



## **Kentucky High School Athletic Association**

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### **Sports News**

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#### **STATEWIDE SPORTSMANSHIP WINNERS HONORED**

Anna Roarx from Holy Cross (Louisville) and Evan Bennett of George Rogers Clark were named statewide winners in the Forcht Group of Kentucky/KHSAA Sportsmanship Recognition Program at the annual banquet held this past Sunday at the Embassy Suites in Lexington.

Both received a one-time \$3,000 scholarship, courtesy of the Forcht Group of Kentucky. Also at the banquet, the 32 regional winners were recognized and honored. Each regional winner received a plaque, a mantle clock from the KHSAA Officials Division and a chair and \$200 book scholarship courtesy of Forcht Group of Kentucky.

This marked the 12th year of the program recognizing outstanding sportsmanship. KHSAA member schools each selected one boy and one girl as the local school sportsmanship winner. School winners were then eligible to be selected as the regional winner. From the 32 regional winners, the statewide winners (one boy and one girl) were selected. Selection criteria includes: Grade-Point-Average; letters of recommendations; leadership roles/honors; response to case study essay; verification of no game disqualifications.

The following individuals were recognized as regional winners:

- Region 1 – Rachel Adams (Calloway County), Jared McCuiston (Mayfield)
- Region 2 – Mandy Gray (Caldwell County), Spencer Workman (University Heights)
- Region 3 – Jayleigh Gatton (Frederick Fraize), Kevin Buntin (Owensboro Catholic)
- Region 4 – Jerri Beth Gee (Monroe County), Sam Kendrick (Russellville)
- Region 5 – Kristia Worthy (John Hardin), Josh Gumm (Taylor County)
- Region 6 – Anna Roarx (Holy Cross-Louisville), Ryan Vincent (North Bullitt)
- Region 7 – Megan Payne (Jeffersontown), John Hester (DuPont Manual)
- Region 8 – Kelsey Williams (Owen County), Ryan Gallas (North Oldham)
- Region 9 – Ashley Jolly (Lloyd Memorial), Joey Neal (Villa Madonna)
- Region 10 – Dana Figgins (Bracken County), Evan Bennett (George Rogers Clark)
- Region 11 – Kaylyn Pratt (Model), Evan Schroader (Tates Creek)
- Region 12 – Allison Dailey (Mercer County), Thomas Waddle (Somerset)
- Region 13 – Mary Elliott (Pineville), A.J. Jones (Middlesboro)
- Region 14 – Brittany Taulbee (Wolfe County), Tyler Phipps (Wolfe County)
- Region 15 – Tiffany Lemaster (Johnson Central), Josh Staggs (Pikeville)
- Region 16 – Erica Irwin (Ashland Blazer), Seth Harper (Raceland)

#### **STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT HEADED TO BELLARMINE UNIVERSITY**

The 2008 KHSAA State Volleyball Tournament is returning to Louisville after a 10 year absence. Bellarmine University has been named site of the 2008 event that will be played Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 in Knights Hall.

The last time the event was in Louisville was in 1997 when Bellarmine (College) served as host as Assumption defeated Mercy for the championship. Over the past 10 years, the event has been played at Ryle High School and Gray Middle School in Union, Frankfort Convention Complex and Northern Kentucky University in Highland Heights.

### **STATE FAST PITCH BRACKET SET**

The bracket for the 2008 KHSAA State Softball Tournament has been conducted and posted on the KHSAA website. The 2008 event will be held June 6-7 at Fisher Park in Owensboro.

<http://www.khsaa.org/fastpitchsoftball/2008/2008statefastpitchbracket.pdf>

### **STATE BASEBALL FORMAT**

This is a reminder that the format for the Forcht Bank/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament will kick off on Thursday, June 12 with all first round games. As was announced back in February with the signing of the title sponsor and Applebee's Park site extension, the event will be 3 days, June 12-14. Friday's second day action will include the two semi-finals with the State Championship slated for Saturday, June 14.

The complete bracket is posted on the KHSAA website.

<http://www.khsaa.org/baseball/2008/statebaseballbracket.pdf>

### **UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS**

May 12-13	KHSAA Board of Control Meeting, Lexington
May 12-17	Regional Tennis Tournaments
May 19-24	District Baseball and Softball Tournaments
May 19-24	Regional Track Meets
May 22-24	State Tennis Tournaments, Lexington
May 26-31	Regional Baseball and Softball Tournaments
May 30-31	State Track & Field Meet, Owsley Park, Louisville
June 4-6	Semi-State Baseball Series
June 6-7	State Softball Tournament, Fisher Park, Owensboro
June 12-14	Forcht Bank/KHSAA State Baseball Championship
June 16	KHSAA Board of Control Special Meeting, Lexington
June 17	Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Golf Scramble, Marriott Griffin Gate, Lexington
June 25-July 9	KHSAA Dead Period

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#### *About the Kentucky High School Athletic Association*

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association was organized in 1917 and is the agency designated by the Kentucky Department of Education to manage high school athletics in the Commonwealth. The Association is a voluntary nonprofit 501 3(c) organization made up of 280 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 19 sports, licenses and trains over 3,900 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.