

CONTEST AND CONTEST SITE MANAGEMENT

POLICY- PLAYING RULES AND QUESTIONNAIRES

SEC. 1) PLAYING RULES

- a) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition for KHSAA member schools are formulated by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) for the sports of baseball, basketball, competitive cheer (including dance), field hockey, football, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, track and field (cross country), volleyball and wrestling.
 - (1) Persons who are involved at the interscholastic level and are directly responsible to secondary schools write NFHS rules for the high school level of competition.
 - (2) According to NFHS policy, the KHSAA would forfeit its opportunity to appoint representatives to the NFHS rules committees if this Association were to make exceptions to, or modifications of, NFHS rules for varsity competition on a statewide basis.
 - (3) While members of the Association, the Association staff and the contest officials may not agree with every decision made by the rules committees, it is the NFHS policy to acknowledge and utilize our persons who have committee input, and respond to questionnaires when asked.
 - (4) Licensed Officials who wish to voice a concern or offer a recommendation to a specific sport committee may do so by writing to the appropriate member of the KHSAA Staff. Playing rules questions are more appropriately addressed to the rules interpreter for that particular sport.
 - (5) Any proposal to amend the playing rules of the NFHS must be submitted and approved by the Commissioner's office.
- b) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in golf for KHSAA member schools are contained in the Competition Rules of the KHSAA and are based on the rules of the United States Golf Association.
- c) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in tennis for KHSAA member schools are contained in the Competition Rules of the KHSAA and are based on the rules of the United States Tennis Association.
- d) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in the sport-activity of archery for KHSAA member schools are contained in the Competition Rules of the KHSAA and are administered in cooperation with the National Archery in Schools Program.
- e) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in the sport-activity of bass fishing for KHSAA member schools are contained in the Competition Rules of the KHSAA and are administered in cooperation with Major League Fishing and its Student Angler Foundation.
- f) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in the sport-activity of bowling for KHSAA member schools are contained in the Competition Rules of the KHSAA and in general congruence with the United States Bowling Congress.
- g) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in the sport-activity competitive cheer for KHSAA member schools are formulated by the NFHS for the sport-activity of competitive cheer and administered through a partnership between the KHSAA and Varsity Brands, Inc. (Universal Cheerleaders Association).
- h) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in dance for KHSAA member schools are formulated by the NFHS for the sport-activity of dance (via the Spirit Rule Book) and administered through a partnership between the KHSAA and Varsity Brands, Inc. (Universal Dance Association).
- i) The playing rules that govern interscholastic competition in Esports for KHSAA member schools are formulated by the KHSAA in partnership with PlayVS.

POLICY- BASKETBALL PRIME DATE SCHEDULING

SEC. 1) BACKGROUND

- a) In fairness to the participants in girls' basketball, and those within the programs including parents, students and fans, the Board of Control has developed this policy to ensure that there are opportunities for girls' basketball to be played on "prime dates"
- b) These dates historically are defined Friday night, any time on Saturday, and any time on Sunday. In addition, it shall be considered prime-date for competition held at the same site on the same night (doubleheader) where the girls' varsity and boys' varsity teams both play contests. Compliance with this policy neither expresses

nor implies that a member school is in (or not in) compliance with Title 20, U.S.C. Titles, 1681-1688, et. Seq. (Title IX).

SEC. 2) BASIC REQUIREMENT (40% RULE)

- a) Each basketball season, a member school shall meet one of two alternative methods of prime date compliance with respect to the scheduling of basketball games. The member school shall:
 - (1) Play at least forty (40) percent of its girls' home basketball games on a prime date, defined as Friday night, Saturday or Sunday, wherein tournaments shall only count as one game played toward this requirement; or
 - (2) Play at least forty (40) percent of its girls' basketball schedule (all games) on a prime date, defined as Friday night, Saturday/Sunday, or any day on Monday through Thursday which is part of a double-header where both the boys' and girls' varsity teams play.

SEC. 3) ANNUAL PRIME DATE COMPLIANCE PROCESS

- a) Each year, the KHSAA shall review all girls' regular season basketball schedules (hereinafter "current schedule").
- b) These reviews shall begin with the first legal regular season playing date and can be self-monitored by the member school.
- c) Schedules shall be posted on the KHSAA website in the manner as instructed by the Commissioner's office prior to the published deadline.
- d) Schedules shall be accurate and include entry and designation of games that are involved in tournaments, classics, festivals and other multi-game events.
- e) At the end of the regular playing season, the schedules shall be reviewed for final compliance with the requirement.

SEC. 4) PENALTY FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH PRIME DATE REQUIREMENT

- a) Based on the final review at the end of the regular season, if a member school's total home games for girls' basketball do not comply with the forty (40) percent requirement, and this is the first such violation by the member school, this violation shall result in a penalty in compliance with Bylaw 27.
- b) Based on the final review at the end of the regular season, if a member school's total home games for girls' basketball do not comply with the forty (40) percent requirement, and this is not the first such violation by the member school, additional penalties shall be applied in compliance with Bylaw 27 including the cancellation of contests in sports other than girls' basketball.

POLICY- RECOMMENDED OPTIONAL PRIME TIME BASKETBALL SCHEDULING

SEC. 1) PRIME TIME SCHEDULING

- a) Prime time scheduling is a means to ensure fairness to the students, particularly girls, who perhaps have had disadvantaged scheduling in the past.
- b) More scheduling equity can be accomplished by scheduling boys' and girls' basketball games on separate nights with prime time starts for both or by scheduling doubleheaders and alternating boys' and girls' start times.
- c) The following schedule is recommended in the event that double headers are used to meet the Prime Date Requirement.
 - Sec. 1) One doubleheader (Optional As To Which Team Plays Second)
 - Sec. 2) Two doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Once)
 - Sec. 3) Three doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Once)
 - Sec. 4) Four doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Twice)
 - Sec. 5) Five doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Second At Least Twice)
 - Sec. 6) Six doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Three Times)
 - Sec. 7) Seven doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Three Times)
 - Sec. 8) Eight doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Four Times)
 - Sec. 9) Nine doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Four Times)
 - Sec. 10) Ten doubleheaders (Girls Game Recommended to Be Second At Least Five Times)

POLICY- DISQUALIFIED STUDENT-ATHLETES AND NON-PLAYERS

KHSAA Bylaw 21 addresses sportsmanship. In order to ensure consistency in terms of suspensions and penalties, the Board of Control has adopted the following policies relative to the ejection of student-athletes and non-players (coaches).

SEC. 1) PROTESTS/APPEALS

- a) Per Bylaw 21, there are no appeals of judgment calls by game officials, including the judgment call making the determination that unsportsmanlike conduct should result in ejection.
- b) At the discretion of the Commission, review may be conducted in the event that the consequences of a playing rule are mis-administered per the specific playing rule code or in the case of ejection, the ejection party has been numerically or positionally misidentified.
- d) Human error is a part of coaching, playing and officiating, and the decision of the official, right or wrong, shall prevail.

SEC. 2) REPORTING EJECTIONS

- a) The KHSAA shall develop and maintain an online system for managing ejections.
- b) The game official(s) shall complete the ejection report within twenty-four hours of the ejection.
- c) An administrative review may be conducted in situations as requested by the principal or designated representative of the member school, but such review may not substitute the judgment of any reviewing party for that of the officials if it is determined that the decision was in fact a judgment call as in (a) above.
- d) The member school principal or designated representative of the school with whom the player or coach is affiliated shall provide any requested information if an administrative review is to be done regarding a situation.
- e) The player or coach is disqualified from further competition at that level until reinstated by a member of the Commission.
- f) An official or school may be fined, suspended or otherwise penalized in accordance with Bylaw 27 for failing to properly and timely report a disqualification or request reinstatement.
- g) KHSAA member school representatives are obligated to impose the minimum suspension penalty for the ejection per these published guidelines.
- h) In those rare cases when an ejection is not reported in a timely manner, including ejections which occur during out of state contests or those during school breaks, the penalties related to ejection must be imposed in a timely manner by the member school.
- i) School administrators should contact the Association office with any questions.

SEC. 3) PENALTIES FOR EJECTION OF ADULT NON-PLAYERS AND COACHES

- a) The suspension is considered immediate and indefinite when the ejection occurs.
- b) The suspension is in effect for any further interscholastic competition on that day at all levels of play (i.e., the freshmen coach ejected during a game may not be in the gym for the any subsequent game that day, baseball/softball coach ejected early in a multiple game tournament may not be at the field or in any part of the stadium or venue during any subsequent games that day).
- c) The suspended coach or non-player may not participate in another contest at that level until being reinstated by a member of the Commission.
- d) Following review, the Commission may extend the suspension.
- e) When a coach is ejected from a scrimmage or contest, the coach is to leave the vicinity of the playing area and remove himself/herself completely from the area of the playing facility.
 - (1) In football and soccer for example, this means to leave the field and stadium area; in basketball, this implies leaving the building altogether (not simply relocating to another room); in other sports, completely leaving the venue.
- f) An ejected coach may not have any further communication with the game officials during or following the game.
- g) During the subsequent suspension period of any non-player (coach, administrator, etc.) the coach may not be on school property where the contests are being played and may not be at the venue if contests are played at a non-school site.
 - (1) The non-player may not communicate with the team at any point

from the beginning of the contest until the end of the contest.

h) Suspension Period

- (1) For all sports and sport-activities except football, following the date of ejection, the minimum penalty shall include but not be limited to suspension for a minimum three additional games/meets/contests suspension for any coach or non-player ejected from a contest and shall be served immediately and in consecutive games/meets/contests that count against the limit of games/meets/contests contained in Bylaw 23.
 - (2) For football, following the date of ejection, the minimum penalty shall include but not be limited to suspension for a minimum two additional games suspension for any coach or non-player ejected from a contest and shall be served in consecutive games that count against the limit of games contained in Bylaw 23.
 - (3) For all coaches or non-players sitting out in an individual sport such as swimming, track or wrestling due to suspension, the penalty shall be for the entire meet and event schedule, not for a single segment, part or day of the event.
 - (4) If the ejection was during one of the preseason scrimmages, the penalty shall be served during the first regular season contest(s).
 - (5) If the ejection was for the final game/contest of the season and was a coach or non-player, the person ejected shall serve the required suspension in the next varsity level contest(s) at the member school for the suspended individual provided the coach is on the staff of another varsity team at the time of the suspension.
 - (6) For the second ejection during a sports season, the suspension shall be at least one additional game/contest/meet beyond the minimum suspension and may be cause for additional penalties that may include suspension for the remainder of the season.
 - (7) For the third ejection during a sports season, the suspension shall be cause for additional penalties including suspension for the remainder of the season.
 - (8) For ejections calling for suspension when no other competition is scheduled for the remainder of that school year, the school shall be assessed a fine in accordance with Bylaw 27 and other penalties under that Bylaw if deemed appropriate by the Commissioner.
 - j) When a coach is ejected from a scrimmage or contest, the member school is to be fined the amount of \$100 for a first-time coach ejection offense during the regular season and \$200 for second offense in the same season, in addition to contest suspensions. It is at the school's discretion as to whether or not the fine is assessed to the coach. This fine is doubled for the second offense (as detailed below), and the third offense results in the fine and removal of the coach from coaching in contests the remainder of the season.
 - k) When a coach is ejected from a scrimmage or contact, the coach the coach is required to complete the NFHS online course "Teaching and Modeling Behavior" (<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/teaching-and-modeling-behavior>) prior to coaching in the next contest. A member school failing to enforce this requirement will be subject to additional penalties under Bylaw 27, up to and including suspension from play by the team.
- ### **SEC. 4) PENALTIES FOR EJECTION OF STUDENT-ATHLETES AND OTHER STUDENT MEMBERS OF THE TEAM PARTY**
- a) The suspension is considered immediate and indefinite when the ejection occurred.
 - b) The suspension is in effect for any further interscholastic competition on that day (i.e., a freshmen ejected during the first game may not be in the gym for the subsequent varsity game, baseball/softball participant ejected in first game of multiple game tournament may not be at field during any subsequent games that day).
 - c) The ejected participant may not participate in another contest at that level (JV, Freshmen, Varsity, etc.) until being reinstated by a member of the Commission.
 - d) Following review, the Commission may extend the suspension.
 - e) When a participant is ejected from a scrimmage or contest, the participant is to leave the vicinity of the playing area and remove himself/herself completely from the area of the playing facility unless the specific playing rules of the sport call for a different penalty option or the student would be placed in a position of not being supervised. In those cases, the administration of the player's team is responsible for ensuring that the student participates in

POLICY ON SPECTATOR EJECTION

SEC. 1) CONDUCT AT MEMBER SCHOOL HOSTED CONTESTS

- no other unsportsmanlike activity or the school itself may face additional penalty under Bylaw 27.
- f) An ejected participant may not have any further communication with the game officials during or following the game.
 - g) During the subsequent suspension period, suspended players may attend contest(s), but may not be in the game uniform or other school identifiable clothing and may not participate in any sport-related activity (warm-up activity) prior to or during the game, and will be classified as non-player personnel during that contest as it relates to playing rules enforcement. It is a local school determination as to whether or not this student may be in the vicinity of the bench or team area.
 - h) Suspension Period
 - (1) For all sports and sport-activities except football, following the day of ejection, there shall be a minimum two additional games/meets/contests suspension for any participant ejected from a contest and shall be served in consecutive games/meets/contests that count against the limit of games/meets/contests contained in Bylaw 23.
 - (2) For football, following the day of ejection, there shall be a minimum one additional game/meet/contest suspension for any participant ejected from a contest and shall be served in the next game/meet/contest that counts against the limit of games/meets/contests contained in Bylaw 23.
 - (3) For participants sitting out in an individual sport such as swimming, track or wrestling due to suspension, this penalty shall include the entire meet schedule not for a single segment, part or day of the event.
 - (4) If the ejection was during one of the two preseason scrimmages, the penalty shall be served during the first regular season contest(s).
 - (5) If this was the final game/contest of the season, the ejection was for a student, and the ejected participant is a senior, the full penalty shall carry forward to the next varsity interscholastic contest(s) in any KHSAA sanctioned sport.
 - (6) If this was the final game/contest of the season, the ejection was for a participant, and this was in varsity (first team) competition and the ejected student is not a senior, the full penalty shall carry over to the next varsity season in the sport in which the participant was participating when ejected.
 - (7) If this was the final game/contest of the season, the ejection was for a student, and this was NOT a varsity (first team) contest, the full penalty shall carry forward to the next interscholastic varsity level contest(s) in any KHSAA sanctioned sport.
 - (8) For the second ejection during a sports season, the suspension shall be an additional game/contest/meet beyond the minimum suspension and may be cause for additional penalties that may include suspension for the remainder of the season.
 - (9) For the third ejection during a sports season, the suspension shall be cause for additional penalties including suspension for the remainder of the season.
 - i) When a player is ejected from a scrimmage or contact, the student is required to complete the NFHS "Sportsmanship" online course (<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/sportsmanship-2>). A member school failing to enforce this requirement is subject to penalties under Bylaw 27, up to and including suspension from play by the team.

SEC. 5) PENALTIES FOR EJECTION OF INDIVIDUALS IN INCIDENTS EN MASSE

- a) On rare occasions that a member school has multiple individuals leave the bench during an altercation or in the case when an egregious situation involves non-participating students (fans) or both participants (including coaches and fans), the Association staff may conduct a detailed review.
- b) In the event of such review, the Commissioner's office may levy additional suspensions or penalties to squad members (including coaches and other non-players identified with the team in any manner) in compliance with Bylaw 27.
- c) Schools unwilling to impose penalties on fans and other non-rostered participants may be subject to penalty under Bylaw 27 for failure to exercise institutional control as required by Bylaw 1 and the membership agreement.
- d) Non-rostered individuals (fans and others not appearing of the regular team roster) shall be penalized as if ejected under the policy on spectator ejection.

SEC. 2) SCHOOL IMPOSED ADDITIONAL PENALTY

- a) Any penalty shall be monitored by the member school for which the individual is affiliated based on the circumstances of the ejection.
- b) It is strongly recommended that any spectator removed from a game or event will have a minimum penalty of completing the NFHS Parent Credential course or a one game suspension before they are allowed to attend any interscholastic event.
- c) Once the course is completed the spectator will provide a certificate of completion to the athletic department office.
- d) Schools are required to communicate with the offending spectator on the sportsmanship spectator expectations.
- e) It is strongly recommended that repeat offenders of this policy be considered for suspension from attending all school-related activities up to and including the remainder of the school year.
- f) Depending on the severity of the behavior/comments or future disqualifications by the offending spectator KHSAA may get directly involved in the situation

CONDUCT AT KHSAA SANCTIONED EVENTS

SEC. 1) BACKGROUND

- a) High school championship fans are the best in the world because of their enthusiasm, team support, and involvement.
- b) The players, coaches, staff, and fans shape the image of each participating teams and the KHSAA encourages fans to create a high-energy environment supporting your team while maintaining a family-oriented atmosphere.

SEC. 2) POLICY AND EXPECTATIONS

- a) The KHSAA has established Rules of Conduct that will allow everyone in attendance at the events to enjoy all aspects of a contest and asks everyone conduct themselves in a manner that does not take away from other's enjoyment of the game.
- b) Any violation of these rules could result in immediate expulsion from the venue and potential revocation of ticket privileges. These rules include, but are not limited to:
 - (1) Entering the playing field or interfering with the progress of the game;
 - (2) Refusing to show a ticket when asked by a venue representative, or scalping tickets to future sessions;
 - (3) Attempting to sit in seats for which you are not properly ticketed at reserve seat events;
 - (4) Using foul or abusive language or gestures;
 - (5) Threatening other patrons with words and/or actions;
 - (6) Fighting;
 - (7) Throwing or kicking any object in the venue;

- (8) Interfering with other guests' ability to enjoy the game;
- (9) Wearing clothing with abusive or vulgar terminology or inappropriate photographs or symbols;
- (10) Wearing obscene or indecent clothing;
- (11) Displaying obscene or indecent signs;
- (12) Standing on seats or chairs;
- (13) Stepping over chairs from one row to another;
- (14) Standing, sitting or loitering in aisles, stairs, ramps or other areas of conveyance;
- (15) Placing food or beverages on walls, ledges or overhangs that may spill or drop on guests below;
- (16) Disorderly conduct;
- (17) Public intoxication;
- (18) Having an open container of alcohol;
- (19) Possession or use of drugs;
- (20) Public indecency;
- (21) Obstructing justice;
- (22) Criminal trespass;
- (23) Distributing or displaying handbills without prior consent; or
- (24) Smoking or use of electronic cigarette products within the venue.

POLICY- STAFF REVIEW OF VIDEO

SEC. 1) REVIEW OF CONTEST VIDEO

- a) Upon request of a member school or contest official, a member of the Commission will review selected play situations and provide interpretations as to the proper application of the playing rules.
- b) If requested, the results of such a review will be shared with the member school or requesting official and the appropriate Assigning Secretary and such video may also be retained for future training purposes, not to indict any school or official, but to ensure consistent rules application and serve as a resource for training material;
- c) Video SHALL NOT BE USED (per KHSAA Bylaw 21) to appeal/protest the judgment call of an official, and will not be used to revise or adjust that judgment, or the subsequent penalties that may have arisen or shall arise from that judgment.
- d) Video SHALL NOT BE USED during any contest for the purpose of assisting officials with making a game decision;
- e) Video MAY be used at the discretion of the Commission to appropriately and properly identify the offenders in a situation where it is possible that misidentification (officials unable to get number, transposition of number, etc.) and where either the member school or game official has requested such review or the Commission has been made aware of the possibility from another source.
- f) Video may also be used, at the discretion of the Commission, to review the possible misadministration/misapplication of the consequences of a rule or in the case of ejection, the ejection party has been numerically misidentified. Misapplication occurs when an official judges that an action has occurred, but impose a penalty that is not supported by rule for that judged action. Mis application does not allow any individual to substitute their judgement for that of the official as to whether or not the act occurred.
- g) Video MAY be used at the discretion of the Commission and in compliance with NFHS playing rules, in a situation involving a fight, physical confrontation or ejection where the circumstances are potentially unable to be accurately observed and reported by the game officials, and where either the member school or game official has requested such review or the Commission has been made aware of the possibility from another source. This could include identifying individuals that were not previously identified, correcting the numbers/names of incorrectly identified individuals, identifying individuals, including non-players or substitutes, who enter the playing area during an altercation, or assessing different levels of involvement in the incident for the purpose of administrative action.
- h) Video MAY be used at the discretion of the Commissioner and in compliance with NFHS playing rules to determine if a situation resulting in the ejection of a player, non-player or coach was a judgement call, in order to determine the application of Bylaw 21.

POLICY- VENUE VIDEO BOARDS/REPLAY BOARDS

SEC. 1) RESTRICTIONS AND ALLOWANCES ON VIDEO BOARDS

- a) It is recognized that as technology advances, more facilities are

adding video capability to the assets utilized at contests. To ensure the proper conduct of contests, and to ensure that such video is not used to the detriment of any school, coach, participant or contest official, the following specific restrictions shall be in place:

- b) Any live action being shown during the contest may only be the simulcasting of a media broadcast of the event, and no audio from the simulcast can be projected via the venue sound system;
- c) In the event of officials holding any type of conference to properly interpret or apply a game situation, video replays may NOT be shown during that conference and may not be shown until later in the contest or during a charged conference;
- d) Any replay of game action that is shown on the video board, shall be shown only once immediately following the play, only at full game speed, and without announcing commentary from any source;
- e) Replays of specific scoring plays and contest highlights may be shown during charged conferences or during breaks between periods, but should reflect a balance between participating teams and may not include announcer commentary;
- f) Game administration is continually expected to exercise prudent judgment and ensure that nothing shown on the video boards can serve to incite the crowd against either team or the contest officials. Failure to perform this expected discretion may result in penalties against the school for a violation of Bylaw 15, Practice of Sportsmanship.

POLICY- PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCERS

SEC. 1) ROLE OF PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCERS – REGULAR SEASON

- a) The public address announcer shall be considered a bench official for all events.
- b) He/she shall maintain complete neutrality at all times and, as such, shall not be a "cheerleader" for any team.
- c) Schools are highly encouraged to follow the protocol for postseason public address announcers, and to prompt the announcer to complete professional development available through a wide variety of athletic related services such as NASPAA and NIAAA

SEC. 2) ROLE OF PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCERS – POSTSEASON

- a) The public address announcer shall be considered a bench official for all state series events. He/she shall maintain complete neutrality at all times and, as such, shall not be a "cheerleader" for any team.
- b) The announcer will follow the provided script for promotional announcements, player introductions and awards ceremonies.
- c) Other announcements are limited to:
 - (1) Those of an emergency nature (e.g., paging a doctor, lost child or parent, etc.);
 - (2) Those of a "practical" nature (e.g., announcing that a driver has left his/her vehicle lights on);
 - (3) Starting lineups or entire lineups of both participating teams (what is announced for the home team shall be announced for the visiting team);
 - (4) Messages provided by host school management; and
 - (5) Announcements that assist fans such as the fact that souvenir merchandise, souvenir programs and concessions are on sale in the facility.
- d) During the contest, the announcer:
 - (1) Should recognize players about to attempt a play (e.g., coming up to bat in baseball, punting, kicking or receiving a punt or kick in football, serving in volleyball, etc.);
 - (2) Should recognize player(s) making a play (e.g., "Basket by Jones" in basketball, "Smith on the kill" in volleyball, etc.) unless specifically precluded by playing rules;
 - (3) Should report a penalty as signaled by the referee including the proper identification of the offender;
 - (4) Should report substitutions and time-outs;
 - (5) Shall not call the "play-by-play" or provide "color commentary" as if he/she were announcing for a radio or television broadcast;
 - (6) Shall not make any comment that would offer either competing team an unfair advantage in the contest;
 - (7) Shall not make announcements unnecessary to the conduct of the contest such as birthdays and other commemorations;
 - (8) Shall not make any comment critical of any school, team, player, coach or official; or any other comment that has the potential to incite unsporting conduct on the part of any individual;
 - (9) Shall be certain of the accuracy of his/her statements before

making them and when in doubt, the announcer should remain silent and

(10) Shall not exhibit unsporting conduct as defined in the playing rules and if such is done, it shall result in the school being sanctioned through Bylaw 27.

POLICY- USE OF DRONES AT MEMBER SCHOOL SPORTS AND SPORT-ACTIVITIES

SEC. 1) BACKGROUND AND POLICY

- a) After considering the factors detailed in NOTAM 91.145 (b) and NOTAM 9/5151 (10/2010) as updated by NOTAM 4/3621 (10/2014), and until additional prescriptive regulations are adopted by the FAA, the KHSAA shall support the FAA regulations and NOTAMS on model aircraft irrespective of the seating capacity of the facility (TFR 14 CFR 91.145 and Special Notes FDC NOTAM 9/5151 and NOTAM 4/3621).
- b) At KHSAA sanctioned events (scrimmage, regular and postseason) there may be no use of untethered drones for any reason, whether or not the facility has a capacity of 30,000 individuals or drones that cannot fully comply with FAA guidelines including the place of launch.
- c) No untethered drone may be managed or controlled from on-site of an event that includes a KHSAA scrimmage, regular or postseason contest.
- c) If these devices are detected at a KHSAA sanctioned event (scrimmage, regular and postseason), contest officials are to stop play/activity and notify game/contest management.
- d) It is the responsibility of the contest management to ensure that, unless the device is a permitted exception under FAA rules (a broadcast rights holder with permission who should have documentation to verify this fact, Department of Defense device with applicable permits, law enforcement or air ambulance flight operations, it is not operating at the facility prior to the resumption of play.
- e) A tethered camera (whether or not it is referred to as a drone), must remain secured to the ground at all times, and not be over the field of play during any event, or occupied section of bleachers or seats.
- f) The specific FAA information is detailed on the FAA website at www.faa.gov/.