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Upcoming Events

Fall Officials Appreciation Week
Oct. 6 - 11, 2025

Eligibility Appeals Committee Virtual Meeting
Oct. 8, 2025 – 10:00 am

Swimming State Finals
Oct. 9, 2025 – Oct. 11, 2025
University of South Carolina Natatorium

Winter Rules Clinic:
Wrestling & Basketball at Mauldin HS
Oct. 15, 2025 – 6:00 pm



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

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2025 Swimming State Finals



The SCHSL 2025 Boy's and Girls' Swimming State Finals, are this Thursday-Saturday, October 9-11, 2025, at the Carolina Natatorium on the campus of the University of South Carolina: 1440 Wheat St., Columbia, SC 29208. Admission is \$10 per person and tickets will be available at gofan.co.

2025 SWIM SCHEDULE:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

2:00 PM GIRLS AAAAA D2
6:00 PM BOYS AAAAA D1

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

10:00 AM BOYS AAAA
2:00 PM GIRLS AAAAA D1
6:00 PM BOYS AAA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

10:00 AM GIRLS AAAA
2:00 PM BOYS AAAAA D2
6:00 PM GIRLS AAA

Additional information, can be found at <https://schsl.org/archives/16848>.

State Finals Merchandise

NW Designs will be selling official championship merchandise on-site at the Swimming State Finals. Fans can also purchase merchandise via their online store, which is accessible at <https://online-apparel.com/s/schsl-store/swimming-state-championships/>.

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Winter Sports Schedules Deadline

The 2025-26 Schedules for wrestling and basketball were due last Wednesday, October 1, 2025.

Please contact Jill White, at Jill@schsl.org, with any questions or concerns.

Important Due Dates Approaching

Intent to Participate Deadlines

Girls Golf: Class AA Girls Golf intent to participate form is due this Friday, October 10, 2025. Submit the intent to participate at the following link: [Golf Intent to Participate](#).

Boys Volleyball: Class AAAA Boys Volleyball intent to participate form is due next Friday, October 17, 2025, at 9:00 am. Submit the intent to participate at the following link: [Golf Intent to Participate](#).

Middle School Volleyball Regional Invitational

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) will offer the Annual Middle School Volleyball Regional Invitational on Saturday, October 25, 2025. The following sites have been confirmed, and additional sites may be added to accommodate other areas of the state.

Airport High School
Ninety-Six High School
Sumter High School
Westside High School

Direct all questions pertaining to the Middle School Volleyball Regional Invitational to Dr. Lenard Hudnal, Assistant Commissioner for Middle School Athletics, at Lenard@schsl.org.

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Student-Athlete of the Month



Louise Vipperman, of AC Flora High School, has been named the SCHSL September 2025 Girls Student-Athlete of the Month. Vipperman is a senior at AC Flora High School, with an outstanding GPA of 5.093. A dual-sport athlete, Louise excels in both Girls Golf and Girls Lacrosse, where her leadership and dedication have set her apart.

Louise is an exemplary scholar and leader. She is a member of the National Honor Society, a Junior Marshal, and an International Baccalaureate Diploma Candidate, consistently earning recognition on the Principal's Honor Roll. As Student Body Vice President, Louise plays a key role in organizing school-wide initiatives, charity events, pep rallies, and weekly student meetings, as well as leading morning announcements.

Athletically, as a golfer, Louise has been named All-Region six times and All-Upper State, demonstrating her versatility and commitment across both sports.

Louise's talent and drive have earned her numerous accolades on the lacrosse field as well. She has earned All-State honors twice, All-Upper State recognition three times, and the titles of All-Region Player of the Year and Upper State Attacker of the Year. Louise has also surpassed 100 career goals and 100 assists, a testament to her consistency and playmaking ability.

Her leadership extends into her community and faith life as the Head Chorister of the Trinity Cathedral Girls Choir, where she leads worship through vocal performances. Louise has also participated in mission work in Quito and Ecuador through the "Education Equals Hope" program, working with children and completing service projects over a two-week period.

Committed to leadership development and community engagement, Louise has represented AC Flora at both the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Captains Course (for golf and lacrosse) and the Health Summit, and she serves on the AC Flora Captains Council, which promotes community service and the League's "Living Clean Week" initiative.

With her strong academic record, athletic achievements, and genuine passion for service, Louise Vipperman exemplifies the qualities of a scholar-athlete and a servant leader.

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Public Notice Posted

A Public Notice has been posted from the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL). The Eligibility Appeals Committee, a subcommittee of the South Carolina High School League Executive Committee, will hold a virtual meeting, Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 10:00 am.

All public viewing will be done via live stream on the NFHS Network website: <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/events/schsl/evtbc6ce6a53d>.

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

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 installment of Commissioner's Chat and Beyond features SCHSL Associate Commissioner, *Sarah Hayes*. [Click here](#) for the current installment of the Commissioner's Chat and Beyond.

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2025 Fall Officials' Appreciation Week



Fall Sports Officials' Appreciation Week is this week, October 6-11, 2025. Be sure to 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 fall 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 school student councils, spirit groups or other groups that serve as ambassadors to your school and community. Some ideas that you can use for Fall Sports Officials' Appreciation Week are below.

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

We encourage you to submit pictures of your school and athletes showing appreciation to our officials by clicking on the link here: [Fall Officials Appreciation Week](#).

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Fall Sports Brackets Available

The 2025 fall brackets are now available.

Brackets can be accessed under the brackets link on the SCHSL website, www.schsl.org, or by clicking the following link: <https://schsl.org/brackets>.

For additional information on brackets, please contact Romanda Noble-Watson, Director of Communications and Public Relations at romanda@schsl.org.

Absolute Total Care AED Challenge



The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) and its corporate partner, Absolute Total Care, are teaming up to provide five (5) SCHSL member-schools AEDs to improve coverage at their athletic facilities. This is the second year for the Challenge.

Schools are encouraged to apply for these complimentary units by filling out the form below.

Winning schools will once again be recognized during the SCHSL Basketball State Championships in March.

[Absolute Total Care AED Challenge Signup Link](#)

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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, Finance Consultant, at cindi@schsl.org.

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

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. This is a time dedicated to raising awareness about breast cancer, promoting early detection, and supporting those affected. The SCHSL encourages all schools, teams, and communities to participate in this vital cause. Together, we can make a difference through education, prevention, and support.

- Promote breast cancer awareness at games and events.
- Encourage student-athletes, coaches, and fans to wear pink.
- Share information on early detection and the importance of regular screenings.
- Wear Pink to honor survivors, in honor of those who lost their battle, and support individuals currently battling breast cancer.

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

The October Edition of High School Today Is Here!

The latest issue of High School Today (HST) is now available, and it's packed with valuable resources and thought-provoking articles to help your school build and sustain a truly great athletic program.

One featured piece encourages Athletic Directors to get on the school board agenda—highlighting how their unique perspective allows them to advocate for both coaches and student-athletes in meaningful ways.

If your school hasn't yet subscribed to High School Today, now is the time! You won't regret it.

Check out the article here: [High School Today](#)

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.

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Officials' Whistle

Solving the Sports Officiating Shortage in South Carolina

South Carolina faces a critical shortage of sports officials as veteran officials retire. The SCHSL has partnered with RefReps, the NFHS's official officiating education partner, to offer a proven solution: a Sports Officiating elective course for your students during the school day.

- Already used in 1,000+ schools across 46 states, RefReps' curriculum is engaging, turnkey, and ready for your staff to implement.
- This program builds a pipeline of new officials while benefiting students, schools, and the wider sports community.

Take Action: There is one more opportunity to join our free informational webinar with RefReps. The webinar is scheduled for **Thursday, October 16, 2025: 1:00 pm**, to learn how your school can participate.

[Register Here](#)

Together we can strengthen the future of South Carolina athletics.

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

It's Up To All of Us

We want to take a moment to thank you for the incredible job you continue to do in promoting sportsmanship and integrity among your student-athletes. Your guidance and example help shape how these young athletes learn to compete with respect — both on and off the court or field.

As we get closer to the start of the next sports season, please remember that **winter sports are currently in a CLOSED season**. That means **no team practices, workouts, or other sports-related activities** should be taking place right now. This pause is important to ensure all schools follow the same rules and give athletes the time they need to rest and recharge.

Let's keep setting the bar high for sportsmanship and fair play as we move into the next season. Thank you for your continued dedication to your student-athletes and to the mission of the SCHSL — *developing character through competition*.

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