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Upcoming Events

Virtual Leadership Summit

Apr 24, 2025: 10:00 am

Middle School Track & Field Invitational

Apr. 26, 2025

Athletic Admin. Assistant Appreciation Day

Apr. 30, 2025 – 10:00 am

Upcoming Deadlines

June Scholastic Event Registration:

May 9, 2025



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

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2025 Leadership Summit

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APRIL 24, 2025: 10:00 AM

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

ARMANTI EDWARDS
Former Professional Wide Receiver/Financial Representative

ALLI STOVALL
Former Div. 1 Cheerleader/Cheer Coach/ TedX Speaker

LIV FINCKEL
Former Professional Volleyball Athlete/Coach and Mentor

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The final South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Virtual Leadership Summit is this Thursday, April, 24, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. This is an incredible opportunity for student-athletes to grow as leaders, and we encourage you to register as many as possible. The Leadership Summit is completely free.

SCHSL is dedicated to leadership development, recognizing that every student-athlete has the potential to lead. By hearing from athletic professionals and a community mentor, participants will gain valuable insights and resources to strengthen their leadership skills both on and off the field.

[Click Here](#) to register for the Final Virtual Leadership Summit

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Middle School Track & Field Regional Invitational



The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) will hold its Middle School Track and Field Individual Regional Invitational, Saturday, April 26, 2025, at Lugoff-Elgin High School in Lugoff, SC. The event is open to middle school students who are participating on a track and field team, whether for their middle school or at the high school.

The gates will open at 9:00 a.m. Tickets are \$10 (5 and under free), and can be purchased at <https://gofan.co/event/3550075?schoolId=SCHSL> or at the gate. Park and enter the gate on the home side.

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

Cheer Scales Review

The South Carolina High School League will offer a scales review meeting with judges for high school coaches, Saturday, April 26, 2025, at the League Office. Sessions are divided into classifications and times are listed on the registration. Due to space availability of the conference room, the sessions are limited to only **two (2)** coaches per high school.

Use the link below to register your school and coach for the meeting.

Direct all questions to Associate Commissioner Amy Boozer, at Amy@schsl.org.

[Scales Review Registration](#)

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Spring Sports Playoff Information

The brackets for the Spring Sports are now available on the SCHSL webpage. Brackets can be found at the following link: <https://schsl.org/brackets>.



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2024 Lacrosse Championship Information

Below are the links to submit your 2024 lacrosse playoff scores. Please be reminded that all scores should be submitted immediately following the game to ensure the timely updating of the brackets.

Girls Lacrosse Playoff Scores: Girls Lacrosse Playoff Scores - <https://schsl.org/archives/10357>

Boys Lacrosse Playoff Scores: Boys Lacrosse Playoff Scores - <https://schsl.org/archives/10355>

Lacrosse Championship Information: <https://schsl.org/archives/15889>



2025 Boys Tennis Qualifiers Due

The Boys Tennis Qualifiers are due this Friday, April 25, 2025. Please submit the qualifiers at the link below.

Boys Tennis Qualifiers - <https://schsl.org/archives/10624>

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Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport Certificates

Once again, this year, the disbursement of both the Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport Certificates will be done electronically. An email containing the Certificates for Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport will be emailed to the Athletic Directors and the Athletic Administrative Assistants/Athletic Secretaries for you to print at your convenience.

The Certificates for the Scholar Athlete will be emailed no later than 3 p.m. on Wednesday, April 30, 2025. You will receive a cover via mail for the Scholar Athlete Certificates.

The Multi-Sport Certificates will be emailed no later than 3 p.m. on Monday, May 5, 2025. These certificates will not have a cover. Please note, the deadline to submit names has passed.

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



The 2025 SCHSL will host our June Scholastic Basketball Events at two locations in North Augusta, SC.

The Girls Event will be held in North Augusta at the Riverview Park Activities Center June 12-14, 2025 while the Boys Event will be held at the Riverview Park Activities Center and North Augusta High School, June 20-22, 2025.

The registration links for both events are below. The deadline to register is Friday, May 9, 2025.

For additional information, please contact Associate Commissioner, Sarah Hayes, at Sarah@schsl.org.

[Girls June Scholastic Basketball Event Registration](#)

[Boys June Scholastic Basketball Event Registration](#)

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Officials' Spotlight

Throughout the year, we will shine the spotlight on the unsung heroes of high school sports, our officials. We will profile officials from different sports so that you can get to know them and why they do what they do.

This month we spotlight Emiliano Nuñez.



1. How long have you been an official in the SCHSL?

This is currently my 3rd year working for the SCHSL.

2. What sports do you currently officiate?

I only officiate Soccer.

3. Is officiating your full-time job? If not, what is your profession?

No, I currently work doing interior remodeling and that sometimes doesn't allow me to work as many games as I would like due to my schedule. My

dream is to make officiating my full-time job.

4. Why are you a high school official?

Since I only do Soccer when high school season starts, it is a great opportunity to gain experience and make money while we're at it. Through the years I've seen how much passion is put into the High School League and how intense those 4-5 months can be. My goal this season is to officiate a High School State Final.

To become an official in the South Carolina High School League. Click Link below.

[Become a High School Official](#)

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Baseball Rules Survey

Below is a link for coaches to fill out a survey for the NFHS Baseball Rules Committee to use as feedback. Please fill out the survey on behalf of your school.

Please note that the questionnaire will close on Tuesday, April 29, 2025.

To participate, please follow the link below to the NFHS Questionnaire Menu, select your sport, and complete the rules questionnaire. You are not required to log in to access or complete the questionnaire. We appreciate your time and input.

[Baseball Questionnaire](#)

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

Playoff Financial Forms Due

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

Please direct all questions/concerns to Cindi C. Drakeford, Director of Finance at cindi@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](#).

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EXITING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER

During its final 2024-25 Executive Committee meeting, April 9, 2025, the SCHSL Commissioner, Dr. Jerome Singleton, presented outgoing Committee President, Nicholas Pearson, with a Certificate of Appreciation for his service to the committee.



Question and Answer with Commissioner Singleton

On Thursday, April 10, 2025, the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Commissioner, Dr. Jerome Singleton, held a Webinar with the focal point of the new Transfer Rule.

A replay of the Webinar is below. The link is also available under the Rewind link on the SCHSL website.

[Webinar Link](#)

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Commissioner's Chat & Beyond



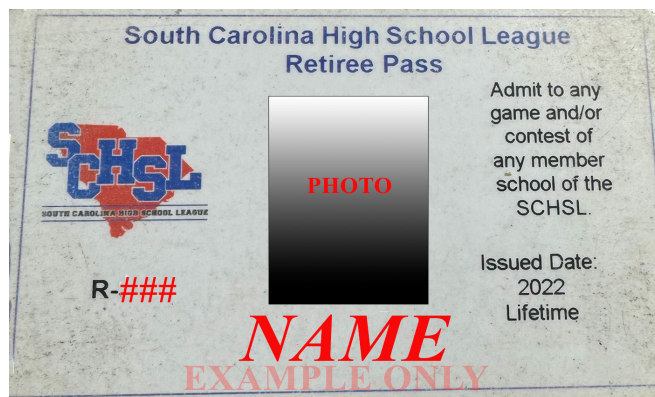
Periodically, the South Carolina High School League's (SCHSL) Commissioner Dr. Jerome Singleton and members of the staff will sit down for a Commissioner's Chat and Beyond to highlight the happenings in the SCHSL. This installment of Commissioner's Chat and Beyond features SCHSL Commissioner Dr. Jerome Singleton. [Click here](#) for this installment of the Commissioner's Chat.

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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AED PRESENTATION



Garry Bonesteel from Ambetter Health was on-hand at Strafford High School to present the Administration its AED which was won during the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) and Ambetter Health Challenge.

BSN INFORMATION

Do you have facility upgrades you need to consider? Make it a point to involve your local salesperson from BSN SPORTS. With 36 sales pros in South Carolina and 1,500 nationwide, we can offer you perspectives and advice on functionality and design that reach far beyond our region. Whether campus branding, weight room or locker room renovations, bleacher projects, interior and exterior wall padding or scoreboards, BSN SPORTS can serve as a consultant, advisor, and supplier that you can trust. Thanks to many of our great customers, we have been able to compile hundreds of pictures reflecting the work we have done previously. Tap on the link below to see some of those incredible projects.

<https://www.ssgsales.com/email-assets/SC%20Facility%20Projects.pdf>

Below is a list of local BSN Sales Representatives:

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Matt Campbell	LowCountry Sales Manager	mcampbell@bsnsports.com
Alan Johnson	Pee Dee/Grand Strand Sales Manager	ajohnson@bsnsports.com

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

With the Fall open season right around the corner, below are a few health and safety reminders to consider before the student-athletes return:

- Check equipment for safety and functionality and make sure it is up to date with NOCSAE standards
- Ensure locker rooms, weight rooms, and showers are thoroughly cleaned and sanitized to avoid MRSA and related bacterial, viral, and skin infections
- For football, follow the spring practice acclimatization guidelines found in the rules and regulations
- Review, update, and practice your Emergency Action Plan
- Utilize a wet bulb globe thermometer to determine safe conditions
- Have a cold immersion tub readily available
- Make sure all athletes have a current physical on file

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

Officials' Whistle

Thank you to all of the schools who participated in Spring Sports Officials' Appreciation Week which was April 7-12, 2025.

Officials are vital to interscholastic athletics, so showing appreciation for their work and efforts is also important to the success of our athletic programs.

Show us how you celebrated your officials. [Click here](#) to submit your Spring Sports Officials' Appreciation Week Photos.

#ThankYouOfficials
#BenchBadBehavior

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

Tools for Success

How to Foster Emotional Intelligence in Sports

Have you ever heard the phrase, "A cool head always prevails"? That phrase captures the essence of emotional intelligence perfectly.

Emotional intelligence is the ability to manage your own emotions while also recognizing and responding to the emotions of those around you. For student-athletes, especially in high-pressure situations, mastering this skill is essential.

Emotional intelligence isn't just something you're born with—it is a skill that can be trained and strengthened over time. And what better place to practice it than in sports, where emotions often run high? A powerful way to build this skill is by talking through intense scenarios before they happen and creating a game plan for how to respond.

For instance, imagine your team is preparing to face a rival school, and tensions have been building all year. As a team, you can make a conscious decision to stay composed and focus on performance—not drama. Making an agreement to "keep cool" not only shows maturity but can also give your team the upper hand mentally and emotionally.

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