

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



SPORTS NEWS

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FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS – WEEK #4

And then there were four. Four teams in each of the four classes are just one win away from a trip to Papa John's Cardinal Stadium and a berth in the KHSAA State Football Championships. Fourth round match-ups are posted on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/football. You can track the scores of all games at www.khsaa.org/scoreboard.

STATE FOOTBALL MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Request forms for credentials for the 2003 KHSAA State Football Championships were mailed to media outlets Tuesday, Nov. 11. Forms were due back to the Association by Friday, Nov. 21.

STATE FOOTBALL FINALS TIME SCHEDULE

Following is the time schedule for the 2003 KHSAA State Football Finals scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Dec. 5-6 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium in Louisville.

Friday, Dec. 5

Class A State Championship at 12 p.m.; Class AA State Championship at 3:15 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 6

Class AAA State Championship at 12 p.m.; Class AAAA State Championship at 3:15 p.m.

STATE FOOTBALL TICKETS

Tickets will be on sale through participating schools next week for the State Football Finals. Tickets purchased through the competing schools for the pep sections in advance will be priced at \$7 each. At the gate, tickets in those school sections will be \$9 each.

Tickets are also on sale at the KHSAA office and through ticketmaster.com. Following is a breakdown of pricing per day.

	Advance Sales Only	Game Day/Gate
Reserved Sections (Sections 106-107; 130-131)	\$11	\$13
Reserved School pep sections	\$7	\$9
Reserved Other side sections	\$7	\$9
Reserved Brown & Williamson (300 Level)	\$22	\$25

An all-session ticket (admission for both days) is now on sale through the KHSAA office for \$14, \$20 or \$40.

Parking for the football playoffs will be \$5 per car, per day, and is payable only at the venue on the day of the game.

FB PLAYOFF WEEK #4 NOTES

(As taken from member school reports)

It's not over until it's over. That was the case in the Paducah Tilghman-Hopkinsville Class AAA battle. Initially reported as a 22-21 Tilghman win, the Association received word that officially the score is 28-21. After a roughing the holder penalty, Hopkinsville lined up for a 26-yard field goal with 0.3 seconds remaining. The field goal was blocked and recovered and returned by a Tilghman player. The official gave the touchdown signal as fans and players entered the field. A point after attempt was not done thus resulting in the official final score of 28-21.

Hopkinsville's Curtis Pulley finished the season with 1,069 yards rushing and 2,265 yards passing to become the first Hopkinsville quarterback to run for 1,000 yards and pass for 2,000 yards. The Tigers completed their 99th season of football with an 8-5 campaign in a 28-21 loss to Paducah Tilghman.

Warren Central had three players rush for 100-plus yards in its 33-9 win over Henderson County. Quentin Curry ran 10 times for 100 yards and three touchdowns. Bryson Hall ran 14 times for 102 yards and Brock Whitney ran for 100 yards and a touchdown on 14 attempts.

A stellar career for Pulaski County's Cole Draughn came to an end with a 63-14 loss to Boyle County. Draughn ended his career completing 478 of 1,013 pass attempts (47.2%) for 6,665 yards and 68 touchdowns. On the year, he completed 129 of 250 passes for 2,155 yards and 28 touchdowns. He also ran for another 2,028 yards on 178 attempts.

Paul Dunbar's Bobby Vyverberg set a new single-season school rushing record with 1,735 yards. The old mark was set by Corey Dunn with 1,644 yards in 2001. Heading into this weekend's showdown at Trinity, the Dogs have already set a school passing mark for a season with 2,613. The old mark of 2,360 was set in 1996.

Mason County's Dustin Grutza ran for a school-record six touchdowns and booted a 30-yard field goal in a 44-21 win over Ashland Blazer. Grutza scored four of his touchdowns in the final quarter. Chris Lofton picked off two interceptions and had five receptions for 142 yards in the game.

HOW TO GET INFO/NOTES IN THE WEEKLY RELEASE

The KHSAA requests assistance from its member schools and media outlets to aid in the compilation and dissemination of notes of interest, coach's association polls and upcoming events in all sports. Information should be forwarded to the KHSAA, attention Butch Cope, by 1 p.m. (ET) on Monday of each week. You may email (bcope@khsaa.org) the information or fax it to the KHSAA at (859)293-5999. Information received will be reviewed and published at the discretion of the Association. The KHSAA strives to publicize all of its sports to the fullest extent and appreciates any and all assistance.

THE NEXT RELEASE WILL BE MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2003.