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Welcome to the 2023 OHSAA Football State Championships

To: Media Representatives

From: Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Media Relations

Welcome to the 2023 Ohio High School Athletic Association Football State Championships. We are pleased to have you as our guests and would like to thank you in advance for your coverage.

Postgame Procedures and Press Conferences: Locker rooms are not open to media at OHSAA tournament contests. There is an official press conference after every game, which will include the head coaches and several players from both teams. The press conference room is under the home side seats (press box side). Media are permitted to be on the field after games, but must not interfere with the post-game awards ceremony. Only television outlets and radio sideline reporters may conduct brief interviews on the field while OHSAA personnel escort the head coach and selected student-athletes to the interview room. The winning team goes second into the press conference.

Photographers Work Space and Hospitality: The work space and hospitality room for photographers is under the home side seats (press box side). The main press box is also available for photographers after each game. See a media assistant for an assigned seat.

Press Box Seating Charts and Work Space: Seating charts are created for each game. Media are asked to sit in their assigned seat or booth. Media may continue to work in the press box after each game, although it may be necessary to change seats in order to accommodate media covering the next game. The press box closes 90 minutes after the postgame press conference following the last game each day.

Statistics and Recaps: Live stats are available at ohsaa.statbroadcast.com. Printed game statistics will be available online and paper copies will be distributed to media in the press box.

Wireless Access and Hard-line Available: Wireless internet access is available free of charge. The passcode will be posted around the press box and work room for photographers or will be available from press box personnel. Broadcast media needing an internet line or telephone line connection should check the appropriate line on the application form and confirm the request with Tim Stried. A \$50 charge will apply.

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