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I. SOCCER DATES TO REMEMBER

- A. December 1, 2023- Organized practice may begin
- B. February 15, 2024 – First scrimmage date
- C. March 1, 2024 - Regular season opens
- D. April 19, 2024 - All district matches shall be completed
- E. April 20, 2024 - Coaches Preferential Officials List due to OSSAA
- F. April 29, 2024 Academic Application must be received no later than **April 29**- Form found on the Soccer link at **www.ossaa.com**
- G. April 29, 2024 – First round of play-offs in classes 5A and 6A
- H. April 30, 2024- First round of play-offs in classes 3A and 4A
- I. May 2, 2024- Second round of play-offs in classes 5A and 6A
- I. May 3, 2024 - Second round of play-offs in classes 3A and 4A
- J. May 7, 2024 - Semi-final round of play-offs
- K. May 10-11, 2024 - State championship
- L. Rules meetings: **The Rules Meeting will be conducted in person during the OSCA Meeting held at the Edmond Public Schools Administration center on November 1st, 2023 at 9:00 am. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may view the meeting on the Soccer page of OSSAA.com on or after November 4th, 2023.** Each head coach of all varsity teams shall attend an OSSAA state rules meeting for that sport for the current school year. If the head coach does not attend a meeting, an online rules meeting is available at **www.ossaa.com**. Written verification of the online rules meeting must be submitted to the OSSAA. All head coaches of spring activities must complete their state rules meeting by March 1st. The penalty for failure to attend a state rules meeting or to complete an online rules meeting and proper documentation submitted to the OSSAA office by the prescribed deadlines will result in the school suspending the head coach for all interscholastic competition until the coach is in compliance and proper documentation has been submitted and verified by the OSSAA.

II. CLASSIFICATION

- A. Girls - Teams will participate in four classes of competition. Class 6A will consist of the first 32 soccer-playing schools on the A.D.M. sheet, Class 5A will consist of the next 32 soccer-playing schools, Class 4A will consist of the next 32 soccer-playing schools, and 3A all remaining soccer-playing schools.
- B. Boys - Teams will participate in four classes of competition. Class 6A will consist of the first 32 soccer-playing schools on the A.D.M. sheet, Class 5A will consist of the next 32 soccer-playing schools, Class 4A will consist of the next 32 soccer-playing schools, and 3A all remaining soccer-playing schools.

III. PARTICIPATION AND DISTRICT ASSIGNMENTS

- A. Schools participating in soccer will be determined by those that indicate participation on their 2023-2024 OSSAA Membership and Entry Fee Form. **NOTE:** OSSAA Membership and Entry Fee Forms are sent in August to principals.
- B. Girls – There will be four districts in Classes 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A Teams assigned to a district will play each district opponent one district match.
- C. Boys - There will be four districts in Classes 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A Teams assigned to a district will play each district opponent one district match.
- D. District assignments will be released on a two-year cycle. The 2023-2024 school year is the first year of the current two-year cycle. **NOTE:** During a realignment year the soccer coaches will select a realignment committee that will have a boys and girls representative from each class and from each side of the state. The committee will meet with the representative of the OSSAA to aid in establishing district assignments.

IV. SEASON

- A. Organized practice shall begin no sooner than December 1, 2023. Organized practice is defined as school or anticipated school personnel directly or indirectly giving individual or team instruction concerning the fundamentals of a particular sport. From the close of the season to the start date for that sport in the following school year, no organized practice in that sport may take place. However, certified school coaching personnel for that sport are permitted to provide instruction in that sport in a physical education class during the regular school day. If a member school does not schedule a physical education class during the regular school day, then an additional period may be scheduled immediately after the close

of the regular school day, not to exceed one hour, for the purpose of conducting a physical education class, and instruction in a particular sport may be provided by certified school coaching to students during that additional one hour period.

- B. The first scrimmage date is February 15, 2024.
- C. The regular season shall open on March 1 and close with the State Championships.
- D. The State Championships will be played on May 10 and 11, 2024.
- E. **Beginning December 1 until the state championship finals, school personnel or anticipated school personnel (coaches, lay coaches, trainers, etc.) will not be permitted to coach, train, or have any contact with the high school's team members or potential high school's team members (grades 9-12) on a non-school team. NOTE: Boys' coaches may coach girls on a non-school team and girls' coaches may coach boys on a non-school team.**

V. SCRIMMAGES, MATCHES, AND TOURNAMENTS

- A. Each team is allowed three scrimmage dates with the first scrimmage date to be no earlier than February 15, 2024. Anytime there is participation against a school team by an amateur team that consists of any player(s) not currently enrolled in your school will be considered a scrimmage. No team shall be allowed to scrimmage in Soccer after March 1. There will be no loss of instructional time for scrimmages.
- B. Definition of a scrimmage tournament: No individual medal or team awards given, a reduced time of thirty-minute halves (maximum) except for the championship finals, the maximum number of teams allowed is eight, **and each team is allowed to participate in no more than one scrimmage tournament.** There will be no loss of instructional time for scrimmage tournaments.
- C. A scrimmage date does not have a limit on how many matches a team may scrimmage on that date.
- D. Each day of a scrimmage tournament will count as one scrimmage date. Example: A two-day scrimmage tournament will count as two scrimmage dates.
- E. **Each team is allowed fifteen total matches, teams may participate in no more than two tournaments, and no team shall play more than three games in any tournament.** (15 games and no tournament, 12 games and 1 tournament, or 9 games and 2 tournaments). This total shall include all conference and conference play-off matches, and all district matches. Junior High teams are allowed eleven total matches (11 games and no tournament, or 8 games and 1 tournament).
- F. In addition to the Activities Association-sponsored Championship Tournament Series, teams and/or individuals shall be limited to not more than the number of matches games, and tournaments as established by the OSSAA Board of Directors.
- G. Violation of contest limits (teams and/or individuals). Generally, if the contest, meet, or tournament limits for a particular activity have been exceeded by either a school team or by individual participants from a school, the following sanctions will be applied:
 - 1. The contest(s) that exceed the limits must be forfeited.
 - 2. The head coach in that activity shall be suspended from coaching in any regular season contests, at the same level, in the same activity, for the remainder of the current regular season, and any championship play-off events for that school year.
 - 3. The head coach in that activity may also be suspended from coaching any regular season contests, at the same level, in the same activity, in the subsequent season for that activity.
 - 4. The school will not be allowed to host any play-off contests in that activity during the school year in which the violation occurred.
 - 5. The program will be placed on warning for a period of one year.

VI. DISTRICT PLAY AND ADVANCEMENT INTO PLAYOFF SERIES

- A. **All district matches shall be completed by Friday, April 19, 2024.**
- B. **The OSSAA has an online ranking program for use by school administrators, coaches, and the general public. The program is accessible at the OSSAA website (www.ossaa.com).**
 For the sports of Football, Fall Baseball, Spring Baseball, Basketball, Fast-Pitch Softball, Slow-Pitch Softball, Volleyball, Soccer, Wrestling (all match scores and team results of invitational tournaments), and Golf (team score), it is mandatory that results from each regular season contest be entered into the ranking program within 24 hours of the conclusion of the contest throughout the season. Once any athletic activity, with the exception of Cross Country, Swimming, Track and Field, and Tennis, enters the play-off series for that activity, those results must also be entered within 24 hours of the conclusion of the play-off 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 coach's school

- administrator as well. A second incident of failure to report will result in the coach being placed on warning for a period of one year. A third, and each subsequent failure to report will result in the suspension of the coach for the next contest.
- C. In Classes 3A, 4A, 5A, and 6A, the first, second, third, and fourth place finishers in each district shall advance into the playoff series.
- D. In Classes 3A, 4A, 5A, and 6A team finishers shall be determined in the percentage of games won and lost in district play. In case two or more teams are tied in the percentage of games won and lost in district play, the highest available position in the district standings and next highest available position(s) in the district standing shall be determined in the following manner:
1. When two teams are tied in the percentage of district games won and lost, the highest available position in the district standings will go to the team that won over the other in district play. The team that lost to the other tied team will occupy the next highest available position in the district standings.
 2. When three or more teams are tied in the percentage of district games won and lost, the highest available position in the district standings will go to the team that won over the other tied teams in district play. The next highest available position in the district standings will go to the team that won over the remaining tied team(s) in district play. This procedure shall continue until all available positions are filled.
 3. When three or more teams are tied in percentage of games won and lost in district play, and no team is the winner over the other tied teams in percentage of games won and lost in district play, the representative(s) for the highest available position(s) in the district standings shall be determined by:
 - a) Total the marginal points each tied team had in all district games unless one or more teams received a forfeit (see Forfeit Policy, XIII). Marginal points will be the difference in score. Winners will add the difference in score to their marginal point total and losers will subtract the difference in score from their marginal point total. No team will add more nor subtract more than four points in any district game. (Example: Winning score, Team A, 4 points; Team B, 1 point; Team A will add three points to its marginal point total and Team B will subtract three points from its marginal point total.) No team will add more nor subtract more than one point in any district game that goes into overtime. The team with the greatest number of marginal points will occupy the highest available position in the district standings. The team which has the next greatest number of marginal points will occupy the next highest available position in the district standings. This procedure shall continue until all available positions are filled. Any time two teams are tied in marginal points, the teams shall advance in the order as to which team won over the other in district play.
 - b) In the event ties cannot be broken by the criteria in the paragraph(s) above, the highest available position in the district standings shall be determined by lot. After lot has decided the highest available position in the district standings when three teams are tied in marginal points, the next highest available position in the district standings will go to the team that won over the other tied team in district play. When four teams are tied in marginal points, the highest available position in the district standings will be decided by lot. The next highest available position in the district standings will go to the team that won over the other two tied teams in district play. If the next available position in the district standings cannot be determined by who won over the other tied teams, then lot will determine the next highest available position in the district standings. The two remaining tied teams will determine their district standing position by which team won over the other in district play.
 4. Should it become necessary for a representative to be determined by lot, the chairman of the district will call a meeting of the involved schools and conduct the necessary procedure to determine the representative.
 5. If the first, second, third, or fourth place team does not elect to play or is ineligible to play in the elimination games, the Board of Directors shall select the next team in line which will represent the district in the play-off series.
- E. The OSSAA recommends the host school provide ball shaggers in all district and play-off matches to eliminate wasted time.
- F. In Classes 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A the 16-team bracket for the play-off series has been predetermined. Teams will be bracketed accordingly. **A copy of the brackets can be found in the OSSAA Soccer Manual, on the soccer page of the www.ossaa.com website.**
- G. **During the play-off series in all classifications, if the start of a contest is delayed or a contest is interrupted due to inclement weather, the contest may not begin or be resumed after 3 hours of the scheduled start time (Unless mutually agreed upon prior to the game). All contests in the play-off series must play a minimum of 60 minutes in order to be considered a complete contest. Any delay in the contest due to inclement weather beyond the 3-hour period must be rescheduled if 60 minutes or more have not been completed.**
- H. In the playoff series, all matches will not be considered complete until at least 60 minutes have been played.
- I. **Teams may suit up a maximum of 22 squad members for the playoff series.**
- J. **Classes 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A Play-Off Information**

1. The first round of the Class 5A and 6A play-offs shall be played on April 29, 2024, on the home field of the district winners and runners-up. The first round of the Class 3A and 4A play-offs shall be played on April 30, 2024, on the home field of the district winners and runners-up.
 2. The second round of the Class 5A and 6A play-offs shall be played on May 2, 2024 the second round of the Class 3A and 4A play-offs shall be played on May 3, 2024. The home field for all second-round games shall be played on the home field of the district winner, or higher-seeded team based on their district finish.
 3. The semi-final round of the Class 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A play-offs shall be played on May 7, 2024. The home field shall be determined by:
 - A. District Champions shall be the home team/host.
 - B. In the event that neither team are District Champions, the game shall be played on the home field of the higher seeded team based on their district finish.
 - C. In the event that both teams are District Champions or seeded the same, the home team shall be determined by the team representing the odd-numbered lines in the odd-numbered calendar years and the even-numbered lines in the even-numbered calendar years.
- K. **In the playoff series, unless mutually agreed upon by the participating schools, game times shall be 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm for sites hosting two playoff games, and 7:00 pm for sites hosting one game only.**
- L. The OSSAA may adjust play-off dates due to head coaching conflicts or any other unforeseen circumstances.
- M. By mutual agreement between schools, either a home field or a mutual field may be selected for the play-off site. In the event this occurs, the school that was scheduled to host will be charged the home game.
- N. A representative of the home school shall serve as the play-off match manager. If the match is to be played on a neutral field, a school official shall be mutually agreed upon to serve as match manager. The match manager shall be responsible for all match arrangements.
- O. Delayed telecasts must be approved by the principals of both schools and the OSSAA office. **NOTE:** There will be no radio broadcast fee for any OSSAA-sponsored championship series.
- P. The price for 1st round, 2nd round and semi-finals will be \$7.00 online and a \$10.00 cash option. The State Tournament will be \$10.00 online and a \$13.00 cash option for adults and students.
- Q. Complimentary admissions for the playoffs will be as follows:
1. The OSSAA complimentary pass is the only pass that will admit the holder to a playoff event. A driver's license must be shown with all complimentary passes. These passes are not transferable.
 2. Bands and cheerleaders of competing schools.
 3. Any workers that aid in the administration of the match.
- R. The match officials will be selected and contracted by the two schools involved in all first, and second rounds of the play-offs. Officials should be selected from within a reasonable distance. The OSSAA will select and pay the officials for the semi-final and state championship matches. A three-person officials' crew will be used in all play-off matches. If an official must be replaced after mutual agreement has been reached, the host school should notify the visiting school.
- S. All other expenses incurred in handling the play-off matches shall be borne by the team designated as the home team. The home team shall have all concession rights. The home school shall furnish a new ball or an acceptable used ball for the match.
- T. In the championship matches, the OSSAA will only reimburse the traveling teams at a rate set by the OSSAA Board of Directors at their annual June meeting.
- U. Schools should notify the OSSAA in advance of the play-offs of potential prom or end-of-school conflicts. The OSSAA will cooperate with all member schools to aid in avoiding end-of-school conflicts.
- V. A student's current scholastic eligibility status would not change if an OSSAA play-off contest were delayed into the next week due to inclement weather or other extreme circumstance.

VII. TIES IN REGULAR SEASON AND PLAY-OFF MATCHES

- A. Regular Season Matches - If the match is tied at the end of regulation time, teams will go directly to the penalty kick tie-breaking procedure (see #2 below). The penalty kick procedure will apply only to high school varsity games.
- B. District and Play-off Matches - When the score is tied at the end of regulation time, the referee will instruct both teams to return to their respective team boxes. There will be five minutes during which both teams may confer with their coaches and the head referee will instruct both teams as to proper procedure.
1. There shall be two **ten**-minute sudden victory overtime periods. The team who scores the first goal will be declared the winner and the match will be terminated.
 - a. At the end of the first sudden victory period, teams shall change ends.
 - b. There shall be a two-minute interval between periods.
 2. If the score remains tied, all coaches, officials, and team captains shall assemble at the halfway line to review the penalty kick procedure as outlined below:
PENALTY KICK PROCEDURE:
 - a. The head referee shall choose the goal at which all kicks from the penalty line shall be taken.
 - b. Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, at the conclusion of sudden victory overtime periods, (or in regular season games at the end of regulation) with the exception of those that may have been disqualified or players out due to a concussion, to take the kicks.
 - c. A coin toss shall be held as in 5-2-2 (e). The team winning the toss shall have the choice of kicking first or second.
 - d. Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
 - e. The defending team may change the goal keeper prior to each penalty kick.
 - f. Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring on the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
 - g. Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory.
 3. If the score remains tied after each team has had five kicks:
 - a. Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the kicks in a sudden victory situation, wherein if one team scores and the other team does not score, the game is ended without more kicks being taken.
 - b. If the score remains tied, continue the sudden victory kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating kicks. If a tie still remains, repeat 3-a.
- C. Misconduct Procedures
1. Cautioned Players
 - a. One of the five players listed to take a kick is cautioned after he/she takes the kick. That player is not eligible to kick again until one complete set of five kicks has been completed beyond the set of kicks in which the caution was issued.
 - b. One of the five players listed to take a kick is cautioned before he/she takes the kick. That player is not eligible to kick until the next set of five kicks. Another eligible player not listed in that set of kicks must take the cautioned player's original turn.
 - c. When a goalkeeper is issued a caution during any set of five kicks, he/she cannot re-enter until the next opponent completes his/her kick. A substitution is permitted for the cautioned goalkeeper.
 2. Disqualified Players
 - a. Any player, including the goalkeeper, who is disqualified may not participate any further. If his/her kick is not already completed, a substitute is permitted.
Examples:
Player "X" is one of the first five kickers, and is cautioned after taking his/her kick. Player "X" is not eligible to kick again until the set beginning with the 11th kick.
 - b. Player "X" is one of the second set of five kickers and is cautioned after taking his/her kick. Player "X" is not eligible to kick again until the set beginning with the 16th kick.
 - c. Player "X" is a kicker in any set of five kickers and is cautioned before taking his/her kick. Player "X" is not eligible to kick until the next set of five kicks. Player "x's" kick in the set of five in which he/she was cautioned must be taken by another eligible player not listed in that set of kicks.

VIII. OFFICIALS FOR NON-DISTRICT AND DISTRICT MATCHES

- A. Three certified OSSAA soccer officials (have paid enrollment fee and passed the current season National Federation Soccer Test) should be used in all varsity high school soccer matches. **NOTE:** This includes both non-district and district matches.
- B. If an official fails to arrive for a scheduled match and a replacement official is needed, the coaches will attempt to find an enrolled OSSAA soccer official to officiate the match. If an additional official cannot be found, the match may be played by using the dual system of officiating.
- C. It is recommended that an administrator of all athletic contests meet the game officials prior to the contest advising them of the game time, dressing facilities, pre-game and half-time activities, foul weather protocol, etc. The game administrator should also record the official's identification numbers. After the officials enter the field or court, the administrator in charge should advise the head official as to the location where the game manager will be during the contest(s) should a problem arise. Also, someone should be designated to meet the officials to assure their safe return to the dressing room after the contest. **NOTE:** This applies to the regular season as well as playoff contests.
- D. Schools may experiment with the three-whistle system of officiating during scrimmage matches and scrimmage tournaments only.

IX. RULES

The National Federation soccer rules shall be the official rules for soccer along with any modifications or exceptions as designated by the OSSAA.

X. YELLOW CARDS, RED CARDS, AND PLAYER EJECTION RULES

- A. Yellow card – by National Federation Rule: A cautioned player shall leave the field and may be replaced. Should the team with the cautioned player elect to play shorthanded, the cautioned player may not re-enter nor be replaced until the next legal substitution opportunity. **Any player receiving 3 yellow cards in a season must sit the next regularly scheduled contest on the same level of competition and any other contest in between. Two additional cautions after a sit-out will result in an additional one-game suspension, one additional caution after a sit-out due to yellow cards will result in another one-game suspension, etc. Yellow cards will reset to zero at the conclusion of the regular season unless a player receives a 3rd yellow card, 5th yellow card, or 6th yellow card in the last regular season match. A player receiving their 3rd yellow card, 5th yellow card or 6th yellow card in the last regular season match, must sit out the first playoff match.**
- B. Any player ejected must sit the next regularly scheduled contest on the same level of competition and any other contest in between. This will include all red card situations with no exceptions. This rule applies to scrimmages, regular season and play-off matches.
- C. Any player disqualified (red card) during the course of the game, for whatever reason, cannot be replaced.
- D. Any player whose flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct consists of fighting, cursing or using foul language toward a match official will be automatically suspended from participating in the next THREE regularly scheduled matches on the same level of competition that his/her team plays and any other games in between. This rule applies to pre-season, regular season, and play-off matches.
- E. Any player ejected for spitting at an opposing player or official shall be suspended from participating in the next THREE regularly scheduled matches on the same level of competition that his/her team plays and any other games in between.
- F. Any team receiving three red cards during the soccer season will be placed on warning for one year and any additional red cards issued during that season could result in additional penalties.
- G. A student who is disqualified during a game or contest because of a flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct shall be ineligible until reinstated by the principal. A disqualified student shall forfeit the right to participate in at least one contest before he/she is reinstated by the principal (exception: soccer). A student whose flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct consists of fighting, cursing or using foul language toward a game official will be automatically suspended from participating in a minimum of the next three regularly scheduled games or contests on the same level of competition that his/her team plays (exception: soccer). Fighting is defined, but is not limited to, any player or non-player (bench personnel) striking an opponent with arm(s), leg(s), foot(feet), or other object(s); attempting to strike an opponent with arm(s), leg(s), foot(feet), or other object(s), regardless if there is contact with an opponent; biting an opponent or instigating a fight by committing an act(s) that causes an opponent to retaliate by fighting related to an OSSAA sponsored activity in which the players and non-players are participating. A player or non-player who retaliates by fighting is in violation of the fighting rule. The fighting rule will apply to pre-contest and post-contest sponsored activities. It is mandatory that all head coaches remind his/her team that fighting during the post-game hand-shaking ceremonies or conducting themselves in an unsportsmanlike manner after the game will be severely penalized. The head coach and team will be subject to additional suspension penalties beyond the normal penalties imposed on fighting and unsportsmanlike acts that occur during the contest. Injuries have occurred because of fans climbing over walls and fences, being trampled, or partaking in dog-pile celebrations, etc. at the conclusion of a contest. The celebration by fans, players, or coaches acting in an unsportsmanlike manner (example: pouring water on the coach) after a contest will result

in possible penalties imposed against the school. School administrators should be aware that if their student body and fans come onto the playing area after a contest, penalties may be imposed.

Any substitute or team member, who leaves the team bench and enters the playing area during a fight or any other serious unsportsmanlike act, shall be ejected. Those players or team members identified by game officials, school administrators, or videotape will be suspended a minimum of one game if they were not involved in the altercation and a minimum of two games (exception: soccer) if they were involved in the altercation. This rule applies to both regular season and playoff games. The suspension applies to individuals/teams on the same level of competition; i.e., varsity to a varsity game, junior varsity to a junior varsity game, etc. Any additional penalties by the National Federation Rule Book and the OSSAA Rules and Regulations Handbook would also apply. The rule would apply to all OSSAA-sponsored activities. Any student involved directly or indirectly for fighting or any other serious unsportsmanlike act a second time during the season shall be suspended for the remainder of the season. Yellow card combinations would not count toward this rule for ending an athletic season.

- H. All red cards issued to underclassmen will be carried over to the next season if the athlete has not sat out his/her required number of matches. Matches must be at the same level of competition and any other games in between and will begin with the regular season on March 1. An athlete may not participate during the pre-season.
- I. It is the coach's/school's responsibility to make sure a player or coach sits out the next match or matches when he/she has been red-carded regardless of whether or not the school has received the official's report.
- J. If a fight between players occurs after a soccer match, both teams could be subject to probation and any other appropriate penalties by the OSSAA.

XI. GENERAL REGULATIONS AND POLICIES

- A. From the first day of school until the state championship finals, school personnel or anticipated school personnel (coaches, lay coaches, trainers, etc.) will not be permitted to coach, train, or have any contact with the school's team members or potential school's team members (grades 9-12) on a non-school team. **NOTE:** Boys' coaches may coach girls on a non-school team and girls' coaches may coach boys on a non-school team.
- B. **In accordance with NFHS rule, any time after the completion of one half, the score differential reaches ten, the game shall be ended.**
- C. A preferential list of officials form will be used by coaches for their input on selecting soccer officials for the state championship finals (**the form is located in OSSAA Soccer Manual**).
- D. Teams and fans shall be placed on opposite sides of the playing field unless facilities would prohibit it.
- E. It is mandatory for all head coaches or a designated school representative to attend one of the OSSAA state rules meetings for soccer. Penalty for failure to attend will result in penalties against the team and/or coach.
- F. Junior Varsity games will not be counted towards an individual limit of twelve matches.
- G. When there is not organized physical education class scheduled during the school day, a school may schedule an additional class period immediately after the close of the school day, not to exceed in length that of a regular school hour (60 minutes), for the purpose of conducting a physical education class. A school that is bringing its freshmen and sophomore athletes from another site may schedule its practice period immediately upon the arrival of these athletes, not to exceed in length that of a regular class period, for the purpose of conducting a physical education class. The practices will be conducted by the certified school coaching staff. Any individual is limited to the maximum time of a regular class period.
- H. A designated sponsor or coach shall be in charge of the training and participation of contestants. Any voluntary assistance rendered by parties other than a designated sponsor or coach must be with the approval of the administration and will not relieve the designated sponsor or coach of his responsibility.
 - 1. When an official has banished a coach or sponsor from the vicinity of the contest and there is not other designated assistant or faculty member present to assume full responsibility of the team or organization, the game or contest must be forfeited.
 - 2. Any school in violation of this section of the rules shall forfeit the game, meet, or contest to the offended school, and the school or team in violation shall be placed on warning.
 - 3. Any coach who is ejected from an interscholastic game, meet, or contest shall be suspended from coaching the next regularly scheduled game, meet or contest (same team and level) in which the team participates. This includes all OSSAA-sponsored and playoff activities. A coach who has been suspended from coaching may attend the contest, but he or she must be seated in the spectator area and may not give instructions to the players or the individual who has been assigned to coach the team anytime during the contest. The coach may not coach directly or indirectly in any capacity. The coach may not enter the dressing room at half-time, nor will he or she be allowed to be on the

court, field, etc., before or during the contest. Any coach who is ejected from a contest a second time during the same activity season shall be suspended from coaching until reinstated by the OSSAA Board of Directors.

- I. When an athletic coach removes his/her team from the playing area, the game shall be forfeited and the school automatically placed on probation.
- J. Only the team, coaches, trainers, managers, school personnel, etc., shall be permitted on the sideline during a contest.
- K. If junior varsity matches are played on separate nights from varsity matches, junior varsity teams may have the option of playing 40-minute halves. If junior varsity matches are played on the same nights of varsity matches, halves will be limited to 30 minutes.
- L. Junior high teams will play 30-minute halves.
- M. Rosters shall be presented to the opposing coach and center official before each contest (the form is located on the OSSAA Soccer page).
- N. Any time one team is competing against another, they may film without the consent of the other team.
- O. A team will not be allowed to play any home matches unless its soccer goals meet National Federation soccer regulations.
NOTE: Refer to the 2023-2024 National Federation Soccer Rules Book.
- P. Practice or competition in athletics will not be allowed on a site after the site has been announced, in any play-off activity except for a regularly scheduled contest or the host school may practice at the site if that is the team's regular practice site.
- Q. The OSSAA disapproves of any form of taunting which is intended or designed to anger, bait, embarrass, ridicule, or demean others on the basis of race, religion, gender, or national origin.
- R. At the State Tournament, the teams must stay on the field for the completion of the awards ceremony or the school could be subject to a penalty.
- S. Please see your athletic director or principal for precautionary recommendations concerning AIDS and Hepatitis B.

XII. NOISE MAKERS

For indoor activities: Boom boxes or any type of device that plays music, sounds, or voices, and noise makers of any kind such as air horns, cow bells, etc. will not be allowed to function/operate. This will also apply to pre-game/contest and post-game contest activities. This rule applies to both regular and post-season games/contest.

For outdoor activities: Noisemakers are allowed at outdoor activities unless they interrupt the normal game/contest procedure of announcers, bands, cheer squads, drill teams or any other game/contest-related activities. The game officials have the authority to stop the use of any noisemakers or disruptions that interrupt the normal game/contest procedures. This rule applies to both

XIII. FORFEIT POLICY AND SUSPENDED GAME

- A. The minimum penalty for the participation of an ineligible student during the regular season is the forfeiture of all contests involved in with the following exception: Refer to Forfeiture For Use of Ineligible Athlete Policy in the 2023-2024 OSSAA Administrators Handbook.
- B. The minimum penalty for the participation of an ineligible student during the playoffs is the forfeiture of most recently played game. The exception in A above will also apply.
- C. Any high school team that is unable to play a district soccer match and forfeits, will be eliminated from the OSSAA playoff system.
- D. Due to the four-point marginal point system used to determine tie breakers for the first, second, third, and fourth place finishers, any previously forfeited or remaining matches played by a team that is unable to play a district match will not count in the district standings.
- E. Suspended game: By National Federation Rule, in the event a regular season or district game must be suspended because of conditions which make it impossible to continue play, the head referee shall declare it an official game if one complete half or more of the game has been played. If less than one-half of the game has been played, or if the game is tied, the suspended game shall continue from the point of suspension on the earliest possible day including all yellow or red cards that were issued. This applies to regular and post-season games or contests.

XIV. SANCTIONING RULE

- A. No member school shall compete in any interstate tournament or meet in which three or more schools participate unless such event has been sanctioned by all interested State Associations including the National Federation, if required.
- B. All athletic events where three or more schools participate in grades 7 through 12 related directly or indirectly to any activity in which the OSSAA sponsors a play-off series leading to a state championship should be sanctioned. The responsibility lies with the participating schools as well as the host member school, non-public school, or any non-school

individual host. When more than two schools or teams participate, the students may not be covered by catastrophic insurance unless the event is sanctioned.

- C. All entries for out-of-state tournaments and meets shall be forwarded to the OSSAA for endorsement and approval.

XV. AWARDS

- A. Quarter final round – Team plaques will be awarded to winners of quarter final matches.
- B. Semi-final round - Team plaques will be presented to winners of semi-final matches.
- C. State - Team trophies will be presented to the state champions and runners-up. Individual medals will be given to 22 team members of the state champions and runners-up along with a coach's achievement plaque to the head coach.
- D. The OSSAA will send the appropriate trophies, plaques, and medals to the play-off sites.

XVI. POINTS OF EMPHASIS

- A. When available, the official time should be kept on a field clock. If a field clock is not available, the time shall be kept by the head referee.
 - 1. Before the match starts, the head referee should notify the head coaches of where the official time will be kept.
- B. The jurisdiction of the officials begins when they enter the field of play. The officials' jurisdiction ends through the completion of any required reports or correspondence in response to any action occurring while the officials have jurisdiction.
 - 1. Officials should be receptive to administrative input concerning inclement weather. Remember, at all times, the safety of the players is top priority.
- C. Officials Jersey - In the event of a color conflict between the officials and either team, the officials shall change to a jersey of a color distinct from both teams.
- D. Legal goals and field markings should be used. Refer to the 2023-2024 National Federation Soccer Rules Book.
 - 1. Coaches and officials should notify the OSSAA of any problems related to goals and field markings.
- E. Schools must provide a safe field and environment for teams to play within. An administrator from the home team should be present to monitor crowd control. Fans are not to be allowed on the sidelines or in the team box.

XVII. OFFICIALS AND PROTEST

- A. The regulations of the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association provide that all officials used in regular season basketball and football competition and OSSAA-sanctioned tournaments where participants are in 7th-12th grades must be enrolled with the OSSAA and have passed Part I of the current National Federation rules examination for that sport.
 - 1. These regulations also apply to regular season competition in baseball, **soccer**, softball, volleyball, and wrestling where participants are 9th-12th grades. It is strongly recommended that certified officials be used in all competition where participants are 7th-12th grades.

B. NOT HONORING A PROTEST

OSSAA will not consider requests to overturn the determinations of game/contest officials in interpreting or enforcing rules at games or contests. In agreeing to participate in a game or contest, a member school, and the individual participants and the coaches or sponsors representing that member school, accept the risk that game/contest officials may make errors in interpreting or enforcing rules at games or contests. Any errors by game/contest officials should be raised with those officials, in a respectful manner, and in accordance with the rules established for that particular activity. The decisions of the game/contest officials are accepted as final.

An exception to this Policy may be granted if in the case of an ejection of a participant from a contest, the game/contest official misidentifies the individual who should have been ejected. The request to review the misidentified player must be submitted to the OSSAA in writing.

- C. Any school representative who publicly criticizes a contest official, and any contest official who publicly criticizes a school representative in connection with a contest, meet, or tournament is subject to sanctions. The member school represented by an individual who publicly criticizes a contest official may also be subject to sanctions if the school fail to

take appropriate action in response to the school representative's public criticism of the contest official. The sanctions could include warning or suspension.

Public criticism includes, but is not limited to, comments made to the media or during a broadcasted event, and comments made in a public forum.

XVIII. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- A. Each class of boys and girls soccer teams may apply for the following OSSAA academic achievement awards. Grades are based on the first semester GPA. (Non-traditional semester: An approximate 18-week grading period used to divide the school year in half.)
The 22 players (all players suiting up if less than 22) who suit up for the last district game.
- B. Awards will be given for each class based on 4.0 grading system and computed to the nearest thousandth percentile. If you have a weighted grading system, you must still use the 4.0 system for computing qualifications for this award.
 1. Academic Achievement Certificate - Teams must have a minimum of a 3.25 GPA and rank in the upper 1/3 of their classification to qualify.
 2. Distinguished Academic Plaque - Teams must have a minimum of a 3.50 GPA and rank in the upper 10% of their classification.
 3. State Soccer Academic Champion Trophy - The team with the highest qualifying GPA will be declared the state academic champion for their respective class.
- C. Awards presentations will be as follows:
 1. Certificates and plaques will be mailed to the winning schools following the state championship tournament.
 2. The state championship trophy for each class will be presented to the winning teams at the state soccer championship tournament.
- D. It is your responsibility to complete the academic achievement application and return it to the OSSAA no later than May 7, 2024 (**form found on the Soccer link at www.ossaa.com**).

XIX. COACHES' ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

- A. All first year athletic coaches and any adjunct athletic personnel will be required to complete the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching Course prior to their participation as a coach in an OSSAA regular season contest.
- B. All coaches in grades 7-12 are required to complete the online Concussion Management video and the Heat Illness video at www.nfhslearn.com. Schools are responsible for implementing a system to make sure their coaches are in compliance with the regulation.
- C. In addition, any coach who has been ejected from an OSSAA contest will be required to complete the NFHS Teaching and Modeling Behavior course. This course must be completed within seven (7) days after being ejected. The coach can be reinstated after verification of his/her completion of the course and any sit-out time that is required by OSSAA rules.
- D. Exemplify the highest moral character, behavior, and leadership.
- E. Respect the integrity and personality of the individual athlete.
- F. Abide by the rules of the game in letter and in spirit, regardless of the consequences.
- G. Respect the integrity and judgment of sports officials, never baiting or taunting officials in any way, or seeking out an official during half-time or at the conclusion of a contest.
- H. Demonstrate a mastery of and continuing interest in, coaching principles and techniques through professional improvement.
- I. Encourage and respect all athletes and their values.
- J. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- K. Promote ethical relations among coaches.
- L. Fulfill responsibilities to provide emergency health procedures and ensure an environment free of obvious safety hazards.
- M. Encourage the highest standards of conduct and scholastic achievement among all athletes.
- N. Seek to inculcate good health habits, including the establishment of sound training rules.
- O. Strive to develop in each athlete the qualities of leadership, initiative, and good judgment.
- P. Achieve a thorough understanding and acceptance of the rules of the game and the standards of eligibility.
- Q. Any school representative who publicly criticizes a contest official, and any contest official who publicly criticizes a school representative in connection with a contest, meet, or tournament is subject to sanctions. The member school represented by an individual who publicly criticizes a contest official may also be subject to sanctions if the school fails to take appropriate action in response to the school representative's public criticism of the contest official. The sanctions

could include warning or suspension. Public criticism includes, but is not limited to, comments made to the media or during a broadcasted event, and comments made in a public forum.

- R. Any time a coach who does not hold a valid Oklahoma teaching certificate (lay or volunteer coach) is ejected from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct, including but not limited to arguing a call, language or gestures directed toward a game official, he or she will be required to complete the NFHS Teaching and Modeling Behavior course within seven (7) days of the ejection, the course can be found at [NFHSLearn.com](https://www.nfhslearn.com). Additionally, personnel not holding a valid Oklahoma teaching certificate must meet with a representative of the OSSAA prior to being reinstated to coach the school team. A school administrator will also be required to attend the meeting.

XX. VIOLATIONS OF CONSTITUTION, RULES, REGULATIONS OR OSSAA POLICIES

When a violation of OSSAA's Constitution, Rules, Regulations, or Policies has been determined to have occurred, the Executive Director is authorized to impose sanctions or remedies, which may include suspending a coach or other school personnel from coaching and/or activity program management responsibilities, or imposing limits or conditions on those coaching and/or activity management responsibilities.

XXI. EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

Any time a member school is hosting a planned activity at a school facility there must be an Emergency Action Plan in place. The plan must be shared with any visiting school. An Emergency Action Plan, or EAP, is a formal written plan, developed by the host site, that identifies potential emergency conditions at the event site and prescribes the procedures to be followed to minimize or prevent loss of life and property.

XXII. HAZING

Hazing incidents have no place in the activity programs of our member schools. The OSSAA encourages each member school to develop procedures to inform their students that this type of behavior is not acceptable and should not be tolerated.

XXIII. TAUNTING

Any form of taunting which is intended or designed to anger, bait, embarrass, ridicule, or demean others is subject to penalty.

XXIV. EDUCATION-BASED ACTIVITY PROGRAMS

The National Federation of State High School Associations and the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association recognize the numerous potential benefits of participation by students in education-based activities. While education-based activities may differ between the stakeholder groups, all should be centered on optimizing the student's scholastic activity experience. Students will change, develop, and expand abilities over time; coaches, administrators and parents should not only be cognizant of the fluid process, but also foster a safe, positive environment in which development can occur. Education-based activities must always be viewed as an evolving and unpredictable path. The NFHS and the OSSAA recognize the influential role played by coaches and directors in all activities, and therefore emphasis should be placed on those individuals to instill and reinforce fundamentals and best practices, not only to minimize risk but also to promote an environment in which a student has the opportunity to reach his or her full potential. The common goal for all the stakeholders involved with education-based activities should be to make the experience enjoyable and rewarding for all. While our position is not intended to squelch dreams of achieving a college scholarship or professional or Olympic glory, we do place emphasis on the student's entire scholastic activity experience with the goals of enhancing participation, reducing injury risk, and optimizing performance and success (however defined) during the student's high school career. The ultimate goal: Producing an individual who is competent, confident, connected to his or her peer group and community, and of high character. This essential principle is at the core of the scholastic activity experience and is fundamental to the mission of the OSSAA and NFHS.

XXV. DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION (DEI)

Promoting education and the understanding of groups that have social and cultural differences is an integral part of education-based activities. Every student participating in activities at an OSSAA member school is entitled to participate in a safe school environment that is free from bias. Any form of bias (including demeaning comments, racial, ethnic, or homophobic slurs) based on social or cultural differences will not be tolerated in education-based activities.

A. EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

All OSSAA member schools, shall provide opportunities for educating and promoting the understanding of social and cultural differences on an annual basis. Opportunities can include intentional dialogue between groups and/or individuals, group and/or individual on-line courses, speakers and conferences.

The OSSAA Staff and Board of Directors will make resources available to member schools for the purpose of promoting diversity, equity and inclusion education.

1. The OSSAA Staff and Board of Directors will participate in diversity, equity and inclusion training annually.
2. Each school year, each activity is required to engage the respective participants in diversity, equity and inclusion training.

B. OSSAA BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE

A sub-committee (DEI Committee) of the Board of Directors, will engage annually with school administration, students and coaches/directors for the purpose of reviewing the DEI Policy and to explore educational opportunities available to create a better understanding of social and cultural differences.

C. OFFICIALS

All contest officials shall be required to view the *Implicit Bias* course annually. The course is available at NFHSLearn.com. Other educational resources will also be made available including intentional dialogue, speakers, workshops and conferences.

D. PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCERS AND BROADCAST CREWS

Any person or persons making public address announcements at a regular season or post season contest; and any person associated in any manner with a broadcast crew, including but not limited to regular season or post season contests being streamed, televised or broadcast over the radio must provide in writing they have completed an educational opportunity in the form of on-line classes, speaker led workshops or conferences prior to being a part of any OSSAA activity.

XXVI. OFF SEASON TRY-OUTS

Only students in grades 8-11 attending school in the district for which the try-out is held may be permitted to participate in a try-out. Try-outs should only be conducted for the purpose of the selection of a school team and may not be used for practice time. Each day of the try-out may be up to 2 hours in length. No off-season try-out will be approved for more than three days, and all sessions of the try-out must conclude by 9 p.m. A record of all try-outs should be kept on file at the member school. The OSSAA reserves the right to request try-out forms from a member school. Exception: Cheerleading is exempt from the try-out Policy.

XXVII. PARTICIPATION IN CAMPS AND SUMMER PRACTICES, LEAGUES AND TOURNAMENTS

A. DEFINITIONS UNDER THIS POLICY

1. **Summertime**—Summertime begins after the conclusion of the spring semester and continues through the first full week in August with the exception of football and basketball which must conclude by July 15. (See XII-B-3)
2. **School team**—A school team is defined as a team using school equipment, school uniforms and/or school transportation.
3. **Individual camp**—An individual camp is an instructional event for a particular activity, at which instruction is focused on individual skills and techniques rather than organized team play.
4. **Team camp**—A team camp is an instructional event for a particular sport involving team members from at least three schools participating as a team during instruction, scrimmages, and/or games. All school team members must be enrolled at the school for which they participate during the team camp. No session of any summertime training camp will be approved for more than two consecutive weeks.
5. **League**—A league consists of three or more teams playing games against one another and maintaining standings according to wins and losses, and played over the course of a minimum of three consecutive weeks.
6. **Tournament**—A tournament is an event involving six or more participating teams, competing for no more than three consecutive days.
7. **Combine**—A combine is an assessment of certain sport specific conditioning drills to determine speed, strength and skill level. No instruction may be given.

B. SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND SCHOOL TEAMS

School personnel who are serving or are designated to serve as coaches or assistant coaches:

1. May not conduct practice for a school team, in a direct or indirect manner, during the summertime period.
2. May coach a team that includes individuals that are members of a school team during the summertime period, in a camp, summer league, or summer tournament.
3. May coach a non-school team in basketball that includes no more than two students who participate or are expected to participate on the same school team.
4. In football and basketball school personnel who are serving or are designated to serve as coaches or assistant coaches may not coach a school team in a league or tournament before the conclusion of the school year or after July 15.

5. In all other OSSAA athletic activities school personnel who are serving or are designated to serve as coaches or assistant coaches may not coach a school team in a league or tournament before the conclusion of the school year.

An exception to the above limitations may be granted by the OSSAA, but approval for such an exception must be requested and granted in writing, in advance.

C. SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND CAMPS

School personnel who are serving or are designated to serve as coaches or assistant coaches are permitted to conduct or provide instruction at individual camps in a particular sport, including camps in which members of the school team in that sport are participating, provided that:

1. No session of the camp is held before the school year has concluded or after the first week in August (except in Football, any camp using OSSAA member school facilities must be concluded by July 15).
2. In Cross Country, Fall Baseball, Fast-Pitch Softball and Volleyball, no session of team camp may be held after the beginning of the season. (July 15)

D. INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS

An individual student who is attending or who is enrolled and planning to attend a member school in grades 7-12:

1. May participate on a non-school team in a league or tournament, including during this summertime period as defined above, (such as in AAU competition).
2. May participate in individual camps in a particular activity, however:
 - (a) after the school year has been completed, a student may only participate through the first week in August (except in Football, any camp using OSSAA member school facilities must be concluded by July 15);
 - (b) during the school year, a student may only participate if approved or permitted by the school, and the camp is not held at an OSSAA member school.
 - (c) no fees or expenses for the camp may be paid by the school, or by school personnel, or by any booster club or organization associated with the school, or by any non-family member; any discount or waiver of fees or expenses must be based on financial need, and must be available to all participants based on the same standards;
3. May participate in spring football and no more than one team camp, or 2 team camps and no spring football. Team camps must be completed by July 15.
4. May participate in any combination of four basketball team camps or summer tournaments.
5. A student may not accept any award other than a trophy, plaque, or medal, etc., for participation or achievement on a non-school team or in any type of camp. A student may accept items commemorating participation in a league, tournament, camp which are given to all participants, such as a T-shirt or a certificate, provided that the costs of such items are included in the fees and expenses charged for those events.
6. A student who participates in a camp in violation of any of these policies shall be ineligible unless and until reinstated by the Board of Directors. A coach who violates any of these policies shall not be permitted to engage in any coaching unless and until reinstated by the Board of Directors.

E. RESTRICTIONS ON SCHOOLS AND BOOSTERS ORGANIZATIONS

1. A member school may conduct a camp for a particular activity, or permit a camp to be conducted on school property and/or in school facilities, after the end of the school year, provided that:
 - (a) the camp is open to students from all member schools in the grade level or grade levels designated for that camp;
 - (b) the camp is concluded prior to the end of the first week in August (except in Football, any camp using OSSAA member school facilities must be concluded prior to July 15).
2. Fees for camps conducted by the school or allowed to take place on school property and/or in school facilities may be discounted for children of school employees, provided that the same discounts are available to children of all school employees on an equal basis. In addition, a volume discount may be given, based on the number of children from the same household seeking to attend, provided that the volume discount is available for all families on the same basis.

Fees also may be discounted for students who are financially unable to pay the fees and expenses of the camp. The student must be able to demonstrate by objective means that financial assistance is needed, and all students must be evaluated for and granted assistance based on the same standards.

Johnson-O'Malley funds available to the school may be used to pay or offset expenses associated with camps conducted on school property and/or in school facilities.
3. A member school is not required to obtain OSSAA approval in advance to hold a camp or to allow others to conduct a camp, on school grounds and/or in school facilities. If, however, approval is not given in advance, then the event

is not sanctioned by OSSAA, and participants in the camp will not be covered by any catastrophic injury insurance obtained by OSSAA.

4. A member school may not conduct a camp, or allow a camp to be conducted on school property and/or in school facilities, which is limited, or which provides preferential treatment to, certain student-athletes or to students from certain schools, or which restricts participation on an "invitation-only" basis.
5. The school, or a booster club or organization associated with the school, may pay fees and expenses of the school team to attend a team camp, provided that all members of the school team have been invited to attend, and fees and expenses are paid for team members on an equal basis. Any monies coming from a booster club or organization for this purpose must be contributed to the school, and distributed from a school account to pay these fees and expenses. Neither the school, nor any booster club or organization associated with the school, may pay fees and/or expenses for students to attend an individual camp. The school may allow school-owned vehicles to be used to transport students enrolled at the school to an individual camp located in Oklahoma or a bordering state, and pay the cost of fuel for those vehicles, but the school otherwise may not pay for transportation expenses for students to attend an individual camp.
6. A member school conducting a camp, or allowing a camp to be conducted on school property and/or in school facilities, must provide OSSAA, upon request, a list identifying students and personnel participating in the camp.
7. The school and/or school personnel may be penalized for any violations of these policies. If a booster club or organization associated with a school violates any of these policies, then the school may be required to end or restrict the involvement of that club or organization in school activities.

CAMP QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Can a Booster Club pay for the school's team to attend a team camp?

Answer: Yes, but any monies from a Booster Club must be contributed to and distributed from a school account, and all members of the school team must be provided the opportunity to attend the camp.

2. Can a booster club pay for students to attend individual camp?

Answer: No.

3. Can a school fund-raiser be held to pay for players to attend an individual camp?

Answer: No

4. Can the school provide transportation for a student(s) to attend individual camp?

Answer: Yes, the school may allow school-owned vehicles to be used to transport students enrolled at the school to an individual camp located in Oklahoma or a bordering state, and pay the cost of fuel for those vehicles.

5. Can discounts be given to school employees, including coaches, for their children to attend individual or team camps?

Answer: Yes, as long as the discount is available to all school employees.

6. Can a member school that is sponsoring or providing facilities for an individual or team camp allow fees to be discounted for students who are financially unable to afford the fees?

Answer: Any such discount must be based on an objective measure of financial means applied equally for all participants. For example, a discount could be offered to all children who demonstrate they qualify for free or reduced lunches where they regularly attend school.

7. Can a member school sponsoring or providing facilities for an individual or team camp allow an additional discount to a family with multiple children participating in the camp?

Answer: Yes, as long as the discount is equally available to all families.

8. Does a member school sponsoring or providing facilities for an individual or team camp have to obtain OSSAA's sanction for the camp?

Answer: No. Regardless of whether a camp is sanctioned by OSSAA or not, all member schools and their students in grades 7-12 participating in the camp must still comply with OSSAA rules and policies concerning such camps. In addition, students in grades 7-12 attending a camp sanctioned by OSSAA receive insurance coverage through OSSAA for catastrophic injury while participating at the camp. This coverage does not apply if the camp is not sanctioned by OSSAA.

9. If a member school is allowing its facilities to be used by others who have no connection or affiliation with the school, does the camp still have to comply with all OSSAA rules and policies concerning camps?

Answer: Yes, if a camp is being conducted at your school's facilities, entirely or in part, then the school is responsible for making sure that the camp is conducted in compliance with OSSAA rules and policies concerning camps.

10. Can a student attend an individual camp during the school year?

Answer: Yes, with permission from their respective school, a student may attend an individual camp during the school year as long as the camp is not being conducted at an OSSAA member school.

11. Can a student who has not yet enrolled at our school attend a team camp with our school team?

Answer: No. A student must have at least pre-enrolled to attend your school in the next semester before that student is permitted to attend a team camp with your school's team.

12. Can a non-family member pay for or help pay a student's fees for an individual or team camp?

Answer: No.

XXVIII. SUMMERTIME DEAD PERIOD

The dead period will occur during the week in July that includes the 4th of July each year. The dead period will be nine (9) days in length and begin the weekend preceding the 4th of July and the weekend following the 4th of July.

Secondary-level students enrolled or pre-enrolled at a member school may not use any member school's athletic facilities during the dead period in connection with any athletic activity governed by the OSSAA. Member school coaches, assistant coaches and sponsors may not have any contact with secondary-level enrolled or pre-enrolled students in that member school in any athletic activity governed by the OSSAA for the purpose of coaching, training, or instructing.

Summertime policies, including beginning and end of season restrictions, can be found in OSSAA Board Policy XII in the Administrator's Handbook.

Violations of the summertime dead period policy will result in the coach or sponsor being suspended from the first half of the regular season in that athletic activity. School personnel not designated as a coach or sponsor in violation of the summertime dead period policy will result in the head coach being suspended from the first half of the regular season in that activity.

SUMMERTIME DEAD PERIOD QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. How do I know when the dead period begins and ends each year?

Answer: The dead period will be nine (9) days in length and begin the weekend preceding or including the 4th of July and the weekend following the 4th of July.

2. Does the Summertime Dead Period Policy cover non-athletic activities?

Answer: No, the Summertime Dead Period Policy only applies to athletic activities that are governed by the OSSAA.

3. Can a coach and a player have any contact during the Summertime Dead Period?

Answer: No, contact between coaches, assistant coaches and sponsors with enrolled or pre-enrolled students for the purpose of coaching, teaching, training, or instructing is prohibited.

4. Can a student participate without the member school coach at member school facilities in an athletic activity during the Summertime Dead Period ?

Answer: No, school athletic facilities may not be used by enrolled or pre-enrolled students during the dead period in connection with any athletic activity governed by the OSSAA.

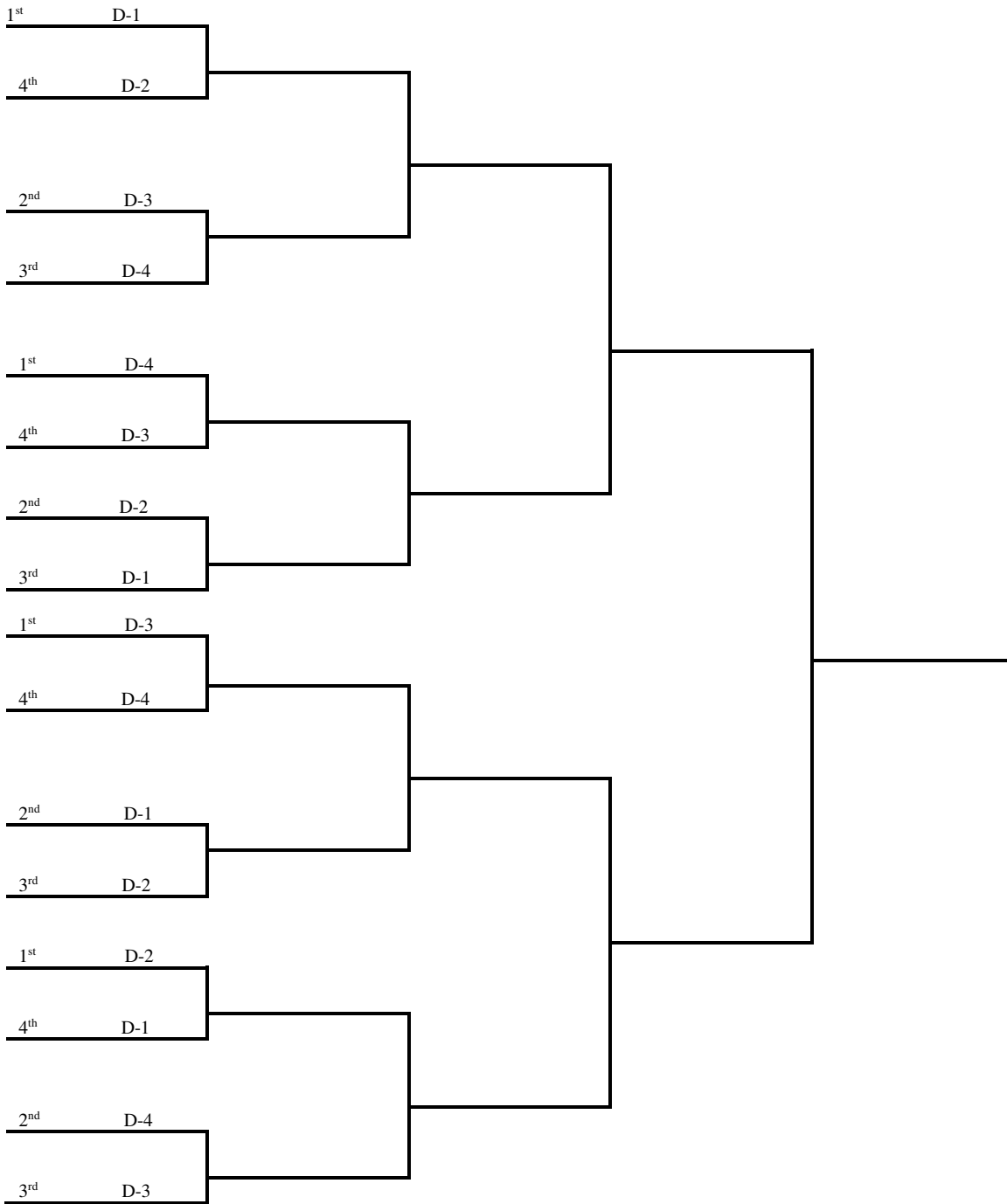
5. Can a member school coach use member school facilities to train, coach or instruct secondary-level students during the Dead Period?

*Answer :*No, the policy prohibits the use of member school facilities during the Dead Period for the purpose of coaching, teaching, training, or instructing. Field maintenance is not prohibited by the policy.

6. Does the Summertime Dead Period Policy prohibit participation in a National level tournament during the dead period?

Answer: No, the coach and any enrolled or pre-enrolled students who have qualified earlier in the summer for a national level tournament may participate in that tournament.

XXIX. OSSAA CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY-OFF BRACKET ALL CLASSES



2023-2024

XXX. HISTORY OF BOYS' SOCCER CHAMPIONS

| | | |
|------|----|----------------------|
| 2023 | 6A | Jenks |
| | 5A | Santa Fe South |
| | 4A | Clinton |
| | 3A | Heritage Hall |
| 2022 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Santa Fe South |
| | 4A | Clinton |
| | 3A | Crooked Oak |
| 2021 | 6A | Broken Arrow |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Clinton |
| | 3A | Mount St. Mary |
| 2019 | 6A | Jenks |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Southeast |
| 2018 | 6A | Union |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Ft. Gibson |
| 2017 | 6A | Broken Arrow |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Ft. Gibson |
| 2016 | 6A | Edmond North |
| | 5A | Heritage Hall |
| | 4A | Verdigris |
| 2015 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Deer Creek |
| | 4A | Santa Fe South |
| 2014 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Heritage Hall |
| | 4A | Santa Fe South |
| 2013 | 6A | Edmond North |
| | 5A | Heritage Hall |
| | 4A | Poteau |
| 2012 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Northwest Classen |
| | 4A | Mt. Saint Mary |
| 2011 | 6A | Broken Arrow |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Cascia Hall |
| 2010 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Cascia Hall |
| 2009 | 6A | Edmond Santa Fe |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Santa Fe South |
| 2008 | 6A | Edmond Memorial |
| | 5A | Booker T. Washington |
| | 4A | Cascia Hall |
| 2007 | 6A | Union |
| | 5A | Bishop McGuinness |
| | 4A | Cascia Hall |
| 2006 | 6A | Jenks |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Cascia Hall |
| 2005 | 5A | Union |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 2004 | 5A | Edmond North |
| | 4A | Catoosa |
| 2003 | 5A | Norman North |
| | 4A | Bishop McGuinness |
| 2002 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| | 4A | Chickasha |
| 2001 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| | 4A | Booker T. Washington |
| 2000 | 5A | Norman North |
| | 4A | Booker T. Washington |
| 1999 | 5A | Norman |
| | 4A | Chickasha |
| 1998 | 5A | Union |
| | 4A | Booker T. Washington |
| 1997 | 5A | Norman |

HISTORY OF GIRLS' SOCCER CHAMPIONS

| | | |
|------|----|----------------------|
| 2023 | 6A | Jenks |
| | 5A | Piedmont |
| | 4A | Holland Hall |
| | 3A | Heritage Hall |
| 2022 | 6A | Deer Creek |
| | 5A | Bishop McGuinness |
| | 4A | Holland Hall |
| | 3A | Heritage Hall |
| 2021 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Ft. Gibson |
| | 3A | Verdigris |
| 2019 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Booker T. Washington |
| | 4A | Clinton |
| 2018 | 6A | Broken Arrow |
| | 5A | Booker T. Washington |
| | 4A | Verdigris |
| 2017 | 6A | Union |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Clinton |
| 2016 | 6A | Union |
| | 5A | Claremore |
| | 4A | Harrah |
| 2015 | 6A | Union |
| | 5A | Deer Creek |
| | 4A | Glenpool |
| 2014 | 6A | Norman North |
| | 5A | Deer Creek (Edmond) |
| | 4A | Verdigris |
| 2013 | 6A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 5A | Deer Creek (E) |
| | 4A | Verdigris |
| 2012 | 6A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 5A | Deer Creek (Edmond) |
| | 4A | Verdigris |
| 2011 | 6A | Edmond North |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Verdigris |
| 2010 | 6A | Edmond North |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Vacated |
| 2009 | 6A | Jenks |
| | 5A | Deer Creek |
| | 4A | Vacated |
| 2008 | 6A | Union |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Bishop McGuinness |
| 2007 | 6A | Union |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Cascia Hall |
| 2006 | 6A | Jenks |
| | 5A | Bishop Kelley |
| | 4A | Cascia Hall |
| 2005 | 5A | Norman |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 2004 | 5A | Norman |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 2003 | 5A | Jenks |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 2002 | 5A | Jenks |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 2001 | 5A | Jenks |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 2000 | 5A | Jenks |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 1999 | 5A | Jenks |
| | 4A | Bishop Kelley |
| 1998 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| | 4A | Chickasha |
| 1997 | 5A | Norman |

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| | 4A | Booker T. Washington | | 4A | Pryor |
| 1996 | 5A | Edmond Santa Fe | 1996 | 5A | Norman |
| | 4A | Chickasha | | 4A | Catoosa |
| 1995 | 5A | Tulsa Union | 1995 | 5A | Norman |
| | 4A | Chickasha | | 4A | Deer Creek-Edmond |
| 1994 | 5A | Edmond Memorial | 1994 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| | 4A | Tulsa Edison | | 4A | Edmond North |
| 1993 | 5A | Norman | 1993 | 5A | Jenks |
| | 4A | Tulsa Edison | 1992 | 5A | Norman |
| 1992 | 5A | Booker T. Washington | 1991 | 5A | Norman |
| | 4A | Tulsa Edison | 1990 | 5A | Edmond Memorial |
| 1991 | 5A | Jenks | 1989 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| 1990 | 5A | Jenks | 1988 | 5A | Jenks |
| 1989 | 5A | Jenks | 1987 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| 1988 | 5A | Tulsa Edison | 1986 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| 1987 | 5A | Jenks | 1985 | 5A | Broken Arrow |
| 1986 | 5A | Norman | | | |
| 1985 | 5A | Booker T. Washington | | | |