

- **TO:** Soccer Coaches and Directors of Athletics
- FROM: Kate Barnett, Sport Administrator
- DATE: September 28, 2022

SUBJECT: Boys and Girls Soccer Tournament Information

OHSAA TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Important Dates	
Oct. 3	Deadline to indicate Tournament Entry
	(Athletic Directors must indicate tournament entry in the school myOHSAA account.)
Oct. 9	Tournament Draw (conducted by your respective district)
Oct. 17-22	Sectionals
Oct. 24-29	District
Nov. 1-5	Regionals
Nov. 8	Girls State Semifinal
Nov. 9	Boys State Semifinal
Nov. 11	Girls State Final
Nov. 12	Boys State Final / Season End

Tournament Regulations and Forms

- Tournament Regulations
- Tournament Mangers Manual
- <u>Required Tournament Forms</u>

NOTE: The Bench List/Travel Party and School Information Forms are required for **ALL** levels of the OHSAA Tournament.

Tournament Draw

NOTE: There have been updates to the following sites:

- Division I Boys and Girls Regional Finals Saturday Nov. 5 will be hosted by Nordonia High School
- Division II Boys Regional Semifinal Wednesday Nov. 2 will be hosted by Logan High School

Sectional and District Tournament Information

District Athletic Boards are tasked with overseeing the Sectional and District levels of the OHSAA Tournament, while the OHSAA Sport Administrator is tasked with managing the Regional and State levels of the OHSAA Tournament. Sectional and district tournament information is posted on each of the respective district webpages linked below for your reference.

- <u>Central District</u>
- East District
- Northeast District
- Northwest District
- Southeast District
- Southwest District

Regional and State Tournament Information

OHSAA Regional Semifinal and Final sites have been predetermined and can be referenced on the <u>Tournament Draw</u>. For site location addresses and contact information, please see the public brackets in the links provided below or at the top of each page of the Tournament Draw (i.e. BOYS DIVISON I).

Boys Soccer	Girls Soccer
Division 1	Division I
Division 2	Division 2
Division 3	Division 3

The OHSAA has the authority to change the date, time and site at any time for any reason. Changes will be considered in the event the change does not cause conflict for the stakeholders involved. If a host previously indicated that they would not like to host due to their team advancing to regionals and beyond, back-up sites have already been pre-determined.

State Semifinal sites have been pre-determined based on location for the primary concern of travel midweek for schools and the nature of the Tournament bracket bridging different regions in the state. These will not be made public until closer to the event.

The State Finals will be hosted at Lower.com Field (Home of the Columbus Crew) in Columbus, OH. Please note the divisions and corresponding matches times. Like other OHSAA tournaments, the divisions will rotate timeslots each year.

Friday November 11 – Girls Finals	Saturday November 12 – Boys Finals
Division I – 1:00pm	Division I – 1:00pm
Division III – 4:00pm	Division III – 4:00pm
Division II – 7:00pm	Division II – 7:00pm

GENERAL INFORMATION

Ticket Information

All tickets shall be electronic through HomeTown Ticketing. No cash will be accepted. A QR code is required for entry. No passes of any kind shall be accepted. Below are the designated ticket prices for all levels of the Tournament. When the Tournament starts, tickets will go live <u>HERE</u>.

TOURNAMENT LEVEL	STUDENT TICKET	ADULT TICKET
Sectional Tournaments	\$6.00	\$8.00
District Tournaments	\$6.00	\$8.00
Regional Tournaments	\$8.00	\$10.00
State Semifinal Tournaments	\$10.00	\$13.00
State Tournament	\$12.00	\$15.00

*5 and under are admitted free

High School Scouting Tickets

High School coaches may attend tournament events to scout their opponents. High School coaches wishing to scout may request up to two (2) complimentary tickets through the following procedure:

- 1. Email Claire Duesdieker (claired@ohsaa.org) no later than 24-hours prior to the event;
- 2. Use the subject line "Soccer Scout Request"
- 3. Indicate the match you wish to attend (include team names, division, district and host site)

Team Introductions and Warm-up

Pre-Match introductions shall be international style no matter if the benches are on opposite sides of the field. Teams are guaranteed a minimum of 30 minutes of warm-up for all tournament matches.

Official Ball

For regional and state matches, the OHSAA shall provide the <u>Wilson VIVIDO Soccer Ball</u>. Regional sites shall receive six (6) match balls in which each team will be provided three (3) balls for warm up. Advancing teams are responsible for bringing three (3) balls to the next site to use as the official match balls (specific to the regional final and state semifinal matches).

Goal Differential/Running Clock

Goal Differential shall be observed during all Tournament contests. Any time the score differential reaches 6 goals or more after the first half of the contest, a running clock shall be used. After the 6-goal differential has been met but the score drops below six (6) 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.

Artificial Noisemakers

Artificial Noisemakers are permitted provided they do not interfere with the match as determined by the site manager, tournament director or officials. This includes but is not limited to drums and Vuvuzelas. Air horns and noisemakers that required electric or alternate sources of power are not permitted in the facility (Tournament Regulations 22.d)

Spirit Groups

Bands, cheerleaders, and mascots shall not be permitted at any level of the OHSAA Tournament (Tournament Regulations 17.1). A drum/instrument is considered a noisemaker and is permitted at the discretion of the host site tournament manager and officials. Members of these spirit groups may attend the soccer matches with the purchase of a ticket.

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