

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



SPORTS NEWS

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STATE BASEBALL THIS WEEK

The 2004 KHSAA State Baseball Finals is scheduled for this Wednesday through Saturday, June 16-19, at Applebee's Park in Lexington. Beechwood and Johnson Central are making their first trip to the State Finals. Ashland Blazer will be making its 15th appearance, first since 1975. Lafayette is making its 11th trip while Heath and Christian County are making their fourth appearance. North Hardin, runner-up in 1997, will be making its second visit and Trinity (Louisville), 2002 runner-up, its seventh.

Games will be aired live on WXRA-AM 1580 in Lexington and WMJR-AM 1380 in Winchester and other network affiliates as added. Calling the games will be Gary Ball, Rick Shaw, Doug Flynn and Louis Stout.

Following is the schedule for the State Playoffs at Applebee's Park:

Wednesday, June 16

North Hardin (32-6) vs. Christian County (21-9), 6 p.m.; Johnson Central (23-17) vs. Ashland Blazer (27-11), 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 17

Lafayette (32-5) vs. Heath (32-4), 6 p.m.; Beechwood (32-7) vs. Trinity (Louisville) (32-6), 8:30 p.m.

Friday, June 18

Semi-finals at 6 and 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 19

State Championship at 7 p.m.

To view the entire tournament bracket, see the link below:

<http://www.khsaa.org/baseball/2004/statebaseballbracket.pdf>

STATE BASEBALL TICKETS/PARKING INFORMATION

All tickets will be sold through the Lexington Legends Box Office. Normal ticket hours are 9:00 to 4:00 p.m. (ET), Monday through Friday. In addition, the box office will be open beginning at 12:00 noon on Championship Saturday. Tickets will be priced at \$7 and \$10 per ticket including the Super Club, Club & Field Box (RED & BLUE) seating areas, with children 2 and under admitted free.

All seats sold for the tournament will be reserved seats and each team is designated to selected ticket sections for each game. In addition, there will be discounted tickets available through advance sales in accordance with the following schedule. Advance tickets are available by calling the box office at Applebees Park, 859-422-7867 prior to the close of business (4:00 p.m. ET) on Tuesday for each team's first round game. If purchased in advance according to the deadlines and in the team sections, fans may purchase the tickets for \$6 per seat (\$1 off normal price). In addition, following each game, the box office will remain open one-half hour after the games are complete to sell advance tickets for the team's next round game at \$6.00 per ticket.

For all walk-up and game day ticket sales, the tickets will be full price based on the section. Admission gates will open one hour before the start of the first game each day. **Please advise your fans that the gates will not open until this time. In addition, please remind your fans that with reserved seating, they need to make plans to be at the park as early as possible to avoid long lines at the box offices.**

Parking in the main general lot next to Applebee's Park will be \$3 per car. VIP Parking will be \$5.

APPLEBEE'S PARK PRESS BOX

The KHSAA website will be updated throughout the tournament including scores. Should you wish to contact a member of the Association staff, the phone number to the Applebee's Park press box is (859)422-7880.

DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME CLASS TO BE ANNOUNCED

The 2005 class to be inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame will be announced next Monday, June 21 at the annual Golf Classic at Golf Club of the Bluegrass (formerly Widow's Watch). A shotgun start will begin at 8 a.m. followed by lunch and the announcement of the 2005 class. Anyone interested in the golf outing or attending the lunch, should contact Butch Cope or Ken Tippet at the KHSAA.

CALLOWAY COUNTY CAPTURES FAST PITCH TITLE

Calloway County, making its first trip to the State Tournament, defeated defending State Champion and top-ranked Owensboro Catholic 3-2 in the elimination game to win the school's first state fast pitch softball title early Sunday morning at Jack C. Fisher Park in Owensboro.

The Lady Lakers defeated Catholic 4-1 in the winner's bracket, but lost 10-0 in six innings in the first championship game to force the elimination game. Kayln Fox of Calloway County was named MVP and the winner of the U.S. Marines Corps Sportsmanship Award. Teammates Meghan Sparks and Jessica Greer joined Fox on the All-Tournament team.

All-Tournament Team -Anna Mehr (Mercy), Leigh Ann Moore (Hopkins Co. Central), Amanda Chadwell (Middlesboro), Anna Bevins (Belfry), Laura Wolfe (Mercy), Kayln Fox (Calloway Co.), Megan Starks (Calloway Co.), Jessica Greer (Calloway Co.), Megan Jolly (Owensboro Catholic), Stephanie Coomes (Owensboro Catholic), Whitney Taylor (Hopkins Co. Central), Blair Morse (Shelby County). MVP – Kayln Fox (Calloway County). U.S. Marines Corps Sportsmanship Award Kayln Fox (Calloway County)

To view full tournament results, log on to www.khsaa.org/fastpitchsoftball.

The next release will be Monday, June 21, 2004.