singleton, Commissioner *J.S.*
SC High School League

SUBJECT: Hurricane Helene

DATE: September 30, 2024

Greetings,

I hope this message finds you well. As you are aware, Hurricane Helene made landfall last week, causing significant disruptions in several communities across South Carolina.

Our primary concern, at this time, is for those affected and the recovery efforts underway. We are currently monitoring the situation closely and assessing the impact on our schools and communities. While we understand the importance of the fall sports season, we want to prioritize the safety and well-being of our students, staff, and families.

We encourage all member schools to evaluate their local conditions and make informed decisions regarding practices, games, and events. Please consider the safety of your student-athletes and community members when determining the best course of action.

We will keep you updated as more information becomes available and as we continue to assess the situation statewide. Your cooperation and understanding during this challenging time are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Notice Posted

A Public Notice has been posted from the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL). The SCHSL Appellate Panel will hold a virtual Special Called Meeting, Wednesday, October 2, 2024 at 10:00 am.

All public viewing will be done via live stream on the NFHS Network website: <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/events/schsl/evt140a601e54>.

Winter Sports Rules Clinic

The 2024-25 Winter sports rules clinic is now available on Big Teams. The rules clinic will be available through Thursday, October 31, 2024.

Principals & Athletic Directors Webinar

The SCHSL will hold a Principals and Athletic Directors webinar, next Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at 9:00 am. The link to attend the webinar is below.

Full details will be included in next week's TuesNews. For additional information, please contact Associate Commissioner, Amy Boozer at amy@schsl.org.

[Principals and Athletic Director Webinar Link](#)

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Book Orders

The 2024-25 Fall sports rule books and scorebooks are now available for purchase. The Winter & Spring sports rule books will be available later this month.

Please allow 5-7 business days from the order date to receive your item. You may still place orders even if an item is unavailable, and the item will be sent immediately upon availability.

The links to order all books, including the SCHSL Rule Books, Case Books, and Umpire Manuals, are available on the home page of the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org. The links are located on the right side of the page under Quick Links. You can also access the page by clicking below.

[SCHSL Rules Books, Case Books, and Umpire Manuals](#)

For questions or issues with the system, contact Office Coordinator Maeoisha Jenkins-Suber at Maeoisha@schsl.org or 803-896-5573.

2024-25 League Pass

The instructions on how to download the 2024-25 SCHSL League Pass has been emailed to Superintendents and Principals. If you have not received a link to download a pass, please see the appropriate individuals.

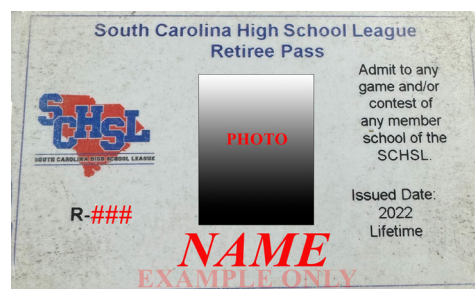
Additionally, please be reminded that in order to upload a photo, you must first download the pass. If you have any questions, contact Keith Warren, Director of Technology at keith@schsl.org.

Retiree Pass Information

Retiree Passes: The conversion of the new digital system is complete. New retirees and those with retiree passes that contain an expiration date should fill out the form at the link below to obtain a pass.

Individuals with a retiree pass denoting **Lifetime** under the issued date (see image below) do not need to request a new pass. Schools are to accept these passes for all League sponsored contests.

[Retiree Pass Link](#)



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Fall Sports Brackets Available

The 2024 Fall Sports Brackets are available. Brackets can be accessed under the brackets link on the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org.

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

Sanctioning

Please be reminded that any event outside of regular season play, must be sanctioned by the SCHSL. Sanctioning requests must be submitted online. Additional information, including the sanctioning form can be found at the following link: [Sanctioning Information](#).

Please direct all questions/concerns to Cindi C. Drakeford, Director of Finance at cindi@schsl.org.

Jamboree Financial Forms Due

Reminder: If your school hosts a jamboree for any sport, a jamboree financial statement must be completed and sent to the League within 15 days of the event. All financial forms are located on the SCHSL website by sports season. A link to the jamboree financial form can be found here: [Jamboree Information](#).

Please direct all questions/concerns to Cindi C. Drakeford, Director of Finance at cindi@schsl.org.

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High School Today Magazine is Digital

After 17 years, High School Today (HST) magazine, produced by the NFHS, has gone to a digital format. May 2024 was the last printed issue of the Magazine.

Don't worry! HST will continue to be the "national voice of education-based athletic and fine arts activities" and provide current and relevant information to athletic directors, coaches, principals, superintendents and officials.

Check out the September Issue page 42 which features an article co-written by the SCHSL Director of Communications and Public Relations and page 66 which features excerpts from the President and Vice President of the SCHSL SAAC. The September issue can be found at the following link: [High School Today Magazine](#).

To continue to get HST delivered to your email fill out the form at this link: <https://www.nfhs.org/articles/high-school-today-information-request-form/#>.

MaxPreps Stats Widget



The SCHSL is introducing MaxPreps stats leaderboards to the association website! The widgets are available on the respective sports page on the SCHSL website at www.schsl.org. An email was sent to the High School Principals on September 6, 2024.

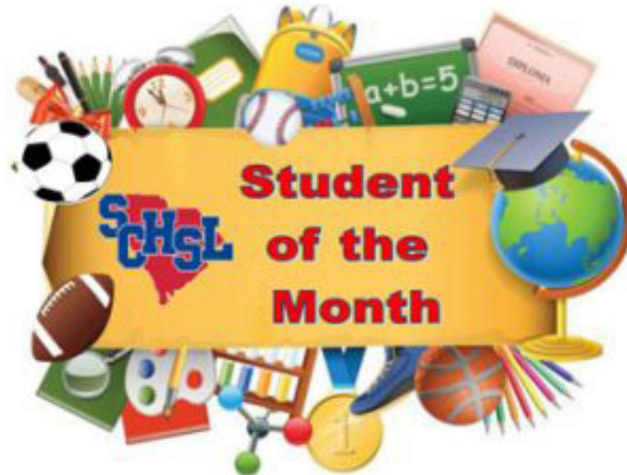
We are encouraging all coaches to enter stats information on the MaxPreps website after each game to highlight your team's and athletes' accomplishments throughout the season. This stats leaderboard also will be a great resource to our high school community.

If you need access to your team account, please contact MaxPreps SCHSL rep Aaron Hendricks at ahendricks@maxpreps.com.

You can also download the MaxPreps app to help keep your information updated.

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Student-Athlete of the Month



This Student-Athlete of the Month Award is presented monthly to one male and one female student-athlete who display excellence in the areas of academics, athletics, and leadership/community service. Students in grades 9-12 who attend SCHSL member schools are eligible to receive the award. Monthly award winners will receive recognition via social media, be featured on the SCHSL.org website, and in TuesNews Weekly E-Newsletter.

The September 2024 Student-Athlete of the Month will be announced, next Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2024.

For additional questions about the Student-Athlete of the Month, please contact the Director of Educational Services, Dr. Curtrell Rhodan at curtrell@schsl.org.

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Ambetter AED Challenge

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) and Ambetter Health have teamed up to provide five (5) SCHSL member-schools AEDs to improve coverage at their athletic facilities.

Schools are encouraged to apply for these complimentary units by filling out the form below.

Winning schools will be recognized during the SCHSL Basketball State Championships in March, and Ambetter will deliver the AED unit to each school while also offering AED Training from a certified instructor at the school.

[Ambetter AED Challenge Signup Link](#)

SCHSL and Wilson Partnership Extended

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) has extended its partnership with Wilson as the official ball of the SCHSL.

The relationship applies to the sports of Baseball, Softball, Boy's & Girls' Basketball, Boy's & Girls' Soccer, Boy's & Girls' Volleyball and Boy's & Girls' Tennis.

As part of the agreement, the SCHSL will continue to exclusively use Wilson balls in all postseason playoff games and the State Finals level in those sports.

This extension takes the partnership through the conclusion of the 2028-29 season.

The Wilson logo is displayed in a large, bold, red, cursive font. The word "Wilson" is written in a classic script style, with a registered trademark symbol (®) at the end.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

The American Heart Association recommends that effective AED programs deliver a shock within 3-5 minutes after the collapse of the individual. Given this recommendation, South Carolina high school and middle school athletic programs should reflect on a few questions in case one of these events should happen:

- Do you have a written, reviewed, and practiced Emergency Action Plan (EAP)?
- Do you have an AED on-site, where is it located, and is it easily and readily accessible?
- Are all of your coaches, both paid and volunteer, CPR/AED trained and ready to deliver high-quality CPR?

Keeping your student-athletes safe during activities should be the highest priority for all athletic programs, and coaches should always be prepared with the proper knowledge and equipment to respond to a medical emergency immediately.

Direct all additional questions to Tim Kinney, Director of Health, Safety, and Wellness, at tim@schsl.org.

Officials' Whistle

Fall Sports Officials' Appreciation Week is next week, October 7-12, 2024.

Participation in celebrating our officials can be as simple or as extravagant as your school wants it to be. Many schools will not only get individuals involved in the fun but will ask student groups on campus to get involved.

It is a great community project for your school student councils, spirit groups or other groups that serve as ambassadors to your school and community. Here are just a few ideas that have worked in the past:

- 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 Commissioner Sarah Hayes at sarah@schsl.org.

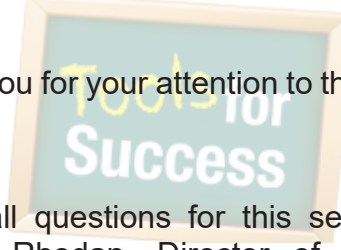
Tools for Success

In response to the rising instances of unsportsmanlike conduct across the state, the League has developed an educational resource to help address this issue. An email with this resource was sent to all member schools.

Please take a moment to review, print, and distribute the material to all relevant parties.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Breast Cancer Awareness

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 2024, an estimated **310,720 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.

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

