



# ***WRESTLING***

## **2021-2022 SEMI-STATE FIRST ROUND INSTRUCTIONS**

### **FOR MANAGERS AND PARTICIPATING TEAMS**





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### SUPERSEDURE NOTE

The information in these instructions supersedes any information previously distributed, including the Competition Rules.

In many cases, these rules have been revised over the last couple of years through the pandemic to the point where time has not permitted complete overhaul and revision of the competition rules

All involved should review items such as tiebreakers and procedures for competition and consider this document authoritative.

Contact the primary event contact with any additional questions.

### COVID-19 GUIDANCE

The KHSAA's complete "Healthy at Sports, Stage 4 - Perseverance, Guidance for Continued Practice and Competition During the Pandemic: Interscholastic Sports" document can be found at the following link: <https://bit.ly/3jvElu7>

In addition to wrestling specific guidance, this document includes guidance for all sports, officials and media. The information in this document should be thoroughly reviewed by all managers, participants and spectators attending a postseason event.

REMINDER - Anyone attending or participating in a KHSAA regular season or postseason event should review their symptoms before arriving. Those that are ill or displaying any symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home.

Guidance is broken into three areas:

- **REQUIRED-** These standards are required at all sanctioned contests.
- **RECOMMENDED-** These standards are best practices during all contests during the pandemic and are therefore recommended for all contests. In a few cases, these will be **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED**.
- **CONSIDER-** While these items are also best practices during this time, local site discretion should be exercised to determine if these items are practical and feasible for use at the contest.

All items in the document should be interpreted as "CONSIDER" for local consideration unless otherwise noted.

These differences in the guidance are necessitated by the differences in sports, facilities and geographic areas, which are pronounced during normal years and magnified this school year.

Masks/face covering information and portions of the competitive cheer specific section of the document are included below.

### MASKS/FACE COVERINGS

Masks/face coverings for non-competitors and the requirements surrounding these items are a matter of local jurisdiction.

At minimum, any local or specific masking ordinance should also include a requirement for managers to post signage and make regular announcements.

#### COMPETITORS

- Due to safety concerns, competitors who are considered to be aerobically exercising should not be required to wear masks during competition.

#### NON-COMPETITORS

- Non-Competitors, in compliance with current KDPH and CDC guidelines are recommended to wear masks in all indoor settings unless otherwise exempted (e.g., cannot wear a mask due to disability), regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status.
- See the [current CDC Guidance online](#).
- In compliance with [current KDPH K-12 education guidance](#), "In general, people do not need to wear masks when outdoors, though mask use may be considered in outdoor settings that involve sustained close contact with other people who are not fully vaccinated."

### PUBLIC HEALTH PROTOCOLS

- Each member school and event host is expected to adhere to public health standards regarding isolation and quarantine as well as the adopted Return to Play Protocol in the event of a positive test in a participant or team staff member.

### DUTIES SUMMARY STATEMENT

Refer to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Handbook rules and regulations governing wrestling tournaments, which is included as a link at the end of these instructions.



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You should familiarize yourself with these provisions and review them at your meetings to ensure understanding from the coaches and the management of a smooth event.

Any required forms for your reports are included at the end of these instructions as links.

### KHSAA CONTACT LIST

The primary contact for wrestling is Assistant Commissioner Joe Angolia ([jangolia@khsaa.org](mailto:jangolia@khsaa.org)).

If Mr. Angolia is for some reason not available, Assistant Commissioner Darren Bilberry ([dbilberry@khsaa.org](mailto:dbilberry@khsaa.org)) is the backup contact.

### REFERENCE TO TEAM ALIGNMENT

Teams are aligned into two semi-state areas for the First Round State Tournament, Regions 1-4 and Regions 5-8.

Only individuals advancing from regional tournaments will enter the First Round State Tournament.

### ALLOWABLE COMPETITION DATES AND SITES

#### STATE FIRST ROUND COMPETITION DATES, SITES AND MANAGERS

The state first round dates are set by the KHSAA and are scheduled for February 18-19.

#### HOST SITES

The four (4) State First Round sites are listed below:

- Regions 1, 2, 3 & 4 - Union County High School, Morganfield, KY
- Regions 5, 6, 7 & 8 - Great Crossing High School, Georgetown, KY

### PRE-TOURNAMENT MANAGER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

#### CONTACT PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

Contact all schools in your meet about schedule, logistics and admission information.

#### DEVELOPMENT OF INFO DOCUMENT FOR PARTICIPANTS

Develop an information document for participants, including the schedule of events, any on-site meeting information, site specifics and directions to the venue.

Any additional document created should include any COVID-19 requirements or adjustments made for the event due to local requirements.

#### PRE-TOURNAMENT MEETING

It is recommended that a virtual meeting of all coaches be held prior to the start of the tournament to discuss any local procedures.

The First Round State Manager should contact Mr. Angolia of the KHSAA if there are any issues that need clarification during the meeting.

Managers shall invite all participating coaches by notifying them of the date, time and site of the meeting.

#### FUTURE FIRST ROUND STATE SITES

Schools interested in hosting the First Round State in future years should contact Mr. Angolia at the Association offices.

#### HOST SITE ADMINISTRATOR

The KHSAA requires a tournament administrator, other than the coach, at the host site.

Since coaches need to devote full attention to the team, someone other than the coach should be the tournament administrator.



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Unsporting conduct by spectators is a growing concern and the presence of a contest supervisor sends the message that such behavior will not be tolerated.

### OUTSIDE PROVIDERS/VENDORS

Contact security and other outside providers/vendors and ensure that all other pre-tournament functions are complete.

Any vendors desired by the manager must be approved by the KHSAA as this is an official round(s) of the state championship event.

### PRE-TOURNAMENT MEETING AND MODEL AGENDA

- Call to order
- Designate someone to record minutes
- Review the "Healthy at Sports, Stage 4 - Perseverance, Guidance for Continued Practice and Competition During the Pandemic: Interscholastic Fall Sports" document, detailed at the link at the end of these instructions, including any changes that may have come about since the document was released.
- Discuss any COVID-19 requirements or adjustments made for the Tournament with the participating schools.
- Discuss team party and participant admission gates and logistics
- Detail the security and emergency action plan
- Discuss medical needs/trainers
- PA, official scorer/scoresheets
- Auxiliary Workers: ticketing, concessions, parking
- Facility rules and other notes
- Discuss the inclement weather policy and plans
- Review sportsmanship expectations for competitors, coaches and fans
- Coaches and administrators should be given direct details about how to enter the host site as this will allow for more organization on the day of the tournament.

### VENUE LOGISTICS

#### COVID-19 GUIDELINES

The host is responsible for adherence to COVID-19 guidelines in accordance with normal home site procedures.

#### SIGNAGE, BALLOONS, NOISEMAKERS AND BAND PERFORMANCES

Signs/banners are permitted at the facility but must be of good taste and sportsmanship.

The signs/banners must be handheld or attached in a manner not to damage the existing structure.

The signs/banner shall not cover any corporate signage or obstruct the view of patrons.

Amplified noisemakers or items that replicate game management cues are not permitted inside the facility. These items include, but are not limited to: air horns, electronic amplifiers, portable sound systems, instruments that require additional electricity, game clock horns and whistles.

Artificial noisemakers (non-mechanical and non-powered) are permitted provided they do not interfere with game administration, however, the admittance of the items is a venue specific decision.

Balloons, which can block the view of other patrons, are not permitted at the event.

Only venue provided amplified music and band performances are permissible, but only during pregame, natural and planned breaks/timeouts and when the clock is stopped and wrestlers are not competing.

The admission of school pep bands is a local decision.

Admitted bands are permitted to play during warm-ups and time outs, but not while the wrestlers are competing.

#### WATER - COVID-19 GUIDANCE

Coaches and athletes are reminded to bring their own water bottles and no community dispensers can be used.





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Refer to the "All Sports Guidance" section of the "Healthy at Sports" document (<https://bit.ly/3qMfBEe>) for multiple references to water, hydration and food guidelines.

### OFFICIATING (MECHANICS) (ADOPTED FOR 2021-22)

Bring personal hand sanitizer and wash hands frequently.

May wear disposable gloves but if worn, consider changing after each match

Officials should follow all social distancing guidelines (pre- and post-meet conferences, talking to coaches, etc.)

### OFFICIATING (RULES) (ADOPTED FOR 2021-22)

Rule 3-3 Signatures will not be required on score sheets, a verbal acknowledgment will be accepted and such acknowledgment is noted by the scorer.

Rule 5-13 Wrestlers do not have to appear on the mat to be awarded a forfeit.

Rule 6-1 Regular matches in dual meets or tournament competition, may consist of three periods with the first period being one minute and the second and third should be two minutes in length.

Rule 6-1 Regular season matches in dual meets or tournament competition may require a 30-second separation of wrestlers between periods.

Rule 6-5-2 The referee is not required to declare the winner by raising the winning wrestler's hand.

### ADMINISTRATIVE AND VENUE SETUP

#### PRE-EVENT (ALL RECOMMENDED)

Rule 4-5 Weigh-in, social distancing must be maintained, mat-side weigh-ins are permissible to assist with this.

Each wrestler is to have a set of leg bands that will not be shared with others.

#### EVENT SETUP

Have hand sanitizer mat side or sanitizing wipes at the scorer's table.

Table workers may wear gloves.

Mats should be cleaned between matches.

Spacing between mats should be 10 feet, but shall be at least five feet between mat edges and ensure 10 feet between the wrestling circles per NFHS rules.

If chairs are used in coaches' corners, separate them to the fullest extent possible.

#### CONDUCT OF EVENTS (ALL RECOMMENDED)

Athletes should consider wearing masks/approved face coverings off the mat surface (before, after, and between subsequent matches).

Coaches should consider wearing masks/approved face coverings at all times.

#### PRE AND POST EVENT (ALL RECOMMENDED)

Athletes should wear masks/face coverings in the team and individual staging area before each bout.

Wrestlers may remove their mask/face covering when called to the mat.

Hosts must insist on compliance local protocols during the event.

Coaches and competitors shall assist with the disinfection of the wrestler's equipment after each match.

Pre- and post-match handshakes with opposing coaches should be eliminated.



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Meet results are not be posted at venue (to prevent unnecessary gathering) and recommend all results to be posted online, sent by email, and/or mail.

### SECURITY

It is the responsibility of the Tournament Manager and host site to secure adequate police protection and any other security precautions as necessary inside and outside the stadium, in accordance with the security practices policy in the KHSAA handbook.

### VENUE SAFETY

Persons who attend sporting events may be injured as a result of the risks inherent in being a spectator.

The Tournament Manager, along with the host site, shall make every effort to ensure that the facility is safe for fans, participants, officials, and others who may attend the contest.

### LODGING

Coaches will arrange lodging for their contestants if needed.

Schools are responsible for all travel expenses, including lodging, for participation in the event.

## MANAGING THE STATE FIRST ROUND

### ADMISSION OF PARTICIPANTS/TEAM PARTY AND LIMITATIONS

#### TICKETS AND FAN ADMISSION

All wrestling state first round tickets will be sold online via GoFan, the KHSAA's official digital ticket vendor with no paper tickets sold at the walk-up gate.

A link for fans to purchase the digital tickets will be emailed to the Athletic Director of each participating school to be distributed.

After a special pre-sale period, any remaining tickets will be available through [khsaatickets.org](https://khsaatickets.org).

All state first round ticket prices are \$12 each for the duration of the event, plus electronic transaction fees (that are not received by the KHSAA).

The KHSAA will provide wristbands to manage re-entry which are required to be issued to all patrons desiring to leave and return.

Ticketholders may leave the facility and re-enter by showing their KHSAA provided wristband when properly worn.

Children five-and-under will be admitted free, but must still "purchase" the free ticket through GoFan.

No coaches' cards, KHSAA Administrator cards or officials' ID cards shall be honored at the gate.

GoFan's training page for buying and validating the tickets is included as a link at the end of these instructions and linked from the KHSAA website.

No screenshots shall be honored at any time.

### FINANCIAL REPORTING

Instructions for the completion of the required GE88 Financial Report Form are near the end of these instructions.

Approved expenses are limited to those items contained in these instructions and advance approval from the KHSAA is required before other expenses will be considered.

### PRE-EVENT

Refer to the KHSAA Handbook to review the rules and regulations governing wrestling tournaments and also familiarize yourself with the KHSAA Competition Rules.

The Tournament Manager is permitted to hire certain specific positions, with specific maximum allowable rates of pay, to staff the tournament, including:

- Tournament Manager (maximum \$150);
- Public Address Announcer – (maximum \$55);



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- Mat Side Table Workers (Maximum of 3) – (maximum \$55 each);
- Trackwrestling Coordinator, if providing complete equipment and service – (maximum \$80);
- Uniform Security at rate agreed by KHSAA prior to contest(s); and
- Medical/Training Services at rate agreed by KHSAA prior to contest(s)

Costs for these specific permitted workers shall be paid by the KHSAA upon receipt of the completed GE88 Form, which is included as a link at the end of these instructions.

No other payment for workers or other costs can be made without prior authorization from Assistant Commissioner Joe Angolia.

### **DURING THE TOURNAMENT**

Prior to the start of the tournament, home event management shall identify themselves to the participating team administrators and the officials and establish a designated area where they can be reached in the event of an emergency.

During your sportsmanship announcements, remind fans that foul language and harassment of officials will not be tolerated and could result in being removed from the arena.

During the tournament, ensure that the COVID-19 CDC announcements are properly made throughout competition.

Have the officials escorted to the parking lot after the tournament.

### **ENTRY, ROSTERS, ENTRY**

#### **SUBSTITUTIONS**

Should a school have a wrestler finish in 1st through 4th place in the region and they are unable to compete at the State Tournament 1st Round due to schedule conflicts, injury or other documented reason, school representatives shall notify the KHSAA by noon ET on Thursday on the day prior to the State First Round.

Failure to send proper notification of such a withdrawal when the circumstances were known by the deadline will result in a penalty against the school in accordance with KHSAA Bylaw 27.

In the case of an athlete being unable to participate, that competitor is to be replaced by the 5th place regional wrestler in that region and weight class, the remainder of the bracket will be "rolled-up," and the replacement wrestler will be seeded fourth.

If a vacated bracket position is unable to be filled by an alternate from the same region, the option will roll in random order to another region using the KHSAA random rollup table.

The random order will be determined and announced by the KHSAA and posted on its website.

Coaches are advised to weigh-in any 5th-place regional finisher in case of replacement the day of the State Tournament First Round.

#### **TEAM AND PARTICIPANT ENTRY AND LOCATION**

Teams should contact their respective first-round host for details on when they can enter the facility for weigh-ins.

Team members outside of the participating wrestlers must purchase a ticket online for entry.

All non-competing team members should be seated in the bleachers or general seating and able to socially distance from other groups.

#### **COACH AND ADMINISTRATOR ENTRY**

Administrators will only be admitted using the KHSAA Commonwealth Card issued to each Superintendent, Principal and Principal.

Coaches will be admitted if appearing on the valid coaching list provided to the managers.

The only coaches who will appear on that listing are coaches who have completed the current year rules clinic and those that are current in the KHSAA Sports Safety Course.

All other individuals will be required to purchase a ticket online through GoFan to attend.

#### **BYLAW 22 REQUIREMENT TO ACCOMPANY TEAM MEMBERS**

You are reminded that KHSAA Bylaw 22 requires a principal, coach or another approved individual of the school to be present along with any student-athlete who is representing a member school.





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### CONDUCTING THE EVENT

#### STATE COMPETITION OFFICIALS

Officials presiding over the event are licensed and assigned by the KHSAA.

The KHSAA will handle all payment for officials.

#### GROWTH ALLOWANCES/WEIGH-INS FOR 2022

##### GROWTH ALLOWANCE

- For 2022, there will be a one-pound growth allowance added to each weight class after the regional tournaments for those that qualify for the State First Round.
- For 2022, an additional one-pound growth allowance will be added for those that advance to the state championship final site.

##### WEIGH-INS

- State First Round
  - o Contact your State First Round host for specific weigh-in times.
  - o Make sure your travel plans allow for timely arrival as NFHS rules state that all athletes must be prepared to weigh-in at the scheduled time.
  - o In accordance with the competition rules, the scale will close for each weight class when the first competitor of the succeeding class weighs in.
  - o The scales will close promptly after the last 285 pound wrestler weighs in.
- State Championship Final Site
  - o Official weigh-in times will be published on the KHSAA website.
  - o Make sure your travel plans allow for timely arrival as NFHS rules state that all athletes must be prepared to weigh-in at the scheduled time.
  - o In accordance with the competition rules, the scale will close for each weight class when the first competitor of the succeeding class weighs in.
  - o The scales will close promptly after the last 285 pound wrestler weighs in.

### QUALIFYING FOR STATE FIRST ROUND, SEEDING AND BOUTS

#### QUALIFYING WRESTLERS

The top four (4) wrestlers in each weight class at the region tournaments advance to a seeded slot in the state first round tournament.

#### DRAWING OF THE BRACKETS

State first round tournament brackets will be bracketed using a random draw table wherein the number 4 wrestler from one region will be paired against the number 1 wrestler from another region and the number 2 wrestler from one region will be paired against the number 3 wrestler from another region.

A random draw will be conducted to pair the regions using the table below, where the draw will specify which region in each weight class represents regions A, B, C and D as listed below.

- Region A - 1st Place vs. Region B - 4th Place
- Region D - 2nd Place vs. Region C - 3rd Place
- Region B - 1st Place vs. Region A - 4th Place
- Region C - 2nd Place vs. Region D - 3rd Place
- Region D - 1st Place vs. Region C - 4th Place
- Region B - 2nd Place vs. Region A - 3rd Place
- Region C - 1st Place vs. Region D - 4th Place
- Region A - 2nd Place vs. Region B - 3rd Place



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Regions A, B, C, D will be assigned randomly for each weight class.

Final Random Draw will be published following Region Tournament completion.

### FORMAT/SCORING/BRACKETS/ORDER OF BOUTS

The State First Round Tournament will be conducted as a full-wrestleback format (consolation to 8th place) in each weight class.

The State First Round Tournament will be scored to the top 8 positions.

Weigh-ins and bouts will be conducted in bracket order, beginning with the lowest class.

A complete set of tournament brackets will only be available in advance of the state first round at KHSAA.org.

There will be no exclusion for wrestlers from the same region meeting in a specific round.

The State First Round event will be scored as its own event without points carrying to the State Final Round.

### SPORTSMANSHIP

The KHSAA requires officials to enforce sportsmanship rules.

High school athletics emphasize positive values and all parties have worked hard to create a sense of teamwork, respect, responsibility and perspective. We encourage and appreciate your help in letting this competition reflect mutual respect among all participants and officials.

We remind you that officials expect good behavior and will quickly penalize misconduct.

No one outside of the team is to come onto the competition area. Fans are to stay in the stands before, during and after the event.

Please make announcements to this effect to the student body during the week before play.

In the event this occurs, a school will be fined or there will be a reduction in a team's expense reimbursement (if applicable).

Damage to the facility directly attributed to the fans of a particular school will result in a fine or a reduction to team reimbursement as well (if applicable).

### SECURITY

It is the responsibility of the Tournament Manager to secure adequate police protection and other security precautions as necessary.

While many schools have adequate measures in place regarding safety and security at athletic contests, all members are reminded of the importance of this provision.

The National Federation also continues to remind all state associations of the importance of member schools understanding the necessity for adequate security.

Crowd control is important and we ask schools to take every precaution to protect the athletes, fans and general public.

The Tournament Manager should ensure the supervision of fans, watching for inappropriate behavior. During sportsmanship announcements, remind fans that foul language and harassment of officials is strictly prohibited.

After the event, have the officials escorted to the locker room and/or parking lot.

While acknowledging the expense of security, it is noted that this should be an integral part of your planning process and is a KHSAA requirement at postseason contests.

### MEDICAL PROVISIONS

The host school is responsible for securing medical coverage for the event, including athletic trainers and alerting local ambulance service.

A physician and/or ambulance should be in place in the event of an emergency, as well as an emergency plan for the transportation of injured athletes.

This information should be communicated to all competing schools.

Managers are also advised to have additional copies of KHSAA Form WR111 in case a physician's review of a skin condition is needed. That form is included as a link at the end of these instructions.



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It is strongly recommended that the authorized medical coverage be staffed by individuals who can determine whether or not a suspected concussion has occurred per 160.445(3)(a) and the KHSAA Board of Control policies.

Any fees associated are to be taken from gate receipts.

It is also strongly recommended that a physician be in place during the weigh-ins to assist with determinations regarding skin conditions and fitness to wrestle in order to remove that duty from the meet officials.

It is strongly recommended that you provide a health care professional (on site) during the tournament to help with first response situations.

### EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

All State Tournament First Round hosts shall adhere to the KHSAA guidance document in the event that a COVID-19 symptomatic individual is detected at the event.

Each Tournament Manager is expected to have and maintain an emergency action plan for their tournament which shall be practiced and referred to prior to the event.

Before starting matches, the Tournament Manager should identify themselves and establish a designated area where they can be reached in the event of an emergency.

### INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES

#### STOPPAGE/POSTPONEMENT

It's the duty of the Tournament Manager, in consultation with the officials, participating teams and the KHSAA, to make decisions regarding re-start or re-scheduling.

In the event of stoppage or postponement, all parties must work together to ensure that all teams, media outlets and schools are properly notified, along with KHSAA staff.

While it's imperative that Tournament Managers adhere to the scheduled postseason dates, the safety of all parties involved is always the top priority.

### MEDIA AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

#### GENERAL MEDIA RIGHTS

At all levels of competition during postseason play, control of media access and location at those contests is with the KHSAA, and as such, there are necessary policies and restrictions concerning this event and these provisions will be vigorously enforced.

In general, management of the execution of those assignments is assigned to the host KHSAA school's game manager.

The intellectual property, corporate, broadcasting and media rights to all postseason rounds belong exclusively to the KHSAA, including titling agreements and sponsorships.

No member school can sign an exclusive agreement for a postseason round (district, region, section, semi-state, quarterfinal) without agreement between the schools and approval from the KHSAA, including full compliance with NFHS Network restrictions and the KHSAA's participation within that network.

At all levels of KHSAA sponsored postseason events, including district, regional, semi-state, quarterfinal and state competition, managers shall make allowances for television media to record video of the contests, without play by play, at no charge as long as the sole purpose is for newscast highlights.

At all levels of KHSAA sponsored postseason events, including district, regional, semi-state, quarterfinal and state competition, managers are encouraged to make allowances for other media outlets to be admitted to the contests as long as the sole purpose is for reporting of the actions taking place at the contest and promoting the event.

Participating teams in KHSAA events shall be allowed to record the contest, for coaching purposes only, if space is available with such availability at the discretion of the tournament manager and may be required to sign a waiver indicating that the KHSAA shall be held blameless for any and all liability to those parties involved in the video recording.

Any video recording must not violate existing, acknowledged, written copyright protection or intellectual property agreements and cannot be broadcast in any form, including internet and social media.

If space is deemed available, the tournament manager has the right to designate a specific area for video recording and no video recording will be allowed outside of that area.



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The determination of space availability is solely with the tournament manager and shall be equitable for all teams.

A freelance/commercial photographer is any person, including a school employee, not representing an established media outlet or a person who will capture images from the event and re-sell them to anyone, including team members, the families or the general public.

### COVID-19 MEDIA RESTRICTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Media access may be limited, especially if there are capacity limits.

Establish a limit on the number of credentialed media members at each event (number of passes per outlet, priority to those who regularly cover, home/visitor split, etc.).

Encourage media members to RSVP in advance of the event so that you can allocate space accordingly and grant access to any media on a "waiting list."

No non-working individual may be in the working press area, including spouses, family members, and others.

Interview opportunities may be limited during the week.

Disseminate as much information online as possible (limit handouts).

Incorporate easily identifiable credentials to ensure only authorized personnel are in restricted areas.

If radio space is limited to the home team, try to facilitate a shared feed of the home team's broadcast if possible.

Interviews should only be conducted if social distancing protocols can be followed.

Be mindful that no agreement can be made exclusive per adopted regulation, which precludes an audio broadcast by the visiting teams.

### RADIO BROADCASTS

A broadcast, as used in these instructions, is a non-video, audio only, live or delayed account, including play by play, of any contest.

The participating teams must agree on what, if any, rights fee is to be charged to a radio station broadcast team (radio or online) or outlet (radio or online) broadcasting the event.

This fee is to be included in the gross revenue prior to distribution and is payable to the host school.

### TELECAST/WEBCAST INCLUDING NFHS NETWORK RESTRICTIONS

The KHSAA is a full member of the NFHS Network and as such, restrictions exist on all postseason levels.

A telecast, as used in these instructions, is a video, live or delayed account, including play by play, of any contest over the air.

A webcast, as used in these instructions, is a video, live or delayed account, including play by play, of any contest distributed using the internet.

For district and region play, a fee schedule shall be approved annually by the Commissioner for any telecast/webcast and only those outlets paying such fee in advance shall be permitted to originate a telecast or webcast. The mandated, minimum fee will be published on the KHSAA website.

For district and region play in all KHSAA sports, a majority vote of the participating schools may set a higher fee than the required minimum and such vote may also recommend to the KHSAA that no broadcast be approved.

Any approved webcast (or telecast simulcast on a website) shall require the originator to provide a link to the telecast/website not less than 24 hours prior to the origination of the contest, and such link shall permit the Association to add the content to the NFHS Network menu of contests.

Failure of any approved webcast (or telecast simulcast on a website) to provide a link for inclusion on the NFHS Network will result in denial of approval.

The KHSAA is the only entity permitted to produce live or delayed video from state championship events including semi-state, quarterfinal and state rounds, and is the sole authority for approval of any other.

No entity, unless given prior approval by the KHSAA shall be permitted to produce video telecasts or broadcasts, with the exception of approved media outlets solely recording highlights for news use.

No host manager or school may approve live webcast or telecast of a contest, such requests shall be referred to Communications Director of the KHSAA.



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No entity, including media members, may stream live video content during postseason events including the use of social media products such as Facebook® Live.

For all postseason play, all questions regarding live or delayed broadcast or telecast policies, including requests for approval shall be referred to the Communications Director for approval by the Commissioner.

### MUSIC COPYRIGHT

KHSAA schools are reminded to adhere to all music copyright laws.

### EVENT MERCHANDISE

TEAM IP (Official KHSAA Merchandise Vendor) will be on-site with merchandise to be sold at the state first round.

Contact the KHSAA for more information or indicate accordingly on the Regional Manager Information form.

## POST EVENT

### REPORTING RESULTS

The KHSAA will get tournament results through TrackWrestling and no other reports are needed regarding results.

### COVID AWARDS PRESENTATION PROTOCOL

There are no KHSAA awards at the State Tournament First Round.

### STATE TOURNAMENT QUALIFIERS AND SEEDING

The top eight (8) wrestlers in each weight class shall advance from the first round to their seeded slot in the final round.

In the event that a wrestler is not able to participate in the state final round tournament due to injury or other reasons beyond the control of the wrestler, the opening will not be filled and a bye will result.

The final round bracket will be bracketed by the following criteria for each weight class:

- Semi-State 1 - 1st Place vs. Semi-State 2 - 8th Place
- Semi-State 1 - 4th Place vs. Semi-State 2 - 5th Place
- Semi-State 2 - 2nd Place vs. Semi-State 1 - 7th Place
- Semi-State 2 - 3rd Place vs. Semi-State 1 - 6th Place
- Semi-State 2 - 1st Place vs. Semi-State 1 - 8th Place
- Semi-State 2 - 4th Place vs. Semi-State 1 - 5th Place
- Semi-State 1 - 2nd Place vs. Semi-State 2 - 7th Place
- Semi-State 1 - 3rd Place vs. Semi-State 2 - 6th Place

A model bracket for the state final round is found on the KHSAA website at the link at the end of these instructions.

## FINANCES

### TOURNAMENT FINANCIAL REPORT

All Tournament Managers shall submit a financial report to the KHSAA at the conclusion of the meet by filling out Form GE88 as referenced on page 8.

The forms, included as links at the end of these instructions, must be received no later than three (3) weeks following the tournament. Forms may be emailed to [jangolia@khsaa.org](mailto:jangolia@khsaa.org).

## IMPORTANT WEBSITE LINKS

- [KHSAA Wrestling Site](#)
- [Healthy at Sports, Stage 4 - Perseverance, Guidance for Continued Practice and Competition During the Pandemic: Interscholastic Sports](#)
- [COVID-19 Media Guidance](#)
- [Current Alignment](#)



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- [Competition Rules](#)
- [TrackWrestling.Com](#)
- [State Final Round Bracket Model](#)
- [WR111 - Wrestling Skin Condition Form](#)

### ELECTRONIC DATA ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ASSISTANCE

#### HOW DO I CREATE A WEIGH-IN FORM?

- Click on the event you wish to create a weigh-in form for and then click 'Weigh-Ins' or
- Click the blue scale icon next to an event
- Click the [Add Weigh In] button
- Select the wrestlers, verify or edit the date, add weight allowance if necessary and then click [Add] Note - hold the CTRL or SHIFT button to select multiple wrestlers
- Use the drop-downs in the 'Weight' column to change the weight class if necessary and click [Save Form]
- Click the [Print] button to print the weigh-in form to take to the weigh-in
- Note - You can use CTRL + P to open a print dialogue

#### HOW DO I CREATE THE SKIN CONDITION FORM

WR111 – This is the required skin-condition form

- Please make certain you have this completed for any athlete who has even the most remote chance of being viewed by an opposing coach or the officials as being contagious to others
- No other form of note is to be accepted by the officials
- Blank copies are available in the "Important Website Links" section if these instructions
- Please note that if a dispute arises, the on-site assigned appropriate medical professional's decision will prevail

You will not need to complete any additional forms after the regional meet to enter the state meet as your regional manager will take care of that entry.