



# Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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## **U.S. SUPREME COURT DENIES PETITION IN BYLAW 13 CASE**

The United States Supreme Court has denied the petition for writ of certiorari in the case of Richard Evans, et. al v. Kentucky High School Athletic Association.

The KHSAA had previously prevailed in U.S. District Court in the matter, which centers on KHSAA Bylaw 13 (Financial Aid). The District Court's ruling was later affirmed on appeal by the 6<sup>th</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. A Petition for a writ of certiorari before the U.S. Supreme Court was then filed by the plaintiff on March 14. The KHSAA filed a response in opposition to the petition and subsequently the writ was denied on May 21. The latest case activity may be found at <http://www.supremecourt.gov/Search.aspx?FileName=/docketfiles/11-1131.htm>.

KHSAA Bylaw 13 was developed as a joint effort by representatives of the member schools following the failure of previous proposals to divide the membership for the purpose of championships and the failure of a proposal to restrict initial high school enrollment. A task force representing various types of member schools met on several occasions to draft rules proposals designed to address the concerns that surrounded those proposals.

"Our membership, guided by our state legislature, felt strongly that the Association was better off remaining as a single group of schools regardless of the type of school. The Bylaw 13 proposal was a key part of that effort as it allows limits for merit based financial assistance to be in place to assist with maintaining some semblance and feeling of competitive balance given our wide variety of types of member schools," said KHSAA Commissioner Julian Tackett. "We are very pleased that the Federal Courts have recognized that our group of schools needs to continue to be self-governing and able to write rules to keep everyone at an appropriate comfort level about each other's programs."

## **BASEBALL, SOFTBALL REGIONAL AND STATE SCORES AVAILABLE VIA TWITTER**

Scores from all postseason baseball and softball contests will be available from this week's regional tournaments as well as next week's Kentucky National Insurance/KHSAA Baseball State Tournament and Rawlings/KHSAA Softball State Tournament via Twitter. Sign up to follow KHSAA Twitter account @khsaaevents to get scores or search the appropriate hashtags.

All contest results will be tweeted as they are received to the Rihersds/KHSAA Scoreboard using the hashtags #khsba and #khsfp.

## **CREDENTIALS REMINDER TO MEDIA**

Any media member wishing to cover the Kentucky National Insurance/KHSAA Baseball State Tournament or Rawlings/KHSAA Softball State Tournament must apply for credentials. If you have not already done so please go

to <http://credentials.khsaa.org> and apply. You will receive an automated response once your application has been received and additional information once your request has been accepted.

**UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS**

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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