2013 ☺ Boys’ Soccer ☺ 2014
Season & Playoff Bulletin

CHSAA SOCCER INFORMATION
www.chsaa.org

Important Reminders:
• Scrimmages may be held beginning August 22
• Competition may begin August 29
• Last date of regular season games October 18
• Roster due date October 21
• 3A/4A/5A Qualifying Procedures
• Each coach must certify that players are properly and legally equipped
• Each player must have 5 days of practice before participating in a game or scrimmage

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR the ARBITER

Go to “The Arbiter” website at www.arbitersports.com. Your school email address will be your username. You will need to click on “forgot password” unless you know the password you have used previously in the arbiter system. The Arbiter information was sent in an earlier email this school year. Once you receive your password and can log in, you can click on schedule to access your games and officials.

The game fee, per diem and travel will be listed, in most cases. The host school will be responsible for their payment.

COACH ATTENDANCE AT A RULES MEETING.

All head coaches are required to attend a rules meeting. This is a requirement. You can satisfy this requirement by attending the summer Coaches Association Soccer Rules Meeting, attending one of the Soccer Officials Master Clinics, an area soccer officials rules meeting, etc. Look on www.chsaa.org for more options.

CHECK YOUR SCHEDULES
DON’T PLAY TOO MANY GAMES

Before the competitive interscholastic season begins, check to make sure you have not scheduled contests in excess of the game/contest limit for your sport. (see CHSAA Sport By-laws).

Teams that have played more contests than allowed in the Sport By-laws will be restricted from state playoff activities, without appeal.

***LOOK FOR THE CHSAA ON FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES & PERTINENT INFORMATION!!***
August 2013

Dear Soccer Athletic Director and Coach:

The Colorado High School Activities Association would like to welcome you to the 38th fall season of interscholastic boys’ soccer. Boys’ soccer participation growth among our membership continues to increase through the outstanding support of our athletes, coaches, athletic directors, schools and communities. It is with anticipated excitement that our CHSAA soccer teams begin preparations for another successful season.

This Bulletin contains the guidelines, policies and Bylaws that are critical for you and your student/athletes to be acquainted with and understand. We have published a document that is separated into easy to read informational categories: CHSAA; NFHS; Officials; CHSAA Post-Season; and Miscellaneous. With this format, the Bulletin becomes an integral part of your season and is beneficial when referencing applicable items.

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO BECOME THOROUGHLY ACQUAINTED WITH THIS BULLETIN

Contained within this Bulletin, you will find the general policies that will be in effect during the 2013 regular and post-season play as well as a summary of the CHSAA along with the National Federation Rule changes and the State Playoff Format. The official’s section includes two avenues for the school to evaluate each officiating crew following all scheduled matches. We encourage you to share the Sportsmanship information with the student/athletes; fans; parents and community.

Please check your school calendar and remind your administration, players and coaches about special holidays, homecoming events, SAT, ACT and PSAT testing dates, etc. By notifying them of possible date conflicts, you will be able to help avoid potential scheduling problems. Note: The CHSAA cannot change the playoff dates approved by the Legislative Council to accommodate any of these types of conflicts.

Our CHSAA 2013 boys’ championship soccer teams are fortunate to continue to enjoy the atmosphere of the State Championship matches at Dick’s Sporting Goods Park. The CHSAA Soccer Committee has worked on the school’s behalf to provide a fair and equitable format for the 2013 fall season and this site only enhances the playoff format and experience for all of our athletes.

The principal and/or athletic director can answer most questions you might have concerning the upcoming season. If they are unable to do so, do not hesitate to contact me at the CHSAA office utilizing 303-344-5050 or by e-mail at bozzello@chsaa.org. You may also contact my Administrative Assistant, Audra Cathy at acathy@chsaa.org.

Best wishes on a Successful Season and Thank You for your contribution to high school activities and support of Colorado’s high school students.

Bud Ozzello, CHSAA Assistant Commissioner
PRESS RELEASE

Wilson Sporting Goods Co. and the Colorado High School Activities Association are proud to announce the “NEW OFFICIAL SOCCER BALL” for the 2013-2014 Playoffs and Championships!

The Wilson Forte Fybrid ball was adopted as the Official Ball of the NCAA beginning in 2012. The Forte Fybrid ball was presented to the CHSAA Soccer Committee and received great reviews and was play tested by a few local schools in the Spring of 2013.

The Stock Numbers for the NEW NCAA/CHSAA family of Soccer Balls are:

- (BEST A) = FORTE FYBRID – WTH9905 - Official Match Ball of the NCAA, CHSAA Playoffs & Championships. Approved by FIFA, NCAA & NFHS

- (BEST B) = AVANTI – WTH9000 – Match Ball. Approved by NCAA & NFHS May be used for regular season CHSAA play

- (BETTER) = ULTIMO – WTH9050 – Game Ball. Approved by NCAA & NFHS May be used for regular season CHSAA play.

- (GOOD) = STIVALE – Training Ball

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38th Annual State High School Boys’ Soccer Season

The 2013 Boys’ Soccer Season is here and Colorado high schools are again preparing for another banner season.

MAJOR CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR:

A. During the regular season: If the match is tied at the end of the regulation time, (2) 10 minute sudden victory overtime periods will be played. Shoot-outs or penalty kicks may not be used to determine winners in regular season games (unless the contests are part of a CHSAA Sanctioned Tournament). If the tie is not broken after the (2) 10 minute sudden victory overtime periods, the game will be recorded as a tie. (Beginning in the fall of 2013)

2013-2014 CHSAA SOCCER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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The 2013-2014 Soccer Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at the CHSAA office. Any suggestions for changes, ideas, comments, etc. can be directed to Bud Ozzello - CHSAA, and/or Soccer Advisory Committee Chairperson, Justin Saylor, or any committee member. You are encouraged to attend the Boys/Girls Soccer Committee meeting

2013 BOYS SOCCER CALENDAR

August 12 .......................................................................................................................... First formal practice
August 22 .......................................................................................................................... First Scrimmage Date
August 29 .......................................................................................................................... First contest
October 5/November 2 .................................................................................................... SAT Test Date
October 26 .......................................................................................................................... ACT Test Date
October 18 ...................................................................................................................... Regular season games must be completed
October 20 ....................................................................................................................... CHSAA State Pairing/Seeding Committee Meeting (CHSAA Office)
October 20 ....................................................................................................................... State Pairings will be posted on CHSAA’s website: www.chsaa.org
October 21 ....................................................................................................................... Roster/game-by-game form due to CHSAA
November 5 ...................................................................................................................... Semifinal/Final Meeting @ Dick’s Sporting Goods Park
November 6 ...................................................................................................................... 3A/4A/5A Semifinal Games
November 9 ..................................................................................................................... 3A/4A/5A State Championship Game,

Dick’s Sporting Goods Park, Commerce City, CO
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2013-2014

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BOYS SOCCER INFORMATION HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2013

This bulletin is provided to assist you, the Director of Athletics, the head boys’ soccer coach and the soccer coaching staff. It highlights major areas for the upcoming soccer season. Your responsibility is to familiarize yourself with this bulletin and any changes that are brought to your attention and to the attention of your soccer coaching staff.

Director of Athletics and head boys’ soccer coach, make sure you and your soccer coaching staff are updated on the CHSAA By-laws and the National Federation Soccer Rule Book.

We cannot emphasize enough the importance of schools and coaches carefully going over all soccer rules, especially those dealing with the safety and well-being of the athlete. Failure to warn athletes of potential dangers in not participating properly or the proper way in which to care for equipment could lead to serious consequences to coaches and schools. **Be certain that you have on file a parent-physician permission certification before any student-athlete practices or participates in your school soccer program.**

School administrators and coaches are responsible for team sporting-like behavior during friendship lines. Officials have been instructed to leave the field following each contest. Coaches need to make sure they have addressed the behavior expected during the friendship line with their players and assistant coaches. When a friendship line experience is not in the best interest of the teams, both coaches need to shake hands at the conclusion of the game and make a decision as to whether the friendship line will best meet the needs of sporting behavior in that particular season.

Soccer is required to keep a scorebook for all varsity soccer matches. Director of Athletics and head coaches, make sure you are aware of this requirement. Host schools are required to have a scorebook kept at each varsity soccer match, including tournaments.

Schools are strongly encouraged to follow the NF rule book with regard to the team benches. **The rule book and the field diagram have the team areas on the same side of the field.** This promotes sporting behavior and assists greatly in game management for officials. On fields with only one side for spectators it is recommended to have the team benches opposite of spectator seating. The use of locating team bench areas on the same side has proven to be helpful in sporting behavior and management of the game of soccer. Schools are strongly encouraged to line your soccer field in compliance with NF rules, including the team areas and a line for spectators when bleacher seating is not available.

**Review:** CHSAA By-Laws don’t allow for Administrators to review or hear appeals related to official’s rulings, judgment calls, or misapplication of rules. **No video review will be conducted.** Please note: By playing rule and By-Law, all results are considered final at the conclusion of the contest unless otherwise noted in NFHS playing rules for that sport.
CHSAA TRANSFER RULE AFFECTING FALL SPORTS

Any student who reports out for a team on or after August 12 (first day of formal practice) and is actively in contention for a berth on a team (involved in any physical activity) may not transfer to another school (without a parental move) without losing varsity eligibility for the remainder of the season and/or calendar year.

A transfer from one high school to another, at any time without a permanent change of domicile by the student and his/her family from one attendance area to another, will render the student ineligible for the first half of the season during the next calendar year in any sport in which the student competed during the last 12 months.

**Mid-year transfer** - If the transfer occurs after the start of school or after competing interscholastically, the student will have restricted eligibility in any sport he/she played during the previous 12 calendar months for the remainder of the school year. Entering the next year, the student will be restricted to sub-varsity eligibility for the first half of the season in all sports in which the student participated the previous 12 months.

**Summer transfer** - If the transfer is made over the summer, the student will be restricted to the sub-varsity level for the first half of the season in all sports for the upcoming school year in which they had competed during the 12 months prior to the move.

**CHSAA By-law Article 18, Rule 1800.44 (d)** - If a student transfers to a school where his/her previous coach is a coach of the current school team, that move will be deemed motivated by athletic consideration. Under provision of this rule, the coach may be a former school coach or a non-school coach.

**NOTE** The CHSAA has adopted 2 transfer by-laws related to students transferring to a school where her non-school/club coach is coaching and any transfer that can be considered as an athletically-motivated transfer. Students who fit under these by-laws will have restricted eligibility only. Contact your Athletic Director.

Transfers by home school students and students at schools without programs – contact your athletic director immediately, to clarify any transfer student eligibility. These students ARE subject to the transfer rule.

**CONTACT YOUR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR IMMEDIATELY, TO CLARIFY ANY TRANSFER STUDENT ELIGIBILITY**, before these students are allowed to compete in interscholastic competition or formal practice.

1. Establish a system to screen each candidate who reports out for your team after the start of practice even if they attended your school the previous year. Determine if they practiced at another school.

2. If a student participates in a practice but transfers to another school, notify the other school.

**SITUATION 1:** A student attends school A and is a member of the softball team as a junior. In her senior year on the first day of formal practice, she actively participates in practice at school B. Without a parental move, the student then enrolls at school A and participates in A’s practice the next day.

**RULING 1:** The student shall be ineligible for varsity softball for the remainder of that year.

**SITUATION 2:** An incoming freshman enrolls at school A and participates in conditioning drills and timed 40-yard dashes on the first day of formal practice. The next day the student enrolls at school B and wishes to become a candidate for the varsity softball team.

**RULING 2:** The student may not participate at the varsity level at school B because of her active participation in a practice at school A.
**SITUATION 3:** A student is a candidate for the JV team at school A on the first day of formal practice. Without a parental move, the student transfers to school B and becomes a candidate for the JV team. Is she immediately eligible?

**RULING 3:** No. A Restricted Waiver must be approved before she is eligible to compete on the JV level. She is not eligible for varsity competition.

**SITUATION 4:** A student plays basketball at School A as a freshman. During the summer he plays for the Club C out of a nearby town. He plays for School A as a sophomore and applies for open enrollment to School B. School B’s junior varsity basketball coach is the coach for Club C. If the student transfers to School B, what is his eligibility in basketball?

**RULING 4:** The student has eligibility at the sub-varsity level only for the entire school year.
Dates for 2013 Boys’ Soccer Season

*Please note specific play dates in all classifications for all rounds*

**Boys**

Rules of thumb for state championship dates:
- 3A Semifinal – 10th week – Tuesday
- 4A, 5A Semifinal – 10th week –
- 3A Final – 11th week – Tuesday
- 4A, 5A Finals – 11th week - Wednesday

Qualifying system submitted to CHSAA office
By the league or region, as needed: Thursday, September 5, 2013

3A, 4A & 5A last regular season games
Completed by: Friday, October 18, 2013
Friday, October 17, 2014

3A, 4A, & 5A qualifiers determined by: Friday, October 18, 2013
Friday, October 17, 2014

3A, 4A, & 5A first round on: 4A Wednesday, October 23, 2013
5A Thursday, October 24, 2013
3A Friday, October 25, 2013
4A Wednesday, October 22, 2014
5A Thursday, October 23, 2014
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3A, 4A, 5A round of 16 on: 3A Saturday, October 26, 2013
4A Tuesday, October 29, 2013
5A Wednesday, October 30, 2013
3A Saturday, October 25, 2014
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3A, 4A, & 5A quarterfinals on: 4A & 5A Saturday, November 2, 2013
3A Friday, November 1, 2013
4A & 5A Saturday, November 1, 2014
3A Friday, October 31, 2014

3A, 4A, 5A semifinals on: Wednesday, November 6, 2013
Wednesday, November 5, 2014

3A, 4A, 5A finals on: Saturday, November 9, 2013
Saturday, November 8, 2014
General Policies

The following are key points of emphasis boys' soccer coaches should review with their coaching staff and players in reference to CHSAA rules and regulations, as described in the CHSAA Handbook. This is not all-inclusive, but only highlights key areas. A copy of the CHSAA Handbook of Bylaws and Constitution is available and should be given to all head coaches and also is available on the CHSAA website at www.chsaa.org. Check with your Director of Athletics for a copy of this important document.

Home teams and all tournament school hosts are required to have a scorebook kept at each varsity soccer match.

MAXIMUM CONTESTS TEAM (Article 39)
No member school shall permit any of its soccer teams to participate in more than 15 games, exclusive of state qualifying.

MAXIMUM HALVES INDIVIDUAL (Article 39)
A student may not participate in more than 30 halves, exclusive of district, region, and state tournaments. EXCEPTION: A sub-varsity student may participate in a maximum of 36 halves of soccer.

The following is an overall summary of the respective calendar dates as they pertain to the 2013 Boys' Soccer season for the Colorado High School Activities Association.

Monday, August 12, 2013 - boys' soccer practice may begin
Thursday, August 22, 2013 - the first allowable date for scrimmages in boys' soccer
Thursday, August 29, 2013 - the date on which the first match may be scheduled
Friday, October 18, 2013 (all classifications) – last date for regular season games!

IMPORTANT CALENDAR NOTES:
The ACT test will be given September 21, 2013 & October 26, 2013. The SAT Test will be given on October 5, 2013 and November 2, 2013. Work with your players in advance to prevent possible conflicts.

DO NOT PARTICIPATE AGAINST NON-HIGH SCHOOL INDIVIDUALS
Scrimmaging, practicing or competing against middle school, non-school teams and/or alumni individuals are strictly prohibited and are a CHSAA violation.

SUNDAY NO CONTACT RULE
No high school interscholastic contests, practices for interscholastic contests, camps, nor association between participants and coaches/directors of any activity from the student’s school shall take place on Sunday at any time during the school year. (This is to include both in-season and out-of-season sports/activities other than those noted in the Music By-laws.) The Commissioner may, when deemed advisable, allow postponed state-level events to be played on Sunday. Teams playing on a Monday in district, regional or in a state-culminating event will be exempt from this rule. (CHSAA By-law 2310.5)

PRACTICE
STUDENT/TEAM PRACTICE REQUIREMENT -- Each student competing in an interscholastic sports program must have had a minimum practice period of five days in his/her sport(s) (exclusive of Sundays) before representing his/her school in an interscholastic contest or scrimmage. A student must have a minimum of nine days of practice in football. (Receiving school must have written verification on file if transfer of schools is involved.) (CHSAA By-law 2310.3)

No pupil shall participate in formal practice or represent his/her school in interscholastic athletics until there is a statement on file with the principal or athletic director signed by his/her parents or legal guardian and a practitioner licensed in the United States to perform sports physicals certifying that:

(a) he/she has passed an adequate physical examination within the past 365 calendar days;
(b) that in the opinion of the examining licensed practitioner, he/she is physically fit to participate in high school athletics;
(c) that he/she has the consent of his/her parents or legal guardian to participate. (CHSAA By-law 1790.1)
OUTSIDE COMPETITION
Players certified to participate as members of any high school sports team may compete on any other team, in any non-school activity or event in that sport during that sports season with the written permission of the principal. Permission shall be granted if;

a. The student’s class attendance is not compromised; and
b. The student is in good academic standing under the school's activities policy applicable to all students.
(CHSAA bylaws, Rule 2100.2)

EXCEPTION: The sports season ends for a member of a high school athletic team on the day following the completion of his or her school's competition at the level at which the student competes. (CHSAA Bylaw, Rule 2100.11) See CHSAA Form 24

SCRIMMAGE DATE
Schools are permitted two interscholastic scrimmage dates, which may be held beginning the 10th day after the start of formal practice until the conclusion of the season. The first allowable date for scrimmages in boys’ soccer is August 22, 2013. (CHSAA By-law 2320.12). A team that makes the playoffs may participate in one additional scrimmage date after the conclusion of their regular season.

A scrimmage date is the meeting of any number of individuals or teams from two or more high schools on a single date for participating under the conditions enumerated below:
1. All participants taking part in an interscholastic scrimmage must have completed five days of school practice in the sport in which they are competing.
2. Scrimmage may not be held with non-high school teams or individuals.
3. All participants must meet all eligibility requirements.
4. No score may be kept.
5. The scrimmage may not be advertised and no admission is to be charged.
6. No officials may be paid, but a meal may be provided.

At no time may an ineligible participant be allowed to compete against members of other interscholastic teams, as a representative of their school, in "Exhibition" or "Unofficial" contest.

FIRST CONTEST
The initial date on which a school may schedule and conduct an interscholastic contest is Thursday, August 29, 2013.

PLAYOFF SITES AND TIMES
All playoff competition in each round must be completed on the scheduled date:

Semi-Final and Championship planning meeting Tuesday, November 5, 2013 at 10:00 am at Dick’s Sporting Goods Park

SOCCER SEMIFINAL GAMES
5A Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at Legacy Stadium
4A Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at Sports Authority Stadium-Parker
3A Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at All City Stadium

Championship: At Dick’s Sporting Goods Park
3A, 4A & 5A: November 9, 2013
Classifications will rotate game times each year

In case of inclement weather in first round through quarter-final matches the host school will make all decisions regarding playability of the field before the scheduled match time and shall notify the CHSAA of any decisions. All attempts to stay on the tournament schedule should be made and not jeopardize the safety of the participants.
CHSAA REGULAR SEASON GAME MANAGEMENT REMINDERS:

REGULAR SEASON GAMES:

1. All regular season games will be played according to the National Federation and be completed by Friday, October 18, 2013 for all schools.

2. TEAM BENCH AREAS - It is strongly recommended that both teams sit on the same side of the field as per Rule 1 – the Field of Play, Section 5 – Officials and Team Areas. This arrangement of the team area both on the same side of the field assists in the administration of the game. This arrangement of the teams has also proved to be successful in the sporting behavior of both players and coaches, if this recommendation does not accommodate the needs of your school soccer program it is understood.

This is not meant to suggest that fans from both schools must sit on the same side of the field. At many soccer fields and venues, teams are on one side of the field and spectators are on the opposite side of the field. The practice of teams on the same side of the field is most common in club, youth, college, professional soccer and in our professional leagues and World Cup competitions.

3. FIELD MARKINGS - The CHSAA asks that you work with your maintenance and field staffs to make sure your field of play is marked as per the NF rule book guidelines, which are found in the NF rule books on the next page after the table of contents. Located there is the NF diagram for marking a high school soccer field. It includes the markings for team bench and officials’ areas for teams located on the same side of the field, as per NF rules. It is the responsibility of each school and their athletic department, in cooperation with their grounds staff, to ensure their soccer field is marked in accordance to the rules of the game.

Reminder to AD and coaches about soccer fields without fences or barriers for fans. The NF rules require a chalked or marked line 10’ from the boundary lines. In addition no one shall be permitted directly behind either goal unless seated in bleachers. Please locate the NF soccer field diagram in the front of the NF soccer rule book for directions to these markings and to NF soccer Rule 1-6.

4. Coaches of all levels (varsity, junior varsity, and freshman) must present to the referee or center official a copy of the up to date and accurate team roster, including numbers and names of all team players, before the game begins.

5. The host school and tournament host school is responsible for keeping a varsity scorebook, which contains a team roster, including numbers and names of all team players for all varsity matches. Before the match the scorebook is to be signed by the head referee.

6. A game may only begin when at least 7 players are available to play; once a team is reduced to less than seven players the game shall be terminated (NF rule 3, Article 2, Page 17)

7. Mercy Rule: See mercy rule information in this bulletin under State Association Adoption of National Federation Playing Rules.

8. If play is suspended for any reason in a post-season game or during the first half of a regular season game, the contest will be restarted at the point of interruption. During the regular season, if the game has been interrupted after the first half has been completed, the game will be declared official.

If a weather element affects the field condition or safety of the athletes, by National Federation Rule, the home site management has responsibility to determine if the game is to be started. Once the game has started, the game referee then has sole responsibility to continue or terminate the contest.
9. **Uniform Requirements** - consistent with National Federation rules, "Jerseys and socks of opposing teams shall be of contrasting colors and, in the event of a similarity of color; the home team shall be responsible for making the necessary change. The home team shall wear solid white jerseys and solid white socks, and the visiting team shall wear dark jerseys and socks. Prior to and during the game jerseys shall be tucked into the shorts, unless manufactured to be worn outside. Both socks shall be the same color, with the home team wearing solid white socks and the visiting team wearing socks of a single dominant color, but not necessarily the color of the jersey. If tape of similar material is applied externally to the socks, it must be of similar color as that part of the sock to which it is applied." (NFHS rule book – 4-1-1a,b,c)

10. **Tie-breaking procedure for regular season games:** If the match is tied at the end of the regulation time, (2) 10 minute sudden victory overtime periods will be played. Shoot-outs or penalty kicks may not be used to determine winners in regular season games (unless the contests are part of a CHSAA Sanctioned Tournament). If the tie is not broken after the (2) 10 minute sudden victory overtime period, the game will be recorded as a tie.

11. **Overtime – Sub Varsity:** Tied at the end of regulation – Tie breaking procedures must be determined through league adoption. If overtime is played it will consist of 2-five minute sudden victory overtime periods. **If a tie-breaking procedure is not established prior to the contest, the game will end in a tie.**

12. If some member schools elect to play junior varsity schedules only, they will not be included in the CHSAA state post season tournaments.

13. **Ejected Player Penalty** – A player ejected for a red card will be subjected to the CHSAA ejection policy. (CHSAA By-law 2200.1) All red cards will be recorded on the CHSAA website. Please go to [www.chsaa.org](http://www.chsaa.org) (Soccer) to reference your school.

14. All players who receive a second yellow card in the same game shall be disqualified from the remainder of the current game, plus the next contest of the same level regardless of whether a red card was displayed. If a player disqualification (red card) occurs, it is the responsibility of the coach and school to declare the individual ineligible for the next contest of that level. The athlete may not take part in any other games at any level during this time (CHSAA By-law 2200.11). Failure to do so and allowing a disqualified player to participate in the next contest of that level could result in a forfeiture and possible playoff restriction for the team. If a player receives a game disqualification (red card) in the last regular season or region contest, he/she must miss the first game of the playoffs. If you have questions about potentially ineligible participants seek answers from CHSAA before allowing the individual to compete interscholastically.

15. Game Officials are responsible for notifying the CHSAA Assistant Commissioner in charge of soccer when a member of the coaching staff at a school is given a yellow card for dissent and/or unsporting behavior. The report will then be distributed to the respective schools for action by the school.

16. Game officials will report a coach’s red card for unsporting like behavior to the CHSAA Assistant Commissioner in charge of soccer.

17. **Ejection of a Coach** - CHSAA By-laws requires that a credentialed coach under contract with the school must assume supervisory responsibility for all interscholastic contests. If a coach is ejected and no credentialed person from that school is available, **the contest shall be forfeited.**

If it becomes necessary for an official to eject a coach from a game for any reason, the CHSAA Board of Directors shall place the coach on CHSAA probation in accordance with the policies established and the coach must miss the next contest of the same level in which he/she was ejected. **(CHSAA Bylaw 2210.1 & 2210.2)**
CHSAA By-law Article 22, Rule 2210.22 - A coach ejected from a game is required to complete the following courses offered online by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS): Sportsmanship; Teaching and Modeling Behavior. These courses shall be completed before he/she will be removed from probation and must be finished in a reasonable amount of time during the season to be determined by the school’s athletic director.

18. **Protests - Appeals** – NO protests involving the judgment or possible misapplication of a rule by a game official will be considered by the CHSAA. However, coaches may direct questions to the game officials as they pertain to possible misapplication of the rules at the time of the occurrence, in accordance with the National Federation rules. Once a game has been declared as completed, the outcome is considered to be final and official. Coaches and Administrators are encouraged to use the official evaluation form available on the ArbiterSports website for evaluation of all contests.

19. **Non-Certified Coaches, Unauthorized Assistants** - Carefully review CHSAA Bylaw 1620 in the CHSAA Handbook regarding the qualification of coaches. Do not allow your athletes to receive instruction from anyone who does not meet the requirements established in CHSAA Bylaw 1620. Assistant coaches must be under the direct supervision of a certified head coach and must be under contract to the school. To allow a "volunteer" who is not under contract to work with your athletes exposes the "volunteer", the head coach and the school to increased liability and is a CHSAA violation.

20. **Tournament Sanction** - Schools hosting tournaments involving four or more teams must complete the "Application to Host Sanctioned Events" form and submit it to the CHSAA 30 days prior to the event. Check the tournament you are scheduled to participate in and make sure it is CHSAA sanctioned. (CHSAA Bylaw 2610)

21. The host school has the responsibility to ensure that an event is governed in a manner that emphasizes the educational values inherent in interscholastic activities. It is the host school’s responsibility to remove any individual(s) creating a disturbance, which disrupt(s), the educational goals of the event and does not keep in mind the positive aspect of sporting behavior. Individuals, who by their actions, have become a constant disruption to the orderly governance of a high school activity shall be barred indefinitely by the school’s principal, or his/her designee, from attending all high school activities at member school(s) and all sectional, district, region, and state playoff events. The CHSAA, the league, and offender must receive written notification of such action. (CHSAA Bylaw 2240)

- **Officials**
  - **Dressing Room** - Restrictions/Supplies. Where possible the official’s dressing room should be located in an area with the most direct access to the playing field and or court. The officials’ dressing room shall be used as a changing area for game officials only. No other individuals shall have access to this area for any purposes unless they can be identified as game management, CHSAA personnel, and/or the officiating observer. The room shall be stocked with water. It is recommended that a sign be placed on the door the states: “Officials’ Dressing Room. No admittance per CHSAA.” It is also only recommended that soft drinks and/or isotonic beverages be made available.
  - **Security** - It is the responsibility of game management to provide security escort for game officials to and from the playing field or court. If possible, the officials should be escorted to the parking lot.
  - **Arrival at Site** - Game officials are required to arrive at the game site per their officiating association’s policy. If an official arrives at the game site within 15 minutes of the start of the game, game management should contact the CHSAA office after the game.
  - **Communication with Officials** - Except for contact as is necessary by game management all others are prohibited from talking to the officials before, during, at halftime or after games concerning matters related to the game. Officials are asked to report any such violations to the CHSAA office.
  - **Halftime** - Game officials will delay leaving the playing field or court until players and coaches have left at halftime. A security escort is to be provided to take officials to their dressing room and prevent contact or conversation between coaches and officials.
Coaches

- **Sporting Behavior Cards** - The Officials shall provide each varsity coach with a business size card with their sports officiating association’s sportsmanship statement. This card, which also contains the names of the officiating crew, shall be presented at time that is designated by that sport’s pre-game procedure. **Both opposing coaches are asked to evaluate the crew of officials after each game. Click on the coaches’ tab at the chsaa.org site to find the convenient interactive link or log-in to the ArbiterSports website for evaluation of officials.**

- **Introduction of Starting Lineups** - Leagues shall create a standard introduction-of-teams procedure. For interleague play, the visiting coach should be contacted prior to the day of the game to get agreement on the use of the home team’s introduction procedure.

**“CHEER FOR YOUR TEAM, NOT AGAINST THE OPPONENT”**
SAMPLE WARNING TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS

NOTICE TO ATHLETES AND PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

SERIOUS, CATASTROPHIC AND PERHAPS FATAL INJURY MAY RESULT FROM ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

By its nature, competitive athletics may put students in situations in which SERIOUS, CATASTROPHIC and perhaps, FATAL ACCIDENTS may occur.

Many forms of athletic competition result in violent physical contact among players, the use of equipment may result in accidents, strenuous physical exertion and numerous other exposures to risk of injury.

Students and parents must assess the risks involved in such participation and make their choice to participate in spite of those risks. No amount of instruction, precaution, or supervision will totally eliminate all risk of injury. Just as driving an automobile involves choice of risk; athletic participation by high school students also may be inherently dangerous. The obligation of parents and students in making this choice to participate cannot be overstated. There have been accidents resulting in death, paraplegia, quadriplegia, and other very serious permanent physical impairment as a result of athletic competition.

By granting permission for your student to participate in athletic competition, you, the parent or guardian, acknowledge that such risk exists.

By choosing to participate, you, the student, acknowledge that such risk exists.

Students will be instructed in proper techniques to be used in athletic competition and in the proper utilization of all equipment worn or used in practice and competition. Students must adhere to that instruction and utilization and must refrain from improper uses and techniques.

As previously stated, no amount of instruction, precaution and supervision will totally eliminate all risk of serious, catastrophic, or even fatal injury.

If any of the previous information is not completely understood, please contact your school principal for further information and clarification.

Instructions: Sign both copies, retain one for your records and return the other to your school.

Student’s Name
Sport(s) ________________________________

This will acknowledge that we __________________________ have read and understand the material contained in the NOTICE TO ATHLETES AND PARENTS OR GUARDIANS.

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Signed ________________________________ Date _____________
Parent or Guardian

Signed ________________________________ Date _____________
Student
STUDENT ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION FORM

I hereby give my consent for __________________________ to compete in athletics for __________________________ High School in Colorado High School Activities Association approved sports, except as noted on the Physical Examination and Parent Permit Form, and I have read and understand the general guidelines for eligibility as outlined in the CHSAA Competitor’s Brochure (as found on the CHSAA site).

Parent or Guardian Signature __________________________ Date __________________________

I have read, understand and agree to the General Eligibility Guidelines as outlined in the CHSAA Competitor’s Brochure.

Student Signature __________________________ Date __________________________

No student shall represent their school in interschool athletics until there is a statement on file with the superintendent or principal signed by his/her parent or legal guardian and a signed physical form certifying that he/she has passed an adequate physical examination within the past year, noting that in the opinion of the examining physician, physician’s assistant, nurse practitioner or a certified/registered chiropractor, is physically fit to participate in high school athletics; that student has the consent of his/her parents or legal guardian to participate; and, the parent and participant have read, understand and agree to the CHSAA guidelines for eligibility.
Head Trauma & Concussions

The CHSAA promotes and supports a Community-Based Approach to Concussion Management (School Team, Family Team, and a Medical Team). This is outlined in the REAP Project, found online at www.chsaa.org. Please visit our CHSAA Sports Medicine page for more information and resources.

The Role of the Coach
BYLAW 1620.5: **All coaches** must annually complete one of the following: The online NFHS Concussion Course or a school organized sports medicine review that includes a head trauma/concussion component, and emergency evacuation procedures. If you suspect that an athlete has a concussion, you should remove the athlete from play, ensure the athlete is evaluated by a health care professional experienced in evaluating for concussions, inform the athlete’s parents about the possible concussion, and keep the athlete out of participation the day of injury and until the athlete obtains a written release from a licensed practitioner.

The Role of the Official
The contest official can look for signs, symptoms and conditions of head trauma and if observed shall send the player to the sideline for assessment by school personnel and/or a licensed practitioner. At that time the role of the contest official ceases.

The Role of the Licensed Practitioner & Trainer
If at any time during participation, a student-athlete is removed from participation due to head trauma, the student-athlete must obtain a written release from a licensed practitioner (as defined in the CHSAA bylaws) before participating again. The athlete may then begin a gradual return to play as determined by the school’s trainer (where applicable).
ETHICS STATEMENT OF THE COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER COACHES ASSOCIATION AND THE CHSAA SOCCER COMMITTEE

The Colorado High School Soccer Coaches Association is concerned about the practice of excessive scoring by dominant teams over weaker opponents. This is a matter of coaching ethics and the committee would like to issue the following statement to address the situation and are conveying this information to all the high school athletic directors and soccer coaches in Colorado.

CONCERN – The concern is Colorado high school soccer coaches who allow and/or encourage their team to an excessive goal differential against their opponents. These coaches disregard the effect of this practice on both the opponent’s morale and their own team’s perspective of sporting-like behavior and player development.

OBSERVATION – With the wide level of play among soccer programs in Colorado many coaches are unsure of how to handle the excessive goal differential issue. The occasion to score freely against a weak opponent is seen by some coaches as an opportunity to build individual and team statistics, as well as egos. This is unsportsmanlike behavior and shows disrespect for the individual athletes and for the spirit of competition. It has been noted by our coaches association that the practice of excessive scoring by soccer teams is an ethical issue that should be addressed through a cooperative effort by the coaches, rather than more sanctions such as mercy rules, shortened games, scoring caps, red cards, etc.

SOLUTION – The Coaches Association stresses the importance of ethical coaching practices. It is our intent to improve the ethical behavior of coaches by providing information and options to these game situations. We believe that awareness and coaching options will improve the situation. While there are valuable lessons to be learned from both winning and losing, the effect of being on the losing end of an excessive goal differential can be demoralizing, and the experience can be embarrassing to the players on both teams involved. The dominating team in this situation can give players of each team an opportunity to improve their individual and team play without goal scoring being a priority. We suggest leagues not use tie-breaking systems that involve unlimited goal differential to take away the incentive for coaches to run up the score to gain advantage in league standing. Further, we would recommend the use of either a goal against system to encourage defensive achievement or one similar to the NASL game scoring system of:

- 6 POINTS FOR A WIN
- 3 POINTS FOR A TIE
- 1 POINT PER GOAL UP TO AND INCLUDING 3 GOALS
  (EXAMPLE – A 4-0 WIN = 9 POINTS or A 2-2 TIE = 5 POINTS FOR EACH TEAM)

One point for a shutout could also be included to encourage defensive play. The system could be used as a scoring system for league standings, especially in regions that do not play each other and have to determine state qualifiers.

An ethical coach will find creative ways to deal with their dominance in a game. When a team has a 5-goal differential it is time to initiate some changes. This gives the coach the opportunity to work on player development; it brings a challenge to the game that is not otherwise there; and it is fun for the players.
Some suggestions from our membership are as follows:

- **PLAY NUMBERS DOWN** (Bring one or two players off the field to balance the game. This can be done discreetly by advising the linesman you are bringing a player out without a replacement.)
- **LIMIT NUMBER OF TOUCHES PER PLAYER** (one or two touch passing.)
- **SHOT ON GOAL ONLY FROM FIRST TOUCH**
- **DESIGNATE ONE TARGET PLAYER AS A SCORING OPTION** (This player would be one who does not normally have goal scoring opportunity.)
- **SHOTS ONLY FROM OUTSIDE THE PENALTY AREA**
- **SHOTS ONLY FROM HEADERS OFF CROSSES**
- **REQUIRE A CERTAIN NUMBER OF CONSECUTIVE PASSES BEFORE A SHOT CAN BE ATTEMPTED** (Restart the count on loss of possession.)
- **SHUFFLE POSITION OF PLAYERS** (forwards as defenders, defenders as forwards, a first time goalkeeper – this will help to develop the total player.)
- **LIBERAL SUBSTITUTION**

There is no advantage in winning a game 15-1 or 20-0, but there is purpose in maintaining the integrity of soccer and the persons involved in a game. As coaches we have a responsibility of sporting-like behavior and player development, not only to our players but to our opponents as well.

### 2013 BOYS’ SOCCER CLASSIFICATION NUMBERS

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### MAXIMUM CONTESTS

A student may not participate in more than 30 halves exclusive of regional and state tournaments. No member school shall permit its soccer team to participate in more than 15 soccer games (this includes regular season tournaments). Further, no member school shall permit its soccer team as a representative of the school to play after the state championship tournament has been played. (CHSAA By-law 2300.1 & 3920)
SPORTSMANSHIP PROTOCOL AT ALL CHSAA CONTESTS AND ACTIVITIES

1. **National Anthem**—When the National Anthem is played or the Pledge of Allegiance is recited, students, fans, coaches and players should stand at attention, remove hats and face the flag.

2. **Cheerleaders/Fans/Spectators**
   - It is recommended that there be positive cheers only.
   - Only cheerleaders may use megaphones.
   - All patrons must wear shirts and shoes. Face painting is allowed.
   - Cheer and tumbling routines must be in front the your team’s student body. Routines that spill onto the area of the opposing team are prohibited.
   - Cheer squads may perform under the basket area outside the free vertical lane lines at all times.

3. **Banners**
   - One cloth or vinyl banner may be used, but must be sanctioned by the game management, principal, and/or athletic director before the contest. Note: Some facilities, including venues used for CHSAA playoffs, may not allow any banners. Paper banners are not allowed at CHSAA sponsored playoff events.
     - The words and graphics on banners must be positive: i.e. “beat”, “outscore”, “conquer”, etc; Negative banners: i.e. “kill”, “maim”, “scalp”, etc, will be confiscated and may result in no future use of banners.
   - Banners must not block the view of others.

4. **Noisemakers**
   - All artificial noisemakers are prohibited. This includes: cowbells, drums, whistles, horns, plastic clackers, thunder sticks, vuvuzelas, etc. Exception: bleacher kicking is permitted if the facility management allows it.
   - An air horn or cannon may be used on the field and only if supervised by a school designee. It should never be disruptive to the playing of the game and used only during dead ball periods at the end of playing action.
   - No musical instruments and/or amplified music, including drums, shall play while the game clock is running or when a ‘live-ball’ situation is applicable by rule, whether the game is indoor or outdoor. This includes fanfares, drum rolls, etc. The only time the game, once started, is not “in progress” is during a timeout or intermission. This applies to the use of outdoor, in-gym, or in-arena sound systems and public address announcements. The announcer is an integral member of game administration and is a reporter of information not necessarily obvious to spectators. Great care must be exercised to see that neither team gains an advantage from announcements over the public address system. Announcers are not "play-by-play" announcers.
   - There shall be no amplified instruments at any CHSAA playoff events.

5. A list of acceptable and unacceptable behaviors can be found in the Game Management and Sportsmanship Expectation Guide included in your school box.

“CHEER FOR YOUR TEAM AND NOT AGAINST THE OPPONENT!!”
To: CHSAA Member Schools Coaches/Principals/Athletic Directors

RANDOM ACTS OF SPORTSMANSHIP INITIATIVE
In a recent meeting of the Sportsmanship Committee the decision was made to identify what the committee feels happens more often than most people think and that is our teams, student-athletes, coaches, student bodies, parents, and fans participate in positive acts of sportsmanship. Therefore the Committee stole from the concept of random acts of kindness to propose a project for the CHSAA called Random Acts of Sportsmanship.

At this past summer’s meetings of the National Federation of High School Associations (NFHS), the inaugural presentation of the Spirit of Sport of Award was given to Evergreen High School for encouraging and selecting an autistic student to participate as a cheer athlete. It was unprecedented in that this cheer athlete was a full member at all cheer activities, including competitions. The Evergreen cheer squad did care about their scores in competition but only that they compete as a team. This was a random act of sportsmanship. Team was placed above winning.

Within our 343 schools, the committee knows that this type of positive sporting behavior happens all the time in the CHSAA. The Committee is asking that you announce this project to your student body to be on the lookout for random acts of sportsmanship. The Committee/CHSAA will select from the pool of submissions and pick the top five, which will be presented at the fall Sportsmanship Symposium. Those individuals who participated in these random acts of sportsmanship will be recognized at the Symposium as well.

THE DETAILS


What to Submit: Scenario/Description of Events and Characters

How many to Submit: Unlimited

Questions??? to trobinson@chsaa.org.
• NFHS Boys’ Soccer Rules Changes
• NFHS Boys’ Soccer Points of Emphasis
• NFHS Boys’ Soccer Major Editorial Changes
• Colorado State Rules Adoptions
• High School vs. USSF
• NFHS “Soft Red” Press Release
• NFHS Position Statement on Soft or Padded Headgear in Non-Helmeted Sports
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• NFHS Supplements Position Statement
• NFHS Guidelines during Lightning Disturbances
### 2013 NFHS Soccer Rules Changes

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<td>During a dead ball as the result of an injury, either or both coaches can now give coaching instruction to his/her team. Before they enter the field, substitutes must be beckoned onto the field by the referee except at the start of a period.</td>
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<td>4-1-1c</td>
<td>Clarifies that tape applied to the socks cannot change the basic color of the socks.</td>
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<td>The use of electronic communication devices is allowed in the bench area. These devices, however, cannot be used to communicate with athletes on the field during the game.</td>
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<td>12-8-1f(14) (new)</td>
<td>An unsuccessful attempt to deny an opponent an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by a foul (i.e., a goal is scored anyway) is now unsporting conduct and a caution (yellow card). Previously, this was a disqualification (red card).</td>
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<td>12-8-2d(2)</td>
<td>A successful attempt to deny an opponent an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by a foul (goal not scored) is still serious foul play and a disqualification (red card).</td>
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<td>This change defines that on a free kick the ball has not been properly kicked into play when a player merely taps or steps on the top of the ball with his/her foot. The ball must now also move.</td>
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<td>Each team shall submit a team roster, containing the first and last names and numbers of all players, and substitutes, all bench personnel and all coaches, to the officials at least five minutes prior to the start of the contest. The game shall not begin until this is complete. Players, substitutes, numbers, bench personnel and coaches may be added to the roster after the start of play. Goalkeepers may have two numbers listed on the roster, a goalkeeper’s number and a field player’s number. A team that elects or is required to pay shorthanded for reasons other than misconduct may have the player(s) re-enter the game during the dead ball. A team which starts a game with fewer than 11 players, but at least seven players, may have its additional player(s) enter the game during a dead ball provided that the names of the additional players are on the team roster (3-1-3).</td>
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<td>Goalkeeper A fouls Opponent B in the penalty area resulting in a penalty kick for Team B. Goalkeeper A is disqualified for committing serious foul play. Team A is permitted to substitute a goalkeeper from the bench but must have a field player leave the field. RULING: Team A must play short due to the disqualification (12-8-2) but must have a goalkeeper.</td>
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<td>Substitute A12 reports to the scorer as the kickoff take place. Eight minutes elapse before the first opportunity for a substitution occurs. The referee beckons A12 on the field; however, A12 is withdrawn by the coach of Team A. RULING: Substitute A12 is now a player because he/she was beckoned onto</td>
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the field by the referee; therefore, player A12 must enter the game once beckoned.

3-5 Change title to: SECTION 5 GOALKEEPER CHANGE

3-6 Change title to: SECTION 6 EXCESSIVE PLAYER SUBSTITUTIONS

4-2-5, Note NOTE: Each state association may, in keeping with applicable laws, authorize exceptions to NFHS playing rules to provide reasonable accommodations to individual participants with disabilities and/or special needs, as well as those individuals with unique and extenuating circumstances. The accommodations should not fundamentally alter the sport, heighten risk to the athlete/others or place opponents at a disadvantage.

5-2-2d(4) Inquire of each head coach whether each of his/her players will be properly and legally equipped at the kickoff. Any questions regarding legality of a player’s equipment shall be determined by the head referee, or the center referee in a game officiated using the double-dual system of officiating.

5-3-1 Situation A During a shot on goal, B2, in the penalty area, reaches out and deflects the ball. Just as B2 deflects the ball with the hands, A2 kicks the free ball and (a) it goes into the goal; (b) does not go into the goal. **RULING:** In (a), award a goal and caution B2 for unsporting conduct; in (b) call handling, award penalty kick, and disqualify B2 for serious foul play. (12-8-1-f13, 14), (12-8-2-d1), (14-1-1)

12-4-2, Note Delete Note

12-4-3 The goalkeeper in possession of the ball shall not be interfered with or impeded in any manner by an opponent. This includes the act of bouncing the ball or dropping the ball for a kick or attempting to throw the ball or tossing the ball in the air to recatch. When goalkeepers put the ball on the ground, they relinquish their privileges as goalkeepers.

12-7-2 Situation An attacking player takes a shot on goal which (a) goes directly at the goalkeeper, who is able to deflect it to the ground so he can dribble it with the feet to the edge of the penalty area and then pick the ball up with his hands to distribute; or (b) the goalkeeper must dive in order to reach the ball, deflect it away from the goal, then scramble to pick it up with his hands to distribute. **RULING:** In (a) Illegal. Goalkeeper is penalized for infringing when he/she picks up the ball with the hands after parrying; in (b) legal. The deflection is not considered a parry.

12-7-4 Situation On a throw-in, player A throws the ball (a) directly to his/her own goalkeeper A within the penalty area who touches the ball with the hands; (b) to a teammate who heads the ball to his/her own goalkeeper within the penalty area who picks the ball up with the hands; (c) the ball is thrown to his/her own goalkeeper outside the penalty area by a teammate. The goalkeeper traps the ball with the feet and dribbles it into the penalty area where it is picked up. **RULING:** In (a), an indirect free kick is awarded to the opponent; in (b), there has been no violation; in (c) illegal. Award an indirect kick to opponent at spot of touching.

12-8-2 Situation B Player A2 dribbles along the goal line into the penalty area. The goalkeeper comes out of the goal mouth to challenge A2. A2 pushes the ball by the goalkeeper and steps off the field to go around the goalkeeper. The goalkeeper then steps off the field and violently contacts A2 to prevent A2 from completing the play. **RULING:** The referee must stop play, disqualify the goalkeeper for exhibiting violent conduct and restart play with an indirect free kick from the location of the ball at the stoppage or the goal area line as appropriate.

13-2-4 (new) If a direct or indirect free kick taken from outside a team’s penalty area goes untouched into a team’s
own goal, a corner kick shall be awarded to the opposing team.

18-1-1e **DEAD BALL** – A term used to indicate a time when the ball is out-of-play. A goal can never be scored while the ball is dead. A restart can never be changed due to what occurs during a dead ball.

**Rules** The 2013-14 rule book will contain an updated comparison of the major difference among NFHS and NCAA rules and FIFA laws.

### 2013 Soccer Points of Emphasis

1. Goalkeeper Injury
2. Excessive Player Substitutions
3. Required Equipment
4. Penalty Kick
5. Concussion Management

### COLORADO STATE RULE ADOPTIONS

5-1-1 **Number of Officials** – Colorado has adopted the use of either a two or three-person officiating system

5-1-3 **Official Uniform Color** – In the event of a color conflict with either team, the officials may wear a jersey colored yellow, red, green, blue, and black.

7-1-3 **Suspended Games** – During the regular season, if one half has been completed, the contest will be declared official. If one half has not been completed, it will be restarted from the point of interruption.

7-1-5 **Mercy rule**

A. By mutual agreement facilitated by the head referee and the head coaches prior to the start of the game, will agree or not agree to follow the Mercy Rule. NOTE: In some league situations that agreement has been made as part of that league’s soccer rules.

1. If there is not mutual agreement prior to the start, games will be played in their entirety regardless of score.
2. The head referee will facilitate the meeting of the coaches and will therefore be aware if the game will be played under the Mercy Rule.

B. Once a 7-goal differential between two teams is achieved, the referee will inform both coaches that the Mercy Rule had been invoked and the referee and/or timekeeper will let the official clock run during injuries, penalty kicks, after goals, and during referee disciplinary actions.

C. The coach of the team that is ahead will play with the following number of players upon reaching the goal differential.

1. 8 goal differential – 10 players including the keeper
2. 9 goal differential – 9 players including the keeper

D. If the team that is behind scores a goal and reduces the differential, the coach of the team that is ahead MAY add a player to meet the above player numbers.

E. Game termination – once a 10-goal differential is reached, and the first half of play has been completed; the referee will end the game.
**Tied Games – Overtime Procedures for Regular Season/State Playoff Games** – If the match is tied at the end of the regulation time, (2) 10 minute sudden victory overtime periods will be played. Shoot-outs or penalty kicks may not be used to determine winners in regular season games (unless the contests are part of a CHSAA Sanctioned Tournament). If the tie is not broken after the (2) 10 minute sudden victory overtime period, the game will be recorded as a tie.

**Ejected Player/Coach Penalty** – A player or coach ejected will be subjected to the CHSAA player/coach ejection policy, By-law 2200 and 2210.
# Major Rule Differences Between H.S. & USSF

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**Please refer to the NFHS rulebook pages 74-86 for complete Comparison of NFHS and NCAA Rules and FIFA Laws.**
“Soft Red” Eliminated in High School Soccer

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INDIANAPOLIS, IN — In a continued emphasis on improving sportsmanship, the “soft red” has been eliminated in high school soccer.

Effective with the 2012–13 season, a second yellow card not only will disqualify a player, but the team will not be permitted to substitute for the disqualified player. Previously, a team was permitted to replace a player who had received a second yellow card.

This significant change was one of three rules revisions passed by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Soccer Rules Committee at its January 23–25 meeting in Indianapolis. These changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

Another change in Rule 12–8–1f now will disqualify a player who deliberately handles a ball in his/her own penalty area to prevent it from going in the goal only when the attempt to deny the goal is successful. If a goal is scored, the penalty is now a caution. Previously, a player was disqualified for trying to stop a goal from being scored, whether the try was successful or not.
“Obviously, with two of our three changes this year in Rule 12 (Fouls and Misconduct), the Soccer Rules Committee continues to focus on improving the level of sportsmanship in high school soccer,” said Mark Koski, NFHS director of sports and events and liaison to the Soccer Rules Committee.

The other change approved by the committee involves the taking of a penalty kick. If some unusual situation occurs after the penalty kick is properly taken and before the ball is played or touched by another player, or before the ball hits the goalpost or crossbar, which necessitates a temporary suspension in play, the penalty kick shall be retaken. Previously, this would have resulted in a drop ball.

“As an example, if the ball deflated immediately after a penalty kick was taken and play was suspended, the player now will have the opportunity to attempt the penalty kick again,” Koski said.

Soccer is the fifth–most popular sport for boys and girls at the high school level. According to the 2010–11High School Athletics Participation Survey, 398,351 boys are involved in soccer and 361,556 girls participate in the sport.

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**About the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)**

The NFHS, based in Indianapolis, Indiana, is the national leadership organization for high school sports and performing arts activities. Since 1920, the NFHS has led the development of education–based interscholastic sports and performing arts activities that help students succeed in their lives. The NFHS sets direction for the future by building awareness and support, improving the participation experience, establishing consistent standards and rules for competition, and helping those who oversee high school sports and activities. The NFHS writes playing rules for 17 sports for boys and girls at the high school level. Through its 50 member state associations and the District of Columbia, the NFHS reaches more than 19,000 high schools and 11 million participants in high school activity programs, including more than 7.6 million in high school sports. As the recognized national authority on interscholastic activity programs, the NFHS conducts national meetings; sanctions interstate events; offers online publications and services for high school coaches and officials; sponsors professional organizations for high school coaches, officials, speech and debate coaches, and music adjudicators; serves as the national source for interscholastic coach training; and serves as a national information resource of interscholastic athletics and activities. For more information, visit the NFHS Web site at [www.nfhs.org](http://www.nfhs.org).

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Soft or Padded Headgear in Non-Helmented Sports Position Statement
National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)
Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC)

The NFHS SMAC has developed the following position statement regarding soft or padded headgear products in non-helmented sports:

The NFHS does not consider soft or padded headgear products as effective equipment in preventing a concussion in non-helmented sports. As explained below, soft or padded headgear products may be worn in non-helmented sports that allow for such optional equipment, but the intent of that equipment should be for reasons other than concussion prevention. Valid scientific research should be pursued to more definitively determine evidence-based efficacy regarding using such products to decrease the incidence of concussion. However, no currently available soft or padded headgear can prevent a concussion.

The NFHS recommends caution in using soft or padded headgear devices to permit medical clearance of a student-athlete, if he or she would otherwise not be medically cleared to participate in sports. Currently, wearing such headgear as a condition to play in order to prevent another concussion is not scientifically or medically supported; therefore, a medical waiver for wearing this type of equipment in the case of hastening return to play after a concussion is inappropriate. However, this equipment may be used to cover lacerations and sutures, if these devices are deemed appropriate within the sport’s playing rules.

Current design and recommended use of these devices do not address the proposed mechanism of concussive injury, that being acceleration, deceleration and rotational forces acting on the brain. Schools should refer to equipment standards from the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE), American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM), and the Hockey Equipment Certification Council, Inc. (HECC), when considering protective equipment for student-athletes, and monitor that the equipment is being used for mitigating the risk of injuries for which the equipment is designed.

When considering the use of optional soft or padded headgear products in non-helmented sports, athletes and coaches should take the time to read the qualifying statements provided with such products that address specific limitations, particularly those related to preventing serious head injuries. Wearing such products may provide a false sense of security in concussion protection to
student-athletes, coaches and parents. Moreover, a false sense of security in concussion protection may increase the likelihood that players, coaches and parents will consider a given medical condition to be adequately addressed and may cause them to place less importance upon avoiding head impact, reporting concussion symptoms and recovering fully before returning to play.

The NFHS SMAC will continue to monitor developments in soft and padded headgear and will consider adjustments to its position should valid scientific and clinical evidence arise.

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Position Statement on Emerging Technology and Risk Minimization
National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)
Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC)

The NFHS Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC) was formed in 1996 to assist the NFHS in ensuring the safety of high school athletes across the nation. The NFHS SMAC regularly reviews equipment, playing rules, and products and considers their possible benefits and potential risks to young athletes. In an effort to address two serious medical conditions, concussion and exertional heat illness, new products intended to warn coaches and athletes of impending danger have been developed. While the NFHS SMAC applauds the ingenuity of such designs, there is concern about the applicability of many of these products as they transition from the laboratory to the playing field. While this is not an exhaustive review of all available products on the market, the NFHS SMAC believes it is important to provide some guidance regarding their applicability on the playing field.

Sensors Designed to Detect Concussion
A variety of systems, using accelerometer technology, are now (or soon will be) available for purchase by schools or individuals. These systems are based upon the accelerometer measuring G forces at the time of impact. Previous research has found some correlation between measured G forces and the risk of sustaining a concussion. Unfortunately, this is very inexact science and no single impact force is “guaranteed” to cause a concussion. Thus, the monitor may signal that a force great enough to trigger a concussion has occurred and the athlete may be uninjured, whereas other blows to the head or body may not be forceful enough to trigger the alert, but result in a concussion.

Thus, the occurrence of “false-positive” results (sensor triggered without a concussion occurring) and “false-negative” results (sensor NOT triggered, but the athlete suffers a concussion) is of paramount concern to the SMAC. Additional concerns include athletes and parents denying that a concussion has occurred in the absence of the sensor being triggered and the prospect of competitive young athletes purposely attempting to trigger the sensor with forceful hits or blows during games and practices.

The NFHS SMAC stands by previous statements and publications regarding concussion in high school sports: prevention must focus on rules enforcement regarding helmet to helmet contact in football, blows to the head in football, lacrosse and ice hockey, and ALL INDIVIDUALS involved in sports must be aware of the signs and symptoms of a possible concussion.
Officials and coaches, please note that the presence of a flashing light or other indicator on a helmet or chinstrap shall NOT BE considered a “sign or symptom” of a possible concussion, as per the NFHS rules book, and should not be treated as such.

**Sensors Designed to Detect Heat Illness**
Heat illness is the leading preventable cause of death in high school athletes. Exertional Heat Stroke (EHS) is defined by a body core temperature of greater than 104 degrees Fahrenheit and the presence of central nervous system dysfunction (confusion, delirium, seizures). Given that the rise in body core temperature is a key indicator of potential EHS, there is great interest in monitoring body temperature during conditions when the risk for exertional heat illness is believed to be elevated.

Instruments measuring body temperature internally (such as a swallowed capsule with a temperature monitor and radio transmitter) and externally (a device attached to the skin or in a helmet with a temperature monitor and radio transmitter) are currently available.

The NFHS SMAC has serious concerns regarding the use of external heat sensors, due to inaccuracy in indicating body core temperature and the false assurance that these devices may give coaches and athletes. While internal temperature sensors are more accurate, they are expensive and require regular and frequent monitoring during practices and other activities.

The reliance upon technology to monitor body temperature runs the significant risk of coaches relying only upon measured body temperature as the only indication of impending EHS and not following the proper guidelines for reducing exertional heat illness risk and preventing EHS. Until this technology has been proven to be valid under all conditions, the NFHS SMAC cannot endorse its use.

Following the recommended guidelines in the NFHS SMAC position statement “Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention” and the on-line course “A Guide to Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention” can reduce the risk of exertional heat illness, incidence of EHS, and the resulting deaths and related injuries in high school athletics.

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Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention Position Statement

National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)
Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC)

Exertional Heatstroke (EHS) is the leading cause of preventable death in high school athletics. Students participating in high-intensity, long-duration or repeated same-day sports practices and training activities during the summer months or other hot-weather days are at greatest risk. Football has received the most attention because of the number and severity of exertional heat illnesses. Notably, the National Center for Catastrophic Sports Injury Research reports that 35 high school football players died of EHS between 1995 and 2010. EHS also results in thousands of emergency room visits and hospitalizations throughout the nation each year.

This NFHS Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC) position statement is the companion piece to the NFHS’s online course “A Guide to Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention.” This position statement provides an outline of “Fundamentals” and should be used as a guiding document by member state associations. Further and more detailed information can be found within the NFHS on-line course, the 4th Edition of the NFHS Sports Medicine Handbook, the NFHS SMAC “Position Statement and Recommendations for Hydration to Minimize the Risk for Dehydration and Heat Illness” and the resources listed below.

Following the recommended guidelines in this position statement and “A Guide to Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention” can reduce the risk and incidence of EHS and the resulting deaths and injuries in high school athletics. The NFHS recognizes that various states and regions of the country have unique climates and variable resources, and that there is no “one-size-fits-all” optimal acclimatization plan. However, the NFHS and the NFHS SMAC strongly encourage member state associations to incorporate all of the “Fundamentals” into any heat acclimatization plan to improve athlete safety. In addition, “A Guide to Heat Acclimatization and Heat Illness Prevention” should be required viewing for all coaches.

Heat Acclimatization and Safety Priorities:

- Recognize that EHS is the leading preventable cause of death among high school athletes.
Know the importance of a formal pre-season heat acclimatization plan.

Know the importance of having and implementing a specific hydration plan, keeping your athletes well-hydrated, and encouraging and providing ample opportunities for regular fluid replacement.

Know the importance of appropriately modifying activities in relation to the environmental heat stress and contributing individual risk factors (e.g., illness, obesity) to keep your athletes safe and performing well.

Know the importance for all members of the coaching staff to closely monitor all athletes during practice and training in the heat, and recognize the signs and symptoms of developing heat illnesses.

Know the importance of, and resources for, establishing an emergency action plan and promptly implementing it in case of suspected EHS or other medical emergency.

**Fundamentals of a Heat Acclimatization Program**

1. Physical exertion and training activities should begin slowly and continue progressively. An athlete cannot be “conditioned” in a period of only two to three weeks.

   A. Begin with shorter, less intense practices and training activities, with longer recovery intervals between bouts of activity.

   B. Minimize protective gear (helmets only, no shoulder pads) during first several practices, and introduce additional uniform and protective gear progressively over successive days.

   C. Emphasize instruction over conditioning during the first several practices.

   **Rationale:** The majority of heat-related deaths happen during the first few days of practice, usually prompted by doing too much, too soon, and in some cases with too much protective gear on too early in the season (wearing helmet, shoulder pads, pants and other protective gear). Players must be allowed the time to adapt safely to the environment, intensity, duration, and uniform/equipment.

2. Keep each athlete’s individual level of conditioning and medical status in mind and adjust activity accordingly. These factors directly affect exertional heat illness risk.

   **Rationale:** Athletes begin each season’s practices and training activities at varying levels of physical fitness and varying levels of risk for exertional heat illness. For example, there is an increased risk if the athlete is obese, unfit, has been recently ill, has a previous history of exertional heat illness, or has Sickle Cell Trait.

3. Adjust intensity (lower) and rest breaks (increase frequency/duration), and consider reducing uniform and protective equipment, while being sure to monitor all players more closely as conditions are increasingly warm/humid, especially if there is a change in weather from the previous few days.

   **Rationale:** Coaches must be prepared to immediately adjust for changing weather conditions, while recognizing that tolerance to physical activity decreases and exertional heat illness risk increases, as the heat and/or humidity rise. Accordingly, it is imperative to adjust practices to maintain safety and performance.

4. Athletes must begin practices and training activities adequately hydrated.

   **Rationale:** While proper hydration alone will not necessarily prevent exertional heat illness, it will decrease risk.
5. Recognize early signs of distress and developing exertional heat illness, and promptly adjust activity and treat appropriately. First aid should not be delayed!

   **Rationale:** An athlete will often show early signs and/or symptoms of developing exertional heat illness. If these signs and symptoms are promptly recognized and the athlete is appropriately treated, serious injury can be averted and the athlete can often be treated, rested and returned to activity when the signs and symptoms have resolved.

6. Recognize more serious signs of exertional heat illness (clumsiness, stumbling, collapse, obvious behavioral changes and/or other central nervous system problems), immediately stop activity and promptly seek medical attention by activating the Emergency Medical System. On-site rapid cooling should begin immediately.

   **Rationale:** Immediate medical treatment and prompt rapid cooling can prevent death or minimize further injury in the athlete with EHS. Ideally, pools or tubs of ice water to be used for rapid cooling of athletes should be available on-site and personnel should be trained and practiced in using these facilities for rapid cooling. Ice water baths are the preferred method for rapid cooling, however, if ice water pools or tubs are not available, then applying ice packs to the neck, axillae, and groin and rotating ice water-soaked towels to all other areas of the body can be effective in cooling an affected athlete.

7. An Emergency Action Plan with clearly defined written and practiced protocols should be developed and in place ahead of time.

   **Rationale:** An effective emergency action plan (EAP) should be in place in case of any emergency, as a prompt and appropriate response in any emergency situation can save a life. The EAP should be designed and practiced to address all teams (freshman, junior varsity, varsity) and all practice and game sites.

**References:**

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SUPPLEMENTS POSITION STATEMENT
National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)
Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC)

The NFHS Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC) strongly opposes the use of dietary supplements for the purpose of obtaining a competitive advantage. Research shows that there continues to be widespread use of dietary supplements by adolescent and high school athletes, despite considerable safety concerns. Dietary supplements are marketed as an easy way to enhance athletic performance, increase energy levels, lose weight, and feel better. Adolescents are more susceptible to peer pressure and these advertising messages, which may increase the incidence of dietary supplement usage and reinforce a culture more concerned about short-term performance rather than overall long-term athletic development and good health.

The Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act (DSHEA) of 1994 removes dietary supplements from pre-market regulation by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Under DSHEA, a manufacturing firm is responsible for determining that the dietary supplements it manufactures or distributes are safe and that any representations or claims made about them are substantiated by adequate evidence to show that they are not false or misleading. This essentially classifies dietary supplements as a food and not a drug, and as such, they are not subject to the same strict tests and regulations as prescription and “over-the-counter” medications by the FDA. Only the companies that produce dietary supplements are responsible for ensuring that their products are pure, safe and effective for their intended use. As the FDA has limited resources to analyze the composition of dietary supplements, there is often no guarantee concerning the true amount, concentration or purity of the ingredients as listed on the label. In fact, the FDA cannot remove a dietary supplement from the marketplace unless the supplement has been shown to be “unsafe.”

The NFHS SMAC strongly opposes the use of supplements by high school athletes for performance enhancement, due to the lack of published, reproducible scientific research documenting the benefits of their use and confirming no potential long-term adverse health effects with their use, particularly in the adolescent age group. Dietary supplements should be used only upon the advice of one’s health care provider for health-related reasons – not for the purpose of gaining a possible competitive advantage. School personnel and coaches should never recommend, endorse or encourage the use of any dietary supplement, drug, or medication for performance enhancement.

We recommend that coaches, athletic directors, and other school personnel develop strategies that address the prevalence and growing concerns of using dietary supplements. Such strategies may include conversations with athletes and their parents about the potential dangers of dietary supplement use. Athletes should be encouraged to pursue their athletic goals through hard work, appropriate rest and good nutrition, not unsubstantiated dietary shortcuts.
In order to discourage dietary supplement use for athletic performance:

- School personnel, coaches, and parents should allow for open discussion about dietary supplement use, and strongly encourage obtaining optimal nutrition through a well-balanced diet.
- Remind athletes that no supplement is harmless or free from consequences and that there are no short cuts to improve athletic performance.
- Because they are not strictly regulated, dietary supplements may contain impurities and banned substances not listed on the label.

**References/Resources:**

- Overview of Dietary Supplements.

http://www.fda.gov/Food/DietarySupplements/ConsumerInformation/ucm110417.htm

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**DISCLAIMER – NFHS Position Statements and Guidelines**

The NFHS regularly distributes position statements and guidelines to promote public awareness of certain health and safety-related issues. Such information is neither exhaustive nor necessarily applicable to all circumstances or individuals, and is no substitute for consultation with appropriate health-care professionals. Statutes, codes or environmental conditions may be relevant. NFHS position statements or guidelines should be considered in conjunction with other pertinent materials when taking action or planning care. The NFHS reserves the right to rescind or modify any such document at any time.
The purpose of these guidelines is to provide a default policy to those responsible for making decisions concerning the suspension and restarting of contests based on the presence of lightning. The preferred sources from which to request such a policy for your facility would include your state high school association and the nearest office of the National Weather Service.

Proactive Planning

1. Assign staff to monitor local weather conditions before and during events.
2. Develop an evacuation plan, including identification of appropriate nearby shelters.
3. Develop criteria for suspension and resumption of play:
   a. When thunder is heard, or a cloud-to-ground lightning bolt is seen, the thunderstorm is close enough to strike your location with lightning. Suspend play and take shelter immediately.
   b. Thirty-minute rule. Once play has been suspended, wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard or flash of lightning is witnessed prior to resuming play.
   c. Any subsequent thunder or lightning after the beginning of the 30 minute count, reset the clock and another 30 minute count should begin.
4. Hold periodic reviews for appropriate personnel.

For more detailed information, refer to the "Guidelines for Lightning Safety" section contained in the NFHS Sports Medicine Handbook.

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OFFICIALS

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A MESSAGE FROM HSSO

High School Soccer Officials (HSSO) is the CHSAA-sponsored organization which recruits, trains, evaluates, and, when necessary, disciplines high-school soccer officials in Colorado. For the 2012-2013 school year HSSO had a total of 431 members state-wide, 70 of whom were new members.

An individual is required to be trained and certified as a United States Soccer Federation (USSF) referee, at a “Grade 8” level or higher, before joining HSSO. Furthermore, an individual must have at least one full year of soccer-refereeing experience before he or she may be assigned to varsity games. An individual with less than one year of experience may officiate only sub-varsity games during his or her first membership year.

USSF “basic training” is very thorough, utilizing the resources provided by the national office and FIFA, the international soccer authority. HSSO believes that this training is essential for the successful high-school referee and recommends that current members remain affiliated with USSF.

HSSO provides specific training for its members each year, consisting of clinics delineating rules changes and points of emphasis received from the National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) Soccer Rules Committee, group discussions based on coaches’ reports and game evaluations of officials during prior years, and a 100-question rules test.

HSSO uses the input of coaches and officials to determine the need for review of specific referees and, when indicated, sends trained individuals to evaluate those referees in game situations. The primary purpose of those evaluations is to suggest improvement ideas and corrective actions, based upon both game observations and reports provided by coaches. This is done at no cost to schools.

HSSO also provides training and rules interpretations to CHSAA, its member schools, and coaches upon request, including instruction at the annual rules clinics which coaches are required to attend. These services are also provided at no cost to CHSAA, the schools, or the coaches.

Assignments of HSSO members to specific games are made by assignors who are hired by the schools or leagues. The methods used by the assignors vary and are not prescribed by or subject to the control of HSSO or CHSAA. Each school should provide feedback to its individual assignor in order to assure that any issues involving an official and that school are resolved in a timely manner. For example, if an official fails to appear for a game assignment, the assignor needs to be made aware of that failure immediately.

HSSO strives to recruit new members continually, as the needs of the schools, at both the varsity and the sub-varsity levels, seem to increase each year. HSSO also strives to improve the competency of its members in order to enhance the “classroom” experience that is high-school soccer. The reward for a good official is the assignment to a post-season game. Toward the end of each season coaches are asked to vote for those officials they think are the best for the student athletes. To assist the coaches in that endeavor, referees are requested to provide their names to both head coaches prior to each contest.

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SOCCER OFFICIALS UPDATE

The High School Soccer Official’s (HSSO) Organization will work to continue to bring you the best officials from the HSSO organization. Selection of post-season officials is based on an application process for those officials who would like to be considered to work the post season and on the votes of Coaches, Directors of Athletics, Assignors, Officials in the post-season pool, and Area Directors. **Coach and AD it is imperative that you participate in the voting which is done online through a link that will be provided in late September to you from the CHSAA office.** Selection is based on the votes of Coaches and Directors of Athletics, Assigners, post-season officials and Area Directors.

**HSSO and the CHSAA office urge you, as coaches and Directors of Athletics, to participate in the post -season officials’ selection process!** Please contact the CHSAA office with any questions or concerns.

SOCCER OFFICIALS FOR THE POST SEASON

Post-season soccer officials are selected through an online qualifying application system and an online voting process. The process includes votes from the 194 boys’ soccer/208 girls’ playing schools, facilitated by the school Athletic Directors and the head soccer coach. Also included in the voting process are officials assignors, HSSO official area directors, the officials who are qualified and have applied to work post-season matches. This voting process is designed to assist the CHSAA in selecting and assigning the most qualified soccer officials. All boys’/girls’ soccer playing schools are requested to participate in the post-season selection process for the fall of 2013/spring of 2014. This process assists greatly in the accountability concerns of many schools regarding officials.
RATE YOUR CONTEST OFFICIAL – AN EXERCISE IN ACCOUNTABILITY

To: Coach or School Athletic Director:

RE: Officials Evaluations

Statistics shows that officials are better when they know that someone is watching them or plans to evaluate them. The CHSAA is aware of the time constraints you have with all your coaching duties but if you want official to not only be accountable but better at what they do, you must take time to evaluate them, good or bad.

Many of you have an assigner that uses Arbiter Sports. It has very user friendly system for evaluating officials that is directly associated to each assigned game at all levels. It even sends a reminder if you forget to submit an evaluation. The information, just like the Rate Your Contest Official link on the CHSAA website, is confidential. Only the CHSAA administrator and school assigner of that sport are privy to the evaluations.

Good luck this season and please join in the process of making your officials the best they can be.

Please continue reading below to know how to evaluate your officials for the 2013-2014 school year.

Evaluation of Officials by Coaches/Other

Games in Arbiter

Login to ArbiterSports.com and Click on the Evaluation tab. Any game you have played in Arbiter display so that you can evaluate the officials on the game. You don’t have to know the names of the officials and in most cases a picture of the official will display as well.

Games not in Arbiter (same as in the past but hopefully more user friendly)

Logon to chsaa.org/coaches/RATE YOUR CONTEST OFFICIAL
USE OF REGISTERED OFFICIALS

All varsity matches and tournaments shall be officiated by high school soccer officials – HSSO. Only those officials who are registered with the Commissioner and who have been issued CHSAA registration cards may be contracted by member schools to officiate in all varsity and junior varsity contests. It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that only registered officials be used in any interscholastic contest at the sub-junior varsity levels. NOTE: In order to deviate from the use of registered officials, special permission must be secured from the CHSAA.

Game officials are an integral part of interscholastic activities and have been entrusted with the conduct of the event. Derogatory statements or conduct concerning game officials, either during actual games or at other times by student participants, coaches or other representative of a school are considered detrimental to the orderly conduct of interscholastic activities programs and are a violation of CHSAA Bylaws. Whenever a game official's conduct warrants legitimate grievance, the student participant, coach, or other school representative shall express the grievance in writing and forward it through the school principal to the CHSAA Commissioner for review and appropriate action. Failure to observe this procedure shall constitute a violation of this policy and subject the offender to authorized disciplinary action. Disciplinary action could result in the following: (a) reprimand; (b) probation; (c) restriction; or, (d) suspension. (CHSAA By-law 2230)

Officials Fees for 2013
(As adopted by the CHSAA Legislative Council)

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1. Mileage – 40 cents per mile. Exception see note 1 that follows: Note 1: The Confluence (except Campion); The 5280 (except Gilpin County); The Colorado 7(except Fort Lupton, Elizabeth, Fort Morgan, Weld Central); The Jefferson County (except Conifer & Evergreen), Denver, Continental, East Metro, Front Range (except Fort Collins, Loveland, Poudre and Rocky Mountain), Frontier (except Bennett, Clear Creek, Lake County, Middle Park and Platte Canyon), Metropolitan, and Centennial leagues and Broomfield, Denver Academy, Denver Christian, and Valor will not pay mileage between league cities, but will pay a mileage travel stipend of $2 to each official between league cities per day of assignments. Colorado Springs schools will pay mileage travel stipend of $2 per day of assignments to officials selected from the Colorado Springs Officials’ Association. An official that is assigned to two or more contests at a given site on the same day shall be paid one travel stipend or reimbursement.

2. Only ONE driver will be paid the mileage reimbursement for each contest. It will be paid to the official on the crew who travels the farthest. Issues with multiple drivers must be solved between the officials and the assignor prior to the game.

3. In lieu of per diem, a rider fee of $10 is paid to officials, non-drivers only, who are riding on trips of 75 miles or more one-way.

4. It is recommended that, during the regular season only, assigners assign officials to a contest whose travel miles to a school is less than or equal to 75 miles round trip, thus resulting in a payment of no more than $30 for travel. If an official travels miles more than 75 miles round trip the official should be paid at the $.40/mile rate as listed above unless other arrangements are made with the officials by the school.
Some suggestions on the employment of officials:

a. Mutually agree on acceptable officials within your league or with each individual school.
b. Attempt to employ these officials early. (Officials in some geographical areas are not permitted to accept contracts until after the assignment meetings are over.)
c. Attend your area assignment meeting.
d. Do not hire officials who actively seek games or who are unethical in other ways.
e. Have a written agreement with each official. Contract forms for this purpose are available from the CHSAA.
f. Pay them promptly, preferably before the game.
g. Keep good records on all officials!! From these records you may wish to re-employ in future years.
h. Report immediately to the CHSAA Office any conduct on the official's part which is in violation of the officials' code of ethics (check the soccer officials' directory).
i. In an emergency, contact the area director (check the soccer officials' directory). He/She can help you secure an official.
j. Live up to your contract with the official. Do not attempt to "remove" him/her after a controversial match.
k. Use a variety of officials. It is inappropriate for the official and inappropriate for the school to use the same official over and over again. Usually, two times a season is more than enough.
l. Make officials feel that they've stepped into a quality soccer program. Have a person greet the officials upon their arrival. Provide a clean, secure room for their pre-game conference, if possible.
m. If a game is suspended and new officials are assigned when the game resumes, those new officials should receive a full game fee. If a game is suspended and the same officials return to complete the game, a game fee can be negotiated up to a full fee. A school may be expected to pay full game fees to two different officiating crews when a game is suspended.

Good Faith Rule – When a school has made a good faith effort to contact an official of a postponement or overbooking, no fee shall be paid to any official. That same official shall have the first opportunity to work the canceled contest. When an effort to contact an official of overbooking or cancellation has not been made prior to the time an official has left to work the contest, 50% of standard fee plus any travel allowance due will be paid to an official who shows up to officiate the contest. Once a match is started, the official is entitled to the entire match fee.
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3A, 4A, 5A POST-SEASON INFORMATION

The following information is relative to the 2013 Boys’ Soccer Playoff Season. It is expected that coaches and Directors of Athletics will review and become familiar with all information contained within.

If you have questions, interpretations, or wish to offer suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact Assistant Commissioner Bud Ozzello at the CHSAA office. Due to the possibility of extreme travel in the playoffs, any cooperation between schools to reduce cost would be appreciated.

Please Note: In all 4A and 5A first round soccer games, and 3A first and second round play the host school (through a league assigner) is responsible for securing officials and the payment of those assigned officials. Check with your assigner for the status of these officials.

GAME CONDUCT AND ADMINISTRATION

EQUAL FACILITIES
Although it is necessary that one team be designated as the home team at common sites, it shall be kept in mind that the game belongs equally to both competing schools. It is strongly urged that a pre-game planning meeting be held to cover all details connected with the staging of every post-season contest. Game fields must be legal size fields for high school soccer and be in safe and playable condition. The CHSAA office reserves the right to make sure all playoff fields are legal fields, as per NF rules, and allow both teams a fair opportunity to compete and to also ensure proper seating for spectators with a restricted area between participants and fans.

TEAM BENCH AREAS
In the post season both teams sit on the same side of the field as per National Federation of State High Schools Soccer Rules - Rule 1 – the Field of Play, Section 5 – Officials and Team Areas. This arrangement of the team area both on the same side of the field assists in the administration of the game. This arrangement of the teams has also proven to be successful in the sporting behavior of both players and coaches.

This is not meant to suggest that fans from both schools must sit on the same side of the field. At many soccer fields and venues fans are on one side of the field and spectators are on the opposite side of the field. If in the opinion of the home game administration this arrangement of both benches on the same side of field is not in the best interest of the game then team benches maybe separated on opposite sides of the field. It is CHSAA’s intent in the semi-finals through finals that team benches will be on the same side of the field.

FIELD MARKINGS
The CHSAA asks that you work with your maintenance and field staff to make sure your field of play is marked, as per the NF rule book guidelines which are found in the NF rule book on the next page following the table of contents. Located there is the NF diagram for marking a high school soccer field. It includes the markings for team bench and officials’ areas for teams located on the same side of the field, as per NF rules.

Post-season matches played on soccer fields without fences or barriers are required to have a chalked or marked line 10’ from the boundary lines. This is to restrict fans from being within 10’ of the field boundary lines. In addition no one shall be permitted directly behind either goal unless seated in bleachers. Please locate the NF soccer field diagram located in the front of the NF soccer rule book for directions to these markings and to NF soccer Rule 1-6 for the rule reference. Make sure you soccer field for post season is marked correctly.

EJECTION OF YOUR COACH
CHSAA By-laws require that a credentialed coach under contract with the school district must assume supervisory responsibility for all interscholastic contests. If a coach is ejected and no credentialed person from that school is available, the contest shall be forfeited.
**CHSAA By-law Article 22, Rule 2210.22** - A coach ejected from a game is required to complete the following courses offered on-line by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS): Sportsmanship; Teaching and Modeling Behavior. These courses shall be completed before he/she will be removed from probation and must be finished in a reasonable amount of time during the season to be determined by the school’s athletic director.

If it becomes necessary for an official to eject a coach from a game for any reason, the coach shall be placed on CHSAA probation, in accordance with the policies established by the CHSAA Board of Directors.

**PRACTICE**
Participating teams will not be allowed to practice at the state championship site the week (November 4, 2013 through the finals on November 8, 2013) of the state championships.

**ANNOUNCER**
The announcer should be a school staff member or responsible individual who can set the tone of the game by calling the fans’ attention to the following points of reference: (1) CHSAA playoff contests are conducted under the strictest code of good sporting-like behavior; (2) The officials are neutral individuals and have been selected because of demonstrated ability; (3) Fans are to be encouraged by the announcer to support their own team and display proper protocol and sporting-like behavior.

**INLEMENT WEATHER POLICY**
The following policy statements represent the general operating procedures of the CHSAA regarding post-season competition that is threatened by acts of God which include, but are not limited to, inclement weather, infectious diseases, or other uncontrollable and unforeseen circumstances. Circumstances not covered by this policy are left to the discretion of the CHSAA office.

Note: Schools and individuals have the added responsibility of making alternative travel plans to contest/tournament sites based upon weather forecasts, etc. As a common factor, input and recommendations are to be sought from the Highway Patrol Division of Highways and Travel.

**Team Competition**
1. **Dual** - The scheduled starting time and/or date of a contest/event may be adjusted upon consultation and mutual agreement of the administrators from the two affected schools as well as consultation with the CHSAA office.
2. **Tournaments/Conferences** - In the event acts of God prevent a team(s) from arriving on time for a scheduled contest as part of a post-season tournament, the following steps will be enacted:
   a. When the number of schools participating is 25% or more that are unable to be present, the tournament/conference director, in consultation with the CHSAA, shall postpone all or part of the day’s contests/activities. Alternative brackets and time schedules shall be determined by the director, in consultation with the CHSAA, which may include extending the contest/tournament.
3. When less than 25% of schools are not able to attend the following procedures will be followed:
   a. Notify the tournament director or designee with complete details a minimum of four hours before the scheduled starting time the day the tournament is to begin and/or other affected days of the tournament.
   b. If unable to arrive for the scheduled starting time, that segment of the bracket (game) will be moved to a later time slot that evening, following the completion of scheduled contests.
   c. In the event "a" is not possible, the game(s) will be rescheduled the following morning-- where the schedule permits --at a time to be set by the tournament director.
   d. In the event "b" is not possible and the contest(s) cannot be rescheduled due to facility and/or schedule conflicts, etc., the contest shall be declared a forfeit. When a consolation bracket is available, the team unable to make the contest will enter the consolation bracket.
OFFICIALS
CHSAA will assign officials beginning in the second round playoff games in the 4A/5A Classifications. The assignment of officials will begin in the quarterfinal round for the 3A classification. Home schools are responsible for paying officials through the quarter-final rounds and CHSAA will pay the officials for the semifinal and final rounds.

4A/5A schools select and pay officials for the first round, 3A first and second round. CHSAA selects officials for the second round and the quarterfinals, but the home school is responsible for their match fee. CHSAA selects and is responsible for official payments in the semi-final and final rounds.

To access the officials that CHSAA has assigned, Athletic Directors need to access “The Arbiter Sports” web site. Go to www.chsaa.org > Officials’ > Officials’ Home > The Arbiter or www.arbitersports.com

SITES
If natural surface fields aren’t playable, artificial turf sites when available will be used to stay on schedule. This will be a CHSAA administrator decision and schools will be notified.

AWARDS
Awards for the 2013 Boys’ Soccer Playoffs will be as follows: championship team receives a trophy; second place team receives a plaque. All athletes participating in the final four-championship tournament will receive participation certificates.

AWARDS CEREMONY
The CHSAA will have an awards ceremony at the conclusion of the championship game in each classification. The awarding of team trophies will be after the team hand shake line. The award ceremony will be located in the center of the field. School administrators and coaches are expected to assist in the award ceremony by not allowing students and fans to join their team on the field.

CHEERLEADERS
A total of 25 CHEER and 25 POMS athletes in uniform accompanied by their coach are allowed in free of admission at the player entrance. Each subsequent cheerleader will be required to pay through the participating school. All cheerleaders will be allowed to cheer. No form is required.

TRAVEL GUARANTEE
During post season 3A, 4A, 5A first round through all quarter-final rounds schools are required to charge admission and submit a financial report to the CHSAA office. If it is impossible to charge admission permission maybe requested to pay the CHSAA a fee in lieu of charging admission (3A-$125; 4A-$200; and 5A-$200). Contact Bud Ozzello for permission.

SOCCER POST SEASON VENUES
Enclosed fields with suitable seating and where an admission can be charged is the preferred venue for post season games. Field conditions must meet minimum NF rules with regard to size of the field. Team bench areas located on the same side of the field are expected. The field should be secured in a manner to limit fan access to players, coaches, and officials. Please refer to the NF rule book for securing a field from spectators.

BENCH AREA
Maximum total in the bench area is 30; this includes 25 players, 2-coaches, 2-managers and 1 trainer for semifinals and championship games.
TICKET PRICES FOR STATE TOURNAMENTS

First Round/Second Round/Quarterfinals
General Admission .................. $6.00
K-12 Students & Senior Citizens $5.00

Semifinals
General Admission .................. $8.00
K-12 Students & Senior Citizens $6.00

Finals (DSGP)
General Admission .................. $10.00
K-12 Students & Senior Citizens $8.00

POST SEASON FORMAT

For Classes 3A, 4A, and 5A, the results of regular season play will determine qualifiers and respective seeds in the 32-team post-season rounds. Leagues or regions may use the results of their 15-match regular season schedule or a system developed and approved by the league/region membership. This qualifying system must be submitted to the CHSAA office by the league or region prior to August 29, 2013 (B) and March 7, 2014 (G).

If ties exist within the regions, either the CHSAA qualifying point system or a tiebreaker developed by the regions (submitted to the CHSAA office prior to August 29, 2013 (B) and March 7, 2014 (G) or a regular season game must be used to break the tie.

In the event a region does not file a tiebreaker system, the CHSAA universal tiebreaker will be used (see CHSAA Constitution and Bylaws).

A playoff (involving 2 or more teams) may be conducted in order to break tie(s) in regions/leagues. However, IN NO CASE MAY A SCHOOL EXCEED THE 15 MATCH SEASON LIMIT to break a tie in the standings.

Regular season matches must be completed by Friday, October 18, 2013 for boys. Regular season matches must be completed by Friday, May 2, 2014 for girls. All 32-team post-season qualifiers must be determined no later than Saturday, October 19, 2013 for boys; and Saturday, May 3, 2014 for girls. The CHSAA staff can approve alternates dates in extreme situations.

The host school is responsible for MATCH OFFICIALS in all first round matches for the 4A and 5A classifications. In the 3A classification the host school is responsible for MATCH OFFICIALS in all first and second round matches. The CHSAA is responsible for the assignment of MATCH OFFICIALS in the second round of the state tournament to the finals in the 4A and 5A classifications, and from the quarterfinal matches to the state tournament final in the 3A classification. All boys’ & girls’ post-season matches are to be played as per the specific bracket dates in each classification. Host schools are responsible for the payment of officials up through the quarterfinals matches in each classification.
Playoff Qualifying Procedures – Each region will receive automatic qualifiers equaling no more than 40% of the number of teams in the region. In the case that the percentage of teams results in a non-whole number the number of qualifiers will be truncated to the nearest whole number. (Example 3.6 = 3). All regions are guaranteed a minimum of one automatic qualifier.

At-Large teams will be selected using the following resources (in no particular order): MaxPreps Ranking, league poll, head-to-head results, common opponents, and the committee will honor league finish. The committee will attempt to not match region/league opponents in the first round matches. Geography in the first round will be considered at the seeding/pairing committee meeting on Sunday October 20, 2013 (Boys’); Sunday May 4, 1014 (Girls’).

It is the responsibility of the region/league representative to correctly list the Automatic Qualifiers for each classification and verify that they appear on the tournament bracket. The representatives will also make nominations for the At-Large teams and will follow the list of resources listed above. This representative must be a school administrator assigned by their league president.

**Breaking Ties in Regions/Leagues**

A playoff (involving 2 or more teams) may be conducted in order to break tie(s) in regions. However, **IN NO CASE MAY A SCHOOL EXCEED THE 15 GAME SEASON LIMIT** to break a tie in the standings.

Regions/leagues, which break ties in the standings without additional play, will do so by the region’s adopted tiebreaker system, a copy of which is to be on file with the CHSAA office for review. **In the event a region/league does not file a tiebreaker system, it must break ties in the following manner:**

1. Head to head (record against each of the teams involved).
2. Record against top team in the region/league.
3. Record against the next highest common region/league opponent above tie.
4. Record against next lower common region/league opponent below the tie.
5. Goals given up against varsity teams within the region/league.
6. Goals given up against varsity teams against teams in the same classification.
7. Goals given up in all varsity contests.
8. Coin flips by CHSAA Assistant Commissioner in charge of soccer.

If no other method has been established, region/league standings will be established by awarding two points for a win, 1 point for a tie and no points for a loss.  
(Note: If at any point in utilizing the above system, just two teams remain, the system reverts back to step #1 above).

**STATE TOURNAMENT INFORMATION**

**Home Sites**
In the 4A, and 5A classifications the higher seeded team will be the home team throughout, and will host the 1st round, 2nd round and quarterfinal round matches. The higher seed in all classifications will be designated as the home team in semifinal and final matches.

In 3A, the top eight (8) seeded teams recognized by the seeding/pairing committee will host the first and second rounds of play on the first weekend of the playoff bracket. The host sites will be at central locations and those sites will be identified by the seeding/pairing committee. During the quarterfinal matches, the host site will be listed by the highest seeded team following the completion of the second round play. The higher seeded team will be the home team throughout the playoffs.
It is preferred by the CHSAA that quarterfinal post-season host sites follow all CHSAA playoff requirements included by not limited to admission and all other amenities of a championship game, including bleacher seating and a secure playing field for players, coaches and officials.

One representative (administrator) for each 3A region, and 4A and 5A league will be assigned to be seated on the seeding/pairing committee. The assignments to serve on the seeding/pairing committee will be submitted to the CHSAA office by league presidents and approved the CHSAA office. Also seated on the committee as non-voting members will be:

- The President of the Colorado Coaches Association
- The CHSSCA league poll director
- The CHSSCA league poll assistant
- One non-voting representative from the CHSAA office

In all classifications, the following seeding/pairing process will be used:

- Each region will receive automatic qualifiers equaling no more than 40% of the number of teams in the region. In the case that the percentage of teams results in a non-whole number the number of qualifiers will be truncated to the nearest whole number. (Example 3.6 = 3). All regions are guaranteed a minimum of the one automatic qualifier.
- The league poll is sent to all coaches in each classification including the independent school (Valor Christian) and schools that participate in multi-class leagues (Mullen and Ponderosa). This information will be compiled by a league representative. The compilation ranking is then sent to the CHSAA and the overall compilation of all regional/league voting, along with Valor Christian, Mullen and Ponderosa voting by the 3 team group.
- At large teams will be selected using the following resources (in no particular order): MaxPreps Ranking, league poll, head-to-head results, and common opponents. Geography in the first round matches will be given consideration by the seeding/pairing committee.
- The committee shall attempt to pair teams with the shortest possible distance between the teams in the first round. The committee will look at the potential second round pairings travel due to rounds being scheduled on the calendar within the span of a week.
- If possible, the committee will attempt not pair teams in the first round that played each other during the league season.
- In 3A, the top eight (8) seeded teams voted on by the seeding/pairing committee will host the first and second round games during the same weekend at a central location.

SPECIAL SEEDING NOTE: The committee shall not be bound by the above criteria when placing the number 25 through 32 seeds. The committee shall pair these teams with geography taking primary priority. Teams 25-32 may be paired against a team from their region/conference or another team they have played earlier in the season.

**SWL and WSL Post Season Qualifying Criteria:** (Adopted by the 2011 April Legislative Council)

1. 4 points for a win over a school from a larger classification
2. 3 points for a win over a school from the same or lower classification
3. 1 point for a tie
4. 1 point for a forfeit win
POST SEASON DATES, MATCH TIMES, & WARM-UP TIMES

CHSAA will establish match dates. It is the desire of the CHSAA that schools mutually establish match times that best accommodate the interests of each school and community. Schools must take into account the conditions in which the match will be played and make the best decision to accommodate the schools involved. The CHSAA will not mandate schools to play matches in conditions that are not in the best interest of the schools involved. NOTE: All mutually established match times are subject to final approval by the CHSAA office as needed. When mutual agreement for the match time cannot be reached, the following statements will apply:

a. When post-season matches are to be played on a Saturday, 1:00 or 3:00 p.m. is the preferred scheduled times; when post-season matches are to be played on a weekday, 3:30 p.m. or 4:00 p.m. are preferred times and for non-lighted fields. The option of 6:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. for lighted fields are preferred scheduled times.

b. The Commissioner shall have the sole province to designate match times and sites, including when a school district is hosting more than one match. Conflicts, which could have a venue, academic or financial impact on the match, will be considered.

c. All schools, both home and visitor, will be provided the opportunity to supply input in the match time scheduling process.

d. The CHSAA post-season calendar will be adhered to when match conditions permit. When available, host schools shall attempt locate an artificial turf site that will be as an alternative to stay on schedule.

TOURNAMENT FINANCES

Please refer to the Legislative Council 2011-12 Minutes for information regarding the financial report when you are a host school in the 3A, 4A and 5A first round through quarter-finals in girls’ soccer. If you are a host school for a soccer playoff game Donna Coonts, CHSAA Bookkeeper, will email you the report form. The soccer financial report form is interactive, allowing you to send it directly to the CHSAA via email.

TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCE

Soccer
Maximum
-21 (1st round, prelim, and quarterfinal rounds)
-25 (semis and finals)
-5.0 cents per mile based on actual participants.

"Proximity Travel Defined"
This area shall be defined for purposes of school travel reimbursement, as a 1-59 mile radius (road miles one-way) from the location of the state championship site(s) and/or tournament games as a flat-rate of $90.00.

MEAL ALLOWANCE:

A. Meal allowance, where permitted in team competition, may apply at all district, regional and state playoff tournament levels when travel is in excess of 60 miles (road miles one-way) and/or involves overnight lodging for tournament play.
B. The meal allowance for all sports as noted under Item A, in all district and state playoff tournaments will be as follows: Breakfast - $4.00; Lunch - $5.00; Dinner - $6.00
C. Meal allowance is based on the maximum number allowed for reimbursement shown in the transportation section.
D. The above meal allowance does not pertain to the host school.
E. The Commissioner will decide the number of allowable meals for state playoffs as noted under Item A.
HOTEL ALLOWANCE:

A. Hotel allowance will be $12.00 per night for actual participants based on the number shown in the transportation section.

B. A team must travel at least 200 miles one way before overnight lodging is allowed. It must travel 325 miles one way before the second night lodging is permitted.

C. In the event of an emergency such as a storm, and the traveling team is forced to remain longer, a contingency fund will be set up by the CHSAA to defray unexpected expenses. Such hardship cases will be decided by the Commissioner. If the balance of the contingency fund is unable to cover costs, it will be prorated among the affected schools.

D. Hotel expenses will be allowed for actual overnight used.

REMINDERS FOR THE POST SEASON

1. Region/League standing tiebreakers should be submitted to the CHSAA office for the 2013 fall season by August 30, 2013. Leagues not submitting a tiebreaker will use the CHSAA tiebreaker on located within this 2013 boys’ soccer bulletin.

2. 3A host schools are responsible for the assignment of officials for their 1st round and 2nd round post season matches.

3. 4A and 5A schools are responsible for the assignment of officials for their 1st round post season matches. The CHSAA will assign officials for the 4A & 5A classifications from the second round through the finals. Schools and/or league assigners must select and assign officials for their 4A and 5A first round post season games and 3A must select and assign officials for their first and second round.

4. In all brackets, the home team will be the higher seeded team.

5. In the sports of field hockey, lacrosse and soccer, schools hosting contests which are on the state championship bracket in that sport may pay a fee to the CHSAA in lieu of charging admission. (Boys Soccer 3A-$125, 4A-$200, 5A-$200; Girls Soccer 3A-$150, 4A-$150, 5A-$150; Girls Field Hockey-$50; Girls Lacrosse-$125; Boys Lacrosse-$125. This fee will be set by the CHSAA and will be based on an average of the 20% of the gross sent to the CHSAA in previous playoffs in that sport. When paying this fee, hosting schools are still responsible for any travel guarantee due to the opponent, officials’ payments another costs associated with hosting these contests. Pre-approval from CHSAA is required for implementation.
POST SEASON TOURNAMENT GAME TIE BREAKER

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 on proper procedure.

1. If a playoff game is tied at the conclusion of regulation, two 15-minute sudden victories (golden goal) will be played. Flip the coin for the start of the overtime, just like at the start of the game.

2. If the score still remains tied, all coaches, officials and team captains shall assemble at the halfway line to review the procedure as outlined below:
   A. The head referee shall choose the goal at which all of the kicks from the penalty line shall be taken.
   B. Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the kicks.
   C. A coin toss shall be held. The team winning the toss shall have the choice of kicking first. Or, to kick second. They get to choose. Visitor calls
   D. Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
   E. Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring on the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
   F. Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory. An asterisk (*) may be placed by the team advancing to indicate the advancement was the result of a tiebreaker system. We do not report the score.

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 have already 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.

4. Penalty Kick Mechanics
   A. The first kicker on each team shall report to the official at the penalty area. The official will record the player's name, number and the order in his team's cycle. The next kicker shall be outside the penalty area before the athlete attempt and during the attempt by the kicker who precedes him/her.
   B. The goalkeeper who is to defend against the next penalty kick attempt shall be located outside the field of play at the intersection of the goal line and penalty area boundary to the side designated by the officials.
   C. The home team will provide three game balls. The home team is responsible for providing ball persons to assist the game officials.
   D. The referee indicates the area at which the ball may be placed, tells the goalkeeper to take his place on the goal line, and then signals with a whistle for the penalty kick.
      a. National Federation Rule 14-1
         Art. 3...The opposing goalkeeper shall stand on the goal line, between the goal posts, until the ball is kicked. Lateral movement is allowed, but the goalkeeper is not permitted to come off the line by stepping or lunging forward until the ball is in play.

PENALTY (Articles 2 and 3): Infringement by the defending team is not penalized if the goal is scored. If a goal is not scored on the penalty kick, it is retaken. If there is an infringement by the attacking team and the ball enters the goal, the goal does not count and the kick shall be retaken. If there is an encroachment by the attacking team and the ball does not go into the goal, there is not re-kick. If the ball rebounds into play, the game shall be stopped and restarted with an indirect free kick for the defending team at the location of the encroachment. If the ball is saved and held by the goalkeeper, play shall continue. In cases
where players from both teams are guilty of infringements, the kick shall be retaken regardless of the outcome of the kick.

Art. 4...The ball shall be kicked while it is stationary on the ground from the spot or any place on the penalty kick mark. To be in play, the ball shall be moved forward. Once the kicker starts his/her approach toward the ball, he/she may not interrupt his/her movement. Failure to kick the ball as specified shall result in a re-kick.

E. Once a kicker has reported to the referee to attempt the next kick, he/she may be placed.

**Note: Misconduct by the goalkeeper e.g., shouting or gesturing, during an unsuccessful penalty kick, will result in a caution or ejection and a retake of the kick.

5. Match Terminated due to Inclement Weather:
   In all playoff contests, any suspended game will be restarted from the point of interruption and carried to its completion. The score, game time and ball possession will carry over to the restarted game.

GUIDELINES FOR SEEDING THE STATE SOCCER TOURNAMENT (ALL CLASSIFICATIONS)

Each region will receive automatic qualifiers equaling no more than 40% of the number of teams in the region. In the case that the percentage of teams results in a non-whole number the number of qualifiers will be truncated to the nearest whole number. (Example 3.6 = 3) All regions are guaranteed a minimum on one automatic qualifier. (In classifications where the total number of automatic qualifiers would exceed 32, adjustments would be made based on historical strength to reduce the number of automatic qualifiers).

At-Large teams will be selected using the following resources (in no particular order): MaxPreps Ranking; league poll; head-to-head competition; and common opponents. The committee will utilize geography as a consideration in the first round of the bracket play. Teams will be selected and placed on the bracket by the seeding committee during the Seeding Committee Meeting on Sunday, October 20, 2013.

The top (8) 3A seated teams by committee vote will host the first and second playoff rounds at central location sites. The sites will be determined by the soccer seeding committee. The play-off calendar will be adjusted to reflect first and second round matches to be played at the central locations.

At-Large teams will be selected by the seeding committee at the seeding committee meeting on Sunday, October 20, 2013.

A committee will meet on Sunday, October 20, 2013 at 9:00 am following the end of the 3A/4A/5A regular season to establish the seeding. The committee will be composed of the following:

- One representative for each 3A, 4A and 5A region/league, with the President of the Soccer Coaches Association serving as a member of the committee.
- One Director of Athletics representing each classification (3A, 4A, 5A) Plus Independent
- The CHSSCA league poll director
- The CHSSCA poll advisor
- One non voting representative from the CHSAA office
**CHSAA POST SEASON SEEDING COMMITTEE**  
Tomas Martinez, Cheyenne Mountain HS – CHSSCA Poll Advisor  
Sean Henning, Rock Canyon HS - CHSSCA Poll Director  
Theresa Echtermeyer, Mountain Vista – 5A coach & President CHSSCA (non-voting member)

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*The members of this seeding committee will be chosen by the league’s president and approved by Assistant Commissioner Bud Ozzello. This information will be sent out and available in mid-September.*

Questions about the particular seeding of a team from the coach or Athletic Director should be directed to the reading of this bulletin and further questions should be directed to Bud Ozzello, Assistant Commissioner.
CHSSCA & CHSAA LEAGUE POLL 2013

As part of the seeding process each classification shall vote through a league poll to rank the Top 16 teams. This poll shall be utilized by the seeding committee as one of several tools to determine the final seeding. Each league/region within its classification shall submit one poll to the CHSSCA/CHSAA League Poll Director who will compile the polls into the Top 16. Once finalized the Top 16 poll will be submitted for the seeding committee meeting on October 20, 2013.

During the week prior to the seeding committee meeting the poll instructions will be emailed to each league/region representative. It must be completed and emailed back to CHSSCA/CHSAA League Poll Director, Sean Henning at shenningrchs@aol.com. Each poll must be completed and made available to the CHSSCA poll director and the CHSAA by Saturday, 10:00 am October 19, 2013.

Here are the guidelines for the development of the poll:

1. A league/region representative is to be appointed for each league/region and is to be responsible for submitting the league poll by the deadline to CHSAA and the League Poll Director of CHSSCA by 10:00 am on the Saturday prior to the Sunday seeding meeting.

2. Each league/region will send one poll that consists of CHSAA member teams that will participate in that classification. (Coaches, familiarize yourself with all teams in the state in your school’s classification to reflect an accurate view in your voting.) Each league will provide the league/region finish of all of its teams along with their overall records, with the automatic qualifiers identified. This includes teams that are 4A schools but play in a 5A league. **Leagues cannot vote for teams in their league/region.**

3. All leagues/regions must participate to make the poll valid and each school in the league or region is required to participate. A league/region’s lack of participation may result in a team from their league not being seeded or receiving the last seeded positions. Mullen, Ponderosa and Valor Christian will group together and submit one poll to the Poll Director. You do not have to be a member of the coaches association to vote.

4. League Polls should reflect the Top 16 teams based on the final regular season finish of all eligible teams. Each league poll is not limited to just the 40% automatic region/league qualifiers but can include any team within the entire classification.

5. Teams listed in the final poll can be adjusted to reflect league finish.

6. Leagues with more than one classification will submit a ranking for each classification.

7. All teams that play in a league during the regular season, but are assigned to another region for the playoffs, will vote with their assigned region or group for the league poll.

8. The league/region representative will email their poll results to CHSSCA/CHSAA League Poll Director Sean Henning at shenningrchs@aol.com and to CHSAA at bozzello@chsaa.org by 10:00 am on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2013. Contact Sean Henning the poll director if there are deadline issues.

9. The poll will be made up by tallying the various league/region rankings:

   i. 16 points for each 1st place vote; 15 points for each 2nd place vote
   ii. 14 points for each 3rd place vote; 13 points for each 4th place vote
   iii. 12 points for each 5th place vote; 11 points for each 6th place vote
   iv. 10 points for each 7th place vote; 9 points for each 8th place vote
v. 8 points for each 9th place vote; 7 points for each 10th place vote
vi. 6 points for each 11th place vote; 5 points for each 12th place vote
vii. 4 points for each 13th place vote; 3 points for each 14th place vote
viii. 2 points for each 15th place vote; 1 point for each 16th place vote

10. Ties in total points will be broken according to the following criteria.

   i. Head-to-Head
   ii. Common opponents and the outcomes.
   iii. The highest ranking on any of the leagues rankings.
   iv. NASL 6 point scoring.
   v. Coin toss.

11. The final poll will be of all the teams that appeared on a league/region ranking.

12. Leagues are recommended to have a process for verifying submitted information to the poll director. League information is considered final when it is submitted by the deadline 10:00 a.m. on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2013.

ALL LEAGUES MUST RESPOND, a non-response from any league will invalidate the poll and may cause the seeding committee to have to seed those teams from those leagues to the last seeding positions or at the committee discretion use the average of how each teams was voted for by the other leagues.

*Valor Christian, Mullen and Ponderosa must vote and be represented as one group.

Coaches, please make sure that you call in all of your scores to the local media in your area, The Denver Post and the CHSAA sponsored stats website for all league games, as well as the region games, so accurate results are available to each league/region for completion of its poll.
Below is the list of league representatives' responsible for providing the CHSSCA/CHSAA League Poll Director their league poll and league finish. Please contact Sean Henning as soon as possible with the name, phone number, and email address of the league representative to be listed. As soon a completed list is given to Sean Henning, the CHSAA office will forward information out to schools. Sean Henning will provide instructions by Wednesday, October 16, 2013 on how to report the league poll and league finish.

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{22 Automatic qualifiers, 10 At-Large bids}

School choosing to not play in the post season – Campion Academy – (155), Denver Jewish Day School (76)

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The top 8 3A teams by committee vote will host the first and second playoff rounds at central location sites. The sites will be determined by the soccer seeding committee. The play-off calendar will be adjusted to reflect first and second round matches to be played at the central locations.

NOTE: All Game balls and ball holders utilized for all first and second round matches must be provided by the host school.

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#### Recommended Game Times:
- **First Round Games**: Friday 3:00 pm & 5:30 or 6:00 pm
- **Second Round Games**: Saturday 1:00 pm

Game times can be adjusted to compensate for home football games on either day or ACT testing on Saturday.

**NOTE:** All Game balls and ball holders utilized for all first and second round matches **must** be provided by the host school.

The highest seeded team following the conclusion of the second round will play host to the quarterfinal bracketed matches.
### QUALIFYING FORMAT AND ASSIGNMENT BY CLASS – (continued):

**Class 4A Boys' Soccer** (Enrollment: 601-1410) 70 Teams – 32 Qualifiers

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QUALIFYING FORMAT AND ASSIGNMENT BY CLASS – (continued):

**Class 5A Boys’ Soccer** (Enrollment: 1411- Up) 61 Teams – 32 Qualifiers

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SOCcer committee additional informational items:

A. The committee commended the CHSAA staff, the Englewood School District and staff, along with Denver Public School; Douglas County School District; Cherry Creek School District; and Dick’s Sporting Goods Park management, for their work as hosts of the boys’ and girls’ semifinal and final matches.

B. The HSSO President Davis Moore informed the committee that there were a total of 442 members of HSSO. This includes 8 fewer officials from the previous year. For the first time in the fall season, assignors and officials utilized the Arbiter Sports System to assign officials for the regular season. Although the system still has flaws, it is the hope of the HSSO, assignors, officials and CHSAA that this will make it more effective in the communication with officials this spring.

C. MaxPreps Ranking System – Gerry Valerio presented information regarding the MaxPreps website and the use of the MaxPreps Rankings System for seeding and pairing purposes. The MaxPreps Ranking System factors include: Game results from the current season (Including wins/losses against in-state and out-of state opponents); Quality wins (against ranked teams); strength of schedule;

D. CHSSCA Report – Theresa Echtermeyer (CHSSCA, President) – Encourage the evaluation of officials following each match; Encourage coaches to vote for playoff officials; she voiced the concern of the day of the week that regular season matches are scheduled. It is difficult to find quality officials to fill the varsity, and sub-varsity schedules with numerous matches on the same rotations. (i.e. Monday/Wednesday versus Tuesday/Thursday). Coaches want to continue to do things that make high school soccer special. Colorado coaches like the idea of having all 3 Boys’ Championship matches played on the same day, but would like to investigate the possibility of scheduling evening match times. Echtermeyer also discussed that it was difficult to play the 5A second round matches on a Monday evening. The coaches had discussion surrounding the CHSAA eligibility standards and the responsibility of the school’s administration for this to be executed successfully during the season.

E. Wilson Sporting Goods – Jamie Andra provided the committee with an example of the new game ball to be played with beginning with the 2013 fall boys’ semifinal and final matches and 2014 spring girls’ semifinal and final matches. The Wilson Forte Fybrid is approved by the NFHS and also the NCAA.
DIRECTIONS TO THE SEMIFINAL AND FINAL SOCCER SITE

All City Stadium - I-25 to Downing, N to Louisiana, E to fields. 1700 E. Louisiana Ave., Denver, CO 80210.

Sports Authority Stadium (Douglas County HS) - I-25 to East on Lincoln Ave. Turn right on Chambers. The stadium is on the right.

Dick’s Sports Goods Park - Dick’s Sporting Goods Park is located at the Southwest corner of the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Refuge in Commerce City, Colorado.

There are THREE main entrances into Dick’s Sporting Goods Park:
• Quebec St. and E. 60th Avenue.
• Quebec St. and Prairie Parkway (64th Avenue).
• 56th Avenue and Valentia Street.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO DICK’S SPORTING GOODS COMPLEX COMING FROM THE NORTH
• If you are traveling South on Interstate 25, exit east or left onto Thornton Parkway. Precede East on Thornton Parkway and turn south or right onto Colorado Boulevard. Continue South on Colorado Boulevard and turn east or left onto 88th Avenue. Continue East on 88th Avenue (you will cross over Interstate 76 and pass the Mile High Flea Market) and then turn south or right on to Highway 2. Continue South on Highway 2 and turn south or left onto Quebec Parkway. Then turn east or left onto Prairie Parkway (64th Avenue) and into event parking.
• If you are traveling West on Interstate 76, exit South onto US Highway 6 & 85. Continue South on US Highway 6 & 85 and turn left or East onto 72nd Avenue. Continue East on 72nd Avenue and turn right or South onto Quebec Parkway. Continue South on Quebec Parkway and turn East or left onto Prairie Parkway (64th Avenue) and into event parking.
• If you are traveling East on Interstate 270 & South on US Highway 36, Exit South onto Vasquez Boulevard and immediately turn left or East onto 56th Avenue. Continue East on 56th Avenue and turn left or North onto Valentia Street and into event parking.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS COMING FROM THE EAST
• If you are traveling West on Interstate 70, exit North onto Havana Street. Proceed North on Havana Street. Turn west or left at 56th Avenue. Turn north or left on Valentia Street and into event parking.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS COMING FROM THE SOUTH
• If you are traveling North on Interstate 25, exit East onto Interstate 70. Continue traveling East on Interstate 70, exit North onto Quebec Street. Proceed North on Quebec Street. Turn East or right 60th Avenue and into event parking.
• If you are traveling North on Interstate 225, exit West onto Interstate 70. Proceed West on Interstate 70 and exit North onto Havana Street. Proceed North on Havana Street. Turn west or left at 56th Avenue. Turn north or left on Valentia Street and into event parking.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS COMING FROM THE WEST
• If you are traveling East on Interstate 70, exit North onto Quebec Street. Proceed North on Quebec Street. Turn East or right 60th Avenue and into event parking.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS COMING FROM DENVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (DIA)
Exit DIA on Pena Boulevard toward Interstate 70. Before you reach Interstate 70 you will exit West onto E. 56th Avenue. Travel on this road for about 10 minutes and you will turn North (right) onto Valentia Street. Take Valentia Street all the way into the stadium.
RETURNING THIS YEAR!!!!

The gate list/roster form is NOT included in this bulletin. We have developed an interactive form that can be found on the CHSAA web site:

www.chsaa.org

To access the roster/gate list click on Sports/Activities - a drop down box will appear - click on Soccer. Fill out the form completely. Click on the Email Submit button, which will e-mail the form back to the CHSAA.

NOTE: An email will be coming from the CHSAA office with information on what program distributor we will be using this upcoming season. The information needed for team photo and program information will be included within this email.

DUE DATE: Friday, October 18, 2013
Miscellaneous

- Media Guidelines
- Broadcast Policies
- Spot Announcements
- CHSAA Host Hotel Information
GUIDELINES FOR WORKING RELATIONS WITH THE MEDIA

Media exposure is a major segment of interscholastic athletics over recent years, be it the print medium, radio and/or television. The most enticing aspect of this spectrum of publicity is that it's all free!

Along these lines, a few well-planned minutes at this juncture could result in dividends by way of stimulating community and regional support that may well reflect in increased gate attendance and revenue. No doubt, you're in the midst of a hectic schedule with staff meetings, duplicating playbooks, schedules and checking final plans, but we urge that you initiate contact now with members of the media serving your school and community.

There are a number of ways to accomplish this and the following outline is a suggestion you might consider adopting - one that would not only add that missing dimension to your program, but one that might possibly spawn a number of new professional and personal relationships with members of your community as well.

PRE-SEASON PERIOD:

Make a personal call to the prep sports editor of your local newspaper and/or radio station and invite him/her out to lunch. If there is more than one newspaper - even if only a "weekly" edition - repeat the invitation. One note of caution, DON'T delegate this duty to one of your assistants. But, in some instances it might be good to include them.

Provide all media outlets with the following paperwork to prevent calls during the school year and to make certain your school is included in all coverage:

1. Complete varsity, J.V. and fresh/soph schedules reflecting opponent, site and starting times.
2. Complete roster reflecting first and last name, uniform number, position, year in school, height, weight and experience.
3. List of head coach at each level, their phone extension number at school and the time of day they have their free period.
4. List home phone number of head coach at each level. This is necessary in that some prep writers and broadcasters work evening shifts.
5. Arrange for picture day with your local newspaper and make certain players are in game uniforms and NOT practice gear. One picture in the paper will do more publicity than a thousand words.
6. Contact your local media for the numbers of the Sports Department you should call with game results and check into the deadline times.
7. Arrange for press seating at home games and notify the media where they may sit.

REGULAR SEASON:

Assign a specific person to telephone the results - win or loss - IMMEDIATELY after a game. Many media outlets have early deadlines and even though you call 10 minutes before the deadline, it still takes time to write the story. If you have an away game, call before boarding the bus and not after arriving home. Keep in mind, the earlier the call; your chances of better coverage are increased. Never assume that your opponent will call in the results; take the initiative to call after each and every game.

GOOD PRESS RELATIONS

DESIGNATE SOMEONE TO CALL SCORES OF ALL VARSITY GAMES TO THE FOLLOWING:

Local Radio and Television Stations
Local Newspapers
Denver Post (after 6 p.m.) ........................................303-954-1010; 303-954-1980 (Night)
** You may call the Denver Post Collect **

Do not forget to enter results and statistics on MaxPreps after each game.

All daily papers and broadcasters are on tight deadlines. CALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE GAME.
• Periodically during the season, place a call in the middle of the week to your local Media and see if you can be of any help. Who knows, your call may turn into a feature story or interview the next day.

• Maintain accurate and up-to-date statistics during the season. Mail a copy to the media early each week.

Always notify the local media of any changes in the schedule, whether it is time, date or location

**POST-SEASON**

• If your team is fortunate to make the post-season playoffs, contact your local media outlets immediately, giving opponent, site, time, etc. Normally, you will receive more publicity during playoff time due to the single reason not as many schools in your area are playing. Take advantage of this.

• When the season is completed, send a copy of all statistics to the local media for their records and future articles.

• Sit down and write a personal note of thanks to the members of the media you have been working with all season. After all, they have just been like an assistant coach in promoting a phase of your softball program and keep in mind, it was all **FREE**!

**MEDIA/PHOTO PASSES**

Most working media and photographers have been issued CHSAA Media and Photo Passes for the 2012-2013 season. Please honor these passes for admission to an event. The person producing the pass is expecting to cover the event. Should any problems arise with the Media pass, or any abuse of passes, please contact the CHSAA.

Another way to help your coverage and lessen chances for problems with the media is to notify them in advance of your interview policy and photography restrictions.

**BROADCAST POLICIES**

The CHSAA retains the rights to radio, online and television broadcasts of the playoffs. Radio stations are instructed to contact the host school to make arrangements and shall pay the following fees:

**RADIO/ONLINE LIVE BROADCAST FEE SCHEDULE FOR PLAYOFFS**

**RADIO/ONLINE**

All games: $20.00 each (Maximum $50 charge)

Any request from local cable outlets to televise live or on a delay basis should be directed to Bert Borgmann of the CHSAA.

**NOTE:** Exclusive rights during the regular season may be granted for radio broadcasts. Exception: No station that has been identified by a school or school district as its station of record may be denied broadcast rights. This means that although a school or school district may have sold exclusive radio rights to a station, the station of record for a visiting team may not be denied broadcasting rights.
The schools taking part in today’s event are part of the 343 members of the Colorado High School Activities Association. As member schools, we promote and protect the privilege of participation in interscholastic athletics and activities. We also promote lifetime values like respect, hard work, teamwork, sporting behavior and citizenship. We help reach and motivate students. We develop policies as a group and enforce them as a responsibility of membership. We are coaches, game officials and administrators, voluntarily working for the common good of kids. We are the C-H-S-A-A.

The C-H-S-A-A membership would like to remind everyone at today’s game that whether you are a participant, a coach or a spectator, Cheer for Your Team and Not against Your Opponent. The only true measure of good sportsmanship is cheering for your team and not against your opponents.

There’s a misconception that the reason kids take part in high school sports is to earn college scholarships. In reality, students say the primary reason they play school sports is to have fun, and the percentage of those players who receive college scholarships is less than five percent. But what comes from the opportunity to compete has lifetime staying power, and is more valuable than a scholarship. Today’s student participants are the leaders of tomorrow. Support your local school activities program.

Educational athletics – including contests like this one – teach lifetime values such as respect for your opponents, coaches, officials and classmates. There are few better places than athletic competition to demonstrate respect for others. By your demonstration of respect for those participating and watching today, you underscore that the most important part of high school competition is the people involved and not the game itself.

Today’s game is an athletic showcase for Colorado’s talented young people. It is also a showcase for the lesson they have learned in sporting behavior and respect for each other. Please celebrate the talent that brought these students here today and the behavior that honors their opponents.

Over seven million kids play high school sports in the US. Just four percent those go on to play sports in college. An even lesser percentage of those athletes earn athletic scholarships in college. Six point two percent of college football players move on to play professionally and just two point four percent of college basketball players move on to play professionally. High School Sports give kids the chance to strive, dream and set realistic goals in their lives.

Look at the most successful students in any school and what do you see? You see young people involved in athletics, speech, music, student council and other co-curricular activities. You see improved grade point averages and attendance records. You see our leaders of tomorrow. That’s why academics and other school-sponsored activities are great curriculum partners. Support high school activities in your high school.

More students than ever before participate in high school sports and activities, and those numbers continue to grow each year. For well over 130,000 girls and boys, school activities promote what’s best in our educational system, and at the same time teach our youth about respect and responsibility. That’s why high school sports are a privilege to play.

The score of any athletic event is generally forgotten over time, but the actions of the players, coaches and spectators are remembered. The next time you attend a high school game, think of how history will remember you. Sporting behavior – It’s the essence of the game. Remember what high school activities are all about – participation, teamwork, effort and sacrifice. Let’s keep high school activities in the proper perspective. Together we can show that our sporting behavior matters.
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