

KHSAA OFFICIATING UNIFORM

Through an approved licensing program, various vendors are able to provide authenticated officiating apparel to KHSAA licensed officials. All items listed below as embroidered or sublimated are part of this change. Vendor links will be placed on the KHSAA website and email communication will be sent to all officials.

Other than what is prescribed below, no patches are allowed on hats or other parts of the uniform worn during the contest.

Below are the various requirements at press time for the different sports. These requirements are only for the clothing part of the uniform and do not include much of the other equipment. At press time, the KHSAA has six licensed vendors, all of whom have advertisements in the Officials Guidebook and links on the KHSAA website. All embroidered or sublimated merchandise may only be purchased from an approved and licensed vendor.

Placement of American Flag

It is always permissible for the American Flag to be worn on the officiating uniform. It's recommended that the white bordered flag be used. Suggested placement is as follows:

The flag patch or sublimated flag is usually worn on the left sleeve of your shirt, pullover or jacket (sometimes on the back below the collar).

The preferred placement is on the left sleeve;

On short sleeve shirts, measure up from the top of the cuff. Flags should be placed with the bottom border approximately 1 1/2" from the top of the cuff;

On long sleeve shirts, pullovers or jackets, measurement should be from your shoulder seam to the top of your flag patch, with the distance varying by size: Medium and Large - 4" from seam, XL & 2X - 5 1/2" from seam, 3X and up - 7" from seam;

Application Specifics: For horizontal placement with a flag patch, it is best practice to crease the center line on the sleeve, as seen when laying the shirt, pullover or jacket flat on a table. Then, place the center of the flag over the center line;

If using a flag patch, once you have the distances correct, cover the flag patch with a press cloth or pillow case and press with a 350 degrees or cotton iron setting for approximately 10 seconds to make it stick for sewing. Consider the fabric when pressing as time may be longer or shorter to make it stick. Then, sew the flag patch on, preferably in a zig-zag stitch pattern.

Placement of Numbers for Baseball/Softball

Local associations shall determine whether or not numbers are to be worn on the officiating uniform in the color patterns as described below:

The numbers are to be worn on the right sleeve, with the bottom of the numbers approximately 1" from the top of the cuff on a short sleeved shirt;

On long sleeves or pullovers (not required on pullovers), the measurement is from the shoulder seam as detailed in the American Flag directions.

Baseball

Gray uniform pants;

Uniform shirt (three color options) as listed below, with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo over heart as per specifications to vendors. Local associations shall determine whether or not numbers are worn.

If numbers are worn, they shall meet the listed specifications:

Navy blue pullover shirt with red and white trim (if visible, undershirt shall be red) with or without a red number with white trim on right sleeve (3 inches preferred); or

Light blue pullover shirt (undershirt if visible shall be blue) with navy and white trim with or without a blue number and white trim on the right sleeve (3 inches preferred); or

Black shirt with black and white trim (if visible, undershirt shall be white) with or without a white number with black trim on right sleeve (3 inches preferred);

All umpires in a given contest shall wear the same color shirt;

Navy hat with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, as per specifications to vendors, and navy ball bag if navy or light blue shirt is worn;

Black hat with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, as per specifications to vendors, and black ball bag if black shirt is worn;

Black shoes and socks; and

Jacket (pullover), if worn during contest, shall be the official KHSAA pullover without numbers with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors, and shall be blue if the navy or light blue uniform is worn, and black if the black shirt is worn. If worn, shall be worn by all crew members; Plate coat with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, as per specifications to vendors, is permissible. All umpires in a given contest shall wear the same type shirt. No local association patches are allowed on hats (only the KHSAA embroidered logo).

Basketball

Black slacks;

Black and white 1" vertically striped collarless shirt without pocket with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors, side panel is approved;

Belt, if worn, shall be black, however, beltless slacks are preferred;

Black basketball official shoes with black shoelaces, black socks;

Jacket, if worn during pre-game, shall be black, with dual 1 inch stripe and with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors;

All officials in a given contest shall wear the same type shirt.

Field Hockey

Uniform shirt, Pink polo with collar;

If the designated shirt is deemed too close in color to one of the team's jerseys, the official shall coordinate to wear a neon yellow shirt with collar, or neon blue shirt with collar;

Black tailored "golf style" shorts, tailored slacks or skirt;

Black shoes and solid black socks;

If worn, rain gear, hat and belt sleeves should be black;

All officials in a given contest shall wear the same type shirt.

Football

Black football officiating pants with a white stripe of not more than 1 1/4 inches worn in varsity contests with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, on left leg as per specifications to vendors;

Black or white shorts, or white tapered knickers may be worn in place of the knickers during non-varsity contests with local Association approval;

Black and white vertically striped short or long sleeved shirt (with pocket) with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors;

For 2017, by local association adoption to be used in all varsity games in regular and postseason (other than the final games and early round games worked by final crews), the traditional 1" black and white vertically striped shirt or 2" black and white vertically striped shirt may be worn with the required logo per above and all officials in a given contest and within a local association wearing the same pattern for all games.

For 2017, for all playoffs, the only permitted shirt will be the 2" black and white vertically striped shirt;

For the 2018 season, the only permitted shirt will be the 2" black and white vertically striped shirt in all varsity contests;

The shirt worn in non-varsity contests may be either 1" or 2" stripe pattern but all officials shall wear the same pattern;

Black athletic socks when wearing black officiating pants;

One-piece sock with modified Northwestern stripe may be worn during non-varsity contests when black or white shorts, or white tapered knickers, are worn with local Association approval;

Black leather belt (no baseball style stretch belts);

Baseball-type cap. The Referee shall wear a white hat with embroidered KHSAA logo as per specifications to vendors. All other officials shall wear a black hat with white piping with embroidered KHSAA logo as per specifications to vendors;

Solid black football shoes and black shoe laces;

Position plackets may be worn on uniform if all on a crew wear them; and Jackets shall not be worn during the contest.

Soccer

Gold soccer officials' shirt with black pinstripes. If the gold shirt with black pinstripes creates a situation where it is deemed too close in color to the color of one of the team's jerseys, the shirt shall be black with white pinstripes. The shirts may not contain logos or identifying patches other than the logo of the manufacturer;

Black shorts;

Black shoes and solid black socks or stockings or solid black socks or

stockings with three white stripes at the top;
Belt and cap, if worn, shall be black;
Jacket, if worn during pre-game, shall be black, with dual 1 inch stripe and with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors.

Softball

Gray uniform pants;
Local associations shall determine whether or not numbers are worn. If worn, they shall meet the listed specifications;
Light blue pullover shirt with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch (undershirt, if visible, shall be white) with navy and white trim with or without a navy number, and white trim on right sleeve (3 inches preferred);
Navy hat with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, as per specifications to vendors, and ball bag if navy or light blue shirt is worn;
Black shoes and socks;
Navy blue bag;
Jacket (pullover), if worn during contest, shall be the official KHSAA navy pullover with light blue/navy trim without numbers with embroidered KHSAA logo over heart as per specifications to vendors. If worn, shall be worn by all crew members.

Swimming

Khaki trousers;
White shirt;
Must carry a whistle;
White footwear;
A navy jacket may be worn.

Track / Cross Country

For postseason meets, all primary officials shall wear one of the approved KHSAA Official Track Uniform shirts with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors;
Where possible, all officials should be in like-colored garments for identification.

Volleyball

Uniform shirt (three options) as listed below, with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo over heart as per specifications to vendors;
White short-sleeve shirt;
White long sleeve shirt;
Either shirt with white sweater;
Black slacks or shorts;
Black gym shoes and black socks;
For KHSAA sponsored state championship competition, black shoes and black slacks shall be worn;
Jacket, if worn during pre-game, shall be black, with dual 1 inch stripe and with embroidered KHSAA logo over heart as per specifications to vendors.

Wrestling

Black beltless or belted slacks;
Uniform shirt (two options) as listed below, with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors;
Black and white vertically striped shirt with or without pocket and with or without collars;
Grey shirt with black pinstripes;
Officials may wear any NFHS compliant tournament-issued shirt if all in event wear them. All officials in a given meet or tournament shall wear the same color and style shirt;
Black officials shoes;
Jacket, if worn during pre-game, shall be black, with dual 1 inch stripe and with embroidered or sublimated KHSAA logo, or approved logo patch, over heart as per specifications to vendors.