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Upcoming Events

Spring Rules Clinics (Big Teams):

Jan. 2-31, 2025

New Principal/AD Meeting (Virtual):

Jan. 15, 2025: 9:00 am

Leadership Summit: Jan. 16, 2025 – 10:00 am

Appellate Panel: Jan. 16, 2025 – 2:00 pm

SCHSL Office Closed

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday: Jan. 20, 2025

Class A Meeting: Jan. 22, 2025 – 10:00 am

Class AA Meeting: Jan. 23, 2025 – 10:00 am

Class AAA Meeting: Jan. 28, 2025 – 10:00 am

Class AAAA Meeting: Jan. 29, 2025 – 10:00 am

JOBS

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

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to the Seneca High School's, girls and boys Track and Field head coach, Chris White, who was selected as the NFHS 2023-24 National Coach of the Year for track and field. White is among twenty-four high school coaches selected from across the country.

"I am honored and humbled to be recognized by the NFHS," said coach White. "As much as I appreciate it, I know that any success we have had has been due to the hard work, put in day in and day out by the amazing kids we have at Seneca High School."

White continued, "Our assistant coaches are phenomenal, and our kids have bought into what they do, and it has paid off for our teams."

Earlier this month, he was one of three coaches from the SCHSL to earn NFHS Section 3 Coach of the Year Honors.

[Read complete release here.](#)

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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, Friday, January 24, 2025**. Please send completed nomination forms to Romanda@schsl.org on or before the deadline. Please **do not** send forms directly to the NFHS Office, they will not be accepted. Nomination Forms were emailed to High School Principals and High School Athletics Director today, Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

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 Friday, January 24, 2025: 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 Friday, January 24, 2025: 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.

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New Principals & Athletic Directors Meeting

The SCHSL will have a webinar on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 for all New Principals and Athletic Directors. The meeting is scheduled for 9:00 am.

Please use the link below to register in advanced for Webinar.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. This meeting will be recorded if you are unable to attend during this time and will be posted on the League website.

For additional information, contact Associate Commissioner, Amy Boozer at Amy@schsl.org

[Webinar Registration Link](#)



Spring Sports Rules Clinic

The 2025 Spring Sports Rules Clinics are up and running through Friday, January 31, 2025 on Big Teams.

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](#)

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Scholar Athlete & Multi-Sport Nominations

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport award nomination links are now open.

As a reminder, the deadline to submit the student-athlete names for the SCHSL Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport Athlete Certificates is **Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 3:30 pm**.

ALL names must be entered on below links to be valid and have a certificate generated for your student-athlete (**no email forms will be accepted**).

Please Note: It is important that nominations for both Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport Awards be submitted to the League Office on or before the deadline so that your student-athletes names can be placed on the League Website for public recognition.

[SCHOLAR ATHLETE NOMINATION FORM](#)

[MULTI-SPORT NOMINATION FORM](#)

Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) has selected 14 student-athletes to serve on the SCHSL Student Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC). The 14 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 leaders, and those student-athletes submitted a rigorous application to the SCHSL for consideration. Selections were made on January 6, 2025.

Below are the 2025-2027 SCHSL Student Athlete Advisory Council Members:

5A: Ryann Robbins: Lexington; Caroline Wells: River Bluff; Lillie Ivey: Sumter

4A: Elizabeth Reese: North Augusta; Marydavis Hallman: Gray Collegiate; Kennedy Miller: Southside

3A: Winthrop A. Jeter (AJ): Newberry; Markel Tilman: McCormick; Katherine Gunnells: Belton-Honea Path

2A: Trenton A. Budd: Buford; Addyson Davis: Andrews

1A: Keatley N. Sack: Brashier Middle College; Samya Daniels: Wagener-Salley; Lily Kennington: Great Falls

Returning members of SAAC include: Niyah Haywood: Spring Valley and Ella Barnett: Aynor

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The graphic features the SCHSL logo in the top left, with the text 'JANUARY 16 2025 @ 10AM' and 'LEADERSHIP SUMMIT' below it. A quote from the league is on the left. Three speakers are listed in blue boxes with their photos on the right: Grayson Greiner (baseball player), Daryl Jarvis (athletic director), and Gervonder Brown (career specialist). The Carolina Panthers logo is in the bottom right.

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JANUARY 16 2025 @ 10AM

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The SCHSL believes in developing leadership skills of our student-athletes. The summit will be an opportunity to learn how to cultivate leadership on multiple levels, team leadership, community leadership and being a leader in life after high school.

GRAYSON GREINER
*Former Professional Baseball Player
Commercial Broker/Broker Assoc.*

DARYL JARVIS
*Athletic Director
Dreher High School*

GERVONDER BROWN
*Career Specialist at Fairfield Central
Mentoring Program Advisor*

CAROLINA PANTHERS

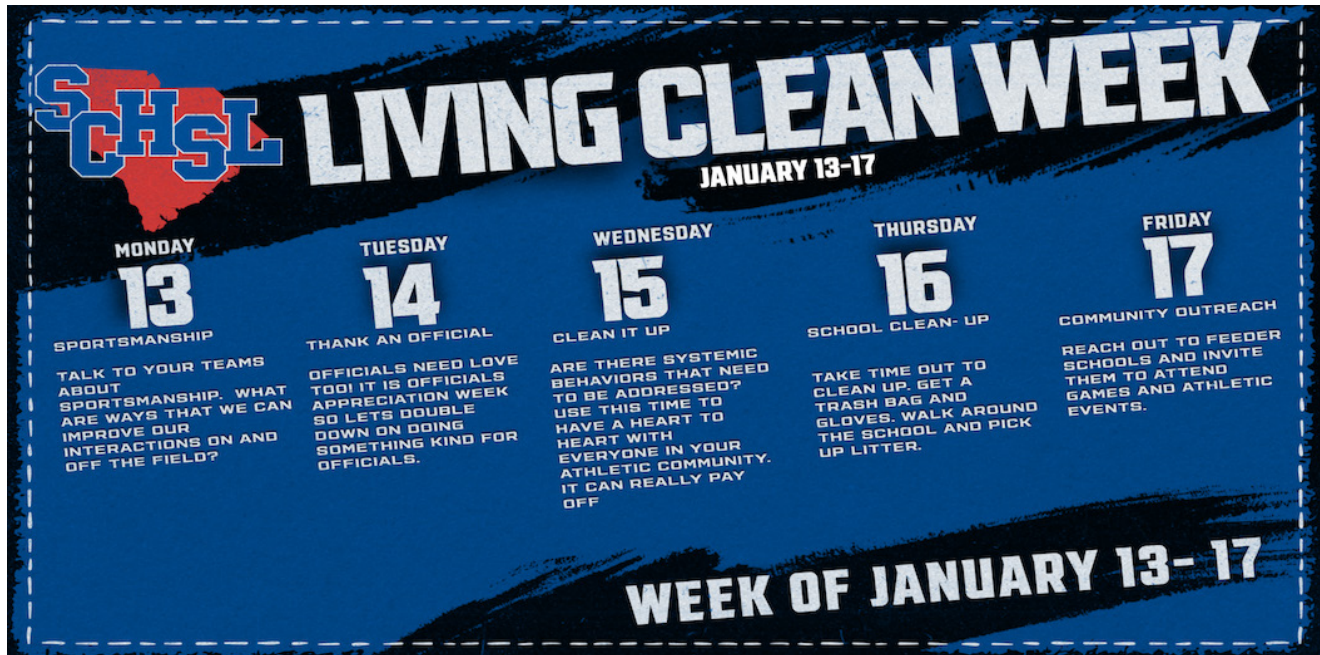
The South Carolina High School League will hold a Virtual Leadership Summit webinar, this Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. This is an event that you don't want to miss. We ask that you register as many student-athletes as possible. The summit is a great opportunity and its free to attend, just click Leadership Summit Link below to register.

This year the SCHSL is focused on leadership development. We believe that there is a leader in every student-athletes and by hearing from former South Carolina student-athletes, personnel in athletics and a community mentor, our leaders will have the resources they need to display leadership skills in their everyday lives.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Curtrell Rhodan, Director of Educational Services at curtrell@schsl.org or (803)798-0120

[Summit Registration Link](#)

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Living Clean Week is an opportunity to have your student-athletes get involved in a community service activity.

We love to have pictures of student-athletes across the state!

Refer to the Tools for Success section on page 11 for the link to submit your photos, videos and other work that your school is doing to be of service to your community.

Arbiter Reminders

Below, are some important reminders related to basketball and wrestling scheduling in Arbiter. Contact Jill White, SCHSL Arbiter Booking Coordinator, at Jill@schsl.org with any questions regarding scheduling. Please review the bullet points below and address any issues ASAP.

- Varsity games should be set to SCHSL 101800 for officials.
- Girls and boys games are linked for officials to be assigned, please verify the times match and the sites are the exact same.
- Schools should not make any changes to schedules in Arbiter. Varsity game changes and updates should be emailed to Jill@schsl.org.
- Contact your local assigner to verify your Sub-Varsity games.
- Contact your wrestling assigner to verify your matches.

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Winter Sports Officials Appreciation Week

January 13-18, 2025

#WEARESCHSL

It's Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week (January 13-18, 2025). Participation in fall sports officials' appreciation week can be as simple or as extravagant as state associations and/or schools 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.

Refer to page 11 for complete ideas on Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week.

A link to submit your Officials' Week celebrations is also listed on page

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



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2024-25 League Pass

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

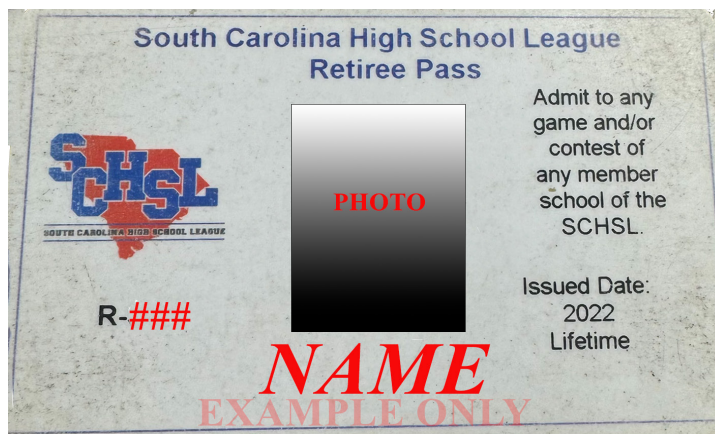
Additionally, please be reminded that in order to upload a photo, you must first download the pass. If you have any questions, contact Keith Warren, Director of Technology at keith@schsl.org.

Retiree Pass Information

Retiree Passes: 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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Book Orders

The 2025 Spring Sports Rule & Case Books are now available for purchase on the SCHSL Shopify store, available at the link below. You can also access the store on the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org. The store link is located on the right side of the page under Quick Links.

Please allow 5-7 business days from the order date to receive your item. If an item is out of stock, you may still place the order and the item will be sent immediately upon availability.

[SCHSL Rules Books and Case Books](#)

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

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.

Playoff Financial Forms Due

Reminder: If your school hosted a volleyball playoff match or a football playoff game, a playoff financial statement must be completed and sent to the League Office ASAP. All financial forms are located on the SCHSL website at the following link: [Financial Forms](#). The financial forms are mid-way down on the link.

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

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

Cold Weather Guidelines

As temperatures drop, it's essential to prioritize the safety of our student-athletes during outdoor practices and workouts. Proper preparation and awareness can prevent cold-weather related injuries such as hypothermia and frostbite.

Coaches, athletic directors, and staff should be vigilant about monitoring conditions, ensuring athletes are appropriately dressed, and following cold weather protocols. For detailed guidance on maintaining a safe environment during colder months, please review our Cold Weather Guidelines here: [SCHSL Cold Weather Guidelines](#).

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

Officials' Whistle

Officials' Appreciation Week

Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week is this week, January 13-18, 2025. Below are some 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.

[Click here](#) to submit your Winter Sports Officials' Appreciation Week Photos.

Direct all questions for this section to Associate Commissioner, Sarah Hayes at Sarah@schsl.org.

Tools for Success

Living Clean Week

Living Clean Week is this week (January 13-17, 2025). 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, Dr. Curtrell Rhodan at Curtrell@schsl.org.