

Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: MAY 22, 2012 NELSON COUNTY FOOTBALL DISTRICT CONTESTS DETERMINED BY DRAW

Nelson County High School's 2012 football district opponents have been determined by random draw by Commissioner Julian Tackett.

The Cardinals, who will be dropping to Class 4A this season due to the resulting enrollment split with the opening of Thomas Nelson High School, will play this season under a special plan approved by the KHSAA Board of Control that allows for the designation of district games, rather than making all of the existing teams in the district re-work schedules less than four months before the first playing date of the 2012 season.

During the 2012 season, Nelson County High School will compete in Class 4A, District 4 with Doss, Fairdale, Moore, Valley and Western. Thomas Nelson High School opted not to compete for district competition during 2012-2013. Future alignments will be done in conjunction with the regular alignment process by the Commissioner and the Board of Control.

Following the draw conducted by Tackett in the presence of Nelson County Athletic Director Bill Broaddus and Nelson County Football Coach Jamie Egli, the following games were designated as district games for Nelson County (but will not be listed as district games for the opponents) in order that they have a four-game record to compare with the other schools in District 4:

September 7, 2012 at Bardstown September 14, 2012 vs. Larue County September 21, 2012 vs. North Bullitt October 19, 2012 vs. Central Hardin

The approved plan called for the Commissioner to randomly select the week numbers that will count as district opponents for Nelson County, without any other resultant schedule change amendments. The games would count as district games for Nelson County, but not count as district games for the opponents. The other teams in District 4 would have no adjustments made to the schedule nor would they have additional games counted. If a tie exists with the inclusion of the Nelson County in the district, and such tie involves Nelson County and results in at least one team not qualifying for the playoffs, the team already aligned in the district shall prevail in the tie.

"It's never easy when we gain or lose teams in the middle of a district cycle but the solution the board approved was about as equitable as possible," said Tackett. "Looking at the time frame, making any school change its schedule at this point would make things very difficult for not only Nelson County and its district opponents but many schools beyond that and would have had a major ripple effect. This allows us Nelson County to avoid that while still having a district schedule to match up against for 2012. We will see how this works out to see if it is a pattern for any future mid-contract adjustments necessitated by school openings or closings."

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appropriate hash tag. All contest results will be tweeted as they are received to the Riherds/KHSAA Scoreboard under the hash tags #khsba and #khsfp.

KHSAA BOARD OF CONTROL TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The KHSAA Board of Control is scheduled to meet in a regular season on Wednesday, May 23, at the KHSAA Office in Lexington. An agenda for the meeting is posted on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/boardofcontrol/agenda/20112012/bocmay2012.htm.

UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

- May 23 KHSAA Board of Control Meeting, KHSAA Office, Lexington
- June 4-9 Kentucky National Insurance/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament, Whitaker Bank Ballpark, Lexington
- June 7-9 Rawlings/KHSAA State Softball Tournament, Jack C. Fisher Park, Owensboro

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