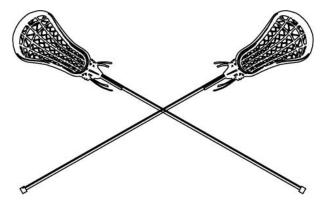
2021 GIRLS LACROSSE TOURNAMENT

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MANAGER'S MANUAL



A Message from OHSAA Director of Officiating & Sport Management, Beau Rugg

Thank you once again for your willingness to serve as a manager for the OHSAA Lacrosse Tournaments! This is the traditional 'Managers' Manual' provided to all managers of Regional tournaments that reflects the consistent procedures for all tournament across the state. This manual reflects items adopted by the OHSAA's Board of Directors to provide a consistent and fairly administered tournament across the state.

The manual is designed to help you in the operation of the tournament and is divided into basic parts of:

- Introduction Information
- 2. Overall Tournament Organization Information
- General Information
- 4. Regional Specific Information
- 5. COVID-19 Modifications and Requirements
- 6. Media Information
- 7. Financial Reporting Information
- 8. Medical Information
- 9. Required and other Useful Forms

Mailings will be sent to all managers prior to hosting a tournament game. If you have not received something you should have please contact Beau Rugg, brugg@ohsaa.org.

Also, know that Tournament Entries are submitted online, there is no need to collect any Tournament Entry Form.

Please do not hesitate to contact us via email (the best way) at brugg@ohsaa.org prior to that. Thanks for your efforts and making this year's tournament a reality!

Sincerely,

Beau Rugg Beau Rugg

Director of Officiating & Sport Management



The OHSAA Mission Statement

The Ohio High School Athletic Association's mission is to regulate and administer interscholastic athletic competition in a fair and equitable manner while promoting the values of interscholastic athletics as an integral part of a student's educational experience. The OHSAA represents its member schools by recognizing and promoting academics, the safety of its participants, good citizenship and lifelong values as the foundation of interscholastic athletics.

REGIONAL MANAGER MAILINGS

Regional Qualifying - Regional Quarterfinals - Regional Semifinals

None

Regional Finals

- Scorebook
- Game Balls 10 new game balls will be provided
- Regional Championship & Runner-Up Trophies
- State Qualifiers Packet to be given to winning team
- Tickets No physical tickets. Electronic ticketing only.

State Semifinals

- Scorebook
- Game Balls 10 new game balls will be provided
- Tickets No physical tickets. Electronic ticketing only.

OHSAA GIRLS LACROSSE TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

Complete OHSAA Girls Lacrosse Tournament Regulations are available on the web at https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports/Lacrosse-Girls/2021/2021GLaxTournamentRegulations.pdf. I encourage you to reference these in any communication with school coaches and Athletic Administrators leading up to your tournament. All procedures and OHSAA Board adopted policies are located within these regulations. I have also enclosed a copy at the back of this manual.

GAME TIMES

Dates of games have been pre-determined by the OHSAA office. Times of the game will be at the discretion of the home team, agreement of the opposing team and availability of the assigned officials. If no agreement can be made then the OHSAA will establish a game time. Host sites must establish game time by 10:00am on the day following the completion of the previous rounds' games.

Games shall not be scheduled prior to 5:00pm, officials are generally not available prior to this time. The preferred time is 6:00pm or later for game times.

GAME DATE/TIME ADJUSTMENTS REMINDER

Board adopted Tournament Regulations permit the Executive Director's Office to change/adjust game times when necessary. Those necessities generally surround school graduations. Though it may not be what the *other* team(s) agree with, every effort will be made to accommodate a school's graduation. This is not always 100% possible, but it should be noted that game time adjustments may occur. Schools are required to submit graduation dates/times upon winning the respective regional qualifying games. This will permit the OHSAA to monitor and make changes in a timely manner.

Game dates will not be adjusted from the OHSAA office to accommodate social events such as Prom. Schools may agree to reschedule and must let the OHSAA office know ASAP. Reschedules are contingent upon official availability.

Unfortunately, rainouts can and do occur. All attempts will be made to reschedule games in succeeding days when weather forces cancellation for the day. As mentioned above, tournament managers should monitor weather and field conditions to eliminate travel for teams and officials whenever possible.

NUMBER IN UNIFORM/SIDELINE

The OHSAA tournament regulations the below number of players in uniform and coaches or others on the sidelines:

- 35 players in uniform.
- 46 TOTAL individuals are permitted to be in the bench area and/or on the field during team warm-up for any contest. The 46 are to include all players, coaches, managers, statisticians, spotters, trainers and any other personnel designated by the head coach. Players serving a suspension for a red card ejection may be one of the 46 but may not be on the field at any time during warm-up. It is the responsibility of the coaches and tournament manager to ensure that the number of individuals does not exceed 46.

REGIONAL DOCUMENTS

Team Documents

On May 26th at noon, all teams still participating in the tournament are required to turn in the following forms to Beau Rugg:

- School Information Form
- Team Roster/Pass List
- Season Results
- Team Photo and ID Form
- Team Media Coverage Form

These forms can be found here: http://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Lacrosse-Girls/Girls-Lacrosse-Tournament-Information

GAME OFFICIALS

Officials have been selected by a pre-determined OHSAA Board of Director approved method and assigned directly from the OHSAA office. All tournament managers will be sent names and contact information for officials, this information is not intended to be shared with coaches or teams prior to the games.

Please contact your assigned game officials prior to the game date to share with them all pertinent site information.

Officials are paid by the OHSAA office directly, you do not need to pay them. Please let Beau Rugg (brugg@ohsaa.org) or Charles Anderson (canderson@ohsaa.org) if an official does not arrive at your game.

OHSAA GIRLS LACROSSE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT GENERAL

- 1. Eligible schools submitted their OHSAA Tournament Entry on myOHSAA.
- 2. Financial Reports are available online at http://www.ohsaa.org/FINANCIAL/REPORTS. Additional information is within this booklet titled "Financial Reporting Information" with specifics about completing your financial reports. The flat fee for higher seed host sites is \$530. The Flat Fee for neutral sites is \$680.
- 3. Complimentary Passes are addressed in a separate section in this booklet. Each staff member of the OHSAA and District Board members have been issued a Board of Director's Pass (WHITE) which is good for admission along with 1 guest. Others are for ONE admission only (as indicated later in this manual). No other passes (league, senior citizen, etc.) are to be honored for admission. Please notify your pass gate attendant of this policy. Managers do NOT need to provide separate passes to participating schools, they are on the pass list. Semifinal games will not have a pass list, each team will have bag tag credentials or administrator passes.
- 4. Officials have been assigned by the OHSAA under procedures adopted by the Board of Directors. Please notify your Officials in advance of the contest to remind them of their assignment time and location. Please give them the names of the other officials they will be working with that day/night allowing for travel together when possible. Please also provide them reserved parking (if there is space for that) and provide them directions to your site. Officials are permitted ONE guest.

NOTE: The assignment of Officials is confidential information and shall not be disclosed until game time.

REMINDER: Tournament managers will NOT pay the officials. The OHSAA office will pay the officials.

- Provide adequate security personnel to ensure protection of officials, players and spectators. If uniformed police are necessary and/or required at your site, please conform to that need. Be especially diligent in security AFTER the game when officials are making their way to their vehicles.
- 6. Arrange for a Certified Athletic Trainer to be present at your site. Please also have ambulance service available on call for emergencies and maintain an adequate Crisis Management Plan.
- 7. Provide efficient and competent press box personnel. Scorers, Timers and public address announcers should be experienced individuals. A public address should be available. Public address announcers are to remain neutral and professional in their duties as an announcer. The growing trend to include "sound effects" generally are not done in good taste and should be avoided. Of special concern is the fact that many schools play on home sites in lacrosse and this can, in turn, affect the philosophy of tournament play. Music is fine...as long as it is screened and in good taste.
- 8. Please email the results (just score and winner) to Beau Rugg at brugg@ohsaa.org.
- 9. There will be a Regional Trophy Presentation at the conclusion of all Regional Final games. This involves a presentation of a TEAM TROPHY ONLY and there is more information on this later in the manual. Please cover with coaches prior to the game of the expectations at this ceremony, most notably:
 - a. Teams are to remain on the field at the conclusion of the game and respectfully honor the other team.
 - b. Teams are expected to accept their medal from the OHSAA member, DAB member or representative.
- 10. All managers will receive a box containing tickets, trophies, scorebooks, game balls and any other pertinent information as listed in the beginning of the manual.
- 11. Any NFHS Girls Lacrosse NOCSAE approved ball may be used for tournament play at the levels where game balls are not provided. Yellow balls will be used at regional final, state semifinal and final games.
- 12. Please review the Girls Lacrosse Tournament Regulations at www.ohsaa.org.

GIRLS LACROSSE TOURNAMENT SITES AND ASSIGNMENTS

The OHSAA sponsors Girls Lacrosse Tournaments in 2 divisions. Divisional alignments are determined every two years. Divisional Breakdowns are based upon the following enrollments:

 Division
 Girls Enrolled
 Total Schools

 I
 464 or more
 65

 II
 463 or less
 66

State Tournament Dates

State Tournament Dates
June 5, 2021

Order of State Tournament Games*

Girls Division II, Boys Division II, Girls Division I, Boys Division I

Game Times 10:00am, 1:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm



TICKET & PASS INFORMATION

- 1. All tickets are Electronic and are coordinated with Jacki Windon at jwindon@ohsaa.org
- 2. Ticket prices are adopted by our Board of Directors and for 2021 are:

Regional Qualifying through Regional Final Games: \$10.00 (Adult & Student)
State Semifinals and Finals Games: \$12.00 (Adult & Student)
Ticket sales will be administered electronically should continue throughout the entire game.

- 3. Game officials are to be admitted free through the pass gate and are each permitted ONE GUEST to be admitted free with them.
- 4. Scouts from opposing schools in different regionals need to contact Jacki Windon, at jwindon@ohsaa.org, prior to arriving to receive permission to attend a tournament game.
- 5. Eight (8) administrator passes will be provided to each school. Contact Jacki Windon, at jwindon@ohsaa.org with questions.
- 6. No Other Complimentary Admissions should be provided. This includes local/area officials, local/area administrators, and local/area coaches. College coaches or professional scouts are not permitted complimentary admission. Their expense accounts provide reimbursement to them for this expenditure.

WARM-UP AND GAME TIMING

Warm-Up Time and Timing of the Pre-Match Sportsmanship Conference

- 1. Both teams may be permitted access to the field one (1) hour prior to game start (presuming there is not another match immediately prior).
- 2. Both teams are guaranteed a minimum of 30 minutes of uninterrupted warm-up time.
 - a. The 30-minute clock will begin 40 minutes prior to game start, guaranteeing the minimum 30-minute warm-up.
- 3. The remaining 10 minutes prior to game start will be utilized for the coin toss, pre-game introductions, and the national anthem.
- 4. A sample pre-game schedule is as follows for a 7:00 pm start:

Real Time	Clock	Item
6:00 pm	50:00	Teams permitted to take the field (if available)
6:20 pm	30:00	Guaranteed 30 minutes of uninterrupted warm-up time begins
6:45 pm	05:00	Captains Meeting

6:50 pm	00:00	Teams clear the field Pre-Match Sportsmanship Conference
		Coin Toss
		Pre-Game Introductions/Line-Ups Announced
		National Anthem
7:00 pm	00:00	Game Start – Opening Draw

OVERTIME PROCEDURES

When the score is tied at the end of regular playing time and overtime is to be played, both teams will have a 5-minute rest and toss a coin (visiting captain calls) for choice of ends. The alternate possession shall continue from regulation.

- a. The game will be restarted by a center draw.
- b. The winner will be decided by "sudden victory." The team scoring the first goal wins the game.
- c. Each overtime period will be no more than six minutes in length. The clock stops on every whistle. The clock will be stopped after 3 minutes of play in order for teams to change ends with no delay for coaching. No substitutions may occur at this time. The game will be restarted by a center draw.
- d. If the teams are still tied after six minutes have elapsed, the teams will have a 3-minute rest and change ends. Substitutions may occur at this time.
- e. Play will continue with "sudden victory" stop-clock overtime periods of six minutes in length (two 3-minute halves) with 3 minutes in between and change of ends until a winning goal is scored.

SUSPENDED GAME PROCEDURES

All tournament games are to be played to completion. Suspended games will be resumed from the point of suspension.

EXCEPTION: A game is considered legal and complete if 80% of playing time has elapsed.

When weather forces cancellations/postponements of games, every effort should be made to reduce or eliminate travel to sites. Since teams will often be out of school for travel and officials often are forced to take off their employment, everyone will benefit from reduced travel whenever this is possible.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICIES

Below are OHSAA Policies regarding lightening and inclement weather.

Recognition:

Coaches, athletic trainers, athletes, administrators and contest officials should be educated regarding the signs indicating thunderstorm development. Since the average distance between successive lightning flashes is approximately two to three miles ANYTIME that lightning can be seen or heard, the risk is already present. Weather can be monitored using the following methods:

- **Monitor Weather Patterns** Be aware of potential thunderstorms by monitoring local weather forecasts the day before and morning of the competition, and by scanning the sky for signs of potential thunderstorm activity.
- National Weather Service Weather can also be monitored using small, portable weather radios from the NWS. The NWS uses a system of severe storm watches and warnings watch indicates conditions are favorable for severe weather to develop in an area; a warning indicates severe weather has been reported in an area, and everyone should take proper precautions. Any thunderstorm poses a risk of injury or death even if it does not meet the criteria for severe weather. Therefore, anytime thunderstorms are in the forecast (even if it is only a 20 percent chance), event organizers shall be at a heightened level of awareness to the potential danger of lightning.

Management:

- **Evacuation-** If lightening is imminent or a thunderstorm is approaching, all personnel, athletes and spectators shall evacuate to available safe structures or shelters. A list of the closest safe structures should be announced and displayed on placards at all athletic venues.
- **Thirty-minute rule-** Competition or practice shall be suspended once lightning has been recognized or thunder is heard. It is **mandatory** to wait at least 30 minutes after the last flash of lightning is witnessed or thunder is heard prior to resuming practice or competition. Given

the average rates of thunderstorm travel, the storm should move 10-12 miles away from the area. This significantly reduces the risk of local lightning flashes. Any subsequent lightning or thunder after the beginning of the 30-minute count shall reset the clock, and Another count shall begin.

COVID-19 MODIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

With the support from the NFHS Girls Lacrosse Rules Committee, the Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio High School Athletic Association, the rules modifications and rules recommendations and general requirements and general recommendations outlined in this document are meant to decrease potential exposure to respiratory droplets by encouraging social distancing, limiting participation in administrative tasks to essential personnel and allowing for appropriate protective equipment.

For further information outlining those requirements and modifications, please visit the link below to ensure our 2021 Girls Lacrosse Tournament is hosted as safely as possible.

https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports/Lacrosse-Girls/2021/GirlsLacrosseModificationsRequirements.pdf

PRE-GAME PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCEMENT WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Tear out and Provide to Game Public Address Announcer

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	et's meet the starting I	ine-ups for today's game: Visiting Team:			Home Team:
	#	Name		#	Name
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CHAMPIONSHIP CEREMONY INFORMATION

There will be a Presentation of Regional Trophies at the conclusion of all Regional Final games. This should be done at center field as quickly as possible after the game. The protocol for this should be:

- a. Teams shake hands at the conclusion of the game
- b. Teams line up on their respective side lines
- c. OHSAA Representative is introduced, if present (see attached announcement)
- d. Captains (or those designated by the head coach) of the Regional Runner-up come to center field where OHSAA Representative awards the Regional Runner-up Trophy
- e. Captains (or those designated by the head coach) of the Regional Champion come to center field where OHSAA Representative awards the Regional Championship Trophy.

Trophies for the tournament will be shipped directly from the OHSAA office. If an error has been made or there is damage, contact Mr. Travis Nethers at Croton Craft 1-800-947-5521.

Every attempt will be made to provide you with the name of the presenter in advance. Trophies shall be presented in the following order of attendance:

- 1. Executive Director/Directors
- 2. Board of Directors' Member
- 3. District Athletic Board Member
- 4. Regional Tournament Manager

CHAMPIONSHIP CEREMONY SCRIPT

Ladies & Gentlemen, please direct your attention to center field where, representing the Ohio High School Athletic Association will present today's/tonight's Regional Runner-Up and Regional Champion trophies.				
First, for the 2021 Region	nal Runner-Up			
Would the captains for th	ne please come forward for the presentation of the Team Trophy.			
And now, the 2021 Region	onal Champion in Division, the			
Would the captains for th	ne please come forward for the presentation of the Team Trophy.			
(After presenting) Congratulations to the	who will now advance to the State Semifinal on			
	(site name) and (manager) for serving as a host for thou for your attendance and support of Ohio High School Student-Athletes and please travel how			

QUICK GUIDE OF OHSAA MEDIA

Expectations for Working with the Media at Regional Tournaments

- 1. Be available via telephone and e-mail to correspond with media regarding credential requests, their specific needs, parking information, your specific policies, etc. Clearly explain your policies and procedures.
- 2. Establish a "press row" area for media members to sit, as well as an overflow area if needed.
- 3. Assign seats if needed, giving priority to larger regional or statewide media outlets and those media that have followed a team for the majority of their season. Utilize participating schools' athletic administration to answer questions in this area. Two seats per media outlet are expected unless space permits additional seating.
- 4. Be sure that electrical outlets are available for the media and set out power strips, if needed.
- 5. Explain to media what, if any, wireless internet access signals are available. If possible, a complimentary phone line should be available near the field for media use, as well.
- 6. If possible, provide media members with programs/rosters and hard copies of contest statistics in a timely manner at no-cost. Emailing or faxing ahead of the game will make game management easier for you.
- 7. Explain to photographers where they may shoot from.
- 8. Explain postgame interview procedures to coaches and media before the game.
- 9. Provide media members easy access to coaches and players for post-game interviews.
- 10. Communicate media policies to all members of your event staff to ensure all information is understood.
- 11. Provide a courteous, friendly and positive atmosphere for all your guests, including media members.

Postgame Responsibilities

- 1. Ensure that interviews take place per the procedures you explained prior to the game.
- 2. Allow media members a minimum of **60 minutes** after the game to work in the press box.
- 3. If inclement weather is an issue and you have an indoor space available for media to work, explain where it is located and any important details associated with that space.

Reporting of Results

It is **imperative** that you contact Beau Rugg with results as soon as possible following your regional game(s). Here is the contact information:

OHSAA by e-mail brugg@ohsaa.org



MEDIA INFORMATION FORM

School:	Site:	
Note: Please list the media that follow your school. This information is useful space should be reserved for the media prior to the contest. Space for media is working media. Media members are asked to visit the www.ohsaa.org website OHSAA's Board of Directors.	s not unlimited and creder	ntials are allowed only for
Newspapers (name/city)	Covered During Regular Season?	
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Radio Stations (name/city)	Covered During Regular Season?	
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3.		
Television Stations (call letters/city)	Covered During Regular Season?	Tape Delay Broadcast?
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Internet Websites (name/affiliation/city) Example: www.press.com/ThePress	Covered During Regular Season?	Tape Delay Broadcast?
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GIRLS LACROSSE TOURNAMENT BROADCAST ANNOUNCEMENT

This Regional/State	Girls Lacrosse game between
	High School and
	_ High School is being broadcast through the cooperation of
the Ohio High School Athletic Association.	

The Ohio High School Athletic Association is a voluntary, non-profit, educational organization through which member schools work cooperatively to adopt the standards and regulations that guide their interscholastic activities. The upholding of these standards and the adherence to the regulations helps to provide more wholesome and educationally worthwhile activities for high school youth.

The schools participating in this contest consider interscholastic athletics an integral part of the educational program and primarily for the purpose of making better men and women out of their students.

Unless it accomplishes this, it cannot be justified in the high school program.

Tonight's tournament is one of many being played throughout the State leading to the State

Championship. The OHSAA and the participating schools reserve all broadcasting rights to tonight's

game and no delayed or rebroadcast is authorized without the written permission of the Ohio High School

Athletic Association.



FINANCIAL REPORTING INFORMATION

Regional Lacrosse Financial Reports remain available online for download and completion as indicated below. Any assistance with transitioning away from personal accounts can readily be obtained by contacting:

Laura Vermilya; <u>Ivermilya@ohsaa.org</u>
Laura Lemanski: <u>Ilamanski@ohsaa.org</u>

- 1. To obtain the Financial Reporting Form, please type the following address into you address bar: http://ohsaa.org/financial/reports. This will take you directly to the site that will allow you to download the proper financial report. Please download the appropriate form from this page to your computer. It is an Excel spreadsheet and will do most of the calculations for you.
- 2. The OHSAA Financial Report includes:
 - Summary of Receipts & Disbursements
 - Television & Radio Receipts
 - Tournament Expenses (Operating & Misc.)
 - Tournament Expenses (Services)
 - Tournament Expenses (Other)
 - Ticket Report(s)
 - Mileage Reports (Team Expenses)
- 3. Expenses Approved by the Board of Directors are:

Mileage allowance for schools: \$4.00 per mile one way for each day of participation Participation Reimbursement: \$400.00, one-time reimbursement for Semi-Final game only

- 4. Do not purchase Insurance. The Ohio High School maintains insurance applicable to ALL site requirements. IF your site requires the OHSAA's Certificate of Insurance, please request it by emailing Laura Vermilya, Ivermilya@ohsaa.org.
- 5. Tournament Managers should make sure to complete full name, home address with zip code, social security number and home and business phone numbers.
- 6. All Tournament Personnel must be listed on the Personnel Report and submitted as part of your report.
- The OHSAA has the obligation to report to the Internal Revenue Service all non-employee compensation paid to any individual or business.
- 8. Site Agreements should be submitted to the OHSAA Office.



TOURNAMENT MEDICAL & SAFETY INFORMATION

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PROCEDURES

While risk of one athlete infecting another with HIV/AIDS during competition is close to non-existent, there is a remote risk that other blood borne infectious diseases can be transmitted. For example, Hepatitis B can be present in blood as well as in other body fluids. Procedures for reducing the potential for transmission of these infectious agents should include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. The bleeding must be stopped, the open wound covered and if there is an excessive amount of blood on the uniform it must be changed before the athlete may participate.
- 2. Routine use of gloves or other precautions to prevent skin and mucous-membrane exposure when contact with blood or other body fluids is anticipated.
- 3. Immediately wash hands and other skin surfaces if contaminated (in contact) with blood or other body fluids. Wash hands immediately after removing gloves.
- 4. Clean all contaminated surfaces and equipment with an appropriate disinfectant before competition resumes.
- 5. Practice proper disposal procedures to prevent injuries caused by needles, scalpels and other sharp instruments or devices.
- 6. Although saliva has not been implicated in HIV transmission, to minimize the need for emergency mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, mouthpieces, resuscitation bags, or other ventilation devices should be available.
- 7. Athletic trainers/coaches with bleeding or oozing skin conditions should refrain from all direct athletic care until the condition resolves.
- 8. Contaminated towels should be properly disposed of/disinfected.
- 9. Follow acceptable guidelines in the immediate control of bleeding and when handling bloody dressings, mouthguards and other articles containing body fluids.
- 10. The OHSAA's Board of Directors approved the following policy with advice from the Ohio Department of Health and shall observe this policy in the event of an H1N1 Influenza outbreak.
 - The Ohio Department of Health has advised that it will be the decision of each local health authority in Ohio as to whether or not to close a school or university due to an influenza outbreak; however, at this time the Centers for Disease Control are not recommending closures except in extreme circumstances.
 - In the event schools remain open, competitors and teams shall be expected to play tournament contests on the dates scheduled.
 - In the event schools are closed, the OHSAA, in conjunction with our District Athletic Boards and tournament personnel, shall reschedule the tournament contest for the schools thus affected.
 - Please watch the OHSAA web site home page at www.ohsaa.org and the specific sport page on the web site for more information.

EMERGENCY/CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Event & Site Security

The following is provided to help managers with a systematic approach to establish proper security for the specific nature of each event. With the appropriate security, the event will be conducted in a friendly environment that minimizes risk. The staff and management will be prepared to prevent, anticipate and handle problems. A basic checklist below should be adjusted accordingly for the nature of each event.

- 1. Review Changes during pre-planning, review any changes to be made from the previous events.
- 2. **Head of Security –** prepare to meet with the head of security for the event and host management. Written materials outlining needs, location hours to work and responsibilities should be prepared.
- 3. Ushers/Gate Attendants during meetings with site reps and security, review the number of security officers and their locations. Review usher assignments and any supervisory responsibilities. Provide, in writing, specific policies you have which would prohibit specific actions. Be certain to plan carefully for entrance and exit to the playing area.
 - Prepare contact information for specific problems and emergencies. Access to immediate communication via cell phones and/or remote devices is invaluable.
 - Discuss crowd management and foot traffic flow in and out of the gymnasium.
- 4. Written Emergency Plan review the facility plan for emergency situation and adjust as needed for your event. Steps should be outlined in advance as to the procedures to be followed in the event of an emergency (i.e. weather, structure, catastrophic injury, etc.) Public address announcements, security personnel assistance, etc. need to be discussed in advance.
- 5. Who Needs to Know host administration should work with any sponsoring organization to determine a core group of Individuals that would need to be involved if a major decision regarding the event needs to be made. Representatives of the officiating crew, host administration, security, etc. may need to be involved. A few key reminders:
 - Obtain the Cell Phone numbers of all coaches competing at your tournament
 - Obtain the Cell Phone numbers of all Athletic Administrators of teams competing in your tournament
 - OHSAA Assistant Commissioner if a Regional or State Tournament
 - Obtain contact information for major media outlets for helping convey messages of cancellations
- 6. Public Relations In case of emergency or potential evacuation, PA announcements should be prepared to address fans. Following any such occurrence, the media should be provided with a statement regarding the situation and its handling from the tournament manager, District Athletic Board member or OHSAA Assistant Commissioner.
- 7. **Contingency Plan** Have all plans in place in the event a contest cannot be played. Back-up sites, alternate dates, additional equipment are all factors to take into consideration.
- **8. Entry/Exit Plan –** Crisis management plans for sites should include a clear understanding by any administrators and/or tournament management of all entries and exits. The public address announcer should be familiar with these as well.
- 9. Parking & Traffic Flow many issues arise from parking and traffic flow problems. Eliminate many of these problems by addressing parking and traffic flow issues prior to the contest. Take into consideration the potential size of crowd, whether charges for parking exist, etc. If parking charges are enforced, provide proper receipts, have experienced people making change and directing traffic. This may require involvement from your local law enforcement agency.
- 10. Crowd Expectations carefully study match-ups, communicate with competing administrators to anticipate size of crowds. Secure the proper security, ushers, ticket sellers/takers to eliminate security issues that may develop as a result. It is important to relay this information to the various individuals employed at your tournament site. KEEP FANS OFF THE FIELD BEFORE, DURING and AFTER the contest!
- 11. Wrap-Up and Debriefing At the conclusion of your tournament, solicit feedback and compile from the various individuals that worked at your tournament. This will go a long way toward improving problem areas for future tournaments.

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

Location of Closest Working Telephone:	IF locked, keys to Telephone are located:
Is 911 Service Available? YES NO	Alternate Emergency Response Number:
Exact Address of Tournament Site:	
Entry location for Emergency Vehicle:	
Normal Response Time for Emergency Vehicle is:	
Location of AED:	
Designated Health Care Provider for this tournament is	: Contact Number:
Closest Health Care Facility:	Travel Time:
Closest Trauma Facility:	Travel Time:

Name of Designated Person	Role
	Attends to injured athlete(s) or spectator(s) and controls immediate scene.
	Telephones 911 or other pre-determined emergency number, maintains procedures for calling 911.
	Supervises team and/or other athletes
	Meets medical personnel at gate and guides them to injured person(s), maintains all necessary keys to critical entry points
	Calls Parents/Guardians/School Personnel if necessary
	Accompanies injured person(s) to hospital
	Telephones security

2021 REGIONAL GIRLS LACROSSE TEAM ROSTER / PASS LIST

DO NOT HANDWRITE EMAIL TO YOUR Regional Tournament Manager prior to each game School: Division:

	TEAM ROSTER - list up to 35 players in numerical order.					
U	niform #	Player Names	Pronunciation Tip	Position	Height	Class
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	DO NOT HANDWRITE. MUST BE EMAILED IN ORIGINAL .doc FILE FORMAT BENCH LIST The Following are permitted in the bench area per OHSAA Tournament Regulations		
	Names (Pronunciation if necessary)	Position	
37		Head Coach	
38		Assistant Coach	
39		Assistant Coach	
40		Athletic Trainer	
41		Scorekeeper	
42		Manager	
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	ADDITIONAL PASS LIST PERMIT	TED			
	The Following Individuals are Permitted Complimentary Admission per OHSAA Tournament Regulations				
	Names Position				
1		Superintendent			
2		Superintendent's Guest			
3		Principal			
4		Principal's Guest			
5		Athletic Director			
6		Athletic Director's Guest			
7		Bus Driver			
8		Guest			

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2021 GENERAL GIRLS LACROSSE TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

NOTE:

The following regulations apply to all levels of tournament competition unless otherwise specified. They were adopted by the Ohio High School Athletic Association Board of Directors on January 17, 2019. The Executive Director is authorized to modify these regulations when deemed necessary by the Executive Director, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors.

I. ORGANIZATION OF TOURNAMENTS

- The Board of Directors of the OHSAA authorizes the Executive Director's office to manage and administer the girls' lacrosse tournaments.
- B. There will be two divisions (I & II) in girls lacrosse.
- C. Site selection for Regional Tournaments is at the discretion of the Lacrosse Sport Administrator and may be changed at any time.
- D. There is no restriction/requirement at any level of play regarding artificial or natural field surfaces. Sites must meet minimum requirements of the NFHS.
- E. The OHSAA maintains the authority to change the site, date, or time of any Regional or State tournament assignment.
- F. Submitting the acknowledgement of OHSAA Tournament Participation in myOHSAA is the school's agreement to play at the site, day and time assigned by the Lacrosse Sport Administrator.

II. ELIGIBILITY OF STUDENTS AND COACHES

- a. All participants must be eligible under the Bylaws and Sports Regulations of the Ohio High School Athletic Association. Only one school team sponsored by a member school is eligible to participate.
- b. Thirty-six (36) players may be in uniform for each tournament game. The thirty-six (36) players may be changed from game to game throughout the tournament but MUST be eligible per OHSAA rules.
- c. A student who uses anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs is ineligible for interscholastic competition until such time as medical evidence can be presented that the student's system is free of anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs.
- c. Only Board of Education approved coaches with valid Pupil Activity Coaching Permits issued by the Ohio Department of Education are permitted to be in the bench area or locker room prior to, during, and after any tournament contest.
- e. The only other team personnel permitted on the sideline during the contest are all players, coaches, managers, trainers, statistician and statistician spotters and any other personnel designated by the head coach. These additional individuals must be identified with official OHSAA bag tags or on the OHSAA pass list and must be part of the personnel total of 47 identified in X(b).

III. TOURNAMENT ENTRY AND PAPERWORK REQUIREMENTS

A. Tournament Entry/Withdrawal

Member schools wanting to participate in the <u>2021</u> OHSAA Girls Lacrosse Tournaments must indicate their intent to participate on their <u>2020-21</u> OHSAA Sports Participation Card in *myOHSAA*. Tournament entry confirmation begins **August 1**, **2020** and ends **April 26**, **2021**. Schools that change their tournament participation after **April 26**, **2021** will be subject to a \$150 penalty per sport.

IV. TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION FEE

A. The OHSAA office will be assessing each girls lacrosse tournament participating school \$100 per team. Fees will be collected by the OHSAA office.

V. TOURNAMENT DATES

- A. Regional Qualifying Tournaments 1st round: May 15-20, 2021
- B. Regional Quarterfinals Tournaments May 19-22, 2021
- C. Regional Semifinal and Final Tournaments May 24-28, 2021
- D. State Semifinal and Final Tournaments June 1-5, 2021

Game dates have been determined by the OHSAA office, the OHSAA office will make every effort to accommodate graduation and academic ceremonies. Game dates will not be moved to accommodate prom or other social events

VI. TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS

List of schools are subject to change based upon tournament participation changes.

2021 OHSAA Girls Lacrosse Tournament Participating Schools

Girls Division 1

- Region 1 Anthony Wayne, Brunswick, Delaware Hayes, Medina, New Albany, Olentangy, Olentangy Liberty, Olentangy Orange, Perrysburg, Strongsville, Sylvania Northview, Wadsworth, Westerville Central, Westerville North, Westerville South (15 Teams)
- Region 2 Avon, Avon Lake, Boardman, Brecksville-Broadview Hts, Cleveland Heights, Glenoak, Green, Hoover, Hudson, Jackson, Magnificat, Mentor, Riverside, Shaker Heights, Solon, St. Joseph Academy, Stow-Munroe Falls (17 Teams)
- Region 3 Beavercreek, Centerville, Dublin Coffman, Dublin Jerome, Dublin Scioto, Gahanna Lincoln, Hilliard Bradley, Hilliard Darby, Hilliard Davidson, Kettering Fairmont, Marysville, Miamisburg, Pickerington High School Central, Pickerington High School North, Springboro, Thomas Worthington, Upper Arlington (17 Teams)
- Region 4 Cincinnati Anderson, Edgewood, Fairfield, Kings, Lakota East, Lakota West, Lebanon, Little Miami, Loveland, Mason, Mercy McAuley, Milford, Mount Notre Dame, Oak Hills, Cin. St Ursula Academy, Sycamore, Cin. Ursuline Academy, Walnut Hills (18 Teams)

Girls Division 2

- Region 5 Bay, Toledo Central Catholic, Clay, Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, Lima Senior, Maumee Valley Country Day, Toledo Notre Dame Academy, Olmsted Falls, Ottawa Hills, Padua Franciscan, Revere, Rocky River, Toledo St Ursula Academy, Sylvania Southview, Walsh Jesuit, Westlake, Wooster (18 Teams)
- Region 6 Archbishop Hoban, Beachwood, Beaumont School, Canfield, Cardinal Mooney, Chagrin Falls, Chardon, Gilmour Academy, Hathaway Brown School, Hawken, Kenston, Lake, Lake Catholic, Laurel, Louisville, Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin, Orange, Poland Seminary, Kent Roosevelt, St Vincent-St Mary (20 Teams)
- Region 7 Bexley, Big Walnut, Bishop Hartley, Bishop Watterson, Carroll, Centennial, Chaminade Julienne, Chillicothe, Columbus Academy, Columbus School for Girls, Granville, Oakwood, Olentangy Berlin, Col. St Francis De Sales, Wellington School, Worthington Kilbourne (16 Teams)
- Region 8 Archbishop McNicholas, Bellbrook, Bishop Fenwick, Cincinnati Country Day, Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy, Indian Hill, Madeira, Mariemont, Miami Valley School, Oakwood, Seton, Seven Hills, Summit Country Day, Turpin, Ursuline Academy (Cin.), Wyoming (16 Teams)

VII. TOURNAMENT DRAW AND SEEDING PROCEDURE

NOTE: The established date for all seeding and drawing meetings is Sunday, May 9, 2021.

A. Lacrosse Tournaments

- 1. All teams shall be seeded. For purposes of seeding, the last matches to be included in your submitted record will be those played on May 7, 2021.
- 2. All teams will receive an OHSAA approved bracket via email.

B. Voting & Seeding Procedure

- 1. Coaches shall seed on-line using the OHSAA web site (<u>www.ohsaa.org</u>) and the procedure that has been developed by the OHSAA.
- 2. Within the OHSAA seeding procedures, schools will submit their season-to-date record for all games played through May 7, 2021. These records are due by 9:00 a.m. May 8.
- 3. Tournament seed balloting begins at 10:00am, May 8 and ends at 4:00pm on May 8. All coaches are required to participate in the seed balloting. Balloting includes the season-to-date records of all teams within a qualifying tournament. For more information about those teams including their game-by-game results, visit www.maxpreps.com
- 4. Each school/team is responsible for assuring the accuracy of LaxPower results throughout the season.
- 5. All head coaches shall vote **via ballot which shall be made public prior to placement of teams on brackets**, selecting their choice for the #1 seeded team. The team with greatest number of votes shall be seeded #1, second highest #2, etc, until all teams are seeded.
- 6. The high and low voted seeds are dropped when votes are tallied.
- 7. In the event of a tie the following procedures will be used:
 - a. Head to head competition the winning team in head to head competition will become the higher seeded team. If the teams did not play each other during the regular season or had an even record in head to head competition, move to tie breaker
 - b. A coin flip shall determine the higher seeded team.

C. Placement of Teams on Brackets

- 1. All schools shall receive an email with seed placement on Sunday, May 9 at 11:00am.
- 2. Schools shall participate in seed meeting via conference call beginning Sunday, May 9 at a designated time. A conference call schedule will be posted on the OHSAA website and emailed to all girls lacrosse participants in April. Each region will have a 30-minute pre-scheduled conference call beginning at a designated time. Information regarding the call schedule will be sent to all schools closer to the tournament.

- 3. After teams are seeded via voting, placement of the teams on the brackets shall occur during the mandatory Bracket Placement meeting. The method for placement of teams on the bracket will be as follows:
 - a. Coaches of lacrosse schools shall be advised that when it is their turn to place their school on the bracket, they should do so
 swiftly and without delay. Prior preparation is imperative in order that the bracket meeting shall be completed in a timely
 manner
 - b. Teams shall place themselves on the bracket in order of seed.
 - c. There shall be no passing.
 - d. This procedure shall be followed until all teams have been placed on the bracket.
 - e. If a school does not have a representative on the conference call then they will be place on the bracket last.
 - f. If one or more schools do not participate in the seeding or does not have a representative on the conference call meeting, the schools will be placed on the bracket last in alphabetical order by school name A-Z in 2021.

VIII. HOME-VISITOR

- A. The higher seed each bracket shall be the home team. The home team shall be responsible for all game arrangements along with the tournament manager, except the selection of game officials.
- B. Dates of games have been pre-determined by the OHSAA office. Times of the game will be at the discretion of the home team, agreement of the opposing team and availability of the assigned officials. If no agreement can be made then the OHSAA will establish a game time.
- C. The "home" athletic director or other designee shall serve as the site manager and fulfill all obligations of site manager duties as designated by the OHSAA office.
- D. All tournament games through the regional semi-finals will be played at "home sites."
- E. The OHSAA reserves the right to adjust game times and dates as necessary.
- F. Host sites must establish game time by 11:00am on the day following the completion of the previous rounds' games.

IX. RESULT REPORTING

A. Immediately following the completion of each game the results will need to be reported to Beau Rugg via email at brugg@ohsaa.org.
Results will be posted on the OHSAA website brackets as they are received.

X. PARTICIPATING SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. A school administrator or a person designated by the school shall assist the tournament site manager with crowd supervision when asked. The school administrator or designee should report to the tournament site manager upon arrival to the site. Knowing in some cases this person may be the coach, the coach should be informed of this responsibility prior to the contest and reviewed at the seed meeting.
- b. No team will be permitted to compete in a tournament contest unless accompanied by the coach or a person authorized by the Board of Education. This school representative shall be present throughout the tournament contest. Teams unaccompanied by such school representative will be disqualified.
- c. If a girl's team coach is male, it is recommended that a female (non-high school student) accompany the team.

VII. OFFICIALS

- a. Game officials will be assigned by the OHSAA office from guidelines established by the Board of Directors. Officials are required to be thoroughly familiar with all contest rules and shall review the overtime procedures with each other and with the head coaches prior to any overtime period.
- b. Alternate officials will be assigned and paid by the OHSAA office to all regional finals, state semifinals and state finals.

VIII. FAILURE TO APPEAR

If a team fails to appear or is not ready to play within 30 minutes of the scheduled starting time of a tournament game, the space on the bracket may be declared vacant. A "no contest" will be declared, and the opposing team will advance into the next round of competition. See **No Contest** under Section 32 of the General Sports regulations.

IX. GAME REGULATIONS

- B. **Rules** National Federation 2021 Girls Lacrosse Rules shall be used in all games.
- C. **Game Ball** The ball color for all OHSAA girls lacrosse tournament games shall be yellow unless both coaches mutually agree. All other ball related rules shall follow 2021 NFHS Girls Lacrosse Rule 2 Section 1.

D. Tournament Overtime Procedures

When the score is tied at the end of regular playing time and overtime is to be played, both teams will have a 5-minute rest and toss a coin (visiting captain calls) for choice of ends. The alternate possession shall continue from regulation.

- a. The game will be restarted by a center draw.
- b. The winner will be decided by "sudden victory." The team scoring the first goal wins the game.
- c. Each overtime period will be no more than six minutes in length. The clock stops on every whistle The clock will be stopped after 3 minutes of play in order for teams to change ends with no delay for coaching. No substitutions may occur at this time. The game will be restarted by a center draw.
- d. If the teams are still tied after six minutes have elapsed, the teams will have a 3-minute rest and change ends. Substitutions may occur at this time.

e. Play will continue with "sudden victory" stop-clock overtime periods of six minutes in length (two 3-minute halves) with 3 minutes in between and change of ends until a winning goal is scored.

C. Interrupted Tournament Games

- Tournament games interrupted because of events beyond the control of the responsible administrative authority shall be continued from the point of interruption.
- 2. A game is considered legal and complete if 80% of playing time has elapsed.
- 3. Any suspended (two yellows) or ejected (red) player or coach cannot participate in the resumed game.
- 4. Teams playing short a player will continue to play short.

D. Warm-Up Time and Timing of the Pre-Match Sportsmanship Conference

- 1. Both teams are guaranteed a minimum of 30 minutes of uninterrupted warm-up time.
 - a. The 30-minute clock will begin 40 minutes prior to game start, guaranteeing the minimum 30-minute warm-up.
- 2. Both teams may be permitted access to the field one (1) hour prior to game start (presuming there is not another match immediately prior).
- 3. The remaining 10 minutes prior to game start will be utilized for the coin toss, pre-game introductions, and the national anthem.
- 4. A sample pre-game schedule is as follows for a 7:00 pm start:

Real Time	Clock	Item
6:00 pm	50:00	Teams permitted to take the field (if available)
6:20 pm	30:00	Guaranteed 30 minutes of uninterrupted warm-up time begins
6:45 pm	05:00	Captains Meeting
6:50 pm	00:00	Teams clear the field Stick Checks Pre-Match Sportsmanship Conference Coin Toss Pre-Game Introductions/Line-Ups Announced National Anthem
7:00 pm	00:00	Game Start – Opening Draw

I. Goal Differential

During any tournament contest, any time the score differential reaches 10 goals or more, a running clock shall be used, including in the last two minutes of each half. After the 10-goal differential has been met but the score drops below 10 goals, the clock reverts to regular timing. The clock shall be stopped only for an injured player on the field or when there is any unusual delay deemed necessary by the officials.

X. TEAM REGULATIONS

- A. **Size of Squads** –It is the responsibility of the coaches <u>and</u> tournament manager to insure that the number of players does not exceed 35 in uniform each game. If either team is over the limit, it must be corrected at once. Failure to comply with the regulation at any time after the request of the head officials shall result in the forfeiture of the game.
- B. **Bench Area** 46 individuals are permitted to be in the bench area and/or on the field during team warm-up for any contest. The 46 are to include all players, coaches, managers, trainers, statisticians, statistician spotters and any other personnel designated by the head coach. Players serving a suspension for a red card ejection may be one of the 46 but may not be on the field at any time during warm-up. It is the responsibility of the coaches <u>and</u> tournament manager to ensure that the number of individuals does not exceed 46.

E. Uniforms

- 1. The home team shall wear light jerseys, and the visiting team shall wear dark jerseys.
- 3. If other visible apparel is worn under the uniform, it shall conform to NFHS Rule 2-9-5. All team members do not have to wear the additional apparel.
- 5. All aspects of the uniform must conform to NFHS Rule 2-9.

F. Unsporting Conduct Requirements and Penalties

Participation in athletic contests is a privilege. Each individual is expected to conduct him /herself in an exemplary manner while participating.

- 1. During participation in OHSAA Tournaments, any student or coach ejected for unsporting conduct or flagrant foul shall be ineligible for contests for the remainder of that day as well as for all contests in that sport until two regular season/tournament contests are played at the same level as the ejection.
- 2. Individuals ejected for unsporting conduct shall be reported to the OHSAA Executive Director by the tournament manager. The Executive Director will investigate the situation and may impose additional penalties in accordance with Bylaw 12 if the situation warrants.

3. All participants are required to respectfully participate in awards presentations at the conclusion of Regional and State Final contests. This includes attention to opposing team presentations of individual and team trophy awards. Coaches and school administrators are expected to enforce this requirement. Failure to comply may result in forfeiture of team expense reimbursements.

XI. SCHOOL REGULATIONS

A. Cheerleaders & Mascots

- a. Eight (8) cheerleaders in uniform, one student mascot and one sponsor will be admitted free provided a certified list is filed at the pass gate by the high school principal.
- b. Only cheerleaders in uniform are permitted to lead cheers at field level.
- c. Mascots will not be permitted on the playing field or near the team benches.

B. Property Damage

- a. There is no insurance covering property damage.
- b. If property is damaged at a tournament site by competing school teams, student body or spectators, the school from which the students and/or spectators come shall be liable and pay the cost of repair or replacement. The tournament manager is authorized to deduct from the school's share the cost of any damages caused by competing schools.
- c. Other damages to facilities not attributed to a competing school could be a legitimate tournament expense and may be deducted from tournament receipts.
- d. If damage is extensive, the Board of Directors will become involved.
- e. Student crowd control at state sponsored tournaments is the responsibility of the Principals of the competing schools.

C. Videotaping by Schools

- a. Filming or videotaping of tournament games by one or both of the schools playing the game is permitted providing the permission of the tournament manager is secured and it is done at the expense of the school involved and a maximum of one individual per school is permitted.
- b. Videotaping of a potential opponent's tournament game is PROHIBITED.

XII SITE REGULATIONS

A. Admission and Admission Policies

All admission tickets are provided to the site by the OHSAA and will be electronic. Children under the age of six are admitted without charge.

- 1. Regional Contests (RQ-Regional Finals)-\$10.00 per person
- 2. State Final and Semi Final admission \$12.00 per person

B. Team Admission

- 1. Regionals Thirty-five (35) players and eleven (11) others (to include the bus driver) will be admitted at the pass gate by the approved OHSAA Pass List. Four (4) administrators, plus one (1) guest for each, may be added to the pass list. Separate passes for administrators will not be issued since they will be included and listed on the pass list.
- 2. <u>State</u> <u>Thirty-five</u> (35) players and eleven (11) others will be admitted at the pass gate via Commemorative "Bag Tags" provided in the Finalist Packet. There will be <u>no PASS LIST used at the State Semi-final or Final games.</u> (2) passes for all State Tournament sessions will be provided to the superintendent, principal, athletic administrator, and bus driver of each participating school.

C. Banners and Signs

- 1. Banners and signs will be permitted provided they are not personal, negative, unsportsmanlike or vulgar.
- All signs must be coordinated with site managers according to facility policies. If signs are permitted by the site manager, the visiting school representatives who hung the signs are responsible for removing them, and all evidence of them, following the contest.
- 3. If signs are permitted by the site manager, they must be permitted for both the visitor and home teams.

B. Noisemakers

- 1. Noisemakers are permitted provided they do not interfere with the game as determined by the site manager.
- 2. Air Horns/noisemaker prohibited. Air horns and noisemakers that required electric or alternate sources of power are not permitted in the facility.

C. Videotaping by Spectators

- 1. Any and all videotaping by spectators shall be for personal use.
- 2. Videotaping shall not be for the purpose of scouting or coaching.
- 3. Any and all videotaping shall not interfere with the view of the athletic contest by other spectators.
- 4. The tournament site shall not permit the use of more than the seating space for which the spectator has paid when seating is needed for paying fans.
- 5. The tournament site accepts no liability for damage or theft of spectator equipment or injury as a result of privately owned equipment.
- Equipment shall not be permitted in any playing area only in the spectator seating area.
- 7. The tournament site shall not provide power sources for video equipment.
- 8. Violation of this regulation may result in the removal of the offender from the premises.

- D. Pass-Outs No pass-outs will be provided at any game site.
- E. **Prohibited Advertising** There shall be no advertising through printed media, billboards, radio or television that includes beer, wine, liquor, tobacco, political parties or candidates or any other advertising contrary to the philosophy of interscholastic athletics.
- F. **Prohibited Sales** The sale of, the distribution of, or the consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is not permitted at the site of any contest involving OHSAA member schools.
- G. Raffles Prohibited There shall be no raffles or any type of games of chance permitted at the site of tournament contests.

H. Drones (Unmanned Aerial Vehicles)

The use of drones is prohibited for any purpose by any persons at OHSAA tournament contests. Tournament management shall remove anyone attempting to use a drone and/or confiscate the drone until the event has been completed.

Note: An exception to this policy may be made in specific cases for OHSAA broadcast partners, provided the management of the tournament facility permits the presence of drones for broadcast purposes under the control of the OHSAA.

XIII. MEDIA

- A. Radio, Press and Photographers All requests for space shall be directed to the tournament manager for Regional games. Credential requests for State Tournament games shall be Directed to Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Information. Proper credentials must be presented for admission at the pass gate.
- B. **Television** Tape-delayed requests shall be directed to the appropriate tournament manager. Live request shall be directed to the Executive Director's office.

XIV. AWARDS

Only awards furnished by the OHSAA may be presented at the OHSAA tournament site.

A. Regional Finals – A trophy will be presented to the Regional winner and runner-up.

XV. SPONSORSHIP AND RIGHTS

- A. The OHSAA is the sponsoring association for the Regional and State Girls Lacrosse Tournaments.
- B. The OHSAA reserves all rights in regard to the management of these tournaments and the sale of any items or any audio-visual reproductions.
- C. Any sale of food, clothing, souvenirs, or any other items is strictly prohibited without permission of the OHSAA Executive Director for the Regional and State Tournaments.

XVI. WEATHER (OHSAA Lightning and Inclement Weather Regulation)

-Recognition:

Coaches, athletic trainers, athletes, administrators and contest officials should be educated regarding the signs indicating thunderstorm development. Since the average distance between successive lightning flashes is approximately two to three miles ANYTIME that lightning can be seen or heard, the risk is already present. Weather can be monitored using the following methods:

- **Monitor Weather Patterns** Be aware of potential thunderstorms by monitoring local weather forecasts the day before and morning of the competition, and by scanning the sky for signs of potential thunderstorm activity.
- National Weather Service Weather can also be monitored using small, portable weather radios from the NWS. The NWS uses a system of severe storm watches and warnings watch indicates conditions are favorable for severe weather to develop in an area; a warning indicates severe weather has been reported in an area, and everyone should take proper precautions. Any thunderstorm poses a risk of injury or death even if it does not meet the criteria for severe weather. Therefore, anytime thunderstorms are in the forecast (even if it is only a 20 percent chance), event organizers shall be at a heightened level of awareness to the potential danger of lightning. Management:
 - **Evacuation-** If lightening is imminent or a thunderstorm is approaching, all personnel, athletes and spectators shall evacuate to available safe structures or shelters. A list of the closest safe structures should be announced and displayed on placards at all athletic venues.
 - Thirty-minute rule- Competition or practice shall be suspended once lightning has been recognized or thunder is heard. It is **mandatory** to wait at least 30 minutes after the last flash of lightning is witnessed or thunder is heard prior to resuming practice or competition. Given the average rates of thunderstorm travel, the storm should move 10-12 miles away from the area. This significantly reduces the risk of local lightning flashes. Any subsequent lightning or thunder after the beginning of the 30-minute count shall reset the clock, and Another count shall begin.

5th ANNUAL GIRLS LACROSSE STATE TOURNAMENT Semi-Finals June 1-3 and Finals June 5. 2021

1. REGULATIONS

The applicable regulations for the Regional Lacrosse Tournaments shall apply to the State Lacrosse Tournaments in addition to any listed below.

2. DATES, PAIRINGS AND ORDER OF PLAY

The State Girls Lacrosse Tournaments will be played on June 5, 2021 in conjunction with the State Boys Lacrosse Tournaments. The order of games for 2021 will be:

Division II - Girls

Division II - Boys

Division I - Girls

Division I - Boys

Note: The Executive Director reserves the right to adjust games and order of play to accommodate graduations, etc.

3. TOURNAMENT PLACEMENT

Semi-Final qualifiers are assigned to semi-final tournaments by the OHSAA. The Executive Director is authorized to pre-draw pairings for geographic reasons to benefit schools travel to regional sites and to change date and/or site locations at any time.

Division I

State Qualifying winners: Region 1, Region 2, Region 3, and Region 4

1	Region 2	Vs. 4.	Region 1			
2	Region 4	Vs. 3.	Region 3			
Division II State Qualifying winners: Region 5, Region 6, Region 7, and Region 8						
1	Region 5	Vs. 4.	Region 6			
2.	Region 8	Vs. 3.	Region 7			

Semifinals and Finals: Top team on the bracket will be the home team

4. PRACTICE

There shall be no lacrosse practice on the site that will be used during the 2021 State Lacrosse Tournaments other than usual pre-game practice.

5. INFORMATION FOR STATE FINALISTS

Information for state tournament finalists shall be given to the athletic administrator of each school at the conclusion of the regional final game. OHSAA staff liaison Beau Rugg and the tournament manager, the designated tournament manager from Ohio Wesleyan University shall be available for consultation and to answer any questions between the hours of 10:30 AM and Noon on Thursday, June 3, 2021.

PROGRAM

The price of the official printed program for the State Lacrosse Tournaments will be \$4.00.

7. ADMISSION

All tickets will be \$12.00. Children under the age of six are admitted without charge. All tickets will be sold electronically, and all attendees must have a ticket.

8. TEAM EXPENSES

There will be no team expenses in 2021.

9. MANAGERS OF TOURNAMENT

The State Lacrosse Tournaments are under the supervision and sponsorship of the OHSAA. The supervision at Ohio Wesleyan University is under the direction of their designated tournament manager. The OHSAA tournament manager is Beau Rugg, OHSAA Lacrosse Sport Administrator.

10. POSTPONED GAMES

Postponed games will be played in original order. Games MAY be scheduled on Sunday if weather delays cause postponements.

11. MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Media members wishing to attend the state championships must apply for credentials. Applications must be submitted by the deadline to OHSAA Director of Communications, Tim Stried. The credential application and additional media information for the state championships is available at: http://www.ohsaa.org/news/credentials/lacrosse.

Media members must show photo identification for admittance. No credentials will be issued to freelance photographers who are not assigned to the lacrosse state tournament by a media outlet. One school-assigned photographer per school is permitted.

12. PASSES - TEAM AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Thirty-five players and eleven others will be admitted at the pass gate by the Official OHSAA bag tag credentials. Eight game passes will be provided electronically after the regional finals, this will include admission for school administrators or any person the school desires.

13. STATE AWARDS

Only awards furnished by the OHSAA may be presented at the State Tournament. Team trophies will be presented to the State Champion and Runner-up. Individual members, coaches and managers of both teams will be presented with gold or silver awards.