

# Commissioner's Notes

April 2005

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## FROM THE COMMISSIONER'S DESK



Special thanks go to member school personnel for supporting all of our winter sports championships. Wrestling and Swimming went very well and we also had two great weeks of Basketball. The attendance and especially the atmosphere at each of these championship events were excellent.

Now, everyone is ready for sunny days and outdoor sports! Here's hoping that students at our member high schools take advantage of the sports opportunities available to them in Softball, Baseball, Tennis and Track and Field.

Athletic school personnel are reminded that KHSAA Bylaw 25, Section 1, addresses regular season contests: "No school time may be lost for travel to or from, or participation in, any regular season interscholastic athletic contest."

Post season event managers need to remember to be sensitive to the preservation of instructional time when planning post season events. Scheduling events after school or on weekends is the most desirable practice.

Enjoy the spring and I hope to see you on the court, field or track!

## REPORTING OF SCORES

This is a reminder to call in the scores of contests to the KHSAA/Riherd's Scoreboard **immediately** following each contest. The number is 1-800-715-8388 and is toll free. Scoreboards are maintained in the spring for the sports of baseball and fast pitch softball.

## ATHLETIC DIRECTORS CORNER

If you have not received your registration information for this year's State Athletic Directors' Conference at the Clarion Hotel in Louisville, April 17-22, please contact Jim Watkins at the Jefferson Co. Public Schools office; [jwatkin1@jefferson.k12.ky.us](mailto:jwatkin1@jefferson.k12.ky.us)

## GAME GUY/GAL AWARD NOMINATIONS

This is a reminder to member schools that nominations for the 2004-05 Game Guy/Gal Award winners are due to the KHSAA office, Attn: Butch Cope, by May 3. Honorees will be published in the Year-End Athlete magazine.

## ELECTION RESULTS

2005-06 Board of Control election results were announced March 8. Lonnie Burgett, Superintendent of Mayfield Independent Schools, and Jeff Perkins, Director of Special Programs for the Somerset Board of Education were each elected to an additional four-year term. Mike Barren, Athletic Director of Paul Dunbar, was elected to his first four-year term.

Mr. Burgett represents Regions 1 and 2; Mr. Perkins is the African-American representative for Region 9-16; and Mr. Barren represents the Regions 11 and 12.

Jeff Schlosser of Ft. Thomas has been appointed by the Kentucky Department of Education as one of the four at-large directors. Mr. Schlosser will complete the term vacated by Cynthiana Elliott and his appointment runs through the 2006-07 school year.

## BA, FP, SP TEAM PHOTOS

This is a reminder that team photos in the sports of baseball, slow pitch softball and fast pitch softball are due to the Association by April 29. Failure to submit the photo may result in a fine as permitted by KHSAA Bylaw 33.

You may e-mail the photo provided it has been scanned at a minimum DPI of 300. The file should be sent as an attachment and saved with a file extension of .jpg, .gif, or .tif. You may also go to the "Members Only" page on the KHSAA website and use the "Upload Photo" feature. For further assistance contact Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA.

## BYLAW 4 REMINDER

A key provision of Bylaw 4 should be reiterated to all school personnel at all grade levels in KHSAA school systems at this time of year. Once a student is promoted from grade eight to grade nine by the school, the student's four year (eight semester) limit begins to toll.

Students who are "held back" after being promoted from grade eight (8) are not only ineligible for high school sports (grade 9-12) at any level during the year they repeat, but lose the "senior" year as well as the four year count would be exhausted. School personnel should be mindful of this fact when parents request such action.

State regulations clearly call for the school to have the final say in promotion and retention decisions, and once the student has been promoted from grade eight, the four year count has begun.

## MEMBER SCHOOLS REMINDED ABOUT APPROVED CHANGES IN OFFICIALS FEES

At the September 16, 2004 Board of Control Meeting unanimously approved the following motions effective for the 2005-2006 season:

- 1) The BOC set a minimum \$40 fee for Swimming officials for regular season meets. For invitational meets or those with four or more schools entered, the fee shall be \$60 per official. The fee for officiating KHSAA Regional Swim Meets shall be \$65 plus applicable travel for officials.
- 2) The BOC established a fee for officiating a standard school day or half-day (3 hours or less) weekend Track meet which shall be a minimum of \$45 per division for the two licensed officials (Referee & Starter). For larger meets that require longer than three hours, the fee shall be \$65 per official for the two KHSAA licensed officials (Referee & Starter). If additional referees are hired at the discretion of the meet management, they shall receive the same fee. Beginning in 2005-2006, Regional Track meet assigned officials shall be paid a minimum fee of \$65 per classification. The fee for officiating a standard Cross Country meet shall be a minimum of \$30 per race for the Meet Referee, who shall be a licensed KHSAA Track and Field Official. If additional referees are hired at the discretion of meet management, they shall receive the same fee. Cross Country Regional meet assigned officials shall be paid a minimum fee of \$35 per race.
- 3) The BOC also determined that Volleyball officials shall receive a minimum of \$37.50 per match during regular season. For post season, the official shall receive \$42.50 per match during District competition (in the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per contest); \$47.50 per match during Regional competition (in the case where an official is required to travel outside of the local assigning area by virtue of the assignments, the fee shall be increased by \$5 per person, per contest); and, State tournament officials shall be paid \$52.50 per contest.

## SPORTSMANSHIP HONOREES

Congratulations to the following who were selected as school sportsmanship recognition award winners for 2004-2005. Each are eligible for regional recognition as well as the overall statewide honor. Regional winners will be announced next month and honored at the 2005 Awards Banquet scheduled for **May 15 at the Hyatt Regency in Lexington**. The statewide winners, one boy and one girl, will be announced at that time and

each receive a \$3,000 scholarship from First Corbin Financial.

Region 1: Jarad Key, Lone Oak; Shadea Mitchell, Lone Oak; Seth B. Darnell, Murray; Breanna Volp, Murray; Alli Nance, Graves County; Jordan D. Painter, Graves County; Carrie Radke, Calloway County; Lynsi Conn, Community Christian; Josh Smith, Community Christian; Brandon Austin, Heath; Jessica Castleman, Heath; Jarrod Burgess, Hickman County; Kimberly Byassee, Hickman County; Adrian Lawson, Mayfield; Hilary Layne Dublin, Mayfield; Deannndria Moore, Paducah Tilghman.

Region 2: Brittany Trimble, Livingston Central; James Walker, Livingston Central; Kenneth Thomas, Fort Campbell; Jill Duckworth, Henderson County; William Norment III, Henderson County; Brock Jones, Madisonville-North Hopkins; Helen Smith, Madisonville-North Hopkins; Mandy C. Gray, Lyon County; Thomas Webber, Lyon County; Miranda Meeks, Caldwell County; Joe Van Hooser, Caldwell County.

Region 3: Thomas Vallandingham, Owensboro; Mary Chris Durham, Owensboro; Lindsay Lancaster, Muhlenberg North; Derek Adams, Muhlenberg North; Kaitlin Denese Embry, Butler County; William Lafe Keown, Butler County; Megan Blandford, Owensboro Catholic; Marc Thomson, Owensboro Cathokic; Mitchell Sharber, Apollo; Kara Mantooth, Apollo; Alexandra Payne, Hancock County; Joshua B. Wells, Muhlenberg South; Emily Beth Bickett, Trinity (Whitesville); Michelle Roberts, Trinity (Whitesville); Whitney Dawn Jennings, McLean County; Andrew Matthews, Breckinridge County; Brittney Elder, Breckinridge County.

Region 4: Eric Belt, Greenwood; Cody Hogue, Allen County-Scottsville; Lindsey Graves, Allen County-Scottsville; Kaci Ross, Monroe County; Amy Shemwell, Todd County Central; Lance Mansfield, Todd County Central; Tara Pedigo, Metcalfe County; Rachel Miller, Logan County; Bryan Fuller, Logan County; Amanda McCracken, Glasgow; Randa Marie Johnson, Franklin-Simpson; Andrew Briggs Snider, Franklin-Simpson; Melissa Napier, Warren Central.

Region 5: Ashleigh Mensch, John Hardin; Phillip Warsaw, John Hardin; Mariah Akridge, Taylor County; Shajuana Ditto, Meade County; Sarah Ruben Boyd, Larue County; Brandon Reid Embry, Larue County; Kara Louella Yates, Marion County; Catherine Barnes, Bardstown; Jonathan Rogers, Bardstown; Maggie Romance, Hart County; Grant Tyler England, Hart County.

Region 6: Shane Finley, DeSales; Katie Axe, Butler; Cagney Coomer, Iroquois; George White, Iroquois; Jean Dolan, Presentation; Chad Bowling, Holy Cross (Louisville); Mallory Harlow, Holy Cross (Louisville).

Region 7: Austin Tiller, DuPont Manual; Asuka Ichinose, DuPont Manual; Ashley Harris, DuPont Manual; Megan James, Assumption; Leigha Corbett, Waggener;

Christine Marie Luerman, Christian Academy-Louisville; Chris Lucas, Christian Academy-Louisville; Andrew Boyd, Eastern; Sarah Scheer, Eastern; Patrick McCormick, St. Xavier; Jeremy Thompson, Fern Creek; Erin Ballard, Ballard; Emily Marshall, Male; Kara Clark, Atherton; Andrew Scoggan, Trinity (Louisville).

Region 8: James Theiss, Oldham County; Michelle Mattingly, Oldham County; Robert Charles Matthews, Shelby County; Emily Zenger, Shelby County; Melissa Gordon, Grant County; Abby Thompson, Bullitt East; Kyle Downs, Bullitt East; Aaron Hume, Anderson County; Courtney Delong, Anderson County; Ashley Goley, Walton-Verona.

Region 9: James Osterhage, Dixie Heights; Christina Kaaz, Lloyd Memorial; Jordan R. Logan, Ludlow; Brittany N. Ottaway, Ludlow; Ben Mullen, Covington Catholic; Lauren Stauber, Covington Catholic; Lauren Buckley, Villa Madonna; Sean Birmingham, Covington Latin; Joseph Spears, Holmes; Kevin Klare, St. Henry; Rachel Dietz, St. Henry; Rachael Skerczak, Beechwood; Christine Guidugli, Newport Central Catholic.

Region 10: Elizabeth Hedger, Harrison County; Darryl Yancey, Harrison County; Natalie McIntyre, Bourbon County; Mary Beth Corbin, Fleming County; Jeremy Meade, Fleming County; Kenton Belcher, Pendleton County; Kelly Ficker, Pendleton County; Whitney S. Barnes, Estill County; Michael Starling, Estill County; Hannah Jefferson, Bracken County; Kimberly Gessford, Montgomery County; Chas Sargent, Montgomery County; William Ryan Kenimer, Paris; Kelli Mardell, Paris.

Region 11: Jeanna Deal, Paul Dunbar; Austin Fitch, Paul Dunbar; Nathan Fain, West Jessamine; Laura Fellows, West Jessamine; Meghan Shafer, Model; Cody Buell, Model; Marisa Abell, Bryan Station; Tony Balfour, Bryan Station; Will Doerting, Western Hills; Mason McCain, Franklin County; Whitney Miller, Bates Creek; Carter Clay, Bates Creek; Kelly Eckert, Woodford County; Brett Least, Woodford County; Christopher Barren, Madison Central; Jessica Moon, Madison Central; Kevin Vogelsang, Lexington Catholic; Amanda Schindler, East Jessamine; Joshua Oney, East Jessamine.

Region 12: Chris Collins, North Laurel; Brooke Sheperson, Harrodsburg; Adam Jeffrey Gray, Harrodsburg; Ashley Bell, Wayne County; Steven Sexton, Wayne County; Erin Kirkland Ashford, Mercer County; Kameron Blake McRay, Mercer County; Lindsay Morrison, Russell County; Jessica Dianne Stringer, Lincoln County; Leah Heath, Monticello.

Region 13: Kevin Caddell, Williamsburg; Cara Catherine Rains, Williamsburg; Lyndsey Partin, Bell County; Georgianna Carter, Corbin; Travis Prewitt, Corbin;

Mary Kathryn Parsons, Rockcastle County; Aaron Cash, Rockcastle County.

Region 14: Stephen Chase Patrick, Hazard; Molly Housley, Hazard; Kayla Bentley, Jenkins; Matthew Lincoln Frazier, Whitesburg.

Region 15: Becky Thomas, Allen Central; Tabatha Tackett, South Floyd; Lindsey Schwartz, Phelps; Catlin Lester, Phelps; Anne Sydney Francisco, Pikeville; Molly Burchett, Prestonsburg; Aaron J.F. Branham, East Ridge; Dana Runyon, Belfry; Adam Warren, Belfry.

Region 16: Brandon Guy, Bath County; Amy Sexton, Ashland Blazer; Cody D. Gillum, Greenup County; Carrie Ann Meenach, Greenup County; Krista M. Kouns, East Carter; Tyler Liles, Lewis County; Rikki Renee Kamer, Lewis County; Christina Ann Conyers, Bath County; Alison Sartaine, Russell.

## SCHOOLS REMINDED OF CRITICAL NEED TO UPDATE INFORMATION

At this time of year, administrators and coaches are changing schools, retiring, moving to other careers, etc. This is a critical time for the KHSAA to keep its information up to date about your school.

If you are leaving your school, please take the time to update your information one last time by going through the Members Only Link on the KHSAA web site to update the information as of now.

The link is:

(<http://www.khsaa.org/memberschoolpage.html>)

Much effort has been expended by staff and the member schools over the last year in making sure of the accuracy of the information, and your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If you need password assistance, contact Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA ([mmitchell@khsaa.org](mailto:mmitchell@khsaa.org)).

## 2004-05 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

May 21	Slow Pitch Softball	RiverShore Complex, Hebron
May 26-28	Fifth Third/KHSAA Boys' & Girls' Tennis	UK Boone/Downing Complex, Lexington
June 3-4	Boys' & Girls' Track	UK Shively Track, Lexington
June 10-11	Fast Pitch Softball	Jack Fisher Park, Owensboro
June 15-18	Fifth Third/KHSAA Baseball	Applebee's Park, Lexington