



SOUTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

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SUBJECT: Statewide Inclement Weather and Safety Considerations for Rescheduling Contests

DATE: January 22, 2025

Greetings,

Due to the significant snowfall and associated hazardous conditions across the state last night, we must prioritize the safety and well-being of our student-athletes, staff, and communities as we navigate scheduling adjustments for athletic contests.

Safety First

The safety of all involved must remain our paramount consideration. As you evaluate travel conditions and facility readiness, please ensure that:

1. **Travel Safety:** Confirm that roads and transportation routes are safe and accessible for teams, officials, and spectators before scheduling any event.
2. **Facility Conditions:** Inspect athletic venues to ensure they are free of ice, snow, or other hazards that could endanger participants or attendees.
3. **Communication:** Keep all stakeholders informed, including students, parents, coaches, game officials, and the broader school community, about changes to schedules or cancellations.

Rescheduling Guidance

When rescheduling contests, please work collaboratively with opposing schools, officials, and the league office staff to identify dates and times that minimize additional travel or logistical burdens. Consider prioritizing varsity contests where possible to align with South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) requirements.

League Support

The SCHSL is here to support you as you navigate these adjustments. If you encounter challenges or need guidance, please do not hesitate to contact our office. We are committed to ensuring decisions are made with fairness and safety at the forefront.

Thank you for your leadership and diligence during this time. Together, we can ensure that our students and communities remain safe while continuing to support the educational athletics opportunities we all value. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.