



Boys Soccer State Final Information

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DATE: November, 2015
TO: Principal, Athletic Director and Head Coach
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RE: **BOYS SOCCER STATE FINAL INFORMATION PACKET**

Congratulations for qualifying for the 2015 Class 2A and Class 3A Boys Soccer State Final!

On Friday, **November 6th at 9:00 a.m.**, there will be a Breakfast Meeting held at Hoffman Estates High School in the faculty dining room—accessible from the West parking lot.

This meeting is an opportunity for participating school administrators and head coaches to meet the State Final officials, Hoffman Estates High School personnel, and other participating schools. If you would like to attend please indicate that on the School Information Form located in this packet.

Head coaches are required to meet with Beth Sauser in the Press Box before their Semifinal game warm-ups on Friday.

Please review the following information to answer any questions that may arise as well as make arrangements for your team, parents and fans to attend the state finals:

- State Final Tournament Schedule
- Timeline for Participants and Fans
- State Final Information
- Team Awards
- Resolution of Tie Games
- Terms and Conditions
- Student Media/Video Taping
- Drug Testing Notice
- State Final Team Hotel Information
- School Information Form

An Administrator or Head Coach may pickup their passes at the Friday, Nov. 7th breakfast meeting.

If not picked up at the breakfast, they will be available at the **ticket booth**.

Only an Administrator or Head Coach may sign for the pass packet. It will include:

- Participant Passes
- 3 Administrative Passes

I look forward to seeing you Friday in Hoffman Estates!
Good Luck!

CLASS 2A-3A BOYS SOCCER STATE TOURNAMENT

HOFFMAN ESTATES HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, November 6 & 7, 2015

Tournament
Pairings:

Friday, November 6, 2015 – Class 2A Semifinals

Session 1	GAME 1 Class 2A:	SUPER-SECTIONAL WINNERS FROM:	
	1:00 a.m.	Jacksonville (Illinois College)	(H)
		Park Ridge (Maine South)	(V)
	GAME 2 Class 2A:		
	3:00 p.m.	Peoria (Notre Dame)	(H)
		Romeoville (Lewis Univ.)	(V)

Class 3A Semifinals

Session 2	GAME 3 Class 3A:		
	5:00 p.m.	Romeoville (Lewis Univ.)	(H)
		Barrington #2	(V)
	GAME 4 Class 3A:		
	7:00 p.m.	Barrington #1	(H)
		Normal (Community)	(V)

Saturday, November 7, 2015 – Class 2A Finals

Session 3	GAME 5 Class 2A:		
	Consolation		
	11:00 a.m.	Loser Game 1	(H)
		Loser Game 2	(V)
	GAME 6 Class 2A:		
	Championship		
	1:00 p.m.	Winner Game 1	(H)
		Winner Game 2	(V)

Class 3A Finals

Session 4	GAME 7 Class 3A:		
	Consolation		
	5:00 p.m.	Loser Game 3	(H)
		Loser Game 4	(V)
	GAME 8 Class 3A:		
	Championship		
	7:00 p.m.	Winner Game 3	(H)
		Winner Game 4	(V)

(H) = Home Team, wears light jerseys; (V) = Visitor Team, wears dark jerseys

Timeline for Participants and Fans

Friday - Session 1 Class 2A Semifinals

Ticket Booths and Gates open for fans at 10:00 am.

Game 1 1:00 pm

- 12:30 Clock starts for 20-minute team warm-up
- 12:50 Teams return to bench to line up for introductions
Introduction of Non-Starters, Starters, and Coaches
National Anthem
- 1:00 Game begins

Game 2 3:00 pm

Follow same schedule for Game 1, except that the National Anthem will not be performed.

20:00 min. warm up will begin after field and bench areas are cleared. After warm ups, team introductions will begin.

Friday - Session 2 Class 3A Semifinals

Ticket Booths and Gates open for fans at 4:00 pm.

Game 3 5:00 pm

- 4:30 Clock starts for 20-minute team warm-up
- 4:50 Teams return to bench to line up for introductions
Introductions of Non-Starters, Starters, and Coaches
National Anthem
- 5:00 Game begins

Game 4 7:00 pm

Follow same schedule for Game 3, except that the National Anthem will not be performed.

20:00 min. warm up will begin after field and bench areas are cleared.
After warm ups, team introductions will begin.

Timeline for Participants and Fans

Saturday - Session 3 Class 2A Finals

Ticket Booths and Gates open for fans at 10:00 am.

Game 5 11:00 am

- 10:30 Clock starts for 20-minute team warm-up
- 10:50 Teams return to bench to line up for introductions
Introductions of Starters, Coaches and Officials
National Anthem
- 11:00 Game begins.

Game 6 1:00 pm

Follow same schedule for Game 5, except that the National Anthem will not be performed.

20:00 min. warm up will begin after field and bench area are cleared.
After warm ups, team introductions will begin

- 3rd and 4th Place medals and trophies will be awarded immediately after the Consolation game.
- 1st and 2nd Place medals and trophies will be awarded immediately following the Championship game.

Saturday - Session 4 Class 3A Finals

Ticket Booths and Gates open for fans at 4:00 pm

Game 7 5:00 pm

- 4:30 Clock starts for 20-minute team warm-up
- 4:50 Teams return to bench to line up for introductions
Introductions of Starters, Coaches and Officials
National Anthem
- 5:00 Game begins.

Game 8 7:00 pm

Follow same schedule for Game 7, except that the National Anthem will not be performed.

20:00 min. warm up will begin after field and bench areas are cleared.
After warm ups, team introductions will begin

- 3rd and 4th Place medals and trophies will be awarded immediately after the Consolation game.
- 1st and 2nd Place medals and trophies will be awarded immediately following the Championship game.

For all Final games on Saturday, teams will follow the officials out to midfield and then fan out.

- The same order of introductions will be used but only the head coaches, starters and officials will be introduced, however this time they will be introduced in alternating order. The National Anthem will be played before the Third place and Championship games.

Rosters

Prior to each game played, coaches should submit a roster sheet to the announcer in the press box denoting starters for the game, proper pronunciation of player's names, as well as any changes in player's numbers.

Ticket Sales

State Final advanced ticket sales may be arranged by contacting Steve Lacni at 847-755-5770 or slacni@d211.org. All tickets will be sold at ticket booths prior to the sessions. Ticket booths and gates will open 1 hour prior to the start of a session.

Tickets (Adult, Student, and Child) will be \$6.00 for each session.

Tournament Programs

Each team that has advanced to the Sectional level in the tournament should have completed the State Final Program Information on the IHSA website at www.ihsa.org. Each competing coach will receive 30 official programs in the press box prior to their Semifinal game.

Participant Passes

Each school advancing to the State Tournament will be issued up to 30 participant passes. Administrator or Head Coach may pickup passes at the Friday morning breakfast or at the ticket booth upon arrival. Only coaches or administrators may sign for the packet of passes. These passes will be honored at all four sessions. **There will be no pass list.** Distribution of the participant passes is decided by each competing school. No additional participant passes will be issued.

A school shall have in uniform, a maximum of twenty-five (25) players on the team bench.

One (1) Athletic Trainer pass will be provided if the Athletic Trainer's name is listed in your state final program information that was filled out online.

All members of the school's coaching staff, as well as other members of the school's designated sideline contingent, must wear (clearly displayed) their participant pass to be admitted to the playing field area when their team is playing.

All team members and coaches staff will check in and enter the field through the **South Gate** located at the *Southwest Corner* of the stadium.

Players and coaches must show their participant pass at all times to be admitted into the stadium. Persons not displaying a participant pass will not be allowed on the field.

Administrative Passes

Three Administrative passes for the Superintendent, Principal and Athletic Director will be at the ticket booth. These passes are for admittance to the stadium.

Medical Arrangements

The athletic trainers from Hoffman Estates will be available to tend to your needs prior to each game and throughout the tournament.

Media Requirements

Local media must request credentials from Matt Troha at the IHSA office. Space for media will be available in the press box. Photographers need to pickup additional information from the press box before going to the field.

Media Interviews

- * Properly credentialed media personal may conduct interviews with the requested coaches and players in the auxiliary classroom building located in the parking lot area.
- * Team hosts will escort the coaches and players to the interview area to meet the press.
- * Once the interviews are complete the team hosts need to escort all media, coaches and players out the Southwest gate.

Interviews will not be held on the field, except after Championship game.

School Reporter, Photographer and/or Video Operator

Please see the **State Final Student Media/Video Taping** attachment further down in the manual.

Stadium Seating & Concessions

Spectator seating for all sessions will be on the West side and team benches will be on the East side of the stadium.

Concessions, the Official Program and IHSA Merchandise will be sold in the stadium concourse.

Hospitality

A hospitality room for participating coaches and administrators will be open in the white maintenance building. Please have your IHSA pass visible to gain admittance.

Hotel Information for Sectional Winners

See information in this document.

Hotel Information for fans

For a list of area Hotels and telephone numbers, refer to the document later in this manual.

Cheerleaders

The number of cheerleaders permitted to cheer for the state finals shall be the same number that has cheered since the first game of the state series.

One adult cheerleading sponsor must accompany the squad at all times. The sponsor may sit on the sideline during the game. An escort will guide the cheerleaders and their sponsor to the sideline 20 minutes before their teams' game time. After the game is over the squad will be escorted back to the front of the stadium.

Parking

Team Buses are to unload and park in the center drive just west of the stadium. (Signs and security will be there upon your arrival).

Fan Parking is available on campus.

Fan Buses For the drop off and parking information please contact Steve Lacni (Hoffman Estates High School - Athletic Director) at 847-755-5770. Please inform Hoffman Estates HS by 12:00 noon on Thursday prior to the start of the State Tournament.

Bands

Pep Bands may be approved by notifying Steve Lacni at 847-755-5770 no later than Thursday at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Bands may be permitted to play during games in the tournament provided an atmosphere of sportsmanlike conduct. Pep bands will be directed where to sit for the game.

Hoffman Estates High School Athletic Office phone #: 847-755-5770
Hoffman Estates High School Athletic Department Fax #: 847-755-5773

2015 Boys Soccer Tournament Procedure for Presentation of Team Awards

30 medals (maximum) will be given to the Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Players on the field.

3 medals will be given to the Superintendent, Principal and Athletic Director on the field.

1 medal will be given to the Athletic Trainer (if applicable).

Please Note: Only individuals from your school who are listed on the official **Awards Ceremony Form** may participate in the awards ceremony at IHSA State Finals (no children, family members, etc.). IHSA staff members will strictly adhere to the awards limits outlined in the IHSA Terms and Conditions and on this form.

Extra medals may be purchased by Contacting Cheryl Lowery in the IHSA office after the tournament.

The **3rd and 4th** Place Award Ceremony will occur immediately after the Consolation game.

Teams should line up in order on either side of the awards table facing the fans. When your name is called, step up on the awards box to receive your medallion. After you are done walk to the end of the line, the next person receives their medallion and walks to the end of the line then the next person etc. Keep the line moving during the ceremony. After the last player is called, you should be standing in line in the original order from the beginning of the ceremony.

4th Place:

Members of the 4th place team will be called in the order that appears on the Award Script sheet beginning with Superintendent, Principal, Athletic Director, Head Coach, Assistant Coaches/Trainers/Managers, Goalies and Players.

3rd Place:

Members of the 3rd place team will be called in the order that appears on the Award Script sheet beginning with Superintendent, Principal, Athletic Director, Head Coach, Assistant Coaches/Trainers/Managers, Goalies and Players.

After both teams have received their medallions, the **4th place** trophy will be awarded to the Head Coach and Captains, followed by the **3rd place** trophy presentation to the Head Coach and Captains.

The 3rd and 4th place teams are asked to walk to the South end to take a team picture in front of the goal under the scoreboard. Parents may take pictures from the stands, behind the railing.

1st and 2nd Place Award Ceremony will occur immediately after the Championship game.

Teams should line up in order on either side of the awards table facing the fans. When your name is called, step up on the awards box to receive your medallion. After you are done walk to the end of the line, the next person receives their medallion and walks to the end of the line then the next person etc. Keep the line moving during the ceremony. After the last player is called, you should be standing in line in the original order from the beginning of the ceremony.

2nd Place:

Members of the 2nd place team will be called in the order that appears on the Award Script sheet beginning with Superintendent, Principal, Athletic Director, Head Coach, Assistant Coaches/Trainers/Managers, Goalies and Players.

1st Place:

Members of the 1st place team will be called in the order that appears on the Award Script sheet beginning with Superintendent, Principal, Athletic Director, Head Coach, Assistant Coaches/Trainers/Managers, Goalies and Players.

After both teams have received their medallions, the **2nd place** trophy will be awarded to the Head Coach and Captains, followed by the **1st place** trophy presentation to the Head Coach and Captains.

The 1st and 2nd place teams will then go to their goal for team pictures. Parents may take pictures from the stands, behind the railing.



Resolution of Tie Games

Boys/Girls Soccer Post Season Tie-Breaker Procedure

The overtime used in the Illinois High School Association tournament series shall be as follows:

Play the regulation game and, if a tie exists;

5 minute break between regulation and 1st overtime

10 minutes-1st overtime period

2 minutes-between overtime period 1 and overtime period 2

10 minutes-2nd overtime period; and if a tie exists:

a) A coin toss occurs before: the first Overtime; the first 5 kicks and the second set of 5 kicks. The visiting captain shall call the toss.

b) Each coach shall select five (5) players from the team roster to take tie-breaker kicks. The team winning the coin toss shall have the choice of shooting first or second. The goalkeeper for each team shall be any eligible team member determined by the coach. The teams will then each take five (5) tie-breaker kicks, alternating kickers. The team scoring on the greater number of these five (5) kicks shall be the winner.

c) If the score is still tied, a series of sudden victory tie-breaker kicks shall be taken. Each team shall designate five (5) different players to kick. Players shall kick alternately. If the first kicker from Team A scores and the first kicker from Team B does not score, the game is ended and Team A is the winner. If both first kickers score, the second kickers from each team take tie-breaker kicks and, if one scores but the other does not, the game is ended and the team of the scoring kicker is the winner. This process shall be repeated through as many as five (5) kickers for each team until there is a winner.

d) If the score is still tied, each team shall designate five (5) different players who did not kick under "c" above to take sudden victory tie-breaker kicks. Then the process of "c" is repeated. If the score is still tied, after these five (5) kickers from each team have taken their kicks, the process of "c" shall be repeated again, with any eligible player from the roster permitted to kick. Note: In any sequence of either the regular or sudden victory tie-breaker kicks no player may kick more than once in each ten (10) kick series. However, a player may kick in each ten kick series so, for example, a player may kick three times in a tie-breaker series which is not resolved until the twenty-fourth (24th) tie-breaker kick.

e) Kicking Procedure for tie-breaker kicks in the tie-breaking system: Kicks taken for tie-breaking purposes will be taken according to the following procedure:

- (1) The kicker and goalkeeper will take their positions in preparation for the kick without delay.
- (2) When ready, the referee will sound a whistle.
- (3) The goalkeeper must start with both feet on the line and can only move laterally when the whistle sounds.
- (4) The kicker will be permitted only one touch on the ball in taking the kick.

2015-16 Boys Soccer Series

Terms and Conditions

In accordance with Section 1.450 of the Constitution, the Terms and Conditions governing the 2015-16 IHSA Boys Soccer Tournament Series have been approved by the Board of Directors.

I. SCHOOL CLASSIFICATION

Competition in the IHSA Boys Soccer Tournament Series will be determined on an enrollment basis.

A. The classification of a school shall be determined on the basis of its total student enrollment figure reported to the Illinois State Board of Education in its Fall Housing Report on September 30 of the preceding school year.

B. For classification purposes, the total student enrollments for one-year high schools, two-year high schools, three-year high schools and high schools which enroll boys only or girls only shall be calculated as follows:

- 1) For one-year high schools, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be quadrupled.
- 2) For two-year high schools, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be doubled.
- 3) For three-year high schools, one-third of the total student enrollment figure shall be added to the total student enrollment figure reported.
- 4) For schools which enroll boys only or girls only, the total student enrollment figure reported shall be doubled.

C. A multiplier of 1.65 will be added to all non-boundary schools

D. Schools participating in sports and activities operating under the three-class system shall be classified as follows:

- 1) Schools with enrollments of 654 and below will be Class 1A.
- 2) Schools with enrollments of 654.01- 1554 will be Class 2A.
- 3) Schools with enrollments of 1554.01 and above will be Class 3A.

II. DATES AND SITES

CLASS 1A

A. Thirty-Two Class 1A sites shall be selected by the IHSA Office to host the Semifinal and Final games for each Regional Tournament. Regional Quarterfinal games shall be played at the higher seeded team unless the two competing schools mutually agree to change sites. Regional Quarterfinal games shall be scheduled on Friday or Saturday, October 9 or 10. Regional Semifinal games will be played at designated sites on Tuesday or Wednesday, October 13 or 14, and the Regional Finals will be held on Friday or Saturday, October 16 or 17. All Regional dates and times shall be determined by the host school.

B. Eight Class 1A sites shall be selected by the IHSA Office to host the Semifinal and Final games for each Sectional Tournament. Sectional Semifinal games will be played at designated sites on Tuesday or Wednesday, October 20 or 21, and the Sectional Finals will be played on Friday or Saturday, October 23 or 24. All Sectional dates and times shall be determined by the host school

C. Four Class 1A sites shall be selected by the IHSA Office to host the Super-Sectional game. The Super-Sectional game will be played on Tuesday, October 27. All Super-Sectional start times shall be determined by the host school.

D. The Class 1A Semifinal and Final games of the State Final will be played on Oct. 30 and 31 at The Corn Crib in Normal, IL.

CLASS 2A & 3A

E. Thirty-Two Class 2A and Thirty-Two Class 3A sites shall be selected by the IHSA Office to host the Semifinal and Final games for each Regional Tournament. Regional Quarterfinal games shall be played at the higher seeded team unless the two competing schools mutually agree to change sites. Regional Quarterfinal games shall be scheduled on Friday or Saturday, October 16 or 17. Regional Semifinal games will be played at designated sites on Tuesday or Wednesday, October 20 or 21, and the Regional Finals will be held on Friday or Saturday, October 23 or 24. All Regional dates and times shall be determined by the host school.

F. Eight Class 2A and eight Class 3A sites shall be selected by the IHSA Office to host the Semifinal and Final games for each Sectional Tournament. Sectional Semifinal games will be played at designated sites on Tuesday or Wednesday, October 27 or 28, and the Sectional Finals will be played on Friday or Saturday, Oct. 30 or 31. All Sectional dates and times shall be determined by the host school.

G. Four Class 2A and four Class 3A sites shall be selected by the IHSA Office to host the Super-Sectional games. Super-Sectional games will be played on Tuesday, November 3. All Super-Sectional start times shall be determined by the host school.

H. The Class 2A and Class 3A Semifinal and Final games of the State Final will be played on Nov. 6 and 7 at Hoffman Estates High School.

III. ON-LINE ENTRIES, WITHDRAWL PROCEDURES, ELIGIBILITY, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The policy for Original Entry Deadlines, Late Entries, and Late Withdrawals shall be the policies and procedures regarding entry for all IHSA-sponsored sport/activities included in the 2015-16 Entry Policies and Procedures.

A. On-line Entries

All member schools must enter their school into the state series competition through the IHSA Schools Center on the IHSA Website at www.ihsa.org. The deadline for entry is **September 11, 2015**. The 2015-16 Entry Policy and Procedures outlining the online entry procedures for all IHSA-sponsored tournaments can be found in the Schools Center on the IHSA website.

B. Late Entries

Any attempt to enter a sport or activity online after the established deadlines will be denied. Schools that wish to enter after the deadline will be considered late. To be considered for late entry, the Principal/Official Representative must contact the IHSA administrative officer in charge of that sport or activity. The penalty for late entry shall be a payment of \$100.00 for that sport/activity by the school.

C. Breach of Contract By-law 6.041 (Withdrawal Procedure)

To withdraw without penalty, the Principal or Athletic Director must notify the IHSA Office, in writing, of the school's withdrawal from the respective sport by 2:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the Wednesday Season Summary Form deadline.

If a school withdraws after the seeding meeting date/List of Participants due date but before the first competition, the school will be charged a \$100 penalty and, if applicable, the cost of game officials and the host school guarantee provided for in the Terms & Conditions.

If a school does not officially withdraw prior to the first competition and/or does not show up for competition, the school will be charged a \$100 penalty, the cost of game officials and the host school guarantee according to the Terms & Conditions for the respective sport.

D. Eligibility

All member schools in good standing may enter one team under the provisions of IHSA By-law 3.054. (By-law 4.071 for activities)

E. Affirmative Action

Only boys shall be permitted to participate in the state series except as provided in the IHSA Affirmative Action Policy.

IV. HOST FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

A. At Member School Sites:

1) **Class 1A, 2A & 3A Regional Quarterfinal Games:** The Quarterfinal games of the Regional tournament are financially independent. The host school shall pay all local expenses and issue checks to game officials. If admission is charged the host school will receive 100 percent of the gate receipts. IHSA will reimburse the school for the cost of the game officials.

2) **Class 1A, 2A & 3A Regional Semifinal and Final Games:** The host school shall pay for all local expenses and issue checks to game officials. Each host shall receive a flat fee of \$440.00 for hosting the semifinal and final games of Regionals and shall be reimbursed the cost of officials. The host shall retain 20% of the net income and submit remainder to the IHSA. In the event of a negative balance, the host shall be reimbursed for the entire deficit. If admission is not charged, the host school shall forfeit the guarantee.

3) **Class 1A, 2A & 3A Sectional Semifinal and Final Games:** The host school shall pay for all local expenses and issue checks to game officials. Each host shall receive a flat fee of \$440.00 for hosting the Sectional games and shall be reimbursed the cost of officials. The host shall retain 20% of the net income and submit remainder to the IHSA. In the event of a negative balance, the host shall be reimbursed for the entire deficit. If admission is not charged, the host school shall forfeit the guarantee.

4) **Class 1A, 2A & 3A Super-Sectional Games:** The host school shall pay for all local expenses and issue checks to game officials. Each host shall receive a guarantee of \$240.00 and shall be reimbursed the cost of officials. Host shall retain 20% of net income and submit remainder to the IHSA. In the event of a negative balance, the host shall be reimbursed for the entire deficit. If admission is not charged, the host school shall forfeit the guarantee.

B. Sites Other Than Member Schools:

When Sectional and Super-Sectional tournaments are held at sites other than IHSA member schools, the IHSA administrator in charge will determine the financial arrangements with the host using current financial arrangements as guidelines.

C. Admission Prices:

The Board of Directors has established the following ticket prices for all Regional, Sectional, Super-Sectional, and State Final tournament games:

Regional Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals: \$4.00 per day

Sectional Semifinals and Finals: \$5.00 per day

Super-Sectionals: \$5.00 per day

State Finals: \$6.00 per session

Baby in Arms: No charge

D. State Final Team Reimbursements:

1) In the State Final Tournament, the teams participating in the tournament shall be allowed transportation expenses at the rate of \$2.00 per mile per team for one round trip to and from the site where the tournament will be played. In addition, each team that participates in the State Final Tournament shall receive a flat expense allowance under the following formula, based on the school's distance from the State Final site:

Round Trip

Mileage to State Final Site	Flat Rate Reimbursement
0-150 miles	\$500.00

151-300 miles	\$1,000.00
301-over miles	\$1,500.00

2) Neither the State Association nor the tournament management will assume responsibility for unusual or extraordinary expenses. Individual schools entering the tournament series must be ready themselves to assume responsibility for unusual expenses due to accident, inclement weather, fire, theft or any other extraordinary cause.

E. Rights Fees for TV and Radio:

1) Television Rights Fees to be charged by Local Managers and/or the IHSA are contained in the IHSA Television Policy at www.ihsa.org.

2) Radio Fees, which shall be charged, are:

- a) Regional Contest = No Charge
- b) Sectional Contest = No Charge
- c) Super-Sectional = No Charge
- d) State Final = \$100.00

3) Policy regarding media requirements for each Local Manager is contained in the current News Media Directory and IHSA Official Handbook at www.ihsa.org.

V. TOURNAMENT ASSIGNMENTS AND SEEDING

A. Class 1A Assignments for Schools: All Class 1A state series shall begin with Sub-Sectionals. A Sub-Sectional is a grouping of two geographic regionals.

Note 1: In grouping and seeding a Sub-Sectional, only the top four seeds shall be separated. Seeds #1 and #4 shall be assigned to the same Regional unless there is a hosting conflict, in which case seeds #1 and #3 shall be assigned to the same Regional. The remaining schools shall be assigned to the Regionals based on geographic proximity and paired according to their seeds.

Class 2A and 3A Assignments for Schools: All state series shall begin with Sectional Complexes. In Sectional groupings where excessive travel is a factor, geographic Sub-Sectionals may be used at the discretion of the IHSA Administrator.

Note 1: In grouping and seeding a Sectional Complex, true seeds shall be used to populate the brackets except in cases where a conflict arises with pre-determined Regional hosts. (For example, if the #1 and #8 seeds are both regional hosts, they cannot be assigned to the same Regional and an adjustment must be made.)

Note 2: In grouping and seeding a Sub-Sectional, only the top four seeds shall be separated. Seeds #1 and #4 shall be assigned to the same Regional unless there is a hosting conflict, in which case seeds #1 and #3 shall be assigned to the same Regional. The remaining schools shall be assigned to the Regionals based on geographic proximity and paired according to their seeds.

B. Tournament Series: The successive tournament series shall be designated respectively as Regional, Sectional, Super-Sectional and State Final. The IHSA Office will select all Regional, Sectional and Super-Sectional host sites. All schools entered in the state series will be assigned to a site based on geography.

C. Season Summary Form: Schools entered into the Class 1A, 2A and 3A state series will be required to submit a Season Summary Form on-line in the IHSA Schools Center. Failure to do so by **10:00 a.m.** on Wednesday, Sept. 23 for Class 1A and 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 30 for Class 2A and 3A will result in a school forfeiting its opportunity to participate in the seeding process. The Season Summary Form can be found in the IHSA Schools Center.

D. Class 1A Seeding: All seeding will be conducted on-line through the IHSA Schools Center. Each school that completes the Season Summary Form by the established deadline shall have one (1) vote in the seeding process. No school shall vote for their own team. The link to seed the teams is located in the IHSA Schools Center and will be activated at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 23. The deadline to seed teams is 12:00 Noon on Thursday, Sept. 24. Seeding will only occur at the Regional tournament level. In grouping and seeding a sub-sectional, only the top four seeds shall be separated. Seeds #1 and #4 shall be assigned to the same regional unless there is a hosting conflict, in which case seeds #1 and #3 shall be assigned to the same regional. The remaining schools shall be assigned to the regionals based on geographic proximity and paired according to their seeds.

E. Class 2A and 3A Seeding: All seeding will be conducted on-line through the IHSA Schools Center. Each school that completes the Season Summary Form by the established deadline shall have one (1) vote in the seeding process. No school shall vote for their own team. The link to seed the teams is located in the IHSA Schools Center and will be activated at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 30. The deadline to seed teams is 12:00 Noon on Thursday, Oct. 1. Seeding will only occur at the Regional tournament level.

F. Seed Meeting: Each school that completes the Season Summary Form by the established deadline shall have one (1) vote in the seeding process. No school shall vote for their own team. Seeding will occur at the Sub Sectional or Sectional Complex level, depending on each school's first level tournament assignment. Neither the Super-Sectional nor the State Final shall be seeded.

G. Sectional Pairings for a Sub-Sectional: In pairing the Sectional semi-final round containing Sub-Sectionals, the Regional winner from Sub-Sectional A containing the #1 seed shall be paired with the Regional winner of Sub-Sectional B containing the #2 seed, and vice versa, except for the southernmost Sectional in Class 3A, where the two Regionals in each Sub-Sectional shall be paired with each other.

H. Sectional Pairings for Sectional Complexes: The tournament bracket for those Sectionals involving teams from Sectional Complexes will be based on the luck of the draw

I. Announcement of Pairings: The Class 1A pairings will be made by the IHSA and posted on the IHSA web site no later than **Friday, September 25, 2015**. The Class 2A and 3A pairings will be made by the IHSA and posted on the IHSA website no later than **Friday, October 2, 2015**.

VI. TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND TIME SCHEDULES

A. Names:

The successive series shall be designated respectively, Regional, Sectional, Super-Sectional and State Final.

B. Time Schedules:

Prior to each game, the teams will walk out using the World Cup Formation. After the Officials meeting, the teams will walk to midfield, shake hands with their opponents, and wish each other good luck before flaring out to their team benches.

1) Single-Game Session Time Schedule (For example, if the game begins at 6:00 pm):

5:30-Warm-up clock will start for 20 minute warm-up.

5:50-When the warm-up clock strikes 0:00 teams return to benches.

5:51-In order: begin Equipment Check, Sportsmanship Meeting, Coaches and Captains Meeting, Coin Toss, Team Introductions and National Anthem.

6:00-Game begins.

2) Two-Game Session Time Schedule (For example, if the first game begins at 4:00 pm):

3:30-Warm-up clock will start for 20 minute warm-up.

3:50-When the warm-up clock strikes 0:00 teams return to benches.

3:51- In order: begin Equipment Check, Sportsmanship Meeting, Coaches and Captains Meeting, Coin Toss, Team Introductions and National Anthem.

4:00-Game begins.

5:30-Warm-up clock begins for second game, and host will follow same schedule, omitting National Anthem.

3) State Final Tournaments:

Class 1A Friday, October 30, 2015 (Semifinals)

Game 1 5:00 p.m.

Game 2 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 31, 2015 (Finals)

Game 3 3:00 p.m. – Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2 (Third Place)

Game 4 5:00 p.m. – Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2 (Championship)

Class 2A and 3A Friday, November 6, 2015

Session 1 (Class 2A Semifinals)

Game 1 Class 2A 1:00 p.m.

Game 2 Class 2A 3:00 p.m.

Session 2 (Class 3A Semifinals)

Game 3 Class 3A 5:00 p.m.

Game 4 Class 3A 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 7, 2015

Session 3 (Class 2A Finals)

Game 5 Class 2A 11:00 a.m. – Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2 (Third Place)

Game 6 Class 2A 1:00 p.m. – Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2 (Championship)

Session 4 (Class 3A Finals)

Game 7 Class 3A 5:00 p.m. – Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4 (Third Place)

Game 8 Class 3A 7:00 p.m. – Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4 (Championship)

C. Starting Times:

Non-Lighted field – weekday games: Begin the first contest no earlier than 4:00 p.m. and no later than 4:30 p.m. Host manager determines if two games will be played on the same day or if one game each will be played on two days.

Lighted field – weekday games: Begin the first contest no earlier than 4:30 p.m. and the second contest no later than 7:00 p.m.

Saturday games: Begin the first contest no earlier than 11:00 a.m. and the second contest no later than 7:00 p.m.

On October 24th, matches shall be scheduled after 3:00 p.m. in order to accommodate students taking the ACT.

Sectional Final and Super-Sectional games: Begin no earlier than 4:00 p.m. and no later than 7:00 p.m.

Note 1: If two (2) games are to be played back-to-back (doubleheader) on the same field, the second game must be scheduled to begin by 7:00 p.m.

VII. ADVANCEMENT OF WINNERS

A. Class 1A, 2A & 3A:

The winners of the thirty-two (32) Regional tournaments shall advance to eight (8) Sectional tournaments consisting of four teams each. The winners of the eight (8) Sectional tournaments shall advance to four (4) Super-Sectional games consisting of two teams each. The winners of the four (4) Super-Sectional tournaments shall advance to the State Final tournament.

VIII. TOURNAMENT RULES

A. Rules of Play:

The National Federation Soccer Rules are adopted as the official rules of play for the 2015-16 series of tournaments with the following provisions:

- 1) Each game in the tournament series will be played in two forty-minute halves.
- 2) During the State Tournament, if there is a seven (7) goal differential at the start of the second half or anytime after the start of the second half, the clock shall be reduced by half of the remaining time.
- 3) During Regional Quarterfinals, Semifinals, and Finals, and during Sectional Semifinals and Finals, if the first half has ended, and if play cannot be continued due to conditions such as darkness, weather, etc., the game shall be terminated unless tied. If the game is tied and cannot be continued, the game shall be considered suspended and must be continued from the point of interruption at the next available playing time (except Sunday). Once the game has begun, the game officials are solely responsible for the decision.
- 4) If a Super-Sectional game is suspended due to conditions that make it impossible to play, the game will be rescheduled for the next day from point of suspension or if mutually agreed upon by both head coaches that the game may be considered final. If the game cannot be played or completed by the Thursday night prior to the State Semifinals, the team with the lead will be declared the winner. If the teams are tied and the game cannot be completed then a coin toss shall determine which team will qualify for the State Finals.
- 5) During weekday state series contests (M-Th), if a game is delayed (inclement weather, power outage, etc.) the game must resume by 10 p.m. No games shall start after 9 p.m. Local ordinances take precedence and will override the above.
- 6) No coach or other school official shall, during the progress of a game, be allowed on the field of play except by permission of the game officials.
- 7) The captain and the head coach shall be the official spokesmen and the sole representatives of their team in all communications with the officials.

B. Resolution of Tie Games:

Note 1: If the Class 1A, 2A & 3A third place game is tied at the end of regulation, the tie is broken by proceeding straight to penalty kicks following the procedure below.

The overtime used in the Illinois High School Association tournament series shall be as follows:
Play the regulation game and, if a tie exists;

5 minute break between regulation and 1st overtime

10 minutes-1st overtime period

2 minutes-between overtime period 1 and overtime period 2

10 minutes-2nd overtime period; and if a tie exists:

- a) A coin toss occurs before: the first overtime; the first 5 kicks and the second set of 5 kicks. The visiting captain shall call the toss.
- b) Each coach shall select five (5) players from the team roster to take tie-breaker kicks. The team winning the coin toss shall have the choice of shooting first or second. The goalkeeper for each team shall be any eligible team member determined by the coach. The teams will then each take five (5) tie-breaker kicks, alternating kickers. The team scoring on the greater number of these five (5) kicks shall be the winner.
- c) If the score is still tied, a series of sudden victory tie-breaker kicks shall be taken. Each team shall designate five (5) different players to kick. Players shall kick alternately. If the first kicker from Team A scores and the first kicker from Team B does not score, the game is ended and Team A is the winner. If both first kickers score, the second kickers from each team take tie-breaker kicks and, if one scores but the other does not, the game is ended and the team of the scoring kicker is the winner. This process shall be repeated through as many as five (5) kickers for each team until there is a winner.
- d) If the score is still tied, each team shall designate five (5) different players who did not kick under "c" above to take sudden victory tie-breaker kicks. Then the process of "c" is repeated. If the score is still tied, after these five (5) kickers from each team have taken their kicks, the process of "c" shall be repeated again, with any eligible player from the roster permitted to kick. **Note:** In any sequence of either the regular or sudden victory tie-breaker kicks no player may kick more than once in each ten (10) kick series. However, a player may kick in each ten kick series so, for example, a player may kick three times in a tie-breaker series which is not resolved until the twenty-fourth (24th) tie-breaker kick.
- e) Kicking Procedure for tie-breaker kicks in the tie-breaking system: Kicks taken for tie-breaking purposes will be taken according to the following procedure:
 - (1) The kicker and goalkeeper will take their positions in preparation for the kick without delay.
 - (2) When ready, the referee will sound a whistle.
 - (3) The goalkeeper must start with both feet on the line and can only move laterally when the whistle sounds.
 - (4) Once the kicker starts his approach toward the ball, he may not interrupt his movement. The kicker will be permitted only one touch on the ball in taking the kick.

C. Tournament Officials

1) Officials for the Class 1A, 2A & 3A Regional Quarterfinal games must be obtained by the host school. All other tournament officials will be assigned through the IHSA Office.

Note: Information will be posted on the Schools Center no later than the Monday of the 1st round games.

2) In all tournaments, the decisions of the officials shall be final. The Board of Directors will not review decisions of officials, whether alleged errors are due to faulty judgment or misinterpretation of the rules.

D. Team Roster:

The coach of each competing school must indicate the names of up to twenty-five (25) players who will constitute the tournament squad prior to each game the team plays in the tournament series.

E. Substitution:

Schools may substitute persons on their team rosters for any reason and at any time between games throughout the state series provided all substitutes meet IHSA eligibility requirements.

F. Players in Team Uniform:

In each of the tournaments, a team shall have in uniform a maximum of twenty-five (25) players. The twenty-five (25) players shall be the ones designated in D above. A total of thirty (30) persons from a school may be on the field and/or team bench.

G. Players Uniforms:

1) All players shall wear regulation soccer uniforms. School approved uniforms must be worn during warm-ups and competition. Tournament management reserves the right to determine appropriateness of all warm-ups and uniforms.

2) The team listed on the top line of a single game-playing bracket, shall wear solid white jerseys and solid white socks and will be considered the home team. The team listed on the bottom line shall wear dark jerseys and socks and will be considered the visiting team.

H. Balls:

Balls for all levels of the State Tournament Series are being provided by Wilson Sporting Goods Company and only Wilson balls may be used. The IHSA will provide three (3) Wilson game balls for each Regional, Sectional and Super-Sectional site designated by the IHSA office and seven (7) Wilson game balls for the State Final Tournament.

I. Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

1) Managers and officials have instructions to disqualify any player or coach guilty of profane or indecent language or gestures as well as gross unsportsmanlike conduct and shall be punishable under the provisions of By-laws 3.151, 6.011 and 6.012.

2) IHSA By-Law 2.040 gives the Board of Directors complete authority to penalize a school or individual(s) for any unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of the principal, coach, players or any member of the faculty or Board of Education, or any other official representative of any participating school.

3) All cautions received during regular season or tournament competition are tracked by the member schools. Once a coach or player has accumulated five yellow cards, they are suspended for the next game. Once the coach or player accumulates three additional yellow cards, they are suspended for the next two games; three more, they are suspended three games. These are minimum penalties. All yellow cards must be reported by the official to the IHSA and the member school as currently practiced with all ejection reports.

At the start of the IHSA tournament series, a coach and/or player will start with a clean slate if they have accumulated four or fewer yellow cards during the regular season. During the tournament series, once a coach or player accumulates five yellow cards, they are suspended for the next game; three more yellows, suspended for two games. If a coach or player enters the tournament series having accumulated five or more yellow cards during the season, their yellow card count continues.

4) All straight red cards received by a player and/or coach are to be tracked by the school and the IHSA. Recipients of the hard red card will have the following consequences:

1st straight red = 1 game suspension (current practice);

2nd straight red card = 2 game suspension for recipient;

3rd straight red card = 3 game suspension for recipient etc.

The straight red card(s) count accumulated during the regular season will continue through the state series.

J. Practice:

In Regional, Sectional, Super-Sectional and State Final tournaments the host school shall not make its field available to visiting teams for practice sessions.

NOTE: Participating Boys Class 1A teams will have an opportunity to practice on the Corn Crib field on Friday prior to the semifinal session. Time schedules will be announced at a later date.

IX. TOURNAMENT POLICIES

A. Pre-Sale Tickets:

All tickets will be sold at the host site on the date of the contest.

B. All-Star Teams:

No officers of the tournament, game officials or anyone serving under the supervision of the IHSA may cooperate in any way in the selection of an all-star tournament team.

C. State Final Passes:

For the State Final Tournament games, each Class 1A, Class 2A and 3A Super-Sectional winner will receive:

1) Up to thirty (30) passes for its players and other team personnel

2) One (1) pass for properly licensed medical personnel. This individual must be listed on the school's Team Data Form.

3) Three (3) administrative passes will be provided for the Superintendent, Principal and Athletic Director. These passes allow bearer access to the stadium.

D. Bands:

Bands from participating schools may be permitted to play during games in the tournament series provided they maintain an atmosphere of sportsmanlike conduct. Halftime and pre-game performances by bands on the playing field shall be permitted provided:

- 1) The host school determines that field conditions will not negatively be affected by marching of the band.
- 2) The halftime interval is extended by mutual agreement of the opposing coaches (Rule 7-2-1) to permit a maximum of six (6) minute performances by each school's band. Band members actually playing during a tournament series game shall be admitted to that game at no charge.

E. Artificial Noisemakers:

All artificial and mechanical noise-making devices shall be excluded from the State Final venues. Cheerleaders may use megaphones.

F. Signs and Banners:

The display of signs, banners, placards or similar items at IHSA state series events is permitted, provided:

- 1) They are in good taste and reflect good sportsmanship in their message and use;
- 2) They reflect identification and encouragement to participants and their school/community;
- 3) They are not displayed on the field of play or in a manner which interferes with play;
- 4) They do not obstruct the view of participants or spectators; and
- 5) They are not safety hazards.

G. Cheerleaders and Mascots:

The number of cheerleaders permitted to cheer for the state finals shall be the same number that has cheered since the first game of the state series.

H. Damage to Property or Equipment:

If contestants or people from any school entered in a state series are found guilty of carelessness or maliciously breaking, damaging or destroying property or equipment belonging to the host school, such school shall be held responsible for costs incurred in replacing or repairing such property or equipment.

I. Media Requirements:

- 1) Provide Space:

Space shall be set aside to provide for news media representatives covering the state series whether they are from newspapers, radio stations, commercial television stations and/or cable television stations.

- 2) Radio and TV Originators:

It is the responsibility of the Local Manager to accept applications, approve requests to originate, collect proper rights fees payment (where required) and make cancellation refunds for television and/or radio play-by-play originations, according to the IHSA Television and/or IHSA Radio Broadcast Policy.

a) Television Rights Fees for all levels of competition below the State Final level shall be paid to the host school and shall become part of the revenue to be shared by the member school(s) and the Association according to the financial terms stipulated in these Terms and Conditions.

b) Radio Broadcast Rights Fees are not required for any level of competition in this series (except State Final). Local Managers shall permit radio play-by-play originations of the competition.

c) Television and/or Radio Stations which do not apply in advance, or which do not pay required rights fees prior to the start of competition in each respective level in this state series shall not be given credentials nor allowed access to the facility to originate. Sponsors of the originations for television and radio shall be only those so stipulated in the respective IHSA Television and Broadcast policies.

- 3) Administrative Detail:

Reporting information to the news media and/or the IHSA Office, as stipulated in instructions to Local Managers, shall be the responsibility of each Local Manager and is required.

J. Videotaping by Competing Schools or Spectators:

Videotaping will be allowed provided the local manager has a comparable area for both competing schools to videotape. When one school requests the video space, then the local manager shall provide similar space to both competing schools. Non-competing schools and spectators will be allowed to videotape games in the stands, provided they do not obstruct the view of participants and spectators.

K. Tobacco/Liquid Nicotine Products:

The use of tobacco or liquid nicotine products in any competition area, either during a practice or while a contest is in progress, or affiliated property of any IHSA state series contest by any coach, player, any other person connected with a team, or fan shall be prohibited. State series hosts are required to make all state series contest sites and any affiliated property, including parking lots, fan accommodation areas, and other school or event venue property, tobacco/liquid nicotine free zones on the date or dates of any IHSA event being held at the site.

L. Use of Inhalers:

A student with asthma may possess and use his/her medication during an IHSA competition, while under the supervision of school personnel, provided the school meets the outlined procedures of self administration in the Illinois school code.

M. Alcoholic Beverages and IHSA State Series:

The possession, distribution, sale and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited at the site and on any affiliated property of any IHSA state series contest. State series hosts are required to make all state series contest sites and any affiliated property, including parking lots, fan accommodation areas, and other school or event venue property, alcohol free zones on the date or dates of any IHSA event being held at the site. Violation of this policy by an event host will subject the host to a penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Such penalty may include but not necessarily be limited to prohibition against subsequent event hosting assignments. Violation of this policy by a non-hosting member school will

subject the school to penalty for violation of IHSA By-law 2.020. Patrons of any IHSA state series contest determined to be in violation of this policy will be removed from the premise, and law enforcement officials will be called as warranted. No ticket refunds will be granted in such cases.

N. Prayer at IHSA State Series Contests:

Prayer at an IHSA state series contest that takes place over the public address system is prohibited.

X. AWARDS

A. Regional: A plaque will be awarded to the winner in each Regional

B. Sectional: A plaque will be awarded to the winner in each Sectional

C. Super-Sectional: A plaque will be awarded to the winner in each Super-Sectional

D. State Final: A trophy will be awarded to teams finishing first, second, third and fourth places in the State Final Tournament. A total of up to thirty (30) individual medallions will be presented to the first, second, third and fourth placing teams at the State Final Tournament. In addition, the Superintendent, Principal, Athletic Director and Athletic Trainer will be presented with a medallion.

XI. OFFICIALS

A. Appointment and Fees:

1) **Regional Tournaments:** Three (3) officials will be appointed by the IHSA Office for each Regional Semifinal and Final game. Each official will be paid a fee of \$57.50 per game.

2) **Sectional Tournaments:** Three (3) officials will be appointed by the IHSA Office for each Sectional Semifinal and Final game. Each official will be paid a fee of \$71.50 per game.

3) **Super-Sectional** games: Three (3) officials will be appointed by the IHSA Office for each Super-Sectional game. Each official will be paid a fee of \$97.00 per game.

4) **Class 1A State Final Tournament:** Six (6) officials will be appointed by the IHSA Office for the State Final games. Class 1A Officials will be paid \$127.50 per game worked plus up to two nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator. One (1) Head official will be appointed by the IHSA Office for the State Final games. The Head Official will be paid \$125.00 per day plus up to two nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator. Two (2) 4th officials will be appointed by the IHSA Office for the State Final games. 4th Officials will be paid \$45.00 per game plus up to two nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator.

5) **Class 2A and 3A State Final Tournament:** Eight (8) officials will be appointed by the IHSA Office for the State Final games. Class 2A and 3A Officials will be paid \$127.50 per game worked plus up to three nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator. One (1) Head official will be appointed by the IHSA Office for the State Final games. The Head Official will be paid \$125.00 per day plus up to three nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator. Two (2) 4th officials will be appointed by the IHSA Office for the State Final games. 4th Officials will be paid \$45.00 per game plus up to three nights lodging at a hotel designated by the IHSA Administrator.

B. Mileage Reimbursement Policy:

In the state series, to assist officials for out-of-pocket expenses, a voucher system will be used to compensate officials when they actually drive in excess of 70 miles round trip per contest. Payment will be made through the IHSA Office, after completion of the tournament series, at a rate of thirty cents (\$.30) per mile for all mileage in excess of 70 miles round trip. No compensation will be permitted for trips of less than 70 miles round trip.



November 6-7, 2015

*****TEAM HOTEL INFORMATION*****

The following is a list of hotels in the Hoffman Estates area for teams, families and fans. If you would like more information concerning these hotels and/or any restaurants in the Hoffman Estates area, please refer to the Hoffman Estates Visitors Guide at <http://www.visithoffman.com>

Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham Chicago-Hoffman Estates

2875 Greenspoint Parkway
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
847-490-1686
www.hawthorn.com

Chicago Marriott Northwest - Hoffman Estates

4800 Hoffman Boulevard
Hoffman Estates, IL 60192
847-645-9500
www.chicagomarriottnorthwest.com

Comfort Inn - Chicago

2075 Barrington Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
847-882-8848
www.comfortinn.com

Hampton Inn and Suites Chicago - Hoffman Estates

2825 Greenspoint Parkway
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
847-882-4301
www.hamptoninnhoffman.com

Hilton Garden Inn - Hoffman Estates

2425 Barrington Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60192
847-277-7889
www.hoffmanestates.hgi.com

La Quinta Inns & Suites Chicago - Hoffman Estates

2280 Barrington Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
800-531-5900
www.laquinta.com

Red Roof Inn Chicago - Hoffman Estates

2500 Hassell Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
847-885-7877
www.redroof.com

State Final Student Media/Video Taping



Contact: Matt Troha • mtroha@ihsa.org • Phone: 309-663-6377 • Fax: 309-663-7479

STUDENT MEDIA CREDENTIALS FOR PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

Congratulations on qualifying for an IHSA state final in a team sport. In order to provide the best possible coverage of this event for your school newspaper, yearbook and AV club, etc. you are entitled to have up to three students receive credentials to cover this event as official media members. In the event that you have less than three students, an adult sponsor may be included on this list. To apply for student media credentials, please have your Athletic Director or an individual involved with the aforementioned programs email Matt Troha (mtroha@ihsa.org) at the IHSA with the following information:

- 1) The names of individuals attending
- 2) Whether they are students or adults
- 3) If the attending individuals will serve as reporters, photographers, videographers, etc.

Student media who are registering for credentials are expected to maintain a level of professionalism while covering this event. That includes no cheering while in the press box or game coverage area. Proper attire is also required. Wearing school shirts and colors is acceptable, but students wearing face paint, costumes, carrying props, etc. will be required to change before receiving credential clearance.

The individual applying for student media credentials will receive specific information on credential pick-up and media regulations at the event via email in the days leading up to the state final.

Please note that student media credentials are only available for state final events in team sports. Due to the sheer volume of schools who qualify in individual sports, our press facilities would be unable to accommodate student media from all participating schools in individual sports. Student media are also welcome to cover IHSA state final activities. Credentials are not required for these events, but please have your students check-in with state final personnel upon arrival for media coverage regulations.

VIDEO TAPING STATE FINALS FOR COACH FILM BREAKDOWN

Each school will be eligible to receive a pass for an individual attending the state final event to shoot game film that is for the sole purpose of being used by the coaching staff for postgame breakdown. Passes for videographers shooting highlight videos, documentaries, etc. should be included in student media application reference above. Additional passes for videotaping purposes will need to come from the allotment of state final passes given to school/head coach at or prior to the state final event.

To apply for a credential to shoot video, please have your Athletic Director email Matt Troha (mtroha@ihsa.org) at the IHSA with the name of the individual who will be taping and whether they are an adult or a student.

Please contact Matt Troha (309-663-6377) at the IHSA for any questions related to this document.

Drug Testing Notice

Congratulations on having competitors for this year's Boys Soccer State Finals which will be held on Oct. 30-31(1A) and Nov. 6-7 (2-3A), 2015. This is a tremendous accomplishment in which your school should be proud.

Please note that, in accordance with the policy adopted by the IHSA Board of Directors, performance-enhancing drug testing may take place at the state finals. Any student-athlete who competes during the state finals is eligible for testing. When testing occurs during any IHSA state series competition, schools will need to provide assistance to the IHSA and Drug-Free Sport staff to ensure that any student(s) from your school selected for testing reports to the test site by established time. Additional notification regarding testing will be provided to those schools that have student-athletes selected for testing. School officials and coaches are encouraged to keep that notification confidential and not inform those selected student-athletes prior to their competition in the state finals.

As a reminder, selected individuals who fail to report for post-competition testing will be in violation of the IHSA's Performance-Enhancing Drug Testing Policy and be subject to the appropriate penalties.



Boys Soccer State Final Information

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SCHOOL INFORMATION FORM

Please fill out the following information and fax it to LeAnna Mutchler at 309-663-7479 by
2:00 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4th.

Name of School _____

Head Coach's Name _____

Head Coach's Cell Phone Number _____

Athletic Director's Name _____

Athletic Director's Cell Phone Number _____

Principal's Name _____

Principal's Cell Phone Number _____

Number of People Attending Coach/Administrator's Breakfast _____

List below any additional bench personnel (e.g. managers, statisticians) that are not included in your Team Information pages, and will be receiving a medal in the awards ceremony:
