



Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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BOARD OF CONTROL DISTRIBUTES DRAFT OF NEW SOCCER ALIGNMENT

Soccer postseason could undergo a significant change starting next year, as new district and regional soccer alignments for each of the state's 16 regions were drafted by the KHSAA Board of Control at its regular November meeting. The soccer alignment is the latest as the KHSAA Board of Control continues to revise team sports alignments using the current adopted basketball alignment as a model.

The proposed plan, submitted to member schools for feedback, would begin in the 2012-13 school year and revamp the composition of the 16 regions. The reasoning for this is to allow for future growth in districts where soccer is in its infancy, or schools that plan to start soccer programs. While some districts may appear to have stark differences in the number of teams, the difference is not as great because some schools currently field only a boys' squad or a girls' squad.

"Obviously there are different numbers of teams in each region and in many cases, differing numbers of districts within regions. This is necessary as soccer continues to be a developing sport in terms of school participation," Commissioner Julian Tackett explained in a letter to the state school administrators. "However, it was felt that the current alignment (in place for the 2011 season) was a potential deterrent to teams adding soccer as travel was greatly increased as the travel went across traditional region lines."

According to the current draft, the new soccer alignment would be projected for 2012-13. The final decision will be made at the KHSAA Board of Control meeting on Jan. 25, 2012.

REGION 1

District 1 - Ballard Memorial, Graves County, Mayfield, St. Mary, Paducah Tilghman

District 2 - Calloway County, Community Christian (Paducah), Marshall County, Murray, McCracken County (2013)

REGION 2

District 5 - Crittenden County, Lyon County, Trigg County

District 6 - Henderson County, Union County, Webster County

District 7 - Caldwell County, Dawson Springs, Hopkins County Central, Madisonville-North Hopkins

District 8 - Christian County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, University Heights

REGION 3

District 9 - Apollo, Daviess County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic

District 10 - McLean County, Muhlenberg County, Ohio County,

District 11 - Breckinridge County, Meade County, Butler County, Grayson County

REGION 4

District 13 - Franklin-Simpson, Logan County, Russellville, Todd County Central

District 14 - Bowling Green, Greenwood, South Warren, Warren Central, Warren East

District 15 - Barren County, Glasgow, Monroe County, Clinton County

REGION 5

District 17 - Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, John Hardin, North Hardin

District 18 - Hart County, LaRue County, Marion County, Taylor County

District 19 - Bardstown, Bethlehem, Nelson County, Thomas Nelson (2012), Washington County,

REGION 6

District 21 - Fairdale, Holy Cross (Louisville), Pleasure Ridge Park, Valley

District 22 - Butler, DeSales, Doss, Iroquois, Western,



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District 23 - Bullitt Central, Evangel Christian, Moore, North Bullitt, Southern
District 24 - Bullitt East, Fern Creek, Jeffersontown, Mercy (Girls), Whitefield Academy,

REGION 7

District 25 - Central, DuPont Manual, Presentation (Girls), St. Francis
District 26 – Assumption (Girls), Brown, Louisville Collegiate, Male, St. Xavier (Boys)
District 27 - Atherton, Sacred Heart (Girls), Seneca, Trinity (Louisville) (Boys), Waggener
District 28 - Ballard, Christian Academy-Louisville, Eastern, Kentucky Country Day

REGION 8

District 29 - North Oldham, Oldham County, South Oldham,
District 30 - Anderson County, Collins, Shelby County, Spencer County
District 31 - Carroll County, Gallatin County, Henry County, Owen County
District 32 - Grant County, Simon Kenton, Walton-Verona

REGION 9

District 33 - Boone County, Conner, Cooper, Ryle
District 34 - Dixie Heights, Ludlow, St. Henry District, Villa Madonna
District 35 - Beechwood, Covington Catholic (Boys), Covington Latin, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Notre Dame (Girls)
District 36 - Bellevue, Dayton, Highlands, Newport Central Catholic

REGION 10

District 37 - Bishop Brossart, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Scott
District 38 - Harrison County, Pendleton County, Mason County, St. Patrick
District 39 - Bourbon County, George Rogers Clark, Montgomery County, Paris

REGION 11

District 41 - Frankfort, Franklin County, Western Hills, Woodford County
District 42 - Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Sayre, Scott County
District 43 - Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Tates Creek
District 44 - Berea, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model

REGION 12

District 45 - Boyle County, Danville, Garrard County, Kentucky School f/t Deaf, Lincoln County
District 46 - Burgin, East Jessamine, Mercer County, West Jessamine
District 47 - Pulaski County, Somerset, McCreary Central
District 48 - Monticello, Southwestern, Wayne County

REGION 13

District 49 – North Laurel, Corbin, South Laurel, Whitley County
District 50 – Oneida Baptist, Bell County, Middlesboro

REGION 14

District 53 – Letcher County Central, Buckhorn, Hazard, Perry County Central
District 54 - Jackson City, Wolfe County, Estill County

REGION 15

District 57 – Allen Central, Johnson Central, Paintsville, Prestonsburg, Sheldon Clark
District 58 – Belfry, Lawrence County, Pike County Central, Pikeville, Shelby Valley

REGION 16

District 61 – Bath County, Fleming County, Menifee County, Rowan County
District 62 – East Carter, Elliott County, Greenup County, West Carter
District 63 – Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, Russell, Rose Hill



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FOLLOW FOOTBALL PLAYOFF ACTION THROUGH TWITTER

Fans can follow score updates as they are received through the Twitter account at @KHSAAevents and through the Rihards/KHSAA Scoreboard. Live updates are available by searching the hash tag #khsfb or by viewing the football Web page. Fans can take the scoreboard on the road through their iPhone and iPad thanks to the Rihards/KHSAA Scoreboard app available through the App Store.

Fans, broadcasters and media outlets are encouraged to Tweet live score updates from regional final contests this weekend. To make it easily accessible to all fans simply add the hash tag #khsfb to your tweet.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 2-3 Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl, Houchens-L.T. Smith Stadium,
Bowling Green

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For any questions or further information about this or any KHSAA release please contact Elden May, Sports Information Director at 859-299-5472 or emay@khsaa.org.

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 278 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 21 sports for more than 60,000 student-athletes, licenses and trains over 4,100 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.