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Upcoming Events Sept. 3-10, 2025

Class AAAAA Meeting: Sept. 3, 2025 – 10:00 am

Middle School Cheer - First Contest:
Sept. 8, 2025



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

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Rescheduling, Canceling or Postponing a Contest

If it is necessary to reschedule, cancel, or postpone a varsity football or varsity basketball contest to which certified officials are booked, the home school shall:

- Notify the officials when the contest will be rescheduled and ask if they can work the contest.
- If all officials can work, email Jill White at jill@schsl.org to notify her of the date and time change so she can make those changes in Arbiter.
- If one or more cannot work, you need to email Jill White at jill@schsl.org with the following information:
 - A. Names of officials who can or cannot work
 - B. Rescheduled Date
 - C. Rescheduled Time

It is imperative schools follow this procedure so that all contests can be updated in a timely and consistent manner.

The full instructions are included in the image on page 3, and can also be found in the SCHSL Rules and Regulations which includes rescheduled games as well.

Please direct all questions/concerns to Jill White, Aribter Booking Coordinator, at Jill@schsl.org.



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Instructions for Rescheduling, Canceling or Postponing a Contest

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANCELING OR POSTPONING A CONTEST TO WHICH CERTIFIED OFFICIALS ARE BOOKED

If it is necessary to cancel or postpone a **varsity football or varsity basketball** contest to which certified officials are booked, the home school shall:

Notify the officials when the contest will be rescheduled and ask if they can work the contest.

If all officials can work, email Jill White at jill@schsl.org to notify her of the date and time change so she can make those changes in Arbiter.

If one or more cannot work, you need to email Jill White at: jill@schsl.org with the following information:

- A) Names of officials who can or cannot work
- B) Rescheduled Date
- C) Rescheduled Time

In **all other varsity sport(s)** where it is necessary to postpone or cancel a **regular season contest** to which certified officials are booked, the home school shall:

Notify the officials when the contest will be rescheduled and ask if they can work the contest.

Notify the local assignor of the rescheduled date and any officials who cannot work the contest.

NOTE: If it is a playoff contest, schools must notify the SCHSL office in addition to the above.

If the contest is canceled within two weeks of the scheduled date, the official will receive the fee.

If a contest is postponed and it is too late to stop the officials from traveling, mileage will be paid. The same officials will be reassigned if possible.

If a contest is postponed in time to stop the officials from traveling and the school fails to do so, fees and mileage will be paid.

Baseball and softball officials shall receive one-half fee and mileage if the game is started and terminated before it is a regulation game and full fee and travel if it is regulation. In other sports, officials are expected to return and finish a suspended contest on the rescheduled date. Only mileage will be paid. An official who cannot return will receive a fee comparable to the percentage of the contest worked. The replacement will receive mileage plus the remaining fee. The home school shall make the adjustments in fees.

If an official fails to keep an assignment, the official will pay the home school the game fee.

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2025-26 League Pass

Each principal or superintendent should have receive a link to a Cognito Form to enter all League pass recipients. While this task may be delegated to a staff member, please remember that submitting the form serves as final approval. For accountability purposes, only one person should be assigned to complete the form. Do not share the link with others or forward it to additional staff.

The form has two parts:

1. School or District Information – completed once.
2. Pass Recipient Entries – completed for each individual receiving a pass.

When you click the School dropdown, select your school or district from the list. If your school or district is not listed, it may be due to outstanding fees. Please contact Cindi C. Drakeford, Director of Finance, at cindi@schsl.org.

Once your school is selected, the system will autofill the School ID and indicate how many passes your school receives at no cost.

Please double-check that email addresses and cell phone numbers are entered correctly:

- Copy and paste addresses from your email client to avoid typos.
- Incorrect email addresses or cell phone numbers will cause pass delivery and validation issues.

Additional 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.

2025-26 League Pass Corrections

To avoid having to make corrections to the pass request, please see the important information below.

From the instructions sent with the link:

Please double-check that email addresses and cell phone numbers are entered correctly:

- Copy and paste addresses from your email client to avoid typos.
- Incorrect email addresses or cell phone numbers will cause pass delivery and validation issues.

Please note: errors will continue to be corrected; however, priority will be to help people who have technical issues receiving the email or issues installing the pass.

If you have any questions, contact Keith Warren, Director of Technology, at keith@schsl.org.

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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.

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.

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.

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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.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

Heat Policies

Even though the calendar has turned to September, temperatures are expected to remain high this week, and it's important to continue following all South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) heat policies to protect student-athletes.

Please review and adhere to the Heat & Hydration Guidelines to ensure proper acclimatization, hydration breaks, and practice modifications as needed. You can find the full guidelines here: [SCHSL Heat Policies](#). Safety must remain the top priority as we transition into fall.

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.

Tools for Success

Living Clean Week Approaching!

Living Clean Week is September 15-19 2025.

The focus for this week is sportsmanship. Interscholastic sports is a prime environment to teach student-athletes the proper way to show respect to opponents and officials during competition. It is our job to clearly explain and demonstrate what is and isn't appropriate behavior. By encouraging member schools to model and teach sportsmanship, Living Clean Week can have a lasting impact on student-athletes' development both on and off the field.

Dos and Don'ts for Living Clean Week

Do: Respect Your Opponents; Show Respect to Officials; Be Humble in Victory and Gracious in Defeat; Model Good Behavior for Fans and Teammates; Engage the Community.

Don't: Take Cheap Shots or show Unsportsmanlike Conduct; Don't Blame or Yell at Officials; No Negative Social Media Posts; Don't Lose Control in Tough Moments; Avoid Taunting or Gloating.

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.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Officials' Whistle

Communication with Officials

Officials play a vital part in contests as it is their duty to ensure the safety and integrity of the contests that our student-athletes compete in. Communication before and during con-tests are important. Before a contest, place notes into Arbiter that inform officials of where they need to go once on campus, who they are going to meet before the contest, where their meeting is located, and any other pertinent information. This will help decrease confusion that may arise.

During a contest, officials can respond to rules-based and genuine questions when communicating with coaches. This brings understanding and clarification to all parties. Coaches should refrain from rhetorical questions or emotional comments and stick to constructive questions. Much like how student-athletes receive training on x's and o's, our officials receive training on game management, and how to make sure a game does not get out of control.

Communication can and should happen between Athletic Directors, Coaches and Officials to ensure an enjoyable environment, safety for all, and set expectations for what is to occur.

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

Future Five Stars

Whispers in the Wind

Please ensure all eligibility is completed at least seven (7) days before your first contest to avoid last-minute issues.

As volleyball and football seasons begin, remind student-athletes of your school's expectations for sportsmanship. Have the coaches or athletic directors review appropriate behavior:

- Competing with respect and effort on the field/court.
- Representing the school well on buses, in locker rooms, and at events.
- Showing pride and discipline as ambassadors for their school.

Middle school is a key time to instill habits of respect, integrity, and class — both in competition and beyond. Thank you for reinforcing these standards with your programs.

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.