

100. General Regulations & Policies

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In accordance with Article 9 of the Bylaws, the following general regulations, policies and procedures governing the FHSAA Football Program have been approved by the Board of Directors. They apply to all regular season contests as well as the FHSAA State Series unless otherwise modified or superseded by the terms and conditions approved for the state series. Substantive changes for the 2005-06 school year are shaded.

[The FHSAA utilizes a standardized calendar in which the weeks of the year are numbered. This ensures consistent dates from year to year. Week 1 begins with the first Sunday in July. Thanksgiving always falls in Week 21.]

[The forms referenced in this manual are provided on FHSAA.org as downloadable PDF and/or Word documents.]

101. Important Dates

Monday, August 1 (Week 5) – First practice date (helmets & shorts only, no contact).

Thursday, August 4 (Week 5) – First practice date (full pads, contact may begin).

Thursday-Saturday, August 18-20 (Week 7) – Preseason classic games and jamborees.

Monday, August 22 (Week 8) – First regular season competition date.

Saturday, October 29 (Week 17) – Last date for district game; last date on which a student may transfer and represent a school in the 2003 FHSAA State Football Series.

Monday, October 31 (Week 18) – District tiebreakers.

Saturday, November 5 (Week 18) – Last regular season competition date.

Friday, November 11 (Week 19) – Regional tournament quarterfinal games (Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, 3A); regional tournament semifinal games (Classes 2A, 2B, 1A, 1B).

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday, November 16, 17 or 19 (Week 20) – Postseason bowl games.

Friday, November 18 (Week 20) – Regional tournament semifinal games (Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, 3A); regional tournament championship games (Classes 2A, 2B, 1A, 1B).

Monday, November 21 (Week 21) – FHSAA Football Finals team data form and photo must be submitted to FHSAA Office by schools with teams advancing in state series.

Friday, November 25 (Week 21) – Regional tournament championship games (Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, 3A); state semifinal games (Classes 2A, 2B, 1A, 1B).

Monday, November 28 (Week 22) – FHSAA Football Finals participants must submit up-to-date team statistics form to FHSAA Office (Classes 2A, 2B, 1A, 1B).

Friday, December 2 (Week 22) – State semifinal games (Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, 3A).

Friday-Saturday, December 2-3 (Week 22) – FHSAA Football Finals state championship games (Friday, Classes 1B & 1A; Saturday, Classes 2B & 2A).

Monday, December 5 (Week 23) – FHSAA Football Finals participants must submit up-to-date team statistics form to FHSAA Office (Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, & 3A).

Friday-Saturday, December 9-10 (Week 23) – FHSAA Football Finals state championship games (Friday, Classes 3A & 5A; Saturday, Classes 4A & 6A).

Wednesday, December 14 (Week 24) – FHSAA Football Advisory Committee meeting.

Monday, May 1 (Week 44) – First spring practice date (helmets & shorts only, no contact).

Thursday, May 4 (Week 44) – First spring practice date (full pads, contact may begin).

Wednesday, May 31 (Week 47) – Last permissible date for spring practice.

102. Eligibility of Student-Athletes

102.01 Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaw 11, as well as guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures governing student eligibility that have been adopted by the Board of Directors, may represent member schools in interscholastic competition. In accordance with Bylaw 11.13.1, member schools are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes before they participate and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all interscholastic competition. See Appendix A for FHSAA student-athlete eligibility guidelines in brief.

102.02 If an ineligible student-athlete is accidentally or intentionally permitted to participate in an interscholastic contest, forfeit of the contest and honors shall be automatic and mandatory.

103. Season and Contest Limitations

103.01 Practice. First practice date is Monday of Week 5 (Aug. 1, 2005). Last practice date is Saturday of Week 23 (Dec. 10, 2005). The first three full days of practice shall be restricted to conditioning drills. Helmet and dental guards may be issued, but deliberate body contact as well as contact with sleds during this three-day period is prohibited. Uniforms may be issued and body contact engaged in no earlier than Thursday of Week 5 (Aug. 4, 2005).

No practice session of any kind may be held on a Sunday.

103.02 Contests. First regular season contest date is Monday of Week 8 (Aug. 22, 2005). Last regular season contest date is Saturday of Week 18 (Nov. 5, 2005).

- (1) Maximum number of regular season varsity contests – 10.
- (2) Maximum number of sub-varsity contests – 8.
- (3) No contest of any kind may be held on a Sunday except under emergency conditions in tournaments or meets that are approved by the Commissioner or the Board of Directors.

103.03 Opponents. Member schools shall compete only against schools that are full or affiliate members of the FHSAA, or out-of-state schools that are members of associations that regulate interscholastic athletic competition within their respective states. Out-of-state schools, however, must have eligibility guidelines comparable to those of the FHSAA, and must have an established season of competition in the sport that is concurrent with that of the FHSAA. Competition with out-of-state schools, in some cases, may require the approval of the NFHS. See Appendix B for NFHS regulations on interstate and international competitions.

103.04 Contracts. The “Contract for Interscholastic Athletic Contest” (Form AT1) is required for all regular season contests.

Practice games, exhibition games, non-contract games and scrimmage games with other schools, groups, alumni or league teams are strictly prohibited. All such games or sessions shall be on an intra-squad basis. Non-squad members shall not participate in any team practice, match or contest.

103.05 Student-Athletes.

- (1) **Contests.** Maximum number of regular season contests – 10, inclusive of all games played on the varsity and sub-varsity levels.

A student who participates as a member of a varsity team shall not participate as a member of a sub-varsity team, or vice versa, until the sixth day following such partici-

pation.

(2) **Practice.** A student shall not engage in deliberate body contact during practice, until the student has practiced for three (3) days in shorts. The student must be confined to conditioning exercises during this three-day period.

104. Preseason Classics, Jamborees

104.01 Preseason classic games and jamborees hosted by senior high schools must have the approval of the FHSAA Office. The “Application for Approval of Multi-School Athletic Event” (Form AT3) must be submitted not less than 30 days in advance of the event to avoid a late fee of \$50. Approval forms received less than 10 days in advance of the first day of the tournament will incur a late fee of \$100, and forms received after the date of the event will incur a \$200 late fee.

104.02 A team may participate in either a preseason classic or preseason jamboree, but not both.

104.03 All NFHS rules shall apply to preseason classic games and jamborees.

104.04 Preseason Classic Games.

(1) Must be held on Thursday through Saturday of Week 7 (Aug. 18-20, 2005).

(2) Must be hosted by a member school; may not be played outside the state of Florida.

(3) Shall not be counted toward a participating team’s win-loss record, team statistics or player statistics; no official FHSAA or NFHS records may include results of preseason classic games.

(4) Limited to two teams; may be modified to allow non-varsity squads from both schools to participate against each other in the first two quarters, followed by participation by the varsity squads from both schools in the final two quarters or some similar format subject to approval by the FHSAA Office. If any format other than a complete game between varsity squads is used, it must be stipulated in the contract. Regardless of the format used, a running score for each school must be kept for the entire game. One school must be declared the winner.

(5) Admission: \$4.00; the host school, however, may request that it be allowed to increase the admission charge to the amount it charges for a regular season game.

(6) Gross receipts shall be divided as follows:

- **Host school** – 45 percent
- **Visiting school** – 35 percent
- **FHSAA** – 20 percent.

Gross receipts include revenue derived from gate receipts and entry fees. The complete “FHSAA Financial Report Form for Preseason/Spring Classic Football Game” (Form FB3) must be submitted by the host school so that it is received in the FHSAA Office, as well as by all participating schools, within three weeks (21 calendar days) of the event. Payment of profit shares due participating schools and the FHSAA must be included with the report. If the financial report is not received in the FHSAA Office within 30 calendar days, a late filing fee of \$50 shall be assessed; within 60 days, \$75; and within 90 days, \$100. See Appendix C for “Guidelines on Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares.”

(7) The host school shall bear all expenses of the game, including the cost of officials.

104.05 Preseason Jamborees.

(1) Must be held prior to the first regular season game, but not earlier than Thursday of Week 7 (Aug. 18, 2005).

(2) Must include four or more teams; each team may play a maximum of two 12-minute quarters. Opponents may be the same or different in each quarter. Each team may request a maximum of two (2) timeouts per quarter.

(3) The FHSAA shall receive eight (8) percent of the gross receipts of all jamborees. Gross receipts include revenue derived from gate receipts and entry fees. The complete "FHSAA Financial Report Form for Football Jamboree" (Form FB4) must be submitted by the host school so that it is received in the FHSAA Office, as well as by all participating schools, within three weeks (21 calendar days) of the event. Payment of profit shares due participating schools and the FHSAA must be included with the report. If the financial report is not received in the FHSAA Office within 30 calendar days, a late filing fee of \$50 will be assessed; within 60 days, \$75; and within 90 days, \$100. See Appendix C for "Guidelines on Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares."

(4) Bands are prohibited from playing at all jamborees.

105. Postseason Bowl Games

105.01 A team that does not participate in the state series or participates in but does not qualify for the state series as a representative of its district may compete in a postseason bowl game exclusively on Wednesday, Thursday or Saturday of Week 20 (Nov. 16, 17 or 19, 2005), provided the school meets the requirements stated herein. A school that qualifies for the state series may not agree to play in a postseason bowl game.

105.02 A postseason bowl game hosted by a senior high school must have the approval of the FHSAA Office. The "Application for Approval of Multi-School Athletic Event" (Form AT3) must be submitted in advance of the proposed date of the game to avoid an administrative fee of \$50. Approval forms received less than 10 days in advance of the first day of the tournament will incur a late fee of \$100, and forms received after the date of the event will incur a \$200 late fee. Such games, however, cannot be approved by the FHSAA Office until the Monday of Week 18 (Oct. 31, 2005) or thereafter.

105.03 To be eligible to compete in a postseason bowl game, a school must meet the provisions of s.105.01, must have played a representative schedule and must have a winning record (.500 or better) through the Monday of Week 18 (Oct. 31, 2005) or thereafter.

105.04 All NFHS Football Rules shall apply to postseason bowl games.

105.05 The FHSAA shall receive eight (8) percent of the gross receipts of all bowl games. Gross receipts include revenue derived from gate receipts and entry fees. The complete "FHSAA Financial Report Form for Postseason Football Bowl Game" (Form FB3) must be submitted by the host school so that it is received in the FHSAA Office, as well as by all participating schools, within three weeks (21 calendar days) of the event. Payment of profit shares due participating schools and the FHSAA must be included with the report. If the financial report is not received in the FHSAA Office within 30 calendar days, a late filing fee of \$50 will be assessed; within 60 days, \$75; and within 90 days, \$100. See Appendix C for "Guidelines on Filing of Financial

106. Rules of Competition

106.01 Playing Rules. NFHS Football Rules, as modified by the FHSAA, are the official playing rules for all football games. The following modifications to those rules have been adopted by the Board of Directors.

- **1-1-4 Note. Size of Officials Crew:** Five (5) field officials and one clock operator will be used for all varsity football games, with the exception of the state semifinal and state championship games, which shall utilize a crew of seven (7) field officials and one clock operator.

- **1-1-5. Wireless Microphone:** Use of a “wireless microphone” by the referee is permitted as follows: (a) The head coach of both teams must agree to the referee’s use of the system prior to the start of the game; (b) Only the type foul and the distance penalty may be announced by the referee; (c) A player’s name, position or number may never be announced; and (d) The information is not announced until after the captain has made his decision to accept or decline the penalty.

- **1-3-1g Note. Size of Ball:** A smaller ball may be used for eighth grade games and below.

- **1-3-2 Note. Official Ball:** The FHSAA has adopted a specific ball for use in the FHSAA Finals [see s. 207.06(2)].

- **1-3-7. Supplemental Equipment:** Supplementary equipment to aid in game administration may not be used.

- **1-5-2d. Artificial Limbs:** The use of artificial limbs is authorized on an individual player basis. The school must provide the referee with written approval from the FHSAA Office.

- **1-5-3(b) Note 1. Hearing Impaired Players:** Teams with hearing impaired player(s) may use a drum to establish cadence following the ready-for-play signal.

- **1-5-3c. Written Authorization:** The specified written authorization must be date specific with a copy furnished to the referee.

- **Table 3-1. Halftime:** Halftime will be 20 minutes (includes all halftime activities and three-minute warmup). Clock operators will set the halftime clock at 17 minutes and will not start the clock until signaled by the referee after all team personnel have vacated the field. Once the 17 minutes have expired, an additional three minutes will be placed on the clock for the mandatory warmup period.

- **3-1-1 Note. Overtime:** The overtime procedure listed in the NFHS Rules Book is adopted for all contests in both the regular season and the state series. The FHSAA Office may waive the use of the overtime procedure in jamborees or preseason classics upon request of the host school principal, provided the request is based on the unanimous desire of all participating schools.

- **3-1-2. Mercy Rule:** If one team is ahead by a margin of 35 points or more at the end of the second quarter or any point during the third quarter, the head coach of the team that is behind may request of the referee a running clock. If, however, the differential in the score is 35 points or more at the end of the third quarter or at any point thereafter, the running clock shall become mandatory. Once the running clock is initiated, it shall run continuously with the exception of any timeout taken by a team or officials and during the period between quarters.

- **3-1-5. Interrupted Games:** Games interrupted because of events beyond the

control of the responsible administrative authority, at some point, must be continued from the point of interruption if the game affects a team's berth in the state series.

- **3-1-5 Note. Length of Quarters:** Games involving a mixture of players in grades 7, 8 and 9 will be played in 10-minute quarters.

- **3-2-1. Coin Toss:** If the coin toss, or simulated coin toss, is held on the playing field, it must be held three minutes prior to the scheduled game starting time.

- **3-5-7h. Mandatory Water Breaks:** The referee must call an uncharged, one-minute timeout at the clock stoppage nearest the half-way point of each quarter. Coaches may meet with their players during this timeout. This rule must be enforced in all games up to and including the second Saturday in October, as well as in spring classic games and spring jamborees.

- **3-5-7l. TV Timeouts:** TV timeouts may be authorized by the host school principal for regular season games. The FHSAA Office may authorize TV timeouts for contests in the state series as specified elsewhere in these regulations.

- **3-6-1. Play Clock:** If a visible 25-second clock is used it shall be operated by a registered official.

106.02 Athletic Uniforms. Commercial advertising, with the exception of the manufacturer's logo as permitted by NFHS rules, is prohibited on all athletic uniforms.

106.03 Schedules. Each member school may sign a maximum of seven (7) two-year contracts. Each member school must sign a minimum of three (3) one-year contracts. The Commissioner, upon request, may approve exceptions to this regulation to assist schools in scheduling games with out-of-state opponents. Each member school must submit to the FHSAA Office not later than March 31, 2005 its 2005 varsity football schedule via the iFHSAA football game schedule database. A minimum financial penalty of \$50 will be assessed a member school that fails to submit its football schedule by the deadline.

106.04 Reporting Game Scores. Member schools – both district members and independent members – must report to the FHSAA Office each week the scores of regular season varsity football games as follows:

- (1) The head football coach, athletic director or principal of the HOME team shall report the score of the previous week's game to the FHSAA Office no later than 9 a.m. ET on the day following the game. Scores must be reported online via iFHSAA (the Association's new interactive online database).

- (2) In the event a member school plays in a game hosted by a school outside of the state of Florida or an affiliate member school, the member school – win or lose – shall be required to report the game results using the same procedure as above.

Failure to comply with these provisions shall subject the responsible school to a \$50 penalty for non-compliance.

106.05 Medical Personnel. The FHSAA Board of Directors recommends that each host member school have a physician as well as an ambulance present or readily available for each game.

106.06 Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs). It is strongly recommended that an automatic external defibrillator (AED) be present and available for use if needed at the site of every interscholastic athletic contest conducted during the preseason and regular season in which member schools participate.

106.07 Pregame Warmups. A school's team shall warm up in an area

between the end line and the 45-yard line on the side of the field to which it is assigned for pregame warmups by the host school management. Enforcement of this policy shall be the responsibility of the host school management until the jurisdiction of the game officials begins. A violation of this policy shall be considered an act of unsportsmanlike conduct and shall be penalized pursuant to NFHS Rules.

106.08 Suspended Contest. A suspended contest shall be resumed from the point of interruption. Otherwise, NFHS Rules regarding the resumption of suspended contests will apply.

106.09 Protests. Protests of interscholastic contests shall not be allowed. The decision of the officials shall be final. The outcome (i.e. winners and losers) of all interscholastic contests are final, and cannot be reversed, except where the rules of the sport permit or in the case where a winner must forfeit its victory or points.

107. Sportsmanship and Unsportsmanlike Conduct

107.01 Sportsmanship. Student-athletes, coaches, administrators, spectators and all other persons connected directly or indirectly with a member school, as well as contest officials, shall adhere to the principles of good sportsmanship and the ethics of competition before, during and after all contests in which they participate and/or attend.

Each participating school shall be held strictly accountable for unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of its competitors, coaches and spectators.

If contestants or people from any school are found guilty of carelessness or maliciously breaking, damaging or destroying property or equipment belonging to the host school or host organization, such school will be held responsible for costs incurred in replacing or repairing such property or equipment.

107.02 Disqualification (ejection) for general unsportsmanlike conduct or flagrant foul.

(1) **Student-Athlete.** Suspended from competition for remainder of contest and all contests on all levels for the following seven days, but not less than the next two regularly scheduled contests (one contest in boys football); if last contest of season, suspension is served in the next sport in which the student-athlete participates; beginning with fourth such ejection in a sport, program in that sport is placed on administrative probation and school is assessed a \$100 fine per occurrence in that sport.

(2) **Coach.** Suspended from competition for remainder of contest and all contests on all levels for the following seven days, but not less than the next two regularly scheduled contests (one contest in boys football); if last contest of season, suspension is served in the next sport in which the individual coaches; school is assessed a minimum fine of \$100 per occurrence.

107.03 Disqualification (ejection) for gross unsportsmanlike conduct (Bylaw 11.11.2), or second or subsequent act of general unsportsmanlike conduct or flagrant foul.

(1) **Student-Athlete.** Suspended from competition for remainder of contest and all contests on all levels for up to a period of six weeks; if last contest of season, suspension is served in the next sport in which the student-athlete participates; beginning with second such ejection in any sport, school is assessed a \$250 fine per occurrence.

(2) **Coach.** Suspended from competition for remainder of contest and all contests on all levels for up to a period of six weeks; if last contest of season, suspension is

served in the next sport in which the individual coaches; school is assessed a minimum fine of \$100 per occurrence.

107.04 Restrictions on Disqualified Coach.

(1) Must immediately leave the competition area to a place where he/she is not visible to student-athletes, officials, spectators or other coaches and where he/she cannot see the competition itself.

(2) Must not have any further contact with or give instruction to student-athletes or other members of his/her staff for the remainder of the contest; including halftime intermission; breaks between quarters, periods or innings; and post-contest activities.

(3) Shall not attend any subsequent contest from which he/she has been suspended in any capacity; shall not be present at the site; and shall not accompany his/her team to the site of the contest.

107.05 Enforcement. It is the responsibility of local school authorities to ensure this policy is enforced. When an ineligible student-athlete is allowed to participate, forfeiture of the contest is mandatory. When a coach is allowed to coach in a contest from which he/she has been suspended, the school shall face additional penalties. When a coach is disqualified (ejected) from a contest and no other authorized school personnel are present to take charge of the student-athletes, the contest shall be forfeited. Contest officials, or host schools for contests in sports in which there are no registered officials, must report acts of unsportsmanlike conduct to the FHSAA Office using Form AT6 or iFHSAA.

107.06 Additional Penalties. In addition to the standard monetary penalty of \$100 for the disqualification (ejection) of a coach, a school may be assessed additional minimum fines for unsportsmanlike conduct by the coach or other school personnel as follows:

- Use of profanity or gutter language – \$150.00
- Continuing to give instruction to student-athletes or other members of the coaching staff after having been disqualified from a contest – \$150.00
- Pursuit of officials following a contest – \$150.00
- Refusal to leave the court, playing field or team area following disqualification – \$100.00
- Physical contact with an official – \$250.00
- Removal of a team or individual from an athletic contest prior to its normal conclusion – \$250.00

107.07 Public Criticism of Officials. No coach or other school employee may publicly criticize or berate an official prior to, during or following a contest. Professional ethics require that coaches and other school employees use proper channels to report their complaints about officials rather than airing them publicly. A minimum fine of \$50 shall be assessed a school whose coach or other employees are in violation of this provision.

107.08 Crowd Control. The home school administration is responsible for the control of spectators during a contest. The presence of uniformed officers is recommended. The officials assigned to work a contest are responsible for the conduct of the contest itself. In the event, however, a spectator or group of spectators interferes with the conduct of a contest or causes an official to become distracted through continual, unrelenting verbal abuse, the official should immediately stop the action and report the spectator or group of spectators to the home school administration or the nearest uniformed security officer and ask that they be restrained or removed from the facility. If the home school administration or uniformed security officer is unwilling

or unable to comply and the official does not believe the contest can be safely continued, the official must declare the contest ended at that point. Under no circumstance should an official ever confront, challenge, rebuke or threaten a spectator, or make gestures of any kind toward a spectator before, during or after a contest.

107.09 Banned Substances.

(1) The use of alcohol, tobacco or tobacco-like products by student-athletes, coaches and officials is prohibited during any interscholastic athletic contest and in the vicinity of the playing field or court. A student-athlete in violation of this policy is guilty of gross unsportsmanlike conduct, will be disqualified from the contest and shall be suspended from subsequent contests in accordance with the provisions of s. 107.03(1). The official must report any violation of this policy by either a student-athlete or coach to the FHSAA Office. Violation of this policy by a student-athlete or coach shall subject the school to a monetary penalty. Violation of this policy by an official shall subject the official to a monetary penalty or suspension or both. For violations of this policy, a minimum fine of \$100.00 shall be assessed.

(2) The use of anabolic steroids or other performance-enhancing drugs by a student-athlete is not permissible and is considered to be an act of gross unsportsmanlike conduct. A student-athlete discovered to be using such substances shall be ineligible to compete in any interscholastic contest until such time as medical evidence can be presented that the student's system is free of those substances.

108. Inclement Weather Procedures

108.01 If a thunderstorm or electrical storm occurs in the area prior to the start of or during any outdoor contest, the officials must immediately contact the principal or his/her designee of each school involved in the contest to determine if the contest should be played as scheduled, delayed, suspended or postponed. If the principal or his/her designee of either of the schools involved requests that the contest be interrupted or postponed, the officials must immediately honor such request. If the principal or his/her designee of only one of the competing schools is available, his/her request must be honored.

(1) The safety and welfare of all concerned is of paramount importance. In no case shall an official deny a request by a principal to delay, suspend or postpone an outdoor contest due to inclement weather or imply that the contest will be forfeited as a result of such a request.

(2) A suspended contest shall be resumed from the point of interruption. Otherwise, NFHS Rules regarding the resumption of suspended contests shall apply.

(3) Every district game shall be played and completed by week 10 of the season. This shall be accomplished even if it requires the rescheduling or cancellation of non-district games. It, therefore, is important that all district games cancelled due to hurricanes or other inclement weather be made up not later than Monday, Oct. 24, 2005. The FHSAA office is committed to protecting the integrity of the state series. Many schools reschedule games on Monday nights. This is an option that every school should consider. Schools do not have the option to cancel a district game by agreement unless a forfeiture is involved.

108.02 If severe weather occurs in the area prior to the start of, or during any, scheduled outdoor game, tournament or meet and the event is delayed, postponed, suspended or cancelled, special rules apply. If for other unforeseen reasons, a game,

tournament or meet is delayed, postponed, suspended or cancelled, special rules apply.

(1) If tickets have been sold for the event and any revenue related to the event is retained by the school, then the regular financial reporting process must be completed with payments to the FHSAA and to the participating school(s). If free entry is given for a future event, the revenue received and retained should be reported for the event. If money is refunded and not retained then it should not be included as revenue reported for the event. If tickets were presold for the event and the event was cancelled before it was to begin, then the revenue received and retained (not refunded) from the presold tickets should be reported on the financial report.

(2) If a financial hardship results from the inclement weather and the related loss of playing time, the host school should submit a written request for waiver of financial share payments. Requests should be submitted to the Senior Director of Athletics. Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

109. Cheerleader Guidelines

Cheerleaders are prohibited from building pyramids higher than two tiers during any routine in practice or during a performance in conjunction with an interscholastic contest. Host school management is responsible for the enforcement of this regulation during regular season contests. Local tournament managers are responsible for the enforcement of this regulation during state series contests.

110. Photographing, Filming, Videotaping, Contests

110.01 A visiting school may photograph, film or videotape its team's or contestants' performance in a preseason or regular season contest when permission is secured from and arrangements are made with the host school principal. Videographers and their equipment must be positioned so that they do not block the view of any spectator. No representative of a school that is not participating in a contest may film, videotape or photograph all or any part of the contest unless permission to do so is granted by the principal of each school that is participating in the contest. See s.208.11 for provisions relative to photographing, filming and videotaping state series contests.

110.02 Any school violating this policy is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct and shall be subject to reprimand and the assessment of a financial penalty by the FHSAA.

111. Officials

111.01 Registered Officials. All member schools must use FHSAA registered contest officials in football games in which they participate. Host schools must contract for officials only with local officials associations that are sanctioned by the FHSAA Office. Schools may not, under any circumstance, enter into contracts with individual officials. The decisions of the contest officials shall be final. No protests shall be allowed.

Guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures governing the FHSAA contest officials program are published in the 2005-06 FHSAA Officials Guidebook, a copy of which has been provided to each member school. That publication also is available

for download as a PDF document on FHSAA.org.

111.02 Fees. The maximum fees a member school may pay officials for a regular season contest are:

- Jamboree – Negotiable; local officials associations are encouraged to volunteer their services for jamborees
- Varsity game – \$60.00 per field official, \$29.00 for clock operator
- Sub-varsity game – \$46.00 per field official, \$29.00 for clock operator

Sixty (60) cents per mile one way, one vehicle, is the maximum mileage rate that may be charged by a local officials association.

111.03 Schools' Responsibilities to Officials. The Board of Directors has charged member schools with the following responsibilities relative to FHSAA officials when serving as host for an athletic contest to which officials are assigned.

(1) An authorized representative of the host school should greet the officials upon their arrival.

(2) The host school should provide a private, secure place for the officials to park.

(3) The host school should provide a secure dressing facility which affords privacy.

(4) The host school should provide the officials access to private shower facilities with hot water whenever possible.

(5) The host school should provide the officials with refreshments during the halftime intermission, following the conclusion of the contest and other appropriate times.

(6) The host school must provide pregame, halftime and postgame security for the officials. A school official or principal's designee must escort the officials to and from the playing field or court to prevent harassment.

(7) The host school principal or game administrator must indicate to the referee or umpire-in-chief his/her seat location should a situation develop where assistance is needed during the contest.

(8) Coaches must not enter the officials dressing facility while the officials are in attendance except when requested by the officials.

112. Coaches

112.01 The head coach is required to attend the FHSAA Online Rules Meeting. The financial penalty for failure to attend is \$50.

113. Spring Practice

113.01 Term. Spring practice is confined to a maximum of 20 sessions and must be conducted exclusively during the month of May.

113.02 Guidelines.

(1) Each individual player must practice for three (3) days in shorts. For these three days, practice drills must be confined to conditioning exercises. Helmets and dental guards may be issued, but deliberate body contact as well as contact with sleds during this three-day period is prohibited.

(2) Student-athletes who are seniors shall not participate in spring practice.

(3) Eighth-grade students in a separate middle school may participate in spring

football practice at the public high school for which the students are zoned and will attend as ninth-graders in the following school year under the following conditions:

(a) The students may practice on or in the high school facility only if such practice is approved in writing to the FHSAA Office by the district superintendent.

(b) The students may be instructed in practice by high school coaches only if such instruction is approved in writing to the FHSAA Office by the district superintendent.

(c) The principals of both schools must give their permission in writing to the FHSAA Office for the students to participate in such practice.

(d) The students must have catastrophic insurance coverage for such practice.

(e) The students must have the written permission of their parents or legal guardians to participate in such practice on file in the school office.

(f) The students must have undergone a physical examination during the current school year.

(g) The students must not suffer any loss of time from school.

(h) The students may not participate in a spring jamboree or spring classic game.

(i) The students may not participate in practice or have contact in any manner with student-athletes in the ninth, 10th or 11th grades who are members of the high school team.

113.03 Spring Classic or Jamboree. A member school may compete in one spring classic game OR one spring jamboree, but not both, after a minimum of 10 separate practices on 10 different days. This spring classic game or jamboree, however, must be counted as one of the 20 permissible practice sessions. The provisions of s.104.04 shall apply to all spring classics. The provisions of s.104.05 shall apply to all spring jamborees.

200. State Series

Terms & Conditions

Contact: Gary Pigott, Administrator for Football, Ext. 260 (gpigott@fhsaa.org)

In accordance with Article 9.8.0 of the FHSAA Bylaws, the following Terms and Conditions governing the 2005 FHSAA State Football Series have been approved by the FHSAA Board of Directors. Gary Pigott, administrator for football, shall be the state series director.

201. Team Entries

201.01 Eligibility.

(1) Participation in the state series is voluntary and open to any full member senior high school varsity team provided:

(a) The school successfully sponsors a varsity program in the previous school year;

(b) The school's varsity team competes in a minimum of four (4) regular season varsity contests or the necessary district contests, whichever is greater, during the current season; and

(c) The school files a commitment to participate in the state series with the FHSAA Office by the specified deadline.

(2) A school shall enter only one (1) team.

(3) A new member school shall not be eligible to enter a team into the state series in its initial year of membership. A continuing member school that is starting a new program or resuming a previously discontinued program shall not be eligible to enter a team into the state series until the school successfully sponsors a varsity program for a minimum of one school year. These provisions shall not apply to newly opening traditional public high schools that join the Association in their initial two years of existence.

201.02 Commitment to Participate.

(1) A member school that elects to participate in the state series in a team sport must have filed with the FHSAA Office a commitment to participate by the specified deadline. This commitment to participate is a binding agreement between the member school and the Association, and obligates the school to participate in accordance with and abide by all guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures for the state series.

(2) A school that does not commit to participate in the state series in a team sport by the specified deadline may be permitted to participate without penalty if its written request for entry is received before the state series assignments are released. Once the state series assignments are released, the following provisions will apply:

(a) No existing or future member school will be assigned to a district after the district scheduling meeting has been held.

(b) Existing member schools which, at the time of commitment, were eligible for state series assignment and declined to commit, but then request assignment using the appropriate form effective in the third year of the four-year term (first year of the second scheduling cycle) will be assessed a \$100 administrative fee.

(3) A school that commits to participate in the state series may be released from

its commitment without penalty if written notice of its withdrawal is received in the FHSAA Office before the state series assignments are released. Once the state series assignments are released, withdrawal will result in the assessment of a \$250 fine and disqualification of the school from participation in the state series in that sport for the duration of the term. Withdrawal from a commitment will not relieve a school of any contractual obligations it may have with other member schools.

202. Student-Athlete Entries

To represent a member school in the state series, a student-athlete:

202.01 Must be eligible under Bylaw 11 and applicable administrative guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures.

202.02 Must participate in a minimum of four (4) interscholastic contests in the sport during the regular season.

202.03 Must be enrolled in and in regular attendance at the school for which it will participate prior to Saturday, Oct. 29, 2005.

203. School Classification

The classification of each school participating in the state series is determined on the basis of student population in the ninth through 12th grades as reported to the FHSAA Office in October 2004. Student populations for schools that do not have all four grades are adjusted in accordance with policy. Student populations for schools that enroll boys only are doubled for classification purposes. There are eight (8) classifications as follows:

- Class 6A – schools with populations of 2,584 or more students;
- Class 5A – schools with populations of 2,055 to 2,583 students;
- Class 4A – schools with populations of 1,708 to 2,054 students;
- Class 3A – schools with populations of 1,067 to 1,707 students;
- Class 2A – schools with populations of 617 to 1,066 students;
- Class 2B – schools with populations of 411 to 616 students;
- Class 1A – schools with populations of 233 or 410 students; and
- Class 1B – schools with populations of 232 or fewer students.

State series assignments as of press time are provided in Appendix D. Check FHSAA.org for the most up-to-date assignments.

204. Districts

204.01 Assignment. Participating schools are assigned to district complexes in their respective classifications (see Appendix D or FHSAA.org). District complexes, in turn, comprise regional complexes. The number of districts in each classification and regional complex, and the assignment of each school to a particular district are determined on a geographical basis. Competition shall be conducted in each district during the regular season to determine the schools that shall represent that district in the state series.

204.02 District Schedule. To qualify for the state series, a school must play a minimum of one varsity football game with each school in its district during the 10-game regular season schedule and finish first or second in the district standings. Each district is allotted automatic berths for the district champion and district runnerup.

(1) **Playing Dates.** Participating schools shall schedule district football games

according to the following schedule: 10th week, 8th week, 6th week, 4rd week, 9th week, 7th week, 5th week, 3rd week, 2nd week and 1st week. District games shall not be scheduled on the 11th week.

(2) **Scheduling Meeting.** The FHSAA shall hold district scheduling meetings every two years. These meetings shall be held in January of odd-numbered calendar years and shall be for the purpose of scheduling games for the following two school years. All schools that commit to participate in the state series shall attend the meeting for the district to which it is assigned and shall schedule at least one game with every school in its district in both years. All district football schedules for both years must be completed during this meeting. Each school in a district must schedule all other schools in its district before it may schedule any game against a non-district opponent. If the FHSAA representative, athletic director, or football coach at a given school has requested and was granted placement in a district and has not received written notification from the district coordinator relative to the site and time of the district meeting, it is his/her responsibility to contact the district coordinator for the arrangements.

(3) **Making Up District Games.** Every district game shall be played and completed by week 10 of the season. This shall be accomplished even if it requires the rescheduling or cancellation of nondistrict games. It, therefore, is important that all games cancelled due to hurricanes or other inclement weather be made up not later than Monday, Oct. 24, 2005. The FHSAA office is committed to protecting the integrity of the state series. Many schools reschedule games on Monday nights. This is an option that every school should consider. Schools do not have the option to cancel a district game by agreement unless a forfeiture is involved.

(4) **Out-of-State Opponents.** Schools that have scheduled games with out-of-state opponents MUST forward a copy of each out-of-state opponent's football schedule to the FHSAA Office no later than Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2005.

204.03 District Standings. The FHSAA Office shall compute on a weekly basis by computer the official standings for each district in each classification based on the game reports filed by member schools as required in s. 106.04. Official standings will be posted on FHSAA.org. It will be on the basis of these standings only that district champions and district runners-up will be determined. It is imperative that member schools report their game scores to the FHSAA Office each week in accordance with s. 106.04. In the event a member school wishes to challenge its win-loss record as recorded in the official FHSAA standings, the burden of proof will be upon the member school.

(1) Only those varsity games played with other schools in a district shall count toward the district standings. If a school plays more than one varsity game with another school in its district, then only the first game will count in the district standings.

(2) **Breaking Ties.**

(a) If two schools are tied for first place in the final district standings, the winner of the regular season game between the two schools shall advance to the regional tournament as the district champion and the loser of the regular season game shall advance to the regional tournament as the district runner-up. If two schools are tied for second place in the final district standings, the winner of the regular season game between the two schools shall advance to the regional tournament as the district runner-up.

(b) If three schools are tied for first place in the final district standings and one

of the three schools defeated the other two in regular season competition, that school shall advance to the regional tournament as the district champion. The winner of the regular season game between the two remaining schools shall then advance to the regional tournament as the district runner-up. If three schools are tied for second place in the final district standings and one of the three schools defeated the other two in regular season competition, that school shall advance to the regional tournament as the district runner-up.

(c) If three or more schools are tied for either first place or second place in the final district standings and the tie cannot be broken based on the results of regular season competition, a district tiebreaker shall be played to determine the district champion and/or district runner-up.

(3) District Tiebreakers.

(a) Date, Time and Site. District tiebreakers, if necessary, shall be played at 7 p.m. local time on Monday of Week 18 (Oct. 31, 2005). The school whose team is seeded No. 1 shall be designated the host school and will determine the site of the competition.

(b) Format. The higher-seeded team in each round shall be designated the “home team” and will wear the darker-colored jersey. Each team shall be required to have both darker and lighter-colored jerseys at the competition site in the event problems with contrasting jerseys exist. Teams shall play one entire quarter against their bracketed opponents. Each team will be allotted two timeouts per quarter. The 10-Yard Line Overtime Tiebreaker Plan as printed in the NFHS Rules Book will be used at the end of the quarter if the score is tied. There will be a warm-up period or rest period not to exceed 20 minutes between each quarter or tiebreaker. The FHSAA Office, not later than noon Sunday, Oct. 30, 2005, shall fax to each participating school a fact sheet containing the complete arrangements for the district tiebreaker.

(c) Seeding. The teams shall be seeded on the basis of their overall win-loss percentage through all games played by Sunday, Oct. 30, 2005. The team with the best overall win-loss percentage will be seeded No. 1, etc. If two or more of the teams have identical overall win-loss percentages, the results of their head-to-head competition during the regular season will be used to break the tie. If the tie cannot be resolved by the results of head-to-head competition, a coin flip will be used to break the tie.

(d) Bracketing. The teams, based on their seedings, shall be bracketed as follows:

1. Three teams tied for district championship:
 - Round 1 – No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed.
 - Round 2 – Round 1 winner vs. No. 1 seed; if No. 1 seed wins, it is district champion and Round 1 winner is runner-up; if Round 1 winner wins, it is district champion and No. 1 seed advances to Round 3.
 - Round 3 – No. 1 seed vs. Round 1 loser; winner is district runner-up.
2. Four or more teams tied for district championship:
 - Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 8 seeds in upper half of bracket; Nos. 2, 3, 6 and 7 seeds in lower half of bracket; byes, if any, awarded to higher-seeded teams.
 - Winners advance through straight-progression bracket; winner of final round is district champion; loser is district runner-up.
3. Three teams tied for district runner-up:
 - Round 1 – No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed.

- Round 2 – Round 1 winner vs. No. 1 seed; winner is district runner-up.
4. Four or more teams tied for district runner-up:
 - Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 8 seeds in upper half of bracket; Nos. 2, 3, 6 and 7 seeds in lower half of bracket; byes, if any, awarded to higher-seeded teams.
 - Winners advance through straight-progression bracket; winner of final round is district runner-up.
- (e) Bands. Bands will be prohibited from playing at district tiebreakers.

205. Playoff Structure and Time Schedules

205.01 Playoff Series. The successive playoff series in Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, and 3A shall be designated respectively as regional tournament quarterfinals, regional tournament semifinals, regional tournament finals, state semifinals and FHSAA Finals state championship games. The successive playoff series in Classes 2A, 2B, 1A and 1B shall be designated respectively as regional tournament semifinals, regional tournament finals, state semifinals and FHSAA Finals state championship games (see FHSAA.org for sample brackets).

205.02 Regional Tournaments.

(1) **Complexes.** Competition will be conducted in four regional complexes in each classification. Each regional complex will be comprised of either two or four districts depending upon the number of districts in the classification.

(2) **Playoff Field.** The tournament bracket in Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, and 3A shall include 32 teams. The tournament bracket in Classes 2A, 2B, 1A and 1B shall include 16 teams.

(3) **Dates and Times.** Regional tournaments shall be played on the following dates:

(a) Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, and 3A.

- Quarterfinals – Friday, Nov. 11 (Week 19)
- Semifinals – Friday, Nov. 18 (Week 20)
- Championship – Friday, Nov. 25 (Week 21)

(b) Classes 2A, 2B, 1A and 1B.

- Semifinals – Friday, Nov. 11 (Week 19)
- Championship – Friday, Nov. 18 (Week 20)

All regional tournament games shall begin at 7:30 p.m. local time. Any exception must be approved by the FHSAA Office.

(4) **Bracketing.** Qualifying teams in each class shall be placed on brackets for regional tournaments by the FHSAA Office as follows (see Appendices E-H for actual brackets):

(a) Regional tournament. The champion of odd-numbered districts will host the runners-up from their neighboring even-numbered districts, and vice versa.

(b) Release of Tournament Brackets. The completed bracket for each classification will be released on FHSAA.org at 5 p.m. EST Sunday, Nov. 6, 2005.

(5) **Determining the Host School.** One of the two competing schools shall be designated as the host school for each regional tournament quarterfinal, semifinal and final game, and shall determine the site of the game for which it serves as host. In all regional tournament rounds, when a district champion plays a district runner-up, the district champion always shall be designated the host school. Otherwise, the host school shall be determined as follows:

(a) Regional Quarterfinals.

- Classes 3A, 5A – Schools on the upper lines of bracket (lines 1, 3, 5, 7).
- Classes 4A, 6A – Schools on the lower lines of bracket (lines 2, 4, 6, 8).

(b) Regional Semifinals.

- Classes 3A, 5A – School on upper line of bracket; if, however, school on upper line was home for regional quarterfinals and school on lower line traveled for regional quarterfinals, then school on lower line will be designated host school.
- Classes 4A, 6A – School on lower line of bracket; if, however, school on lower line was home for regional quarterfinals and school on upper line traveled for regional quarterfinals, then school on upper line will be designated host school.
- Classes 2A, 2B – School on lower line of bracket.
- Classes 2A, 2B – School on upper line of bracket.

(c) Regional Finals.

- Classes 3A, 5A – School on upper line of bracket; if, however, school on upper line was home for both the regional quarterfinals and regional semifinals and school on lower line traveled for either the regional quarterfinals or regional semifinals, then school on lower line will be designated host school.
- Classes 4A, 6A – School on lower line of bracket; if, however, school on lower line was home for both the regional quarterfinals and regional semifinals and school on upper line traveled for either the regional quarterfinals or regional semifinals, then school on upper line will be designated host school.
- Classes 2A, 2B – School on lower line of bracket; if, however, school on lower line was home for regional semifinals and school on upper line traveled for regional semifinals, then school on upper line will be designated host school.
- Classes 1A, 1B – School on upper line of bracket; if, however, school on upper line was home for regional semifinals and school on lower line traveled for regional semifinals, then school on lower line will be designated host school.

205.03 State Semifinals.

(1) **Dates and Times.** State semifinal games shall be played on the following dates:

- Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, and 3A – Friday, Dec. 2 (Week 22)
- Classes 2A, 2B, 1A and 1B – Friday, Nov. 25 (Week 21)

All state semifinal games shall begin at 7:30 p.m. local time. Any exception must be approved by the FHSAA Office.

(2) **Bracketing.** The Region 1 champion will play the Region 2 champion, and the Region 3 champion will play the Region 4 champion in the state semifinal games in each classification.

(3) **Host Schools.** One of the two competing schools shall be designated as the host school for each state semifinal game, and shall determine the site of the game for which it serves as host. The host schools shall be designated as follows:

- Classes 6A, 4A, 2A, 2B – Region 2 champion and Region 4 champion.
- Classes 5A, 3A, 1A, 1B – Region 1 champion and Region 3 champion.

205.04 FHSAA Finals.

(1) **Dates and Site.** The FHSAA Football Finals state championship games shall be played Friday, Dec. 2, and Saturday, Dec. 3, of Week 22 for Classes 2A, 2B, 1A and 1B at FIU Stadium in Miami; and Friday, Dec. 9, and Saturday, Dec. 10, of Week 23 for Classes 6A, 5A, 4A, and 3A at Dolphin Stadium in Miami. The Miami-Dade Sports Commission shall serve as the host organization. Mike Sophia, executive director of the MDSC, will be the event manager. Gary Pigott, FHSAA administrator for football, will be the event director.

(2) **Time Schedule.** The following schedule shall be used (all times EST):

- Class 1B championship – Friday, Dec. 2, 1 p.m.
- Class 1A championship – Friday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m.
- Class 2B championship – Saturday, Dec. 3, 1 p.m.
- Class 2A championship – Saturday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m.
- Class 3A championship – Friday, Dec. 9, 1 p.m.
- Class 5A championship – Friday, Dec. 9, 7 p.m.
- Class 4A championship – Saturday, Dec. 10, 1 p.m.
- Class 6A championship – Saturday, Dec. 10, 7 p.m.

(3) **Home School.** In the Class 1A, Class 1B, Class 3A and Class 5A championship games, the school on the upper line of the bracket shall be designated the home school. In the Class 2A, Class 2B, Class 4A and Class 6A championship games, the school on the lower line of the bracket shall be designated the home school.

(4) **Jerseys.** Schools must bring both their light and dark sets of jerseys to avoid conflicts.

205.05 Advancement of Winners.

(1) **Regional to State Semifinals.** The champion from each of the four regional tournaments in each classification shall advance to the state semifinal games in the respective classifications.

(2) **State Semifinals to FHSAA Finals.** The winners of the two semifinal games in each classification shall advance to the FHSAA Finals in the respective classifications.

205.06 Local Management. The FHSAA representative of the host school will be the local manager for the state series event that his/her school is hosting. He/she will be responsible for making the necessary preparations to host the event and for the filing of necessary reports to the FHSAA Office upon conclusion of the event.

The local manager of a state series event is required to report to the FHSAA the arrangements for the event(s) his/her school will host not later than 9 a.m. EST on the day following the completion of events in the previous round; as well as the score(s) of the contest(s) in the event that his/her school hosted upon its conclusion and the updated win-loss records of participating teams.

Reports may be made online via iFHSAA, by e-mail to “fbcores@fhsaa.org” or by completing and faxing Form AT9 to **(352) 372-9086**. All required information must be provided regardless of the manner in which the report is filed.

206. Financial Terms

206.01 District Tiebreakers.

(1) **Admission.** \$6.00.

(2) **Division of Receipts.** The host school shall retain 45 percent of the gross gate receipts from which it shall pay all expenses related to the event; 30 percent shall be divided evenly among the visiting school(s); and 25 percent shall be paid to the FHSAA.

206.02 Regional Tournaments.

(1) **Admission.** \$7.00 per game, \$8.00 reserved.

(2) **Division of Receipts.** The host school shall retain 45 percent of the gross gate receipts from which it shall pay all expenses related to the event; 30 percent shall be paid to the visiting school; and 25 percent shall be paid to the FHSAA.

206.03 State Semifinal Games.

- (1) **Admission.** \$7.00 per game, \$8.00 reserved.
- (2) **Division of Receipts.** The host school shall retain 45 percent of the gross gate receipts from which it shall pay all expenses related to the event; 30 percent shall be paid to the visiting school; and 25 percent shall be paid to the FHSAA.

206.04 FHSAA Finals.

- (1) **Admission.** \$10.00 per game.
- (2) **Division of Receipts.** When net profits after expenses allow, the FHSAA will pay each school an amount based upon its mileage from the finals site as follows:

- 0-300 miles round trip – \$4,250.00 flat rate*, plus \$2.00 per mile;
 - 301-600 miles round trip – \$5,000.00 flat rate*, plus \$2.00 per mile; and
 - 601 or more miles round trip – \$5,750.00 flat rate*, plus \$2.00 per mile.
- (* – or 5 percent of the game's net receipts, whichever is greater)

When net profits after expenses do not allow for the payment of the above schedule, participating teams will divide 100 percent of the net profit in mileage. In such cases, the FHSAA will not retain any share of the net profit. At no time will participating schools be paid reimbursement for expenses when the FHSAA Finals does not show a net profit after expenses.

206.05 Financial Policies.

(1) Admission prices as stated shall be charged by the host school for the state series events for which it serves as host **unless waived in writing by the Associate Commissioner for Athletic Operations in advance of the event.**

(2) Numbered tickets shall be sold, must be torn in half by ticket takers so that they cannot be resold, and must be accounted for in the ticket manifest section of the financial report form that is to be completed and submitted to the FHSAA Office. The local manager must furnish the tickets to be sold for admission to the state series event which his/her school serves as host.

(3) If a state series event on the district or regional level shows a net profit of \$250 or less, the host school shall retain the net profit and no percentage shall be paid to the visiting school(s) or the FHSAA.

(4) The net profit is determined by subtracting total expenditures from the gross gate receipts on the financial report form.

(5) If a state series event on the district or regional level shows a net loss on the financial report form, the FHSAA shall compensate the host school up to \$350 for the loss, subject to the following provisions:

- (a) The host school must charge the full admission price established;
- (b) The host school must sell numbered tickets and account for all tickets sold in the ticket manifest section of the financial report form, as stipulated;
- (c) The host school must file a financial report form for the meet within 21 calendar days of the completion of the meet as stipulated;
- (d) The host school must submit with the financial report form the "FHSAA State Series Contest Pass Gate Sign-In Form(s)" (Form AT10) as stipulated; and
- (e) The host school must be in compliance with all policies for the event.

(6) Compensation for expenses of schools competing in a state series is not guaranteed. Each participating school will be responsible to pay any and all expenses related to its team. Neither the FHSAA nor the host school/organization will assume responsibility for any participating school expenses of any kind.

(7) The appropriate “FHSAA State Football Series Financial Report Form” (Forms FB5 & FB6) must be submitted by the host school so that it is received in the FHSAA Office, as well as by all participating schools, within 21 calendar days of the completion of the event. Payment of profit shares due participating schools and the FHSAA must be included with the report. Failure to file a financial report within the 21-day period, will result in the forfeiture of any reimbursement to which the host school is entitled. If this report is not received in the FHSAA Office within 30 calendar days, a late filing fee of \$50 will be assessed; within 60 days, \$75; and within 90 days, \$100. See Appendix C for “Guidelines on Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares.”

207. Playoff Regulations

207.01 Squads.

(1) **Player Limit.** Teams shall be allowed a maximum of 60 players in uniform for each game. Uniformed players, coaches and team managers of participating schools will be admitted to games in the state series in which they participate free of charge.

(2) **FHSAA Finals.** The number of field credentials for participating teams shall not exceed the number of uniformed players plus 20 to be used by coaches, managers, statisticians, trainers, medical personnel, etc.

207.02 Exchange of Game Tapes. The head coaches of opposing teams in each state series game must exchange videotapes of their previous two (2) games by 5 p.m. EST on the Saturday (Monday for first-round games) immediately preceding their game. A minimum financial penalty of \$250 shall be assessed for willful violations of this provision.

207.03 Pregame Warmup and Procedures. The following pregame time schedule is recommended for all state series games:

6 p.m. – Playing surface open to kickers and punters; gates open to spectators.

6:30 p.m. (60:00 on pregame clock) – Clock operator starts pregame countdown on game clock.

7:10 p.m. (20:00 on pregame clock) – Pregame warmup period ends; teams leave field.

7:12 p.m. (18:00 on pregame clock) – Announcer reads pregame script, sportsmanship message and starting lineups (both offensive and defensive) for both teams; this is not formal introductions of starting lineups and **it is not necessary** for players and coaches to be on the field when this occurs.

7:23 p.m. (7:00 on pregame clock) – Visiting team emerges from dressing room, takes the field and reports to its sideline area.

7:24 p.m. (6:00 on pregame clock) – Home team emerges from dressing room, takes the field and reports to its sideline area.

7:25 p.m. (5:00 on pregame clock) – National Anthem is performed.

7:27 p.m. (3:00 on pregame clock) – Coin toss at mid-field.

7:29:30 p.m. (0:30 on pregame clock) – Teams take positions on field for kickoff.

7:30 p.m. (0:00 on pregame clock) – Reset game clock to 12:00. Referee signals ready for play. KICKOFF.

No participating team, other than the host school’s team, shall be permitted onto a playoff field for practice during the week of the state series game. Teams that advance to the FHSAA Finals shall not be allowed practice time on Florida Field other than the pregame warm-up.

207.04 Facility Requirements. The FHSAA Board of Directors has

established certain minimum requirements for all facilities in which state series games are played. These requirements do not preclude a school with inadequate facilities from hosting a state series game; however, the school will be required, at its own expense, to host the contest in a neutral facility which does meet these requirements. If a school in line to host a state series game has inadequate facilities and chooses not to host the contest at another site, the right to host the contest will pass to the visiting school under the same conditions.

(1) The facility must be adequately constructed to control the entry and exit of spectators for the purpose of charging admission.

(2) The facility must have a minimum of two restrooms (one male and one female) for public use.

(3) The facility must have an electronic clock and scoreboard clearly visible to both team bench areas and spectators.

(4) The facility must have a public address system.

(5) The facility must have adequate artificial lighting to accommodate night games.

(6) The facility must have separate dressing rooms for both home and visiting teams, preferably with access to restroom and shower facilities.

(7) The facility must have a separate dressing area for officials, preferably with access to restroom and shower facilities.

(8) The facility should have a minimum of five yards of unobstructed space outside the playing field along each sideline and end line.

(9) The facility must have restraining cables, fences, walls, etc. from goal line to goal line to separate spectators from each team box along the sideline.

(10) The facility must have bleachers having masonry or metal understructure with footboards and seating properly maintained for both visitor and home fans.

(11) The facility should have spectator seating on both sides of the field but, in any case, must meet the following minimum seating capacities:

- Class 6A – 2,500 seats
- Class 5A – 2,000 seats
- Class 4A – 1,500 seats
- Class 3A – 1,000 seats
- Class 2A – 750 seats
- Class 2B – 750 seats
- Class 1A – 500 seats

A facility with seating capacities less than these minimums may set up portable seating at its own expense in order to satisfy these minimum requirements.

207.05 Failure to Appear. In the event a team fails to appear at the state series game site to play at the scheduled time for its contest, the contest shall be declared forfeited to the team's opponent, and that team shall advance to the next round. In this event, the FHSAA Office must be notified immediately. If a team's arrival is delayed due to mechanical problems or inclement weather, every reasonable effort must be made by the local manager in consultation with the FHSAA Office to make adjustments, if possible, in the starting time of the contest to accommodate the absent team.

207.06 Official Ball.

(1) **District Tiebreakers, Regional Tournament Games, State Semifinal Games.** The host school shall supply a top quality leather or composition-cov-

ered ball. If the visiting team desires to use a different type (leather or composition) it may do so provided it furnishes the ball.

(2) **FHSAA Finals.** The Spalding J5V Advance model is the official ball of the FHSAA Football Finals state championship games. The use of this ball is mandatory by both teams in each championship game. The FHSAA will provide the actual balls to be used in each game. *[Note: Effective with the 2006-07 school year, the use of this model will be mandatory for all district tiebreakers, regional tournament games and state semifinal games.]*

207.07 Tie Games. All state series games must be played to completion. Tie games shall be resolved in accordance with the recommended 10-Yard Line Over-time Tiebreaker Plan as printed in the NFHS Rules Book.

207.08 Bands.

(1) **Admittance.** Band and drill team members from participating schools in full dress uniform, along with their adult sponsors will receive complimentary admission to all games in the state series, with the exception of district shootouts. One adult chaperon for every 10 participating students shall receive complimentary admission.

(2) **National Anthem.** The host school shall be responsible for arranging for a live performance of the National Anthem. This live performance may be by the host school's band, singer(s) or instrumental solo or ensemble; or, if by mutual agreement of both schools, by the visiting team's band or by both bands.

(3) **Halftime Performance.** The marching band of each participating school may perform at halftime of the game in which their team is involved. Each band shall be allotted a maximum of nine (9) minutes for its halftime performance. The band representing the visiting team shall perform first, and must be ready to take the field and begin its performance immediately upon conclusion of the first half. The band representing the home team shall perform second and must be clear of the field before the expiration of the 20-minute halftime period. Should only one band perform at halftime, there will be no time limit except that the band must be clear of the field with three (3) minutes remaining in the halftime period.

207.09 Cheerleaders. Cheerleaders in uniform, along with their adult sponsors, will be admitted free of charge to state series contests in which their school's team participates. The number of cheerleaders permitted will be the same as the number who cheered during varsity contests during the regular season.

207.10 Noisemakers. Whistles, or noisemaking devices that mimic the sound of a whistle, are not permissible during a state series game.

207.11 Team Data Form and Photo. The FHSAA Office will produce the official souvenir program for the FHSAA Finals and will retain all proceeds from its sale. Schools that advance beyond regional tournament games of Friday, Nov. 18, must submit to the FHSAA Office by e-mail not later than 9 a.m. EST Monday, Nov. 21, 2005 a completed "2005 FHSAA Football Finals Team Data Form for Official Souvenir Program & Press Booklet", along with a photograph of the team for publication in the official souvenir program. The team data form must be downloaded from FHSAA.org, completed in a computer and transmitted electronically via e-mail to "program@fhsaa.org". The digital team photo also must be transmitted as an e-mail attachment to the same e-mail address. The team photo should be saved in a TIFF format. Photos sent in a JPEG format, however, will be accepted provided they have a resolution of at least 150 dpi (300 dpi preferred). Each school that does not meet

the 9 a.m. EST Monday, Nov. 21, 2005 deadline shall be assessed a \$50 late fee. If the school advances to the FHSAA Finals and the materials are not received by the FHSAA Office's publication deadline, the school shall be assessed additional fines up to \$300.

207.12 Up-to-Date Statistics. The 24 schools whose teams advance to the FHSAA Finals must report up-to-date cumulative statistics through the state semifinal game by completing and submitting to the FHSAA Office the "2005 FHSAA Football Finals Up-to-Date Team Statistics" form not later than noon EST Monday, Nov. 28, 2005 for Classes 2A, 2B, 1A and 1B; and noon EST Monday, Dec. 5, 2005 for Classes 6A, 5A, 4A and 3A. The up-to-date statistics form must be downloaded from FHSAA.org, completed in a computer and transmitted electronically via e-mail to "program@fhsaa.org". Each qualifying school that does not meet the noon EST Monday, Nov. 28, 2005 or Dec. 5, 2005 deadline shall be assessed a \$100 fine.

207.13 Postgame Interviews. Immediately upon the conclusion of each championship game, 10 minutes shall be placed on the game clock. Interviews of coaches and players by media representatives may take place on the field during this period. Once the 10-minute period has expired, however, all interviews must cease and media representatives will be required to move to the sideline areas for the awards ceremony. Interviews may resume once the awards ceremony has ended.

208. State Series Policies

208.01 Administration and Management. As specified in Bylaw 4.1.4, all state series shall be conducted in accordance with the policies established by the Board of Directors and shall be under the control, direction and supervision of the FHSAA Office.

208.02 Enforcement of Rules & Policies. Participating schools shall adhere to all regulations and policies governing the state series.

The determination of the host school for each event shall be conditioned in part on the school's willingness to comply with and enforce regulations and policies governing the event. This includes financial terms, as well as licensing and merchandising policies. A school that does not comply with and enforce such regulations and policies shall forfeit its opportunity to serve as host.

208.03 Neutrality. It is the responsibility of the host school to ensure that an atmosphere of neutrality is maintained in all state series events. Such events are not "home contests" for the host schools. Special festivities held as part of, or in conjunction with, regular season home contests (i.e., pregame activities designed to rally support for the home team, such as light shows, or give special recognition to members of the home team) are not permitted during the state series.

208.04 Forfeitures and Vacations of Brackets, Standings. Individuals or teams that are eliminated from state series competition by defeat by individuals or teams that later are ordered to forfeit their victory, place and/or points, are not reinstated and do not advance in the state series competition from which they were eliminated by defeat.

If championships or other placements in state series competitions are ordered vacated by individuals or teams, other individuals or teams neither advance to those placements nor receive awards for those placements.

208.05 Passes.

(1) FHSAA State Series Passes, FHSAA Lifetime Passes and legitimate news media credentials ONLY will be honored for complimentary admission to state series events.

(2) FHSAA State Series Passes issued to member schools may only be issued to and used by those individuals who are directly connected to the schools' athletic departments (i.e. coaches, athletic director, athletic secretary, etc.). A state series pass issued to an individual may only be used by the individual in whose name it is issued. Member schools must not issue state series passes to students or other individuals under the age of 18. Use of state series passes by students or other individuals under the age of 18 is prohibited. Users of state series passes must present a valid government-issued photo ID (i.e., drivers license) with the pass to gain admittance. A state series pass admits only the bearer. Individuals accompanying the bearer of a state series pass who themselves do not possess a pass must purchase a ticket of admission to the event. State series event managers are instructed to confiscate and return to the FHSAA Office any state series pass that is misused.

(3) All individuals who gain admittance to a state series event using any one of the accepted passes must record their name, position with school or organization, type of pass used, and pass number (if applicable) on the "FHSAA State Series Event Pass Gate Log" (Form AT10). This pass gate log must be submitted to the FHSAA Office with the financial report.

208.06 Signs and/or Banners. The display of signs, banners, placards or similar items at matches in the state series is permitted, provided:

(1) They are in good taste and reflect good sportsmanship in their message and use;

(2) They reflect identification and encouragement to participants and their school or community, and make no reference to the opposing team, its school, players or community;

(3) They are not displayed on the court, or in a manner which interferes with play;

(4) They do not obstruct the view of participants or spectators; and

(5) They are not safety hazards.

208.07 Licensing and Merchandising. The FHSAA owns or controls all rights and interests in its name, logos, trademarks and service marks, whether registered or unregistered, including the official event logo for all FHSAA Finals events. The sale of items bearing any of these marks by a member school or organization without the written consent of the FHSAA is prohibited.

The FHSAA retains the exclusive right to produce and sell souvenir products (apparel and otherwise) at all games, tournaments and meets held as part of the state series; host schools/organizations are required to sell items provided by the official FHSAA event souvenir merchandiser.

The official FHSAA event souvenir merchandiser is Team IP Sportswear, Inc., of Port St. Lucie. Team IP may be reached by phone at (877) 821-8643. Team IP has been awarded exclusive souvenir merchandising rights to all state series events on the district, regional and FHSAA Finals levels in all sports. A host school/organization that desires to sell souvenir merchandise at a state series event must purchase such merchandise from Team IP. No other vendor shall be permitted to produce such mer-

chandise. Team IP shall have the right to go on-property and sell souvenir merchandise at the site of any state series event. The host school/organization of a state series event shall grant Team IP access to its property for the event.

The host school/organization of a state series event may be permitted to sell generic merchandise unrelated to the event (i.e., apparel and other merchandise bearing the host school/organization's mark), provided such merchandise has been made available for sale on a consistent basis throughout the year and has not been produced specifically for sale at the state series event.

208.08 Souvenir Programs. All host schools of District Tournaments and Regional Tournament contests that produce an official program must display on the program cover both the appropriate FHSAA sport logo and sportsmanship logo, which may be downloaded from FHSAA.org. If the program cover is preprinted, the logos must be displayed prominently inside or on the team roster inserts.

208.09 Public-Address Announcer. The public-address announcer shall be considered a bench official for all state series events. He/she shall maintain complete neutrality at all times and, as such, shall not be a "cheerleader" for any team. The announcer will follow the FHSAA script for promotional announcements, player introductions and awards ceremonies. Other announcements are limited to:

- Those of an emergency nature (e.g., paging a doctor, lost child or parent, etc.);
- Those of a "practical" nature (e.g., announcing that a driver has left his/her vehicle lights on); and
- Announcements that FHSAA souvenir merchandise, souvenir programs and concessions are on sale in the facility.

During the contest, the announcer:

- Should recognize players about to attempt a play (e.g., coming up to in baseball, punting, kicking or receiving a punt or kick in football, serving in volleyball, etc.);
- Should recognize player(s) making a play (e.g., "Basket by Jones" in basketball, "Smith on the kill" in volleyball, etc.);
- Should report a penalty as signaled by the referee;
- Should report substitutions and timeouts;
- Must not call the "play-by-play" or provide "color commentary" as if he/she were announcing for a radio or television broadcast;
- Must not make any comment that would offer either competing team an unfair advantage in the contest; and
- Must not make any comment critical of any school, team, player, coach or official; or any other comment that has the potential to incite unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of any individual.

The announcer should be certain of the accuracy of his/her statements before making them. When in doubt, the announcer should remain silent.

208.10 Public-Address Announcements. Announcements promoting the FHSAA and its interscholastic programs must be read over the public-address system, if available, prior to and during all contests in the state series. See the "Promotions and Programs" page on FHSAA.org for the appropriate script.

208.11 Photography and Videotaping.

(1) The FHSAA, subject to the policies of the host facility, allows still cameras and video cameras to be used at state series events so that participants and spectators may record the excitement and festivities for their own personal entertainment – not

for the purposes of commercial re-sale or public re-distribution in any form. Only those duly authorized organizations or individuals who have been granted appropriate rights by contract or by issued credential shall be permitted to sell or publicly display or otherwise redistribute images and sounds of state series contests and then only in accordance with the terms and conditions established by the FHSAA.

(2) Each participating school shall be permitted to photograph, film or videotape, for archival, coaching or instructional purposes, only those state series contests in which its team or contestants perform when arrangements are made with the contest management. Photographers, videographers and their equipment must be positioned so that they do not block the view of any spectator.

(3) Spectators may be allowed to bring handheld video cameras that operate on battery power into the facility. Spectators shall be prohibited from using tripods.

(4) There may be additional guidelines or restrictions for FHSAA Finals state championship events.

(5) A school that violates these guidelines shall be guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct and will be subject to reprimand and the assessment of a financial penalty by the FHSAA. An organization or individual who violates these guidelines, and in so doing infringes upon the rights of the FHSAA, shall be subject to one or more of the following actions: remedies under breach of contract; revocation of credentials; expulsion from the site of competition; and legal action under applicable state and federal laws.

208.12 All-Tournament/Meet Teams. No employee of the FHSAA nor the local manager may influence in any way the selection of any all-tournament/meet team, including the selection of a most valuable player or other “player of the game.”

208.13 Uniformed Security. The local manager for a state series event is responsible for providing appropriate uniformed security at the event that his/her school is hosting.

208.14 Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs). The presence and availability of an automatic external defibrillator (AED) is mandatory at the site of every FHSAA state championship series contest on the district, regional, sectional and state levels.

209. Media Policies

209.01 Admission and Seating.

(1) **District Tiebreakers, Regional Tournament Games and State Semi-final Games.** Media representatives covering a state series event must be admitted free of charge upon presentation of proper news media identification. Space must be set aside to provide for news media representatives whether they be from newspapers, radio stations, commercial television stations and/or cable television stations.

(2) **FHSAA Finals.** News media representatives planning to cover the FHSAA Finals state championship meet must secure credentials as instructed by the FHSAA Office, according to the FHSAA Finals Media Credential Policy. Requests for credentials must be submitted to the FHSAA Office online via the FHSAA’s media site (media.fhsaa.org) not later than 5 p.m. EST Monday, Nov. 28, 2005 for Classes 2A, 2B, 1A and 1B, and 5 p.m. EST Monday, Dec. 5, 2005 for Classes 6A, 5A, 4A and 3A.

209.02 Media Rights. The FHSAA owns all media rights to its state series

events, including rights to radio broadcasts, telecasts, cablecasts, webcasts, audio and film/video rights, and commercial photography. Radio broadcasts, telecasts, cablecasts and webcasts of state series events are governed by the FHSAA Broadcast Policy. Such broadcasts, telecasts, cablecasts and webcasts must be approved by the FHSAA Office. The following provisions shall apply.

(1) The “Application for Media Rights to FHSAA State Series Event” (Form AT11) to the FHSAA Office by 3 p.m. EST on the business day preceding the event to be broadcast, telecast, or cablecast to avoid a \$25.00 late filing fee.

(2) Radio broadcast rights fees are \$50.00 per event. Tape-delay telecast and cablecast rights fees are \$250.00 per event. Rights fees for live telecasts and cablecasts shall be negotiated at the discretion of the FHSAA. The FHSAA Office shall invoice the outlet to which rights are granted. Rights fees must be paid by company check made payable to “FHSAA” and mailed directly to the FHSAA Office within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. Outlets that fail to make payment of rights fees by the deadline shall be assessed a \$25.00 late fee and may be denied rights to broadcast, telecast or cablecast future contests.

(3) The FHSAA Radio Network owns exclusive rights to the radio broadcast of all FHSAA Finals state championship events. Sun Sports Network owns exclusive rights to the telecast and cablecast of all FHSAA Finals state championship events. iHigh Inc. owns exclusive rights to the webcast of all state series events.

(4) Approval of radio broadcasts, telecasts and cablecasts of state series contests by the FHSAA Office are final. The FHSAA Office shall fax to the host school a copy of the approved media rights agreement. A host school shall not permit the radio broadcast, telecast or cablecast of a state series contest that has not been approved by the FHSAA Office.

209.03 Post-Competition Procedures.

(1) **District Tiebreakers, Regional Tournament Games and State Semi-final Games.** The host school should cooperate with news media representatives in providing them access to a work area and telephone following a state series contest so that they can file their reports on the contest. The head coach of each competing team is required to cooperate with the news media by participating in interviews as quickly as possible following the conclusion of the contest and providing contest statistics/results if available. Participation by athletes in interviews is voluntary and at the discretion of the head coach.

(2) **FHSAA Finals.** The host site must designate a room or area secluded from the general public for a post-contest press conference involving the head coach and up to three (3) players from each team participating in the just-concluded contest. Participation by the head coach in the press conference is mandatory. Participation by athletes is voluntary and at the discretion of the head coach. Both the head coach and athletes may agree to supplemental one-on-one interviews, at their discretion, following their press conference. News media representatives must remain off the field/court and no interviews may take place during the awards ceremony following the championship contest.

209.04 Restrictions.

(1) **Access to Locker/Dressing Rooms.** The FHSAA operates under a closed lockerroom policy at all FHSAA Finals state championship events. At no time will news media representatives be granted access to lockerrooms or dressing rooms

at any state championship event. Team boxes, team benches, team huddles and dug-outs are considered extensions of locker/dressing rooms.

(2) **Access to Competition Area.** Media representatives are not permitted in the competition area (i.e., within the field of play, on the playing court, etc.) at any time during a state series contest until the competition has concluded and a winner has been determined. Photographers shall honor photographer lines and designated areas when marked.

210. Awards

210.01 Team Awards.

(1) **District Competition.** The FHSAA will award a trophy, at no expense to the school, to each district champion team. Schools that finish as district runners-up may purchase the appropriate trophy at their own expense. There shall be no other team awards presented by any organization or individual.

(2) **Regional Tournaments.** The FHSAA will award a trophy, at no expense to the school, to each regional champion team. Schools that finish as regional runners-up may purchase the appropriate trophy at their own expense. There shall be no other team awards presented by any organization or individual.

(3) **FHSAA Finals.** Trophies will be awarded to the champion and runner-up in each class in the FHSAA Finals. There shall be no other team awards presented by outside organizations or individuals.

(4) **FHSAA Authorized Vendor.** Trophies must be ordered from The Trophy Shop in Gainesville by calling (352) 372-8551. The vendor should also be contacted if problems are experienced in receiving trophies on time and in good condition.

210.02 Individual Awards.

(1) **District Shootouts and Regional Tournaments.** No individual awards will be given at District or Regional Tournaments.

(2) **FHSAA Finals.** Medallions will be presented to members of the champion and runner-up teams at the FHSAA Finals. A total of 80 medallions will be ordered for presentation to teams in the championship game. Schools may purchase additional medallions by contacting the FHSAA Office. Certificates commemorating participation in the FHSAA Finals will be provided to each participating team for presentation to players, coaches and team attendants. There shall be no other awards presented to any individual by any organization or individual at the FHSAA Finals.

211. Officials

211.01 Assignment.

(1) **District Tiebreakers.** A crew of five field officials and one clock operator will be assigned by the FHSAA Office.

(2) **Regional Tournaments.** A crew of five field officials and one clock operator will be assigned by the FHSAA Office.

(3) **State Semifinal Games.** A crew of seven field officials and one clock operator will be assigned by the FHSAA Office.

(4) **FHSAA Finals.** A crew of seven field officials and one clock operator will be assigned to each championship game by the FHSAA Office.

211.02 Payment.

(1) **District Tiebreakers, Regional Tournaments and State Semifinal Games.** The host school shall be responsible for paying game officials from the total revenue of the contest according to the financial terms stipulated in s.206.01(2), 206.02(2) and 206.03(2) of these regulations. Checks in payment of officials' fees and expenses must be issued to the local officials association to which the officials belong.

(2) **FHSAA Finals.** The FHSAA Office shall be responsible for paying game officials assigned to work the FHSAA Finals.

211.03 Fees. The fees to be paid officials for games in the state series are as follows:

- District Tiebreakers – \$60.00 per field official, \$29.00 for clock operator
- Regional Tournament Games – \$66.00 per field official, \$34.00 for clock operator
- State Semifinal Games – \$66.00 per field official, \$34.00 for clock operator
- FHSAA Finals – \$75.00 per field official, \$41.00 for clock operator

Sixty (60) cents per mile one way, two vehicles, is the maximum mileage rate.

211.04 Dressing Facilities. The host school for each state series contest beyond the district tournament (i.e., district football tiebreakers, regional tournament games/matches in all sports, etc.) shall provide contest officials with a secure and adequate dressing room (one each for mixed gender crews) with properly operating bathroom facilities including showers with warm water at the site of the contest. If the site does not have such facilities, the host school shall obtain and provide at its expense an appropriate hotel/motel room(s) reasonably close to the site. The host school is required to complete dressing room arrangements and have the information available to the referee or umpire-in-chief at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled starting time of the contest. It is the responsibility of the head referee or umpire-in-chief to contact the school administration at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled starting time of the contest to verify the arrangements for the contest. The referee or umpire-in-chief shall report to the FHSAA Office the failure of any host school to provide dressing facilities as required.

Appendix A

FHSAA Eligibility Rules-in-Brief

Coaches must understand that these rules-in-brief are general statements only. Complete eligibility rules are contained in Article 11 of the FHSAA Bylaws. See your principal or athletic director if you have questions or need further explanation of details and exceptions.

To be eligible to represent your school in interscholastic athletics, a student-athlete:

1. Must be regularly enrolled and in regular attendance at your school. If the student is a home education student or attend a charter school that is not a member of the FHSAA, the student must declare in writing his/her intention to participate in athletics to the school at which he/she is permitted to participate prior to the first day of practice. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.1)

2. Must enroll in school within 10 days of the beginning of each semester to be eligible during that semester. If not, the student must make up all work missed and be in attendance a minimum of one day for each day missed due to late enrollment before your principal can declare the student eligible. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.1)

3. Must maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale through the end of the previous semester as required by Florida Statutes. This GPA must include all courses taken since the student entered high school. Sixth-graders, seventh-graders and eighth-graders must have been regularly promoted from the previous grade, carry a normal class load, do satisfactory classroom work and maintain a satisfactory conduct record. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.2)

4. Must not have graduated from any high school or its equivalent. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.2)

5. Must participate at the school in which the student first enrolls, or at which the student first takes part in an athletic practice, at the beginning of the school year. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.3)

6. Must transfer from his/her previous school prior to the first day of practice and secure an "Application for Waiver of the Transfer Rule" signed by the principal of both the previous school attended and your school. If the student transfers on or after the first day of practice in a sport the student cannot participate in that sport. If the student transfers from a school at which he/she was ineligible because of disciplinary action or unsatisfactory conduct, the student will be ineligible at your school for one full semester. If the student participates on a non-school team (i.e. AAU, American Legion, club settings, etc.) that is affiliated with or coached by a coach from a school other than the one the student attends, or has attended, and then transfer to that school, it will be assumed the student has been recruited to attend that school or transferred to that school for athletic reasons and the student will be ineligible there for one year. If the student transfers to a school that his/her coach has relocated to within the past

year, it will be assumed the student transferred to that school for athletic reasons and he/she will be ineligible there for one year. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.4)

7. Must not have enrolled in the ninth grade more than four school years ago. If the student is a sixth-grader, seventh-grader or eighthgrader, he/she must not have participated in an earlier school year in the grade in which he/she is currently enrolled. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.5)

8. Must be less than 19 years 9 months old to participate in high school; 16 years 9 months old to participate in junior high school; and 15 years 9 months old to participate in middle school. On the day the student reach one of these ages – regardless of when that day is – the student will become ineligible to participate on that level. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.6)

9. Must get signed permission to participate from his/her parents or guardian on a form provided by the school. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.7)

10. Must have a physician's certificate stating that he/she is physically fit for interscholastic athletic competition. The certificate must be dated any time between May 15 of the previous school year and one day before participation in the first practice. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.8)

11. Must be an amateur. This means the student must not accept money, gift or donation for participating in a sport, or use a name other than his/her own when participating. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.9)

12. Must not participate in an all-star contest in a sport prior to completing his/her high school eligibility in that sport. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.10)

13. Must display good sportsmanship and follow the rules of competition before, during and after every contest in which he/she participates. If not, the student may be suspended from participation for a period of time. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.11)

14. Must not provide false information to his/her school or to the FHSAA to gain eligibility. (FHSAA Bylaw 11.12)

Appendix B

NFHS Interstate/International Sanctioning Procedures

NOTE: The interscholastic community urges event sponsors to schedule interstate competition in a manner that minimizes the amount of time student participants will be absent from the regular school day.

1. Events that Require NFHS Sanctioning.

(a) Any interstate event involving two (2) or more schools which is co-sponsored by or titled in the name of an organization outside the high school community (e.g., a university, a theme park, an athletic shoe/apparel company). Competition involving bordering states, and all other configurations of interstate competition not requiring the sanction of the NFHS office, shall be sanctioned by the state associations involved according to their own procedures.

(b) Non-bordering events if five (5) or more states are involved.

(c) Non-bordering events if more than eight (8) schools are involved.

(d) Any event involving two (2) or more schools that involves a team from a foreign country. The host school should complete the international sanction application.

(The exceptions to this rule are Canada and Mexico which are considered “bordering states.”)

2. Request for Sanction. Only a member school of an NFHS member state association, or a school approved by such an association, or such an association itself, is eligible to request sanctioning through the NFHS Interstate Sanctioning Program. Any event seeking NFHS sanction must be sponsored by a member high school, approved high school or state association.

3. Interstate Competition. Interstate competition occurs when either teams or individuals who represent their schools travel across state lines to participate in competitive sports events, including but not limited to such events as “shoot-outs,” “showcases,” “round-robin tournaments,” etc. Subject to Paragraph 3, no sanction is required from the NFHS office if all competing schools, regardless of the number of competing schools, are from states that border the host state.

4. Timelines/Fees. This application for sanction should be sent to the state association of the host school ninety (90) calendar days or more prior to the event and must be accompanied by the host schools processing fee of **\$100**, check or money order, per application made payable to the NFHS. Do not send cash. The sanction application must be received in the NFHS office sixty (60) calendar days or more prior to the event. The late fee for any application that arrives in the NFHS office 15-59 calendar days prior the event will be **\$50** for a total of **\$150**. If the application arrives in the NFHS office less than 15 calendar days prior the event, the late fee will be **\$150 plus a \$50 penalty for not forwarding the final list of actual entries for a total application fee of \$300. The penalty fee for not forwarding the final list of actual entries to the NFHS office twenty (20) calendar days prior to the event will be \$50. If the NFHS does not receive the late fees within five (5) calendar days prior to the event, the event will not be sanctioned, and the meet director will be notified they**

are running a non-sanctioned event. There is no processing fee for International Athletic Competition applications (page 3).

5. **Names and Addresses of Invited/Participating Schools.** All sanction requests submitted to the NFHS office must be accompanied by the names and addresses of all invited/participating schools. In the case of cross country and track & field events, the host school will complete the sanction application and forward it to the host state association office so that it will arrive at the NFHS office 60 days or more prior to the event. The list of schools will be due to the NFHS office ten (10) days prior to the event. If the list is not received ten (10) days prior to the event, the application for sanction will be disapproved, and the meet director will be notified that they are running a non-sanctioned event.

6. **Equal Treatment.** Schools participating in interstate competition, as well as the schools' employees and agents, shall be treated equally. Examples of such shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) reduction or waiver of entry fee for one school must result in a reduction or waiver of entry fee for all schools;

(b) appearance fee paid to one school must result in an equal amount of appearance fee paid to all participating schools;

(c) expense reimbursements, if any, must result in equivalent payments to all participating schools, subject to reasonable adjustments for differing distances traveled;

(d) share of proceeds/gate paid to one school must result in equal share of proceeds/gate paid to all participating schools.

NFHS Bylaw 17 provides that each member state association shall approve and receive NFHS approval for competition by a member school against a school from a foreign country, except for two (2) school and three (3) school competition with a school or schools from Canada or Mexico which necessitates a round trip of less than 600 miles.

7. **NFHS Web Site.** Information regarding the status of an event that has requested NFHS Sanctioning will be posted at www.nfhs.org/sanctioning.htm. If you have any questions regarding the status of your event, please contact the NFHS Sanctioning Department at (317) 972-6900 Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

8. **Financial Report.** When NFHS sanction is required, the host school shall submit a financial report about the event to the NFHS on the accompanying form within ninety (90) calendar days of the completion of the event. The FHSAA Office will provide the host school/organization with the appropriate NFHS financial report form once the event has been sanctioned.

If a state association, rather than a school, sponsors or cosponsors the event, it should submit the financial report. For additional financial report forms, contact your state high school association or the NFHS.

Appendix C

Guidelines for Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares

WHO MUST FILE?

Financial Report forms must be filed by the host for all preseason and regular season sanctioned events for which you are required to file an application for approval (sanction) with the FHSAA Office in the sanctioned sports of cross country, football, swimming & diving, track & field and boys weightlifting. Financial Report forms must be filed in these sports even if there was no revenue from the event. Forms are not filed in the sanctioned sports of baseball, basketball, golf, soccer, softball, girls volleyball, tennis and wrestling or in the recognized sports of bowling, flag football, boys volleyball, girls weightlifting and water polo. Financial Report forms must be filed for all FHSAA State Series events hosted by your school in all sports.

WHERE DO I LOCATE FORMS AND WHAT DO I ATTACH?

Forms are located on the FHSAA web site. For district and regional events, the FHSAA State Series Event Pass Gate Log (Form AT9) must be attached to the financial report form before filing with the FHSAA.

WHEN ARE REPORTS AND PAYMENTS DUE AND ARE THERE PENALTIES FOR LATE FILING?

Reports must be received in the FHSAA Office no later than three weeks (21 calendar days) from the date of the event. Payment is required along with the report. Financial Report forms received and/or paid more than 30 days from the event date will be subject to a late filing/payment fee of \$50, more than 60 days a \$75 late fee, and more than 90 days a \$100 late fee.

WHAT ARE THE RULES REGARDING THE CHARGING OF ADMISSION?

- **Preseason & Spring Jamborees:** The admission price in all sports shall be determined by the host school.
- **Preseason & Spring Classics:** The admission price in all sports with the exception of football shall be determined by the host school.
- **Invitational Tournaments & Meets:** The admission price in all sports shall be determined by the host school.
- **District & Regional Events:** Admission must be charged to all district and regional events in the amount specified in the FHSAA Handbook and sport specific manuals. If the admission price charged is different from what is required in the FHSAA Handbook and sport specific manuals, written approval is required by the Commissioner or his/her designee in advance of the event.

The “Financial Reporting and Accounting Page” on the FHSAA web site (www.fhsaa.org/finance) has a schedule that lists admission price requirements in all sports.

HOW DO I CALCULATE LOSS REIMBURSEMENTS (District and Regional Events Only)

Step 1: Complete the Financial Report form, calculating Total Gate Receipts and

Total Expenses. (Excluding FHSAA share.)

Step 2: Calculate Net Profit or Net Loss (total gate receipts less total expenses). (Excluding FHSAA share.)

Step 3: If Net Profit is \$250 or less: host keeps all profit; no disbursement to FHSAA; and no disbursement to visitor(s).

If Net Profit is greater than \$250: pay FHSAA share according to Financial Report form; pay visitor(s) according to Financial Report form; payments to FHSAA and visitors are a percentage of total gate receipts, not net revenue.

If Net Loss is \$350 or less: no disbursement to FHSAA; no disbursement to visitor(s); host school will receive reimbursement from FHSAA for net loss.

If Net Loss is greater than \$350: no disbursement to FHSAA; no disbursement to visitor(s); will receive reimbursement from FHSAA for \$350.

The reimbursement from the FHSAA for losses should be shared with visiting school(s) if an agreement was made in advance to share in a loss from the event.

To receive any reimbursement to which it is entitled:

1. The host school must charge the required admission price;
2. The host school must sell numbered tickets and account for all tickets sold in the ticket manifest section of the financial report form;
3. The host school must file a financial report form so that it is received in the FHSAA Office within 21 calendar days of the completion of the event;
4. The host school must submit with the financial report form the FHSAA State Series Contest Pass Gate Log(s); and
5. The host school must be in compliance with all policies for the event.

Refunds of less than \$5 will not be made. Shortages of less than \$5 will not be collected.

Appendix D

2005-06 State Series Assignments

(X-denotes District Coordinator)

Class 6A

82 schools
student population: 2584-4742

REGION 1 **(22 schools)**

DISTRICT 1 **(6 schools)**

DeLand
Deltona
Flagler Palm Coast (Bunnell) – X
Mandarin (Jacksonville)
Sandalwood (Jacksonville)
Spruce Creek (Port Orange)

DISTRICT 2 **(5 schools)**

Lake Brantley (Altamonte Springs)
Lake Mary
Oviedo
Seminole (Sanford)
Winter Springs – X

DISTRICT 3 **(5 schools)**

Colonial (Orlando)
Edgewater (Orlando)
University (Orlando)
Timber Creek (Orlando) – X
Winter Park

DISTRICT 4 **(6 schools)**

Apopka
East Ridge (Clermont)
Evans (Orlando)
Ocoee
Olympia (Orlando)
West Orange (Winter Garden) – X

REGION 2 **(19 schools)**

DISTRICT 5 **(6 schools)**

Boone (Orlando) – X
Cypress Creek (Orlando)
Dr. Phillips (Orlando)
Freedom (Orlando)
Gateway (Kissimmee)
Oak Ridge (Orlando)

DISTRICT 6 **(4 schools)**

Durant (Plant City)
Sarasota – X
Riverview
Riverview (Sarasota)

DISTRICT 7 **(4 schools)**

Jupiter – X
Palm Beach Gardens
Palm Beach Lakes (West Palm Beach)
Vero Beach

DISTRICT 8 **(5 schools)**

Lake Worth
Palm Beach Central (Wellington)
Royal Palm Beach
Seminole Ridge (Loxahatchee)
Wellington – X

REGION 3 **(17 schools)**

DISTRICT 9 **(4 schools)**

Coral Springs
Deerfield Beach
Douglas (Parkland) – X
Taravella (Coral Springs)

DISTRICT 10 **(4 schools)**

Boyd Anderson (Lauderdale Lakes)
Piper (Sunrise)
Plantation – X
South Plantation (Plantation)

DISTRICT 11 **(4 schools)**

Cypress Bay (Weston) – X
Evergades (Miramar)
Flanagan (Pembroke Pines)
Miramar

DISTRICT 12 **(5 schools)**

Dr. Krop (Miami) – X
Miami Carol City
Miami Norland
North Miami
North Miami Beach

REGION 4 **(24 schools)**

DISTRICT 13 **(6 schools)**

American (Hialeah)
Goleman (Miami)
Hialeah
Hialeah-Miami Lakes – X
Miami Central
Miami Northwestern

DISTRICT 14 **(6 schools)**

Columbus (Miami)
Coral Gables – X
Miami
Miami Beach
Miami Springs
South Miami

DISTRICT 15 **(6 schools)**

Braddock (Miami) – X
Ferguson (Miami)
Miami Coral Park
Miami Sunset
Southwest Miami

Varela (Miami)

DISTRICT 16 **(6 schools)**

Coral Reef (Miami)
Homestead
Miami Killian
Miami Palmetto
Miami Southridge – X
South Dade (Homestead)

Class 5A

76 schools
student population: 2055-2583

REGION 1 **(17 schools)**

DISTRICT 1 **(3 schools)**

Buchholz (Gainesville) – X
Gainesville
Niceville

DISTRICT 2 **(5 schools)**

Bartram Trail (Jacksonville)
Ed White (Jacksonville) – X
Fletcher (Neptune Beach)
Orange Park
Terry Parker (Jacksonville)

DISTRICT 3 **(4 schools)**

Lake Howell (Winter Park)
Lyman (Longwood)
Mainland (Daytona Beach)
Pine Ridge (Deltona) – X

DISTRICT 4 **(5 schools)**

Bayside (Palm Bay)
Eau Gallie (Melbourne)
Melbourne – X
Palm Bay (Melbourne)
Satellite (Satellite Beach)

REGION 2 **(17 schools)**

DISTRICT 5 **(5 schools)**

Gaither (Tampa)
Land O'Lakes – X
Mitchell (New Port Richey)
Wesley Chapel
Wharton (Tampa)

DISTRICT 6 **(4 schools)**

Alonso (Tampa)
Chamberlain (Tampa) – X
King (Tampa)
Sickles (Tampa)

DISTRICT 7**(4 schools)**

Bloomington (Valrico) – X
 Brandon
 East Bay (Gibsonton)
 Plant City

DISTRICT 8**(4 schools)**

George Jenkins (Lakeland)
 Lake Gibson (Lakeland) – X
 Lakeland
 Osceola (Kissimmee)

REGION 3**(21 schools)****DISTRICT 9****(5 schools)**

Clearwater
 Countryside (Clearwater) – X
 Dunedin
 East Lake (Tarpon Springs)
 Palm Harbor University

DISTRICT 10**(6 schools)**

Dixie Hollins (St. Petersburg) – X
 Gibbs (St. Petersburg)
 Largo
 Pinellas Park (Largo)
 St. Petersburg
 Seminole (Seminole)

DISTRICT 11**(5 schools)**

Charlotte (Punta Gorda)
 Lakewood Ranch (Bradenton)
 Manatee (Bradenton)
 Port Charlotte
 Venice – X

DISTRICT 12**(5 schools)**

Baker (Cape Coral)
 Cape Coral
 Fort Myers
 Mariner (Cape Coral) – X
 North Fort Myers

REGION 4**(21 schools)****DISTRICT 13****(4 schools)**

Centennial (Port St. Lucie) – X
 Fort Pierce Central
 Port St. Lucie
 South Fork (Stuart)

DISTRICT 14**(5 schools)**

Atlantic (Delray Beach) – X
 John I. Leonard (Greenacres)
 Park Vista (Lake Worth)
 Santaluces (Lantana)
 Spanish River (Boca Raton)

DISTRICT 15**(6 schools)**

Coconut Creek
 Coral Glades (Coral Springs)
 Dillard (Fort Lauderdale)
 Ely (Pompano Beach)
 Northeast (Oakland Park) – X

Stranahan (Fort Lauderdale)

DISTRICT 16**(6 schools)**

Cooper City
 Hollywood Hills (Hollywood) – X
 McArthur (Hollywood)
 St. Thomas Aquinas (Fort Lauderdale)
 South Broward (Hollywood)
 Western (Davie)

Class 4A**81 schools****student population: 1708-2054****REGION 1****(19 schools)****DISTRICT 1****(4 schools)**

Escambia (Pensacola)
 Milton
 Pace – X
 Tate (Cantonment)

DISTRICT 2**(4 schools)**

Choctawhatchee (Fort Walton Beach)
 Crestview
 Navarre
 Fort Walton Beach – X

DISTRICT 3**(5 schools)**

Chiles (Tallahassee)
 Leon (Tallahassee) – X
 Lincoln (Tallahassee)
 Mosley (Lynn Haven)
 Rutherford (Springfield)

DISTRICT 4**(6 schools)**

Englewood (Jacksonville)
 Fernandina Beach
 First Coast (Jacksonville) – X
 Forrest (Jacksonville)
 Robert E. Lee (Jacksonville)
 Wolfson (Jacksonville)

REGION 2**(19 schools)****DISTRICT 5****(5 schools)**

Columbia (Lake City)
 Fleming Island (Orange Park)
 Middleburg – X
 Nease (Ponte Vedra Beach)
 Ridgeview (Orange Park)

DISTRICT 6**(6 schools)**

Bellevue
 Eastside (Gainesville)
 Forest (Ocala)
 Lake Weir (Ocala)
 Leesburg
 Vanguard (Ocala) – X

DISTRICT 7**(5 schools)**

Merritt Island

New Smyrna Beach

Rockledge

Seabreeze (Daytona Beach)

Titusville – X

DISTRICT 8**(5 schools)**

Central (Brooksville)
 Ridgewood (New Port Richey) – X
 River Ridge (New Port Richey)
 Springstead (Spring Hill)
 Tarpon Springs

REGION 3**(19 schools)****DISTRICT 9****(6 schools)**

Bayshore (Bradenton)
 Boca Ciega (Gulfport) – X
 Northeast (St. Petersburg)
 Osceola (Seminole)
 Lakewood (St. Petersburg)
 Southeast (Bradenton)

DISTRICT 10**(4 schools)**

Blake (Tampa)
 Jefferson (Tampa)
 Leto (Tampa)
 Plant (Tampa) – X

DISTRICT 11**(5 schools)**

Freedom (Tampa)
 Hillsborough (Tampa)
 Middleton (Tampa)
 Newsome (Lithia)
 Tampa Bay Tech – X

DISTRICT 12**(4 schools)**

Armwood (Seffner)
 Auburndale – X
 Lake Region (Eagle Lake)
 Winter Haven

REGION 4**(22 schools)****DISTRICT 13****(4 schools)**

Fort Pierce Westwood – X
 Martin County (Stuart)
 Okeechobee
 Sebastian River (Sebastian)

DISTRICT 14**(6 schools)**

Boca Raton
 Boynton Beach
 Dwyer (Palm Beach Gardens)
 Forest Hill (West Palm Beach)
 Olympic Heights (Boca Raton)
 West Boca Raton – X

DISTRICT 15**(6 schools)**

Barron Collier (Naples)
 Cypress Lake (Fort Myers) – X
 Gulf Coast (Naples)
 Lehigh (Lehigh Acres)
 North Port
 South Fort Myers

DISTRICT 16
(6 schools)
Fort Lauderdale
Hallandale – X
Miami Edison
Miami Jackson
Nova (Davie)
Washington (Miami)

Class 3A

79 schools
student population: 1067-1707

REGION 1 **(22 schools)**

DISTRICT 1
(6 schools)
Gulf Breeze
Pensacola
Pine Forest (Pensacola)
Washington (Pensacola) – X
West Florida (Pensacola)
Woodham (Pensacola)

DISTRICT 2
(6 schools)
Arnold (Panama City Beach)
Bay (Panama City)
East Gadsden (Havana) – X
Godby (Tallahassee)
Rickards (Tallahassee)
Wakulla (Crawfordville)

DISTRICT 3
(5 schools)
Andrew Jackson (Jacksonville)
Baker County (Glen St. Mary) – X
Bishop Kenny (Jacksonville)
Raines (Jacksonville)
Suwannee (Live Oak)

DISTRICT 4
(5 schools)
Atlantic (Port Orange)
Clay (Green Cove Springs)
Menendez (St. Augustine)
Palatka – X
St. Augustine

REGION 2 **(18 schools)**

DISTRICT 5
(5 schools)
Dunnellon
North Marion (Citra) – X
Santa Fe (Alachua)
West Port (Ocala)
Williston

DISTRICT 6
(5 schools)
Citrus (Inverness)
Crystal River
Hernando (Brooksville)
Lecanto – X
Nature Coast (Brooksville)

DISTRICT 7
(4 schools)
Bishop Moore (Orlando)

Eustis
South Lake (Grovèland)
Tavares – X

DISTRICT 8
(4 schools)
Gulf (New Port Richey)
Hudson
Pasco (Dade City)
Zephyrhills – X

REGION 3 **(18 schools)**

DISTRICT 9
(5 schools)
Astronaut (Titusville)
Cocoa
Harmony
St. Cloud
Space Coast (Cocoa) – X

DISTRICT 10
(5 schools)
Bartow – X
Haines City
Kathleen (Lakeland)
Lake Wales
Ridge (Davenport)

DISTRICT 11
(4 schools)
Booker (Sarasota)
Jesuit (Tampa)
Palmetto – X
Robinson (Tampa)

DISTRICT 12
(4 schools)
Avon Park
DeSoto County (Arcadia)
Hardee (Wauchula) – X
Sebring

REGION 4 **(21 schools)**

DISTRICT 13
(5 schools)
Dunbar (Fort Myers) – X
Estero
LaBelle
Lemon Bay (Englewood)
Riverdale (Fort Myers)

DISTRICT 14
(5 schools)
Golden Gate (Naples)
Immokalee
Lely (Naples)
Naples
Palmetto Ridge (Naples) – X

DISTRICT 15
(5 schools)
Cardinal Gibbons (Fort Lauderdale)
Glades Central (Belle Glade)
Jensen Beach
Monarch (Coconut Creek)
Suncoast (Riviera Beach) – X

DISTRICT 16
(6 schools)
Archbishop McCarthy (Fort Lauderdale)

Belen Jesuit Prep (Miami)
Key West
Mater Academy (Hialeah Gardens)
Monsignor Pace (Miami) – X
Pembroke Pines Charter

Class 2A

37 schools
student population: 617-1066

REGION 1 **(7 schools)**

DISTRICT 1
(3 schools)
Marianna
Pensacola Catholic
Walton (DeFuniak Springs) – X

DISTRICT 2
(4 schools)
Dixie County (Cross City)
Fort White
Madison County (Madison)
Taylor County (Perry) – X

REGION 2 **(11 schools)**

DISTRICT 3
(4 schools)
Bolles (Jacksonville) – X
Bradford (Starke)
Interlachen
Keystone Heights
Ribault (Jacksonville)
West Nassau (Callahan)

DISTRICT 4
(5 schools)
Jones (Orlando)
Lake Highland Prep (Orlando)
Mount Dora – X
South Sumter (Bushnell)
Umatilla

REGION 3 **(10 schools)**

DISTRICT 5
(5 schools)
Bishop Verot (Fort Myers)
Lake Placid
Mulberry – X
St. Petersburg Catholic
Tampa Catholic

DISTRICT 6
(5 schools)
Cardinal Newman (West Palm Beach) – X
Clewiston
Inlet Grove (Riviera Beach)
Pope John Paul II (Boca Raton)
St. Andrew's (Boca Raton)

REGION 4 **(9 schools)**

DISTRICT 7
(5 schools)
American Heritage (Plantation)

Chaminade (Hollywood)
Coral Springs Charter
North Broward Prep (Coconut Creek)
Pompano Beach

DISTRICT 8
(4 schools)
Archbishop Carroll (Miami)
Coral Shores (Tavernier)
Doral Academy (Miami)
Gulliver Prep (Miami) – X

Class 2B
39 schools
student population: 411-616

REGION 1
(8 schools)

DISTRICT 1
(3 schools)
Baker – X
Northview (Bratt)
South Walton (Santa Rosa Beach)

DISTRICT 2
(5 schools)
Blountstown
Bozeman (Southport)
Chipley – X
Holmes County (Bonifay)
Vernon

REGION 2
(10 schools)

DISTRICT 3
(5 schools)
Baldwin – X
Episcopal (Jacksonville)
FSU (Tallahassee)
Hamilton County (Jasper)
Trinity Christian (Jacksonville)

DISTRICT 4
(5 schools)
Chiefland
Newberry – X
P.K. Yonge (Gainesville)
Trinity Catholic (Ocala)
Union County (Lake Butler)

REGION 3
(9 schools)

DISTRICT 5
(5 schools)
Crescent City
Taylor (Pierson) – X
Trinity Prep (Winter Park)
Villages
Wildwood

DISTRICT 6
(4 schools)
Berkeley Prep (Tampa)
Cardinal Mooney (Sarasota)
Clearwater Central Catholic – X
Frostproof

REGION 4
(12 schools)

DISTRICT 7
(5 schools)
Florida Air (Melbourne)
John Carroll (Fort Pierce) – X
King's Academy (West Palm Beach)
Melbourne Central Catholic
Pahokee

DISTRICT 8
(7 schools)
Archbishop Curley (Miami) – X
Florida Christian (Miami)
Marathon
Parkway (Miramar)
Ransom Everglades (Miami)
Westminster Academy (Fort Lauderdale)
Westminster Christian (Miami)

Class 1A
40 schools
student population: 233-410

REGION 1 (Rural Schools)
(14 schools)

DISTRICT 1
(7 schools)
Freeport – X
Jay
Liberty County (Bristol)
Port St. Joe
Sneads
West Gadsden (Greensboro)
Wewahitchka

DISTRICT 2
(7 schools)
Branford
Bronson
Hawthorne
Hilliard
Jefferson County (Monticello)
Lafayette (Mayo) – X
Trenton

REGION 2 (Urban)
(7 schools)

DISTRICT 3
(4 schools)
Bishop Snyder (Jacksonville)
North Florida Christian (Tallahassee)
Providence (Jacksonville)
University Christian (Jacksonville) – X

DISTRICT 4
(3 schools)
Father Lopez (Daytona Beach) – X
Holy Trinity Episcopal (Melbourne)
St. Joseph (St. Augustine)

REGION 3
(9 schools)

DISTRICT 5
(5 schools)
Admiral Farragut (St. Petersburg)
Fort Meade

Indian Rocks Christian (Largo)
Northside Christian (St. Petersburg)
Shorecrest (St. Petersburg) – X

DISTRICT 6
(4 schools)
Evangelical Christian (Fort Myers) – X
Glades Day (Belle Glade)
Moore Haven
St. John Neumann (Naples)

REGION 4
(10 schools)

DISTRICT 7
(5 schools)
American Heritage (Delray Beach)
Benjamin (North Palm Beach) – X
Coral Springs Christian
Highlands Christian (Pompano Beach)
St. Edward's (Vero Beach)

DISTRICT 8
(5 schools)
Bay Point (Homestead)
Dade Christian (Miami)
Miami Country Day – X
Miami MacArthur North
Palmer Trinity (Miami)

Class 1B
38 schools
student population: 50-232

REGION 1
(8 schools)

DISTRICT 1
(4 schools)
Apalachicola
Carrabelle
Cottondale – X
Graceville

DISTRICT 2
(4 schools)
Aucilla Christian (Monticello)
FAMU (Tallahassee)
John Paul II (Tallahassee) – X
Munroe (Quincy)

REGION 2
(9 schools)

DISTRICT 3
(4 schools)
Arlington Country Day (Jacksonville)
Eagle's View (Jacksonville) – X
Potter's House (Jacksonville)
St. John Lutheran (Ocala)

DISTRICT 4
(5 schools)
Lake Mary Prep – X
Orangewood Christian (Maitland)
Master's (Oviedo)
Trinity Christian (Deltona)
Warner Christian (South Daytona)

REGION 3
(13 schools)

DISTRICT 5
(6 schools)

Brevard Christian (West Melbourne)
Central Florida Christian (Ocoee)
First Academy (Orlando)
Merritt Island Christian
Pine Castle Christian (Orlando) – X
West Oaks (Orlando)

DISTRICT 6
(7 schools)

Bishop McLaughlin (Spring Hill)
Calvary Christian (Clearwater)
Cambridge (Tampa) – X
Evangel Christian (Lakeland)
Keswick Christian (St. Petersburg)
Santa Fe Catholic (Lakeland)
Temple Heights Christian (Tampa)

REGION 4
(8 schools)

DISTRICT 7
(4 schools)

Calvary Christian (Fort Lauderdale)
Jupiter Christian
Upperroom Christian (Lauderhill)
Zion Lutheran (Deerfield Beach) – X

DISTRICT 8
(4 schools)

Broward Christian (Plantation)
Hollywood Christian – X
Northwest Christian (Miami)
Sheridan Hills Christian (Hollywood)

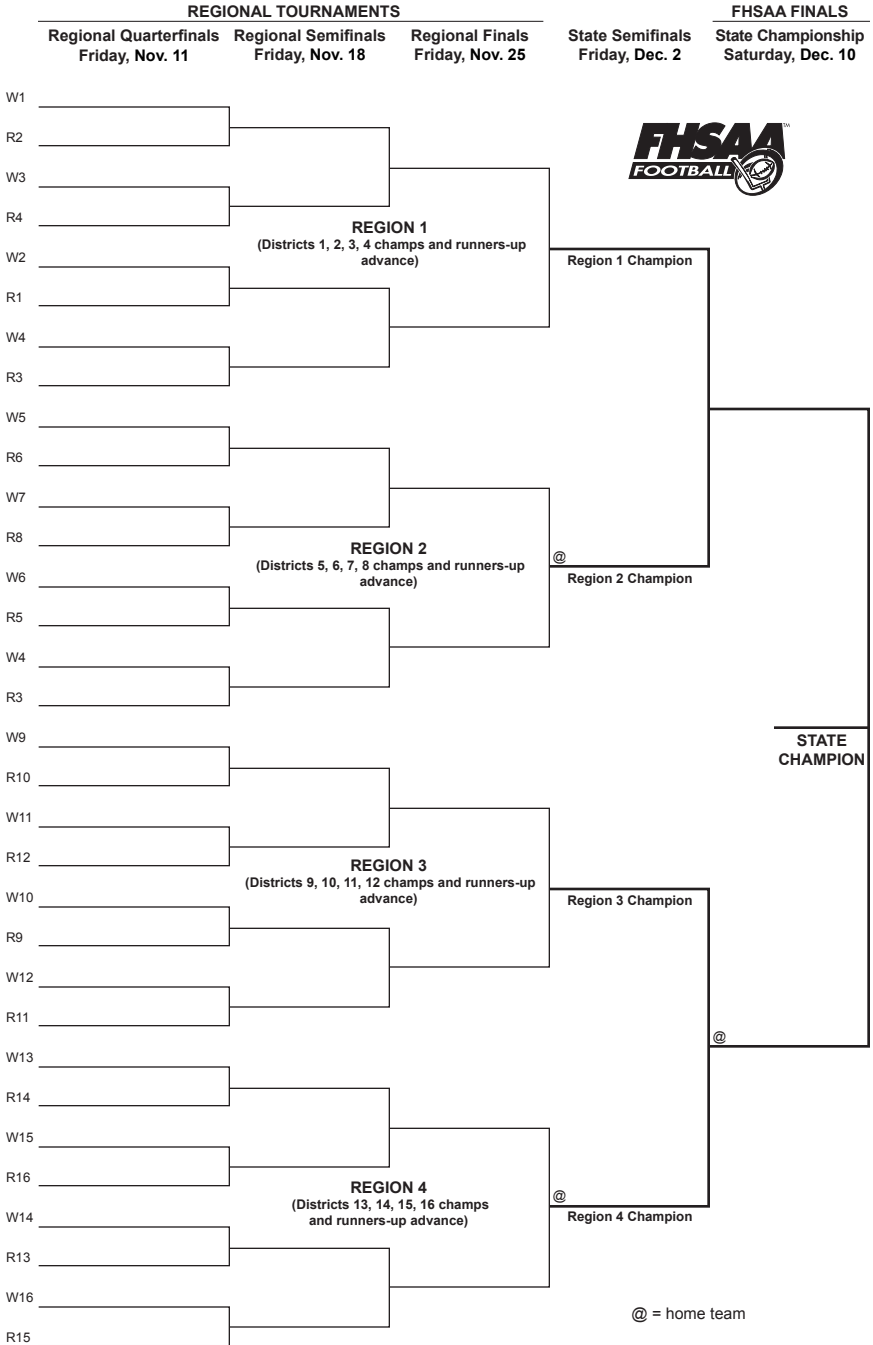
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(22 schools)

All Saints' (Winter Haven)
Bell
Boca Raton Christian
Braden River (Bradenton)
Canterbury (St. Petersburg)
Celebration
Cocoa Beach
Florida Deaf (St. Augustine)
Hagerty (Oviedo)
Hernando Christian (Brooksville)
Lakeland Christian
LaSalle (Miami)
Mount Dora Bible
Oak Hall (Gainesville)
Paxon (Jacksonville)
Pine Crest (Fort Lauderdale)
Poinciana (Kissimmee)
Somerset (Pembroke Pines)
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Stanton (Jacksonville)
Tampa Baptist
Temple Christian (Titusville)

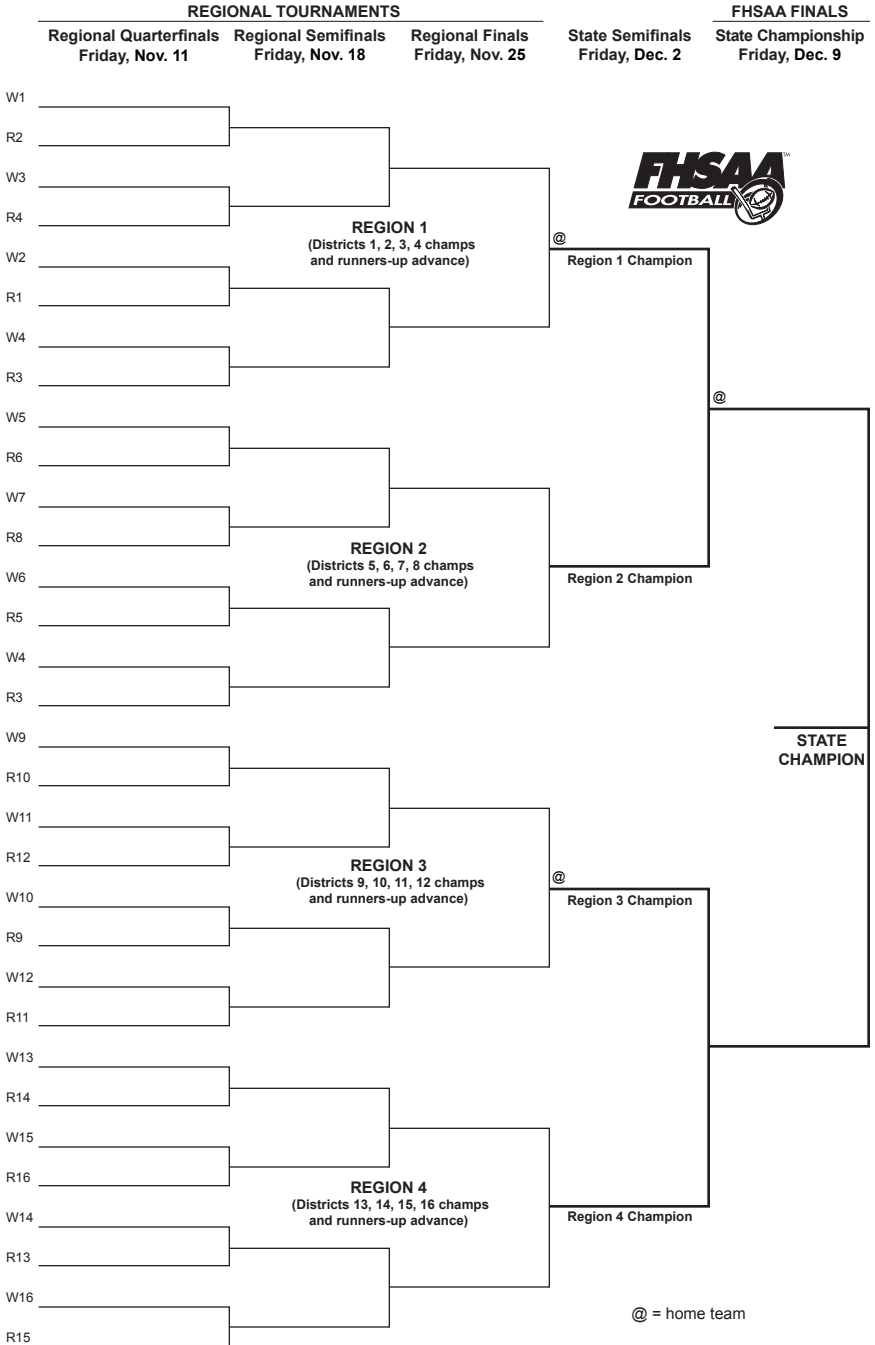
Appendix E

2005 FHSAA Football Championship Bracket (Classes 6A, 4A)



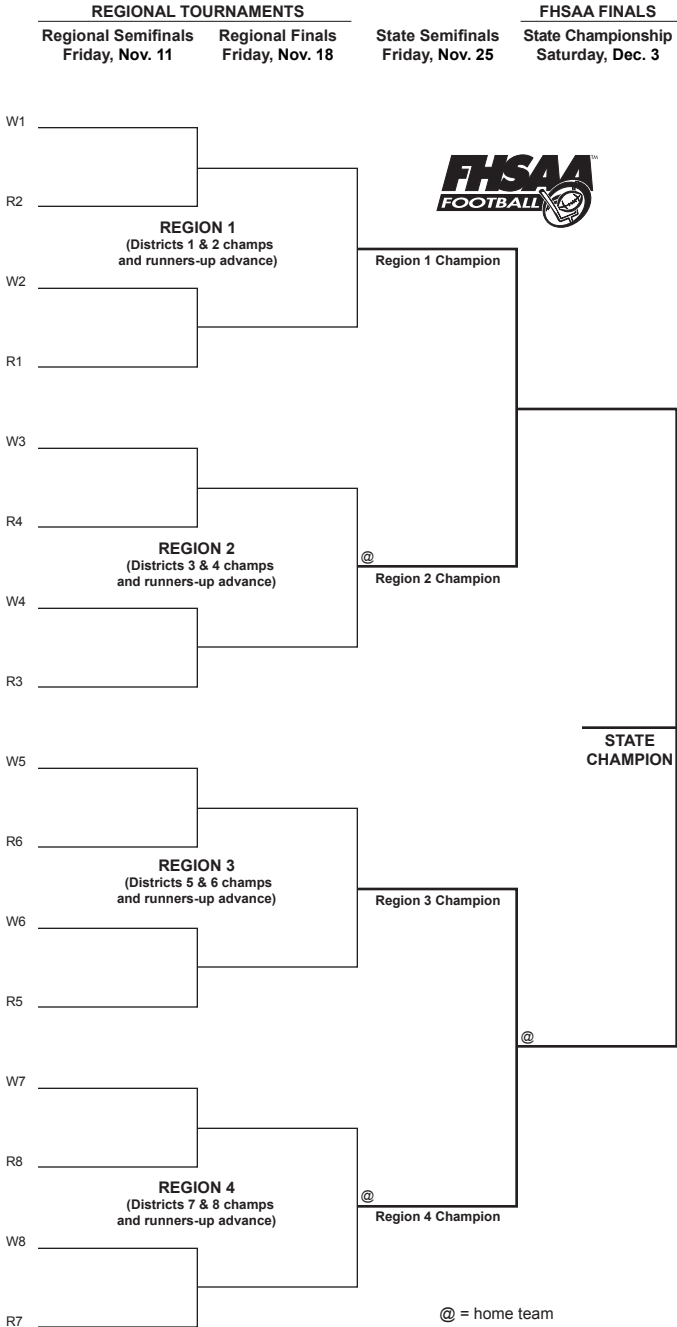
Appendix F

2005 FHSAA Football Championship Bracket (Classes 5A & 3A)



Appendix G

2005 FHSAA Football Championship Bracket (Classes 2A & 2B)



Appendix H

2005 FHSAA Football Championship Bracket (Class 1A & 1B)

REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Regional Semifinals
Friday, Nov. 11

Regional Finals
Friday, Nov. 18

State Semifinals
Friday, Nov. 25

FHSAA FINALS

State Championship
Friday, Dec. 2

