2023-24 OHSAA Tournament Audio Broadcast Fees



- Live audio broadcasts are permitted for all OHSAA tournament contests pending approval from the host site.
- In most cases, checks are to be made payable to the OHSAA.
- Stations that are pre-approved for delayed payment must submit the request application to the OHSAA and present the broadcast log sheet before each tournament game to be signed by the tournament manager or media coordinator.



Audio Broadcast Information and Fees (Radio and Internet)

Rights fees for **low power**, **non-commercial** radio stations: \$25 per game or tournament (when fees are applicable). Rights fees are waived for high school student broadcasts on the school-owned website or school-controlled webpage.

Approval to broadcast a tournament contest must be granted by the tournament manager (or the OHSAA for state tournaments). Tournament managers may deny broadcast requests for reasons such as lack of previous broadcast coverage of high school sports, lack of coverage of the teams competing in the contest, or lack of available broadcast space, in which case the participating schools shall be asked to decide which broadcast outlet should be designated their priority broadcast outlet(s).

During regular-season contests, the OHSAA expects the host school to accommodate the primary broadcast outlet of the visiting school. During OHSAA tournament contests, the priority media of both participating schools should be accommodated equally, even if the higher seed is hosting the contest.

Football (Audio Broadcasts)

Station Location	Regionals	State Semifinal	State Final
Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus,	\$100	\$115	\$125
Dayton, Toledo, Warren, Youngstown			
Elyria, Lima, Lorain, Mansfield, Springfield, Willoughby	\$85	\$100	\$115
All Other Stations (including internet-only broadcasts)	\$70	\$85	\$100

Rate for All Seven State Championship Games: \$625

Basketball (Audio Broadcasts)

Station Location	Sectional/District	Regional	State
Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus,	\$80	\$100	\$125
Dayton, Toledo, Warren, Youngstown			
Elyria, Lima, Lorain, Mansfield, Springfield, Willoughby	\$70	\$90	\$100
All Other Stations (including internet-only broadcasts)	\$60	\$80	\$90

Rate for All 12 State Tournament Games: \$750

Other Sports (Audio Broadcasts)

Station Location	Sectional/District	Regional	State
Soccer, Volleyball, Baseball and Softball	no charge	\$60	\$80
Ice Hockey		\$60	\$80
Wrestling (flat rate per day of broadcasting)	\$60	-	\$150
Lacrosse	-	\$60	\$80

Additional Radio and Audio Webcast Information

The OHSAA reserves the right to grant exclusive rights to a company for coverage (live or delayed) of a state tournament and/or finals, as well as the first right of refusal for live or tape-delayed coverage of all other OHSAA tournament events. Should exclusivity be granted, approval to broadcast a tournament contest must be granted by procedures approved by the OHSAA Board of Directors.

2023-24 OHSAA Tournament Video Broadcast Rights Fees (TV and Streaming)

General Notes

- Spectrum News 1 is the official TV partner of the OHSAA. If Spectrum News 1 selects a contest for TV coverage, there may not be any other video play-by-play video productions of that contest (live or tape-delayed). If Spectrum selects a contest for streaming coverage, then tape-delayed video play-by-play productions are permitted if the facility can accommodate additional requests, but Spectrum gets the primary positioning.
- The NFHS Network is the official streaming partner of the OHSAA. If the NFHS Network selects a contest for streaming coverage, there may not be any other live video play-by-play productions of that contest. Tape-delayed video play-by-play productions are permitted if the facility can accommodate the additional requests, but the NFHS Network gets the primary positioning.
- For OHSAA tournament contests not selected by Spectrum nor the NFHS Network, live video (TV and/or streaming) is permitted in some situations per this document (see the sport-specific section for permissions and fees) and only if the host site can accommodate the request and a rights fee is paid to the OHSAA.

Delayed Video

- Rights fees for tape-delayed coverage by **educational access (non-commercial) stations** are \$50 per contest (where fees are applicable) unless otherwise noted (see wrestling).
- Tape-delayed video broadcasts may not begin until the contest has concluded.

Video Rights Fees

- Spectrum and the NFHS Network are official partners of the OHSAA and they have already paid rights fees, therefore they do not pay single-game fees at the site of the contest.
- Broadcast fees are "per game" unless otherwise noted. Checks should be made payable to the OHSAA unless the host site directs otherwise.
- Please see page 2 of the OHSAA media regulations for details when a media outlet may be charged a second rights fee for providing more than one form of coverage of a game
- Rights fees are waived only for school-owned websites and school-controlled webpages (including social media platforms) in which students are providing the announcing and assisting with production.

Football

- Live television play-by-play coverage is not permitted for OHSAA football playoff games.
- Delayed video coverage is available only for playoff games not televised by Spectrum News 1.
- If a playoff games is streamed by Spectrum or the NFHS Network, then delayed video coverage is permitted if the stadium can accomodate the request.
- If a playoff game is not covered by Spectrum or the NFHS Network, then it is availabl for live streaming coverage per the chart below.

Delayed Video Play-by-Play (available only for games not televised by Spectrum News 1) **Cable (Public and Low-Power)**

Subscribers	Regional	State Semifinal	State Final
More than 750,000	Only Available Thro	ugh OHSAA Negotiati	ion N/A
100,001 to 750,000	\$350	\$475	N/A
35,001 to 100,000	\$250	\$375	N/A
0 to 35.000	\$175	\$250	N/A

Commercial Stations (Network and Indepedent)

Location	Regional	State Semifinal	State Final
Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$750	\$1,500	N/A
Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$500	\$1,000	N/A
All other stations	\$250	\$500	N/A
Delayed video streaming	\$100	\$175	N/A
Educational Access and Non-Commercial	\$50	\$50	N/A

Live Video Streaming Play-by-Play (available only for games not televised or streamed by Spectrum or the NFHS Network)

Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Regional	State Semifinal	State Final	
Spectrum and NFHS Network	- Rights Fees Already Paid -			
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$250	\$300	N/A	
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$200	\$250	N/A	
All Other Locations	\$150	\$200	N/A	
Educational Access, Non-Commercial and School Fan/Booster Websites	\$100	\$150	N/A	
Student Broadcasts on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	\$0	N/A	

2023-24 OHSAA Tournament Video Rights Fees

Basketball

Live Television Play-by-Play (available only for games not covered by Spectrum or the NFHS Network)

Cable (Public and Low-Power)

Subscribers	Sectional/District	Regional	State Tournament
More than 750,000	Only Available Through	Negotiation	N/A
100,001 to 750,000	\$500	\$700	N/A
35,001 to 100,000	\$350	\$500	N/A
0 to 35,000	\$200	\$350	N/A

Commercial Stations (Network and Indepedent)

Location	Sectional/District	Regional	State Tournament
Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$1,200	\$1,600	N/A
Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$800	\$1,200	N/A
All Other Commercial Stations	\$400	\$700	N/A
Educational Access and Non-Commercial	\$100	\$125	N/A

Live Video Streaming Play-by-Play (available only for games not covered by Spectrum or the NFHS Network)

Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Sectional/District	Regional	State Tournament
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$150	\$175	N/A
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$125	\$150	N/A
All Other Locations	\$100	\$125	N/A
Educational Access, Non-Commercial & Fan/Booster Websites	\$50	\$75	N/A
Student Broadcasts on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	\$0	N/A

Delayed Video Play-by-Play (available only for games not televised by Spectrum News 1)

Cable TV (Public and Low-Power)

Subscribers	Sectional/District	Regional	State Tournament
More than 750,000	Only A	Available Throu	igh Negotiation
100,001 to 750,000	\$250	\$350	N/A
35.001 to 100.000	\$175	\$250	N/A
0 to 35,000	\$100	\$175	N/A

Commercial TV Stations (Network and Indepedent)

Location	Sectional/District	Regional	State Tournament
Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$600	\$800	N/A
Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$400	\$600	N/A
All Other Commercial Stations	\$200	\$350	N/A
Delayed Video Streaming	\$75	\$150	N/A
Educational Access and Non-Commercial	\$50	\$50	N/A

2023-24 OHSAA Tournament Video Rights Fees, continued

Field Hockey and Boys Volleyball Live Video of State Tournament Covered by the NFHS Network.

Delayed Television Play-by-Play		State	State	
	Regionals	Semifinal	Final	
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	no charge	\$500	\$800	
All Other Stations	no charge	\$300	\$450	
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Through Negotiation			

Live Television Play-by-Play (only available for games not streamed by the NFHS Network)

	Regionals	State Tournament	
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$250	N/A	
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	\$400	N/A	
All Other Stations	\$175	N/A	

Live and/or Delayed Video Streaming Play-by-Play

(live video only available for games not streamed by the NFHS Network)

Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Regionals	State Tournament
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$100	Delay Only: \$300
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$75	Delay Only: \$250
All Other Locations	\$50	Delay Only: \$200
Educational Access, Non-Commercial and School Fan/Booster Websites	\$35	Delay Only: \$50
Student Broadcasts on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	Delay Only: \$0

Wrestling

Live Video of State Tournament Covered by the NFHS Network.

Delayed Television Play-by-Play

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	District	All Sessions	_
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$200 per day	\$400 per day	
All Other Stations	\$100 per day	\$200 per day	
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Through Negotiation		
Educational Access and Non-Commercial Stations	\$50 per day	\$75 per day	

State

Live Television Play-by-Play (only available for matches not streamed by the NFHS Network)		State
	District	All Sessions
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$400 per day	N/A
All Other Stations	\$150 per day	N/A
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Through Negotiation	
Educational Access and Non-Commercial Stations	\$100 per day	N/A

Live and/or Delayed Video Streaming Play-by-Play	y (live video only available for matches not streamed by NFHS)		
Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	District (live or delayed)	State Tournament (delayed)	
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$150 per day	Delay Only: \$350 total	
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$100 per day	Delay Only: \$275 total	
All Other Locations	\$75 per day	Delay Only: \$200 total	
Educational Access, Non-Commercial and School Fan/Booster Websites	\$50 per day	Delay Only: \$75 total	
Student Broadcasts on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	0.2	Delay Only: \$0	

2023-24 OHSAA Tournament Video Rights Fees, continued

Ice Hockey
Live Video of State tournament Covered by the NFHS Network.

Delayed Television Play-by-Play		State	State
	Regionals	Semifinal	Final
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$300	\$550	\$900
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	\$500	\$1,200	\$1,800
All Other Stations	\$125	\$350	\$550

Live Television Play-by-Play (only available for games not streamed by the NFHS Network)

	Regionals	State Tournament	
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$1,000	N/A	
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	\$2,000	N/A	
All Other Stations	\$700	N/A	

Live and/or Delayed Video Streaming Play-by-Play (live video only available for games not streamed by the NFHS Network)

Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Regionals	State Tournament
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$115	Delay Only: \$300
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$80	Delay Only: \$250
All Other Locations	\$60	Delay Only: \$200
Educational Access, Non-Commercial and School Fan/Booster Websites	\$50	Delay Only: \$50
Student Broadcass on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	Delay Only: \$0

Cross Country, Gymnastics, Swimming & Diving, Track & Field

Delayed Television Play-by-Play

	Sectional/District/Regional	<u>State</u>
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$400 per day	\$700 per day
All Other Commercial Stations	\$200 per day	\$450 per day
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Throug	gh Negotiation

Live Television Play-by-Play (only available for events not streamed by the NFHS Network)

	Sectional/District/Regional	State
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$700 per day	N/A
All Other Commercial Stations	\$400 per day	N/A
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Through	Negotiation

Live and/or Delayed Video Streaming Play-by-Play

(live video only available for events not streamed by the NFHS Network)

Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Sectional/District/Regional	ıl State
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$100 per day	Delay Only: \$200 per day
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$75 per day	Delay Only: \$150 per day
All Other Stations	\$50 per day	Delay Only: \$100 per day
Educational Access, Non-Commercial and Fan/Booster Websites	\$35 per day	Delay Only: \$70 per day
Student Broadcasts on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	\$0

2023-24 OHSAA Tournament Video Rights Fees, continued

Soccer and Lacrosse

Live Video of Soccer and Lacrosse State Finals Covered by the NFHS Network.

Live Television Play-by-Play (only available for games not streamed by the NFHS Network)

			State	State
	Sectional/District	Regional	Semifinal	Final
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$400	\$600	\$800	N/A
All Other Stations	\$200	\$400	\$550	N/A
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Av	ailable Throu	gh Negotiation	1

Delayed Television Play-by-Play			State	State
	Sectional/District	Regional	Semifinal	Final
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	no charge	\$300	\$500	\$700
All Other Stations	no charge	\$175	\$350	\$500
State and Regional Cable (more than 750.000 subscribers)	Only Av	ailable Throu	ah Negotiation	1

Live and/or Delayed Video Streaming Play-by-Play (live video only available for games not streamed by NFHS)

			State	State
Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Sectional/District	Regional	Semifinal	Final
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$100	\$150	\$225	Delay: \$400
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$100	\$125	\$200	Delay: \$350
All Other Locations	\$75	\$100	\$150	Delay: \$250
Educational Access, Non-Commercial & Fan/Booster Websites	\$50	\$50	\$50	Delay: \$50
Student Broadcasts on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	\$0	\$0	Delay: \$0

Bowling

Live Television Play-by-Play

	Sectional/District/Regional	State
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$500 per day	\$900 per day
All Other Commercial Stations	\$300 per day	\$500 day
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Through Negotiation	
Cable Stations (less than 750,000 subscribers)	\$150 per day	\$275 per day

Delayed Television Play-by-Play

	Sectional/District/Regional	State
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	no charge	\$700 per day
All Other Commercial Stations	no charge	\$275 per day
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Throug	gh Negotiation
Cable Stations (less than 750,000 subscribers)	no charge	\$175 per day

Live and/or Delayed Video Streaming Play-by-Play

Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Sectional/District/Regional	State
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$100 per day	\$250 per day
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$75 per day	\$175 per day
All Other Stations	\$50 per day	\$125 per day
Educational Access, Non-Commercial and Fan/Booster Websites	\$35 per day	\$50 per day
Student Broadcasts on School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	\$0

2023-24 OHSAA Tournament Video Rights Fees, continued

Girls Volleyball, Softball and Baseball Live Video of State Tournaments Covered by the NFHS Network.

Live Television Play-by-Play (only available for games not streamed by the NFHS Network)

	Sectional/District	Regional	State Tournament
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	\$400	\$700	N/A
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	\$800	\$1,200	N/A
All Other Stations	\$200	\$400	N/A

Delayed Television Play-by-Play			State	State
	Sectional/District	Regional	Semifinal	Final
Commercial Stations (Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus)	no charge	\$300	\$700	\$900
All Other Stations	no charge	\$175	\$350	\$500
State and Regional Cable (more than 750,000 subscribers)	Only Available Through Negotiation			

Live and/or Delayed Video Streaming Play-by-Play (live video only available for games not streamed by the NFHS Network)

Location (mailing address of broadcast operator)	Sectional/District	Regional	State Tournament
Greater Metro Areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus	\$125	\$175	Delay Only: \$300
Greater Metro Areas of Akron, Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown	\$100	\$150	Delay Only: \$250
All Other Locations	\$75	\$125	Delay Only: \$200
Educational Access, Non-Commercial & Fan/Booster Websites	\$25	\$50	Delay Only: \$50
Student Broadcasts School Websites or School-Controlled Webpage	\$0	\$0	Delay Only: \$0

Golf, Tennis and Sideline Spirit

Contact the OHSAA for details.