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Upcoming Events

Officials' Appreciation Week: Apr. 7-12, 2025

Executive Committee: Apr. 9, 2025

SCHSL Office Closed - Spring Break
Apr. 14-18, 2025

Upcoming Deadlines

Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport Nominations
Apr. 15, 2025: 3:30 PM

Middle School Track Registration: Apr. 21, 2025
Registration Link will be sent via email Apr.9, 2025

RSVP for 4A Day
Apr. 22, 2025: 12 PM

JOBS

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Notices Posted

Public Notices have been posted from the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL). The SCHSL Executive Committee, the Activities Subcommittee of the SCHSL Executive Committee, and the Personnel and Finance Subcommittee of the SCHSL Executive Committee will hold meetings, tomorrow, Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

Please note, the Personnel and Finance Subcommittee meeting will be held in Executive Session.

All three Public Notices can be viewed at <https://schsl.org/archives/15911>

Question and Answer with Commissioner Singleton

There will be a live question and answer Webinar this Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 10:00 am, with South Carolina High School League Commissioner, Dr. Jerome Singleton. The focal point of the Webinar will be the new Transfer Rule.

Please use the following link to register for the Webinar: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8uZoKPTCQxSOgLwrFOB0gQ.

You may submit questions to be answered live during the webinar. Please submit the question (s) no later than 10:00 pm, Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at the following link: [Question Link](#).

Please note: Any questions submitted in the question-and-answer box during the Webinar will be answered if time permits.

For additional questions, please contact the Director of Communications and Public Relations at Romanda@scshl.org.

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Middle School Track & Field Invitational

The South Carolina High School League will hold a middle school track and field individual regional invitational, Saturday, April 26, 2025, at Lugoff-Elgin High School. 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.

Athletes will be representing their middle school at the event and must have a coach in attendance with them. The invitational does not count as a meet for the student-athlete. This is considered a postseason event for middle school students. They are still eligible to participate in meets that occur after this event.

The deadline to register for the meet is **Monday, April 21, 2025, at 3:00 pm**. The registration and payment links will be sent by close of business, Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

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



Mark your calendars. The SCHSL office will be closed, **April 14-18, 2025**, for Spring Break.

Normal business hours, 7:30-4 pm, will resume Monday, April 21, 2025.

TuesNews Break

Due to the SCHSL office closure for Spring Break, there will not be an April 15, 2025 TuesNews. TuesNews will resume on Tuesday, April 22, 2025.

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SPRING SPORTS OFFICIALS' APPRECIATION WEEK (April 7-12, 2025)



APRIL 7-12, 2025

**SPRING SPORTS OFFICIALS'
APPRECIATION WEEK**

#WEARESCHSL

Reminder: The Spring Sports Officials' Appreciation Week is this week, April 7-12, 2025. Show your appreciation to our officials throughout the State of South Carolina. Officials work to maintain the integrity of the sports they officiate and ensure student-athletes have a safe environment to play in. Without our officials, our student-athletes would not be able to enjoy the sports they love. So show your appreciation to the unsung heroes of interscholastic contests.

Participation in Spring Sports Officials' Appreciation Week can be as simple, or as extravagant as you want it to be. You can get your teams and student groups on campus to get involved. It is a great community project for student groups. Some ideas that you can use for Spring Sports Officials' Appreciation Week can be found in the Officials' Whistle Column on page 10.

We encourage you to submit pictures of your school and athletes showing appreciation to our officials by clicking: [Spring Sports Officials' Appreciation Week](#)



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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 the 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](#)

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

Athletic Administrators Assistants Appreciation Day

[RSVP Link](#)

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) will host the Athletic Administrators Assistants Appreciation Day (A4 Day), **Wednesday, April 30, 2025, at 10:00 AM**, at the SCHSL Office (121 Westpark Blvd, Columbia, SC 29210).

The A4 Day is for all high school Athletic Administrative Assistants (i.e., Athletic Director's Administrative Assistant, Athletic Department Assistant, etc.). **Please Note: A4 Day is not for Assistant Athletics Directors.**

Please RSVP at the link above no later than **12 p.m., Tuesday, April 22, 2025**, if you plan to attend.

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FIRST EVER IN-PERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



MIDDLE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

WE ARE STUDENTS FIRST AND ATHLETES IMMEDIATELY AFTER



APRIL 4, 2025
#INITTOGETHER

On Friday, April 4, 2025, the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) held its first ever in-person Middle School Leadership Summit. The Summit was hosted by the SCHSL Student-Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC).

One of SAAC's major initiatives for the 2024–2025 school year is to inspire and empower the leaders of tomorrow—and this event did just that.

Led by SAAC President Kelly Gristwood, a senior at Sumter High School, the Council coordinated a dynamic half-day summit for middle school student-athletes from across the state.

The summit featured six interactive stations focused on leadership development, overcoming adversity, and implementing community service initiatives within schools. Each middle school student-athlete in attendance was hand-selected by their school based on demonstrated leadership and outstanding sportsmanship.

A complete list of school who had participants in the Summit can be found in the Tools for Success Section on page 10.

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Student-Athlete of the Month



Annika Rauhut of Carolina Forest High School has been named the SCHSL March 2025 Girls Student-Athletes of the Month. Annika is a senior at Carolina Forest, where she carries a 4.807 grade point average.

A member of the Carolina Forest Girls Soccer team, Annika has been a member of the varsity team for three years. This year (2025), she is the captain of her team.

Academically, she is enrolled in the Pre-Med program at the Academy for Arts, Science, and Technology.

Annika embodies the true spirit of a SCHSL student-athlete.

In the face of adversity, Annika's community service was on display. Upon learning of the multiple evacuations due to the wildfires in the Carolina Forest area, Annika quickly helped to organize a fundraising blitz among her team. She used her own money to buy supplies and food to deliver to the first responders fighting the wildfires.



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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](#)

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, weightroom 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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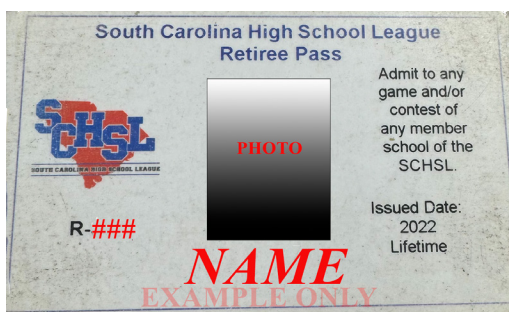
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Retiree Pass Information

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](#)



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](#).

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

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

Spring Sports

Officials' Appreciation Week Ideas

1. Officials' appreciation week banners and signage on the fence, wall, etc., surrounding the contest playing area.
2. Gift cards/cookies/donuts/other items presented to the crew by both the home and visiting team.
3. Photos of the officiating crew with both teams and coaches prior to the start of the game (or at the end, depending on timing).
4. Read a PSA at the start of the game, thanking the crew for working the contest.
5. Student escorts of the crew onto the field/court/pitch.
6. "Thank you" cards, signed by the team and coaching staff.
7. Special appreciation signage in the officials' locker room.
8. Recorded "thank you" messages from student-athletes and coaches to officials, posted on social media.

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

Tools for Success

First Ever In-Person Middle School Leadership Summit

It was truly an outstanding and impactful day for everyone involved in the first ever in-person Middle School Leadership Summit hosted by the SCHSL Student-Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC) on April 4, 2025.

Here is a list of schools who had participants in the Summit: St. Andrews Middle School; Irmo Middle School; Northside Middle School; E.L. Wright Middle School; Whale Branch Middle School; League Academy; North Middle High School; Williams Middle School; Abner Creek Middle School; Orangeburg County School District Schools; Dutchman Creek Middle School; Dillon Middle School; Fairfield Middle School; W.G. Sanders Middle School; Brewer Middle School; Heyward Gibbes Middle School; Gold Hill Middle School; Pleasant Knoll Middle School; Forest Creek Middle School; Banks Trail Middle School; Springfield Middle School; and Fort Mill Middle School.

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