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Commissioner's Notes

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FROM THE COMMISSIONER'S DESK



Spring is here and participation in the spring sports of Softball, Baseball, Tennis and Track and Field appear to be at an all time high. KHSAA staff are preparing for the next round of championships so mark your calendars. May 20, 2006, is the date of the Slow Pitch Softball Championship which begins five straight weekends of State Championship Events concluding with the Fifth Third/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament June 14-17, 2006.

I am thankful for all of your support for the KHSAA winter sports programs. Overall, attendance was excellent at the Wrestling, Swimming and Diving and Basketball State Championship Events. We are extremely fortunate to be able to utilize some excellent venues for these events.

Special congratulations are in order for our newly elected Board of Control Members, Dave Weedman, Principal at Oldham County High School, Alan Donhoff, Athletic Director, St. Xavier High School, Jerry Keepers, Principal, at Southern High School and Bob Stewart, Athletic Director, Male High school, who was re-elected. Their first official Board Meeting will be July 10-11, 2006.

Enjoy the spring sports season!

SPRING PHOTOS DUE

Please note baseball and softball team photos **AND** rosters are due by May 8.

For photos, please go to the "Members Only" page on the KHSAA website and use the "Upload Photo" feature. You may also e-mail the photo provided it has been scanned at a minimum DPI of 300 and is not bitmapped. The file should be sent as an attachment and saved with a file extension of .jpg, .gif, or .tif. If mailing a photo, the photo **MUST BE AN ORIGINAL**. Failure to submit the photo will result in a fine as permitted by KHSAA Bylaw 33, and this will be enforced.

Rosters should also be entered on the "Members Only" page using the "Enter Team Rosters" link.

For assistance with the entry of either item contact Marilyn Mitchell at the Association or mmitchell@khsaa.org.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULING

We have received scores of inquiries in the last three weeks about the status of Proposal 17 from the KHSAA Annual Meeting in October, 2005. At that meeting, a motion was made and seconded, and approved 203-47-0-25 to approve Proposal 17 which revises the manner in which basketball games are counted. That proposal was favorably reviewed by the Board of Control, and was approved in two separate readings by the Kentucky Board of Education. It now is making its way through the final regulatory process steps, but we have been given no indication that it will not receive final approval and be made an official part of the state regulations in early summer.

This particular new rule, which would go into effect for 2006-2007, changes the provisions of Bylaw 25 as to counting basketball games. In summary, here is the summary of the rule.

- Each team may continue to count a maximum of two tournaments in a "shortcut fashion" (where each and every game doesn't have to be counted against the limit of games) provided that a school plays no more than four games in any one tournament;
- Each team may count a maximum of two tournaments as one-game each against the limit of games, regardless of tournament format, provided that a school plays no more than four games in either of the tournaments;
- Each game in any tournament beyond the limit of four games shall be counted against the limit of games;
- The total game limit (including two tournament shortcuts) is now 23 games. This could be 21 single games and two shortcut tournaments (where neither tournament has a team playing more than four games), 22 single games and one shortcut tournament (where a team doesn't play more than four in that tournament) or it could be 23 single games;
- There is no limit to the number of tournaments that can be entered by a team, but only two may be counted in a shortcut fashion, all others must be counted game for game.

Please feel free to contact the office if you need anything else.

ATHLETIC DIRECTORS CORNER

It's time to register for the Kentucky High School Athletic Directors' Conference! The conference is scheduled for May 9 - 12 at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center off Hurstbourne Lane in Louisville. Please contact Jim Watkins, Conference Coordinator, at adwatt1@bellsouth.net to register.

If your school is transitioning to the new e-mail address system, please notify Jim Watkins or Faye Thornton at faye.thornton@bourbon.kyschools.us. Even though we are told that the old global system will still deliver e-mail messages, many are being returned to us undeliverable.

Jim is also handling registration for the LTP courses at the state conference. On Tuesday, May 9 we will offer LTC525 - Management of Game and Event Announcing & LTC507 - Assessment of Interscholastic Programs and Personnel. On Friday we will offer LTC520 - Coaching and Character and LTC590 - Leadership Training Instructional Methods and Techniques.

BYLAW 4 REMINDER

A key provision of Bylaw 4 should be reiterated to all school personnel at all grade levels in KHSAA school systems at this time of year. Once a student is promoted from grade eight to grade nine by the school, the student's four year (eight semester) limit begins to toll.

Students who are "held back" after being promoted from grade eight (8) are not only ineligible for high school sports (grade 9-12) at any level during the year they repeat, but lose the "senior" year as well since the four year count would be exhausted. School personnel should be mindful of this fact when parents request such action.

State regulations clearly call for the school to have the final say in promotion and retention decisions, and once the student has been promoted from grade eight, the four year count has begun.

REPORTING OF SCORES AND SCHEDULE ENTRY

Please remember to call in the scores of contests, win or lose, to the KHSAA/Riherd's Scoreboard **immediately** following each contest. The number is **1-800-715-8388** and is toll free.

We also ask that member school personnel review your baseball and softball schedules and update any changes.

FORMER COMMISSIONER STOUT NAMED TO NFHS HALL OF FAME

Congratulations to former KHSAA Commissioner Louis Stout who will be among 12 individuals to be inducted into the National High School Hall of Fame June 29 in Orlando, FL.

Joining Mr. Stout in the 2006 Class of Inductees is Lou Groza (Ohio), Terry Baker (Oregon), Jon Sunvold (Missouri), Blaine Lindgren (Utah), Nancy Cole (New York), Duane Twait (Iowa), Irving Black (Connecticut), Peter Webb (Maine), Paul Ostyn (Idaho), Wayne Taylor (Florida), Rich Edwards (Texas).

Stout is the eighth Kentuckian to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Previous inductees include: Cliff Hagan (1988), Paul Hornung (1989), William Kean (1993), Geri Grigsby (1993), Garnis Martin (1994), S.T. Roach (1996) and Charles Ruter (2001).

FUTURE BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENT DATES

As planning is now fully underway for the 2007 school calendars, we have received a great many inquiries from school and school systems regarding the scheduling of the state basketball tournaments during the next few years. Last May (2005), the Board of Control approved the advance schedule of dates and it was distributed to the membership.

A lot of things have happened since that time and for many reasons, the earlier communication may not have been properly distributed or retained. So below is another copy of those dates from which you can make your plans.

Advance Dates for National City/KHSAA Boys' Sweet Sixteen® (site contracted through 2014 to be held at Rupp Arena in Lexington). (Parenthetic number refers to NFHS Standard Calendar Week Number)

- 2006 3/15-3/18 (37)
- 2007 3/21-3/24 (38)
- 2008 3/19-3/22 (38)
- 2009 3/18-3/21 (37)
- 2010 3/17-3/20 (37)
- 2011 3/16-3/19 (37)

Advance Dates for Houchens/KHSAA Girls' Sweet Sixteen® (site contracted through 2011 to be held at Diddle Arena in Bowling Green) (Parenthetic number refers to NFHS Standard Calendar Week Number)

- 2006 3/22-3/25 (38)
- 2007 3/14-3/17 (37)
- 2008 3/12-3/15 (37)
- 2009 3/11-3/14 (36)
- 2010 3/10-3/13 (36)
- 2011 3/9-3/12 (36)

SPORTSMANSHIP HONOREES

Congratulations to the following who were selected as school First Corbin Financial Corporation Sportsmanship Recognition award winners for 2005-2006. Each are eligible for regional recognition as well as the overall statewide honor. Regional winners will be announced next month and honored at the 2006 Awards Banquet scheduled for **May 7 at the Hyatt Regency in Lexington**. The statewide winners, one boy and one girl, will be announced at that time and each receive a \$3,000 scholarship from First Corbin Financial.

Region 1: Barrett Wilson (Graves County), Jessica Johnson (Calloway County), Julie Watson (Hickman County), Mary Elizabeth Herndon (Graves County), Emily Bloemer (Christian Fellowship)

Region 2: Toni Haraldsen (Fort Campbell), Tara McConnell (Henderson County), Kayla Hinrichs (Hopkinsville), Morgan Whitney (Hopkins Co. Central), Jerome Bell Jr. (Hopkins Co. Central), Matt Mines (Ft. Campbell), Adam Bretz (Caldwell County)

Region 3: Britney Gray (Trinity (Whitesville)), Emily Burden (McLean County), Emily Goedde (Owensboro Catholic), Kaylee Taylor (Butler County), Jennifer Day (Grayson County)

Christopher Belcher (Grayson County), Andrew Cotton (Owensboro), David Jarboe (Owensboro Catholic), Jonathon Bates (Butler County)

Region 4: Candace Harwood (Greenwood), Tara Dalcourt (Franklin-Simpson), Myranda Holder (Logan County), Samantha McIntyre (Todd Co. Central), Kai Leathers (Franklin-Simpson), Samuel Corbin (Russellville), Jon Matthew Thomason (Logan County), Michael Eaton (Greenwood), Garrett Sharp (Todd Co. Central), Kent Bulle (Glasgow)

Region 5: Mary Beth Jewell (Hart County), Franny Boly (Bethlehem), Danielle Brown (LaRue County), Elizabeth Cross (John Hardin), Laura Pickett (Green County), Josh Harp (Hart County), Justin Roush (Nelson County), Jerren Morning (John Hardin)

Region 6: Amy Stewart (Doss), Danielle Crenshaw (Presentation), Adrienne Brock (Valley), Lindsay Parker (Holy Cross (Louisville)), Jamie Mills (Bullitt East), Matthew Phillips (Holy Cross (Louisville)), Chris Kitchens (Doss), Daniel Rader (Valley)

Region 7: Tiffany McConnell (Mercy), Brittany Anderson (Eastern), Britney Chessner (Seneca), Bethany Anderson (Christian Academy-Louisville), Shelby Nash (Assumption), Pablo Martinez (Jeffersontown), Bryan Baldini (Eastern), Joshua Horn (Trinity (Louisville)), Lamar Allen (Seneca), Bradley Stafford (Christian Academy-Louisville)

Region 8: Elizabeth Thoke (Trimble County), Amanda Edgington (Walton-Verona), Katie Brown (Gallatin County), Amanda Warford (Anderson

County), Lindsay Bowen (Grant County), Daniel Drury (Anderson County), Seth Ryan (Walton-Verona)

Region 9: Holly Stanek (Dixie Heights), Sondra Nieporte (Lloyd Memorial), Kerenza Igo (Holmes), Lindsey Hudepoh (Notre Dame), Melissa Schwer (St. Henry), Kyra Macke (Newport Central Catholic), Kelly Goodpaster (Villa Madonna), Holly Dorning (Holy Cross (Covington)), Matt Cahill (St. Henry), Kevin Bueter (Newport Central Catholic), Michael Shuh (Villa Madonna), Dane Lantry (Holy Cross (Covington))

Region 10: Jennifer Delaney (Pendleton County), Kimberly Habermehl (Augusta), Katie McKenna (Montgomery County), Gabe Barron (Calvary Christian), John Bergman (Pendleton County), Levi Gallagher (Augusta)

Region 11: Katie Asbill (Berea), Bryce Robinson (Madison Southern), Meghan Newby (Henry Clay), Charlotte Jones (Bryan Station), Ausha Weathers (Scott County), Noell Jones (Lexington Christian), Bethany Pratt (Model), Bryce Robinson (Madison Southern), Jarrod Wilder (Berea), Matt Sefcovic (Scott County), Jeff Rutherford (Model), Stephen Morton (Bryan Station)

Region 12: Jacinda Haynes (Southwestern), MacKenzie Tilley (Pulaski County), Rachel Killen (Rockcastle County), Mindi Paluzi (Monticello), Kyle Mullins (Rockcastle County), Patrick Jenkins (Pulaski County), William Breeding (Monticello), Tyler King (Wayne County), Dustin Fothergill (Southwestern)

Region 13: Sarah Roark (Middlesboro), Whitney Horn (Corbin), Karla Irizarry (North Laurel), Jeremy Sanders (Bell County), Walt Allen (South Laurel), Benjamin White (Corbin), Matt Cornelius (North Laurel), Bart Short (Middlesboro)

Region 14: Meghan Hackney (Hazard), Alexis Lusk (Jackson City), William Gayhart (Hazard)

Region 15: Taylor Mosely (Allen Central), Jessica Martell (Pikeville), Mary Beth Johnson (Belfry), Cullen Younger (Belfry), Robert Herrick (Prestonsburg), Kyle Fletcher (East Ridge), Chance Robertson (Pikeville), Cade Riddle (Shelby Valley), Justin Jacobs (Allen Central)

Region 16: Alexandra Boyd (Fairview), Ashley Loan (Greenup County), Ashley Baldwin (East Carter), Corey Gillum (Greenup County), Tyler Whitt (Fairview), Hillary Dodd (Russell)

KHSAA CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

May 20	Slow Pitch Softball	RiverShore Sportsplex, Hebron
May 25-27	Fifth Third/KHSAA Boys' & Girls' Tennis	UK Boone/Downing Complex, Lexington
June 2-3	Boys' & Girls' Track	UK Shively Track, Lexington
June 9-10	Fast Pitch Softball	Skyview Park, Jeffersontown
June 14-17	Fifth Third/KHSAA Baseball	Applebee's Park, Lexington

MEMBER SCHOOLS REMINDED ABOUT APPROVED CHANGES IN OFFICIALS FEES

At the September 15, 2005 Board of Control Meeting unanimously approved the following motions effective for the 2006-2007 school year as part of their every-other-four years review of the fee paid to each sport:

- 1) The Board of Control determined that basketball officials shall receive a standard fee of \$50 per game (two person crew) and \$40 per game (three person crew) during regular season effective with the 2006-2007 season. The Board also went on record as opposing any effort to reduce the local policy board mileage/travel allowance due to this change. Postseason standard fees will also increase by \$5 per person.
- 2) The Board of Control revised the fee schedule in Wrestling for tournaments effective with the 2006-2007 season. The standard officiating fee for a 1-day (16 match) tournament is now to be \$160; the standard officiating fee for a 2-day (24 match) tournament is now to be \$220; and the standard officiating fee for a 2-day (32 match) tournament is now to be \$245.

PRIME DATE/PRIME TIME 2006 – 2007 BASKETBALL SEASON

Beginning in school year 2006-07, girls' basketball teams must annually schedule at least 40 percent of their home basketball contests on prime dates (Friday night, Saturday or Sunday).

If schools schedule boy/girl double-headers, then girls' basketball starting game times must be the second scheduled game of the double-header as follows:

- One Double-Header (Optional As To Which Team Plays Second)
- Two Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Once)
- Three Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Once)
- Four Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Twice)
- Five Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Twice)
- Six Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Three Times)
- Seven Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Three Times)
- Eight Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Four Times)
- Nine Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Four Times)
- Ten Double-Headers (Girls Game Must Be Played Second At Least Five Times)

2005-06 KHSAA RULES CLINICS

It is an Association requirement that each licensed official and head coach attend a rules interpretation clinic conducted by the KHSAA (ByLaw 26, Sec. 2). Officials who have not met the requirement will not be permitted to officiate any postseason contest. Coaches who have not met the requirement will not be permitted to coach any postseason contest. For 2005-06, approved KHSAA rules clinic sites and dates. ALL TIMES ARE LOCAL.

BASEBALL CLINICS

4/12 Makeup (\$75 Fine), KHSAA Office, 6:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL CLINIC

4/12 Make-Up (\$75 Fine), KHSAA Office, 6:30 p.m.

TRACK CLINIC

4/11 Makeup Clinic (\$75 Fine). KHSAA Office, 7:00 p.m.