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Upcoming Events

Living Clean Week
Mar. 16, 2026 – Mar. 20, 2026

Virtual Leadership Summit: Mar. 19, 2026



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

CONGRATULATIONS

2026 SCHSL GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPS



CLASS A
2026 GIRLS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
MILITARY MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AA
2026 GIRLS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
LANDRUM HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AAA
2026 GIRLS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
WALHALLA HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AAAA
2026 GIRLS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AAAAA-DIVISION 1
2026 GIRLS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
BLYTHEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AAAAA-DIVISION 2
2026 GIRLS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
BERKELEY HIGH SCHOOL

CONGRATULATIONS

2026 SCHSL BOYS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPS



CLASS A
2026 BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
C.A. JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AA
2026 BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
PHILIP SIMMONS HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AAA
2026 BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL SCHOOL



CLASS AAAA
2026 BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AAAAA-DIVISION 1
2026 BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
RIDGE VIEW HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS AAAAA-DIVISION 2
2026 BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS
WESTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

CONGRATULATIONS

2026 Absolute Total Care AED Challenge Winners

During the 2026 South Carolina High School League Boys and Girls Basketball State Finals, the five winning schools for the 2026 Absolute Total Care AED Challenge Winners were announced.

The five winning schools, pictured left to right below: Midland Valley High School, Fairfield Central High School, Pendleton High School, Marlboro County High School, and Lakewood High School.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline to Order High School League Passes

Please be advised, the final day to request South Carolina High School League Passes is this **Sunday, March 15, 2026**.

If you need instructions on requesting passes or have any questions concerning High School League passes, please contact the Director of Technology, Keith Warren, at keith@schsl.org.

Scholar Athlete & Multi-Sport Nominations

The South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport Award nomination links opened **January 1, 2026**.

As a reminder, the deadline to submit the student-athlete names for both the SCHSL Scholar Athlete and Multi-Sport Athlete Certificates is **Wednesday, April 1, 2026, at 3:45 pm**.

ALL names must be entered on the links below 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](#)

Playoff Financial Forms Due

Reminder: Please be reminded a playoff financial statement must be completed and sent to the League Office within 15 days of the event. All financial forms are located on the SCHSL website at the following link: [Financial Forms](#). The financial forms are mid-way down the page on the link.

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

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Spring into Service: A Community Clean-Up Initiative

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Be sure to submit your Living Clean photos and videos on the link found in the Tools for Success section on page 9.



Spring Virtual Leadership Summit

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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 installment of Commissioner's Chat and Beyond features SCHSL Commissioner, *Dr. Jerome Singleton*. [Click here](#) for the current installment of the Commissioner's Chat and Beyond.

Book Order Links

The 2025-26 NFHS Rules and Case Books for **ALL** sports seasons 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 MaeoCeisha Jenkins, Office Coordinator, at maeoceisha@schsl.org.

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NFL Grassroots Program: Grant Opportunity

The NFL Foundation and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation “NFL Grassroots Field Grant” program is currently accepting applications for consideration. Grant funding is available to assist both new or renovation field projects.

- Matching grants up to \$250,000 are available through the program.

Please Note: Application deadline is Monday, **March 30, 2026**.

Please read the complete RFP found at the following link: <https://www.lisc.org/our-initiatives/sports-recreation/nfl-foundation-grassroots-program/>, before submitting a proposal.

For additional questions, please contact the Carolina Panthers at communityrelations@panthers.nfl.com.

Email Submissions to: Sportsandyouthdevelopment@lisc.org



GRASSROOTS
Field Grant Program in partnership with LISC

LISC
SPORTS & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

NFL FOUNDATION GRASSROOTS PROGRAM *A Community Football Fields Program* REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Overview

The NFL Foundation Grassroots Program is a partnership of the National Football League (NFL) Foundation, which provides funding for the program, and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), which provides technical assistance and manages the program. The goal of the program is to provide nonprofit, neighborhood-based organizations with financial and technical assistance to improve the quality, safety, and accessibility of local football fields. The NFL Foundation Grassroots Program provides grants of up to \$250,000 for capital improvement projects.

To be eligible for a grant under the program, projects must be sponsored by nonprofit community-based organizations registered as exempt from Federal Income Tax under Internal Revenue Service Code Section 501(c)(3) or middle or high schools. In addition, **all organizations applying for funds must be located specifically and exclusively within NFL Target Markets, listed in Attachment A and serve low to moderate-income areas within those markets.**

Strong preference will be given to those proposals that (1) seek to upgrade existing facilities that are in poor condition or otherwise underutilized; (2) demonstrate active use of the fields; (3) **attract matching funding that exceeds the minimum required match of 1:1**; (4) involve local partnerships with nonprofit community partners (e.g., USA Football, Parks and Recreation Departments, YMCA branches, etc.) to promote youth sports safety and community programming on the fields; (5) provide for continuing maintenance and field safety; and (6) involve youth football programs that are currently registered and compliant with USA Football's Football Development Model education program. As noted above, grants are given only for capital expenditures. Applicants may request a maximum of \$250,000 from the NFL Foundation Grassroots Program to be used for capital improvements. Please see "Availability of Funding" for stipulations involved with a \$250,000 maximum grant request.

Proposals are due by March 30, 2026- No Exceptions

Please read the complete RFP before submitting a proposal.

EMAIL SUBMISSIONS TO
Sportsandyouthdevelopment@lisc.org

PLEASE SEND THE PROPOSAL AS A PDF ATTACHMENT AND INCLUDE ALL
REQUIRED DOCUMENTS AS PER THE RFP.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Health Spot

National Athletic Training Month

As we continue to celebrate National Athletic Training Month, we want to recognize the vital role athletic trainers play in protecting the health and safety of student-athletes across our state.

Athletic trainers are highly trained healthcare professionals who specialize in the prevention, evaluation, and rehabilitation of sports-related injuries. From providing immediate care on the sidelines to guiding athletes safely through recovery and return-to-play decisions, they are a critical part of the team behind every successful athletic program. The SCHSL proudly recognizes the dedication, expertise, and commitment of athletic trainers who work tirelessly to ensure that our student-athletes can compete safely and perform at their best. Their impact reaches far beyond the field of play, helping build healthier and safer school sports environments for all.

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.

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[Living Clean Reporting Form](#)

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[Spring Virtual Leadership Summit](#)

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

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Officials' Whistle

Displaying Good Sportsmanship

As we continue through our spring sports season, we have received numerous reports about inappropriate behavior at contests. Below are a few tips to use at spring sports contests to be proactive and also deal with inappropriate behavior.

- 1) If you have a student section at your contests, be sure to set parameters for their behaviors. Meet with student leaders to establish baselines for behavior at contests.
- 2) Be sure to handle inappropriate spectator behavior swiftly. When you see a spectator getting out of hand or an official asks for you as game management to handle inappropriate behavior, do it right then and there. This is the responsibility of both home administration and visiting administration who may attend an away contest. Remember, what you allow, you promote.
- 3) Be sure to have security present. You know your community, have the appropriate amount of security for your contests.
- 4) Positively cheer on your school's team. Do not make negative/degrading remarks or inappropriate gestures to the officials or opposing team.

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

Future Five Stars

Dedicated to Middle Schools in the SCHSL

Living Clean Week in the SCHSL

Living Clean Week in the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) will take place March 15-20, 2026.

Please encourage your student-athletes to get involved in a community service activity during this week. Sports teams can have a stadium/gym clean up, pledge to display good sportsmanship and positive behavior during games. We look forward to seeing our future five stars participate in Living Clean Week.

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