

TUES-NEWS

SCHSL WEEKLY NEWS AND UPDATES

August 23, 2022

Be A Good Sport, Always!

National DEI Book Study

National Federation of High Schools

October 19- November 9



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Classification Meetings

Plan ahead...A-AAAAA Classification meetings held in person starting next week. Check Calendar for dates. Questions? Contact our office for info.





Don't miss the opportunity to join coaches, athletic directors, performing arts administrators and officials from around the country as we seek to enrich the middle and high school experience for every student and make positive contributions in every community!



Greetings,

I trust that all are having a great start of the academic school year. Please know that your efforts in creating a “new normal” are fully recognized and appreciated. The students in our schools need your leadership, directives, and guidance. You have the ability and responsibility to enhance their educational experience to become a lasting influence on them.

Last week, many member schools participated in extracurricular activities inside and outside the classroom after the normal school day. While most were pleasing and met your expectations, we had several obstructive occurrences in high school athletics. I previously challenged all member schools to make good sportsmanship a priority for the school year. To my delight, most member schools did just that- they met and even exceeded the challenge. I regret to share that some member schools did not ‘understand the assignment’ and failed to meet the challenge. EIGHTEEN (18) member schools displayed unsportsmanlike behavior which led to player ejections and fines for coaches making degrading remarks about officials through public media. This is unacceptable and strays far away from the playbook of game etiquette.

As previously stated, “Unsportsmanlike behavior is a choice.” It is important that this behavior not be accepted by the member schools involved as well as the association. Athletics in school provide many teachable moments to help the student-athlete mature and learn through each aspect of the journey. It’s a process. One that can be advantageous to not only the student, but the coach as well. While these types of behaviors by student-athletes tend to be periodically expected but not accepted; when it comes to our coaches, it should never be expected or accepted. Our youth can rise above these reactionary tendencies if they are taught early on by the adults in their life. Coaches, when contributing to the infraction, are held to a higher level of accountability as unsportsmanlike behavior casts a dark shadow over an entire team, school and/or event.

As we move through the rest of the school year, I continue to challenge and advocate for positive actions by all involved in SCHSL events and activities. Student-athletes, coaches, officials, and fans have complete control of the atmosphere. Players play; Coaches coach; Officials officiate and let’s add: Spectators cheer from the stands. If we collectively put into action those short, finite roles, we can celebrate scoring in life, not just a scoreboard.

Wishing you continued success during the school year,
Dr. Jerome Singleton, Commissioner



Mark Calendar:

Class A Meeting - 9:00am
August 30

Class AAA Meeting - 9:00am
August 31

Class AAAAA
September 15

Class AA
September 20

Class AAAA
September 21

Middle School Online Summit
September 22



SCHSL talks officials:
Charlie Wentzky,
Deputy Commissioner