TO: «AthleticDirector1Name», Athletic Administrator for ID# «OhsaaSchoolId» «SchoolName», Head Football Coaches

FROM:Beau Rugg, Director of Officiating and Sport Management Charles Anderson, Manager of Officiating

RE: Weekly Word, Week 8

Important Reminder

Please check to make sure your game schedules are in DragonFly. By regulation they must be there for your school to be eligible for playoffs.

Questions of the Week

Here are a couple of questions I received this week:

- **1. Roughing the Snapper:** The snapper only has protection when the team is in a legal scrimmage kick formation as outlined in Rule 2, Section 14, Article 2.
- **2.** Middle school seasons are ending. It is a regulation violation if middle school players play tackle football for any group after the season.
- 3. Please send the Weekly Word to your Middle School Coaches!

Rules

- 1. Free Kicks (Kickoffs): There are some important things to remember on kickoffs:
 - a. The kicking team may not touch the ball before it hits the ground.
 - b. The kicking team may not block before the ball goes 10 yards.
 - c. The receiving team may block immediately.
 - d. Possession by the kicking team causes the ball to become dead.
- 2. **Jerseys(2): Home Team** schools do not need a waiver to wear "pink" jerseys for cancer awareness. NFHS Rules on these jerseys still apply.
- 3. NFHS Rule 3, Section 1, Article 6 states that halftime must be a minimum of 10 minutes and no more than 20 minutes. I cannot grant permission to go beyond 20 minutes.

Reminders

- 1. Athletic Directors Please fill out the following survey if you wish to host neutral site playoff contests: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V7DFHXY
- 2. If you are thinking about taking your team to watch a state final contest, the cost will be \$6 for students (12 student Minimum) and \$12 for adults (Maximum 4 with 12 students).HOF visitation \$10.Please see this link for an opportunity to visit the Pro Football Hall of Fame: HOF football team visitation flyer.jpg

Vide<u>o</u>

- 1. Your video clips are the best. Please send me any plays you wish!
- 2. I will give you my honest opinion on any play you send.

GOOD LUCK WEEK 8!

PLEASE EMAIL BEAU AT <u>BRUGG@OHSAA.ORG</u> WITH QUESTIONS