



TO: High School Principals, Girls and Boys Basketball Coaches
FROM: Brian Lester, Assistant
RE: 2023-24 Classes A and B Basketball Championship Series Information
DATE: January 26, 2024

Below you will find District tournament pairings for Classes A and B basketball.

On Monday, January 29, by **4:00 p.m.**, district meetings for Classes A and B shall be held. The purpose of the meeting will be to draw the brackets for the tournament and make composite recommendations on the game officials in the order of their preference. Teams won and loss records should include all games through Saturday, January 27.

The list of fifteen game officials must be sent electronically to the Activities Association office IMMEDIATELY following the district meeting. Instructions are included.

EACH COACH SHALL PRESENT TO THE CHAIRMAN A COMPILED ITEMIZED LIST OF WINS AND LOSSES.

In three team districts of Classes A and B, the district representatives are to rate and seed two teams on the percentage record of games won and lost which are to be placed on the top and bottom of the bracket respectively, by record. The worst record shall choose either seeded team, automatically placing the bye.

When four teams are participating in district play, the third best record shall choose either line #2 or #3 of the bracket, automatically placing the other.

Tied percentage records shall be decided by lot (coin toss, etc.)

All byes are to be in the first round. When more than one bye is to be placed on the bracket, the two seeded teams with the best records shall receive the byes. If, after the bracket is made, the chairman should learn before play begins that one or more of the teams will not participate and this would cause a bye in the second round, a new bracket shall be drawn, otherwise the bracket shall remain as drawn.

For the online officials preferential list and district bracket entry, go to the ossaarankings site. The official play-off pairings for those classes will be released Friday, January 26, 2024, on the OSSAA website only (www.ossaa.com). **OFFICIAL STARTING TIMES WILL BE LISTED ON THE OFFICIAL BRACKET RELEASED BY THE OSSAA OFFICE NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024.**

NOTE: Coaches, the application for Academic Achievement Awards is due no later than February 16, 2024. The link is on the basketball page of our website.

PLAYOFF STARTING TIMES - DISTRICT, REGIONALS AND AREA TOURNAMENTS

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| 1. Afternoon Sessions | 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. |
| 2. Night Sessions | 6:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. |

SCOREBOOKS WILL BE PROVIDED TO NON-HIGH SCHOOL FACILITIES UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUESTED.

BRACKETS WILL BE POSTED ONLY ON THE OSSAA WEBSITE (www.ossaa.com). BRACKETS WILL NOT BE MAILED TO THE SCHOOLS.

UPLOADING PREFERENTIAL LIST

After the conclusion of the district meeting, the host school is responsible for uploading your request into the ossaarankings website.

LIST OF AVAILABLE PLAYOFF OFFICIALS

The link “List of Available Playoff Officials” for the 2024 Basketball Playoffs is located within the “Preferential Officials List and Bracket Entry Site” located on the OSSAA Rankings site. The link will open at 4:00 p.m. on January 26 and close at noon on January 30. You may login to the OSSAA Rankings Site as if to rank.

RECORDING YOUR PREFERENTIAL OFFICIALS AND DISTRICT BRACKETS

To record the list of preferential officials and bracket entry, access the link “Preferential Officials List and Bracket Entry Site” located on the OSSAA Rankings website. ***NOTE: Listing officials on your Preferential List that ARE NOT on the “List of Available Playoff Officials” will render your District’s Preferential List INVALID when assignments are made by OSSAA.***

DIRECTION OF USE OF SITE

Click on the link “Directions for Accessing the Preferential Officials List 2024” on the Basketball Page of the OSSAA website for instructions on how to use the site.

SITE AVAILABILITY

For Classes A and B, the preferential link will open at 4 p.m. on January 26, and close at NOON on January 30.

For Classes 2A, 3A, 4A, the preferential link will open at 4 p.m. on February 2, and close at NOON on February 6.

Preferential lists and bracket entry will not be allowed after the link is closed.

REPORTING RESULTS FROM BASKETBALL PLAY-OFF CONTESTS

For Classes B, A, 2A, 3A, and 4A, beginning with the first game of the District tournament, and from that point forward into the basketball play-offs, it is mandatory that results from each contest be entered into the school’s schedule no later than 24 hours after the conclusion of the contest.

Any coach failing to report the score within 24 hours of the conclusion of a contest will initially be notified in writing of his or her failure to comply by OSSAA Staff. A copy of that correspondence will be sent to the coaches’ school administrator as well. A second incident of failure to report will result in the coach being placed on warning for a period on one year. A third and each subsequent failure to report will result in the suspension of the coach for the next contest.

2023-24 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

OKLAHOMA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 14590 or 7300 N. Broadway Extension, Oklahoma City, OK 73113-0590

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Please refer to page **BB10** of the Basketball Manual for pairings in drawing the tournament brackets.

It is imperative that the tournament managers go online and complete the preferential official page and fill in the bracket for the bracket manager by January 31.

DISTRICT BASKETBALL ASSIGNMENTS

CLASS A AREA II

BOYS & GIRLS

DISTRICT 1 - At - Shattuck
Canton, Cheyenne/Reydon

DISTRICT 2 - At - Cyril
Ninnekah, Snyder

DISTRICT 3 - At - Sentinel
Sterling, Hollis

DISTRICT 4 - At - Carnegie
Southwest Covenant, Navajo

REGIONAL MAIN SITE - Cyril

SUB-SITES - Carnegie (1,4)

DISTRICT 5 - At - Canute
Arapaho-Butler, Burns Flat-Dill City

DISTRICT 6 - At - Allen
Konawa, Verden

DISTRICT 7 - At - Union City
Rock Creek, Cordell

DISTRICT 8 - At - Drummond
Waukomis, Coyle

REGIONAL MAIN SITE - Union City
(Friday & Saturday)

SUB-SITES - Arapaho-Butler (5,8)
Allen (6,7)

AREA SITE - Chickasha

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DISTRICT BASKETBALL ASSIGNMENTS

CLASS A AREA III

BOYS & GIRLS

DISTRICT 1 - At - Tushka
Bennington, Talihina

DISTRICT 2 - At - Wright City
Cameron, Crowder

DISTRICT 3 - At - Webbers Falls
Weleetka, Gans

DISTRICT 4 - At - Rattan
Savanna, Arkoma

REGIONAL MAIN SITE - Tushka

SUB-SITES - Cameron (2,3)

DISTRICT 5 - At - Caddo
Central High, Ringling

DISTRICT 6 - At - Empire
Velma-Alma, Waurika

DISTRICT 7 - At - Binger-Oney
Wayne, Fletcher

DISTRICT 8 - At - Wilson
Amber-Pocasset, Rush Springs

REGIONAL MAIN SITE - Velma-Alma

SUB-SITE - Central High (5,8)

AREA SITE - Madill

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DISTRICT BASKETBALL ASSIGNMENTS

CLASS A AREA IV

BOYS & GIRLS

DISTRICT 1 - At - Red Oak
Gore, Canadian

DISTRICT 2 - At - Okay
Cave Springs, Keota

DISTRICT 3 - At - Ripley
Davenport, Regent Prep

DISTRICT 4 - At - Summit Christian
Drumright, Foyil

REGIONAL MAIN SITE - Gore

SUB-SITE - Okay (2,3)

DISTRICT 5 - At - Porum
Indianola, Riverfield

DISTRICT 6 - At - Quinton
Clayton, Dewar

DISTRICT 7 - At - Liberty
Depew, Porter Consolidated

DISTRICT 8 - At - Stonewall
Strother, Wetumka

REGIONAL MAIN SITE - Quinton

SUB-SITE - Indianola (5,8)

AREA SITE - Mvskoke Dome (Okmulgee)