



# Tues News

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## Upcoming Events Aug. 27- Sept. 2, 2025

Middle School Football

First Scrimmage/Jamboree: Aug. 27, 2025

Class AAA Meeting: Aug. 27, 2025 – 10:00 am

Class AA Meeting: Aug. 28, 2025 – 10:00 am

Aug. 29, 2025: Week 1 - Football

Middle School

Volleyball - First Contest: Sept. 1, 2025

**Sept. 1, 2025: SCHSL Office Closed - Labor Day**

Class AAAA Meeting: Sept 2, 2025 – 10:00 am



**For job openings around the  
SCHSL, visit [www.schsl.org/jobs](http://www.schsl.org/jobs)**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SCHSL Office Closed



In observance of Labor Day, the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Office will be closed Monday, September 1, 2025.

Normal business hours, 7:30 am - 4 pm, will resume on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

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## Sanctioning

With the kick-off for fall sports season, please be reminded that any event outside of regular season play, must be sanctioned by the League. Sanctioning requests must be submitted online using the following link: <https://schsldirectory.knack.com/sanctioning>.

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: <https://schsl.org/archives/3284>.

Please direct all questions/concerns to Cindi C. Drakeford, Director of Finance at [cindi@schsl.org](mailto:cindi@schsl.org).

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 2025-26 League Pass

The instructions on how to download the 2025-26 SCHSL League Pass was emailed to Superintendents and Principals on July 18, 2025. Superintendents and Principals, please check your spam/junk mail if you have not received the pass instructions email.

Athletic personnel and coaches, 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. The instructions on how to upload the photo is contained in the same email.

If you have any questions, contact Keith Warren, Director of Technology, at [keith@schsl.org](mailto:keith@schsl.org).

## Retiree Pass Update

We understand that many of our retirees may be uncomfortable switching to the digital version of the retiree pass. To ensure everyone feels accommodated, the SCHSL will continue to honor physical retiree passes, even if they display an expired date.

Our goal is to support our retirees as much as possible.

If you have any questions concerning the retiree pass - physical or digital - please contact Brooke Baker, Office Manager, at [brooke@schsl.org](mailto:brooke@schsl.org)

## 2025-26 State Playoffs and State Finals Information

The 2025-26 state playoffs and state finals dates and times can be found at the following link: <https://schsl.org/brackets>. Click the blue tab that says 2025-26 Playoff Dates.

Basketball information will be added once it is finalized.

If you have any questions, contact the League Office, at (803) 798-0120.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Commissioner's Chat & Beyond



Periodically, South Carolina High School League's (SCHSL) Commissioner Dr. Jerome Singleton, and members of the staff, will provide highlight key happenings within the League.

This first installment of Commissioner's Chat and Beyond for the 2025-26 year features SCHSL Commissioner Dr. Jerome Singleton. [Click here](#) for this installment of the Commissioner's Chat and Beyond.

## Book Order Links

The 2025-26 NFHS Rules and Case Books for Football and Volleyball, and the Rule Books for Cheer as well as Swimming and Diving are now available.

Additionally, scorebooks for Cross-Country, Wrestling, Basketball, Track and Field, and Soccer are available for purchase from the SCHSL Shopify store at the following link: <https://sc-high-school-league.myshopify.com/collections/all>.

**If your entire order is not currently in stock, a partial shipment will be sent with available items. The remaining books will be mailed once they become available.**

All questions pertaining to book orders should be directed to Maeoceaisha Jenkins, Office Coordinator, at [maeoceaisha@schsl.org](mailto:maeoceaisha@schsl.org).

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## The Health Spot

NFHSLearn recently released a new course, *Emergency Action Planning for Afterschool Programs*, guiding athletic administrators through developing robust, venue-specific Emergency Action Plans (EAPs). This course walks participants through the essential steps of creating, practicing, and clearly communicating EAP protocols—ensuring everyone knows exactly what to do when every second counts. Whether addressing injuries, severe weather, medical crisis, or other emergencies, being ready can mean the difference between confusion and calm—preparation saves lives.

We highly encourage you to take this free course if you are newly developing or just updating your EAPs.

All questions related to the information contained in this section, should be directed to Tim Kinney, Director of Health, Safety, and Wellness, at [tim@schsl.org](mailto:tim@schsl.org).

## Tools for Success

### What an amazing Fall Captains Course!

We had outstanding participation from our member schools and their student leaders. Attendance at the Captains Courses helps prepare all South Carolina student-athletes to embrace their role as leaders both on and off the field. Congratulations to every school that took part!

This year, we introduced a new approach—equipping our leaders with the rules and regulations for good sportsmanship. Our goal is for every student-athlete to grow not only as a competitor, but also as a well-rounded human being.

We encourage your school to stay involved and engaged in the educational services we provide. These opportunities are designed to support our membership in the areas of sportsmanship, community service, and leadership.

**Up next:** The Middle School Virtual Summit on September 18 at 10:00 AM. Registration coming in the next couple of weeks. We look forward to seeing your student-athletes there!

All questions related to the information contained in this section, should be directed to Dr. Curtrell Rhodan, Director of Educational Services, at [curtrell@schsl.org](mailto:curtrell@schsl.org).

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## Officials' Whistle

### THE NFHS Officials' Code of Ethics

Officials are the unsung heroes of our high school athletic contests. They uphold the integrity of the sports they officiate and help to provide a safe environment for our student-athletes to play. Did you know they have a Code of Ethics that they use as the guide to perform their duties? Here are a few guidelines:

Officials shall master both the rules of the game and the mechanics necessary to enforce the rules, and shall exercise authority in an impartial, firm and controlled manner.

Officials shall uphold the honor and dignity of the profession in all interaction with student-athletes, coaches, athletic directors, school administrators, colleagues, and the public.

Officials shall, while enforcing the rules of play, remain aware of the inherent risk of injury that competition poses to student-athletes. Where appropriate, they shall inform event management of conditions or situations that appear unreasonably hazardous.

You can find the full NFHS Code of Ethics for officials here: [NFHS Officials Code of Ethics](#).

All questions related to the information contained in this section, should be directed to Associate Commissioner, Sarah Hayes, at [sarah@schsl.org](mailto:sarah@schsl.org).

## Future Five Stars

### Whispers in the Wind

**Please share this friendly reminder with coaches.**

Sixth-grade students are not permitted to participate in interscholastic sports. Their role is limited to serving as team managers only. Sixth graders **may not** throw, catch, or hit balls as part of drills or practice, run routes or participate in plays, throw balls against a wall or engage in any type of "training" activity, join practice drills or scrimmages in any form, or take part in a "team" of sixth-grade managers engaging in physical practice or play.

This rule applies even if the sixth-grade manager is away from the team or on the opposite end of the field or court.

We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring all students are participating appropriately.

All questions related to the information contained in this section, should be directed to Dr. Lenard Hudnal, Assistant Commissioner for Middle School Athletics, at [Lenard@schsl.org](mailto:Lenard@schsl.org).