

# 2002 FHSAA Fall Soccer Program

## Important Dates

*Monday, August 12 (Week 6)* – First practice date.

*Tuesday, August 27-31 (Week 8)* – Preseason Classic Tournaments and Jamborees.

*Monday, September 2 (Week 9)* – First regular season competition date.

*Saturday, October 19 (Week 15)* – Last date for district game; last date on which a student may transfer and represent a school in the 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

*Monday, October 21 (Week 16)* – 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series Official Entry List(s) must be submitted to District Tournament Director; District Tournament seeding information must be reported to District Leader.

*Tuesday, October 29 (Week 17)* – Last regular season competition date.

*Monday-Saturday, October 27-November 1 (Week 17)* – District Tournaments.

*Tuesday, November 4 (Week 18)* – Regional Tournament Quarterfinal games.

*Friday, November 7 (Week 18)* – Regional Tournament Semifinal games.

*Tuesday, November 11 (Week 19)* – Regional Tournament Final games.

*Friday & Saturday, November 15 & 16 (Week 19)* – FHSAA Florida Fall Soccer Finals state championship tournament.

*Monday, March 24, 2003 (Week 38)* – FHSAA Soccer Advisory Committee meeting.

## FHSAA Rules Clinics

FHSAA Bylaw 10.2.1: “Each member school shall be represented by its head coach for the sport at an annual rules clinic sponsored by the Association in each sport in which it sponsors a program, provided rules clinics are conducted in that sport. Failure to comply with this requirement may be penalized by the Board of Directors.”

Following are the dates and sites for the 2002-03 FHSAA Soccer Rules Clinics. A financial penalty of \$50 will be assessed a school whose head fall soccer coach fails to attend a clinic.

*Thursday, October 10* – DeLand High School; Northeast High School (St. Petersburg).

*Monday, October 14* – Gainesville High School; Palm Beach Gardens High School.

*Tuesday, October 15* – Lake Region High School (Eagle Lake); Lehigh High School (Lehigh Acres).

*Wednesday, October 16* – Cardinal Mooney High School (Sarasota); Melbourne High School.

*Thursday, October 17* – Chamberlain High School (Tampa); Dr. Phillips High School (Orlando).

*Monday, October 21* – Ed White High School (Jacksonville); Flanagan High School (Pembroke Pines).

*Tuesday, October 22* – Bay High School (Panama City); Key West High School.

*Wednesday, October 23* – South Miami High School; Woodham High School (Pensacola).

*Thursday, October 24* – Centennial High School (Port St. Lucie); Chiles High School (Tallahassee).

# 2002 FHSAA Fall Soccer Program General Guidelines, Regulations, Policies and Procedures

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In accordance with Article 9 of the Bylaws, the following guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures governing the FHSAA Fall Soccer 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 2002-03 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 in the 2002-03 FHSAA Forms Book, a copy of which has been provided to all member schools, as well as on the FHSAA web site ([www.fhsaa.org](http://www.fhsaa.org)) as downloadable PDF and/or Word documents.]*

## 1.000 – Eligible Schools

**1.001** Member schools that do not participate in interscholastic football competition are eligible to enter boys teams into interscholastic soccer competition during the fall season.

**1.002** A member school that chooses to participate in interscholastic soccer competition during the fall season, and is eligible to do so, may not enter any boys team into interscholastic soccer competition during the winter season.

## 2.000 – Eligibility of Student-Athletes

### 2.010 CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

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 Eligibility Rules-in-Brief.

### 2.020 USE OF INELIGIBLE STUDENT-ATHLETE

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.

## 3.000 – Season Limitations

### 3.010 PRACTICE

Organized practice shall begin not earlier than Monday of Week 6 (Aug. 12, 2002) and shall end not later than Saturday of Week 19 (Nov. 16, 2002).

### **3.020 COMPETITION**

The first regular season contest shall be held not earlier than Monday of Week 9 (Sept. 2, 2002). The final regular season contest shall be held not later than Tuesday of Week 17 (Oct. 29, 2002).

## **4.000 – Team Limitations**

### **4.010 SEASON**

A team shall not, in any one season, participate in more than 28 games exclusive of those games played in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. These 28 games include any and all games played in regular season tournaments.

### **4.020 WEEK**

**4.021** A team may play in no more than three (3) different regular games or one (1) regular game and one (1) tournament during a school week. However, no team may play in more than four (4) total games, inclusive of both regular games and tournament games, during a school week. No more than one of the three regular games may cause loss of time from school.

**4.022** No interscholastic athletic contest 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. The conduct of practice sessions of any kind on a Sunday is prohibited.

### **4.030 TOURNAMENTS**

**4.031** There is no limit on the number of tournaments in which a team may play. However, each and every game played by a team in a tournament shall count toward the team's maximum limit of 28 games as established in 4.010.

**4.032** Tournaments will be limited to a maximum field of 16 teams. Single elimination, double elimination, round robin and pool play formats are permissible. There is no limit on the number of games a member school team may be guaranteed of playing in a tournament other than those limits established in 4.011 and 4.021. A tournament in which a team participates must be completed in the same one week (Monday through Saturday) unless held during a holiday period. A team may not participate in a tournament game which begins earlier than 3 p.m. local time on a school day. It is intended that the loss of time from school due to athletic competition be minimal. This provision may be waived by the Commissioner to accommodate tournaments held as part of the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

## **5.000 – Student Limitations**

### **5.010 SEASON**

A student who participates on a team in fall soccer may participate in no more than 28 games in any one season, exclusive of those games played in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. This provision does not allow for a student to participate in 28 games during the fall season at one school and 28 games during the winter season at the same school or another school. The total number of games in which a student may participate during any one school year – both fall and winter seasons combined – is 28 games.

### **5.020 SQUAD PARTICIPATION**

A student who participates in an interscholastic contest in fall soccer as a member of the

varsity team may not participate as a member of a junior varsity, junior high or other team below the varsity level, or vice versa, until the day following such participation.

## 6.000 – Eligible Opponents

**6.001** Member schools may engage in regular season competition only with schools that are full or affiliate members of this Association, or out-of-state schools that are members of associations which regulate interscholastic athletic competition within their respective states, regardless of whether such associations are members of the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). 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 which 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.

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

**6.003** 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 may not participate in any team practice, game or contest.

## 7.000 – Invitational Tournaments

**7.001** All invitational tournaments (conference, county, league, etc.) involving three (3) or more schools must have the approval of the FHSAA Office. The “Application for Approval of Multi-School Athletic Event” (Form AT2) must be submitted not less than 30 days in advance of the first day of the meet to avoid a late fee of \$50.

**7.002** No junior varsity, junior high or other sub-varsity team may participate in a tournament involving a varsity team. Junior varsity, junior high and other sub-varsity tournaments, if held, must be held as separate events.

**7.003** The FHSAA shall receive eight (8) percent of the gross receipts of all invitational tournaments. Gross receipts include revenue derived from gate receipts and entry fees. The complete “FHSAA Financial Report Form for Invitational Tournament & Meet, Jamboree and Postseason Football Bowl Game” (Form FN1) 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. See Appendix C for “Guidelines on Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares.”

**7.004** Certain invitational meets involving out-of-state schools may require the approval of the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS). See Appendix B for NFHS regulations on interstate and international competitions.

## 8.000 – Preseason Classic Tournament

**8.001** A team may compete in a preseason classic tournament exclusively on Tuesday through Saturday of Week 8 (Aug. 27-31, 2002). A school that chooses to play in a preseason classic tournament shall not participate in a preseason jamboree.

**8.002** A preseason classic tournament must be hosted by a member school and shall not

count toward a participating school's win-loss record, team statistics or player statistics. No official FHSAA or NFHS records shall include results of a preseason classic tournament.

**8.003** A preseason classic tournament is limited to a field of four teams. Each team may play a maximum of two games.

**8.004** A preseason classic tournament must have the approval of the FHSAA Office. The "Application for Approval of Multi-School Athletic Event" (Form AT2) must be submitted not less than 30 days in advance of the first day of the meet to avoid a late fee of \$50.

**8.005** All NFHS Soccer Rules will apply to preseason classic tournaments.

**8.006** Admission to a preseason classic tournament shall be \$4.00. However, the host school may request that it be allowed to increase the admission charge to the amount it charges for a regular season game.

**8.007** The gross gate receipts from a preseason classic tournament shall be divided as follows:

- Participating Schools – 85 percent to be divided between the four participating schools under arrangements made and agreed to in advance by the participating schools
- FHSAA – 15 percent

Gross receipts include revenue derived from gate receipts and entry fees. The complete "FHSAA Financial Report Form for Preseason Classic Tournament" (Form FN2) 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. See Appendix C for "Guidelines on Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares."

**8.008** The host school shall bear all expenses of the tournament, including the cost of officials.

## 9.000 – Preseason Jamboree

**9.001** A team may compete in a preseason jamboree prior to its first regular season game. A school that chooses to participate in a preseason jamboree shall not participate in a preseason classic tournament.

**9.002** A jamboree must include four or more schools. Each school will be permitted to participate in a maximum of one 40-minute half.

**9.003** A preseason jamboree must have the approval of the FHSAA Office. The "Application for Approval of Multi-School Athletic Event" (Form AT2) must be submitted not less than 30 days in advance of the first day of the meet to avoid a late fee of \$50.

**9.004** All NFHS Soccer Rules shall apply to soccer jamborees.

**9.005** 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 Invitational Tournament & Meet, Jamboree and Post-season Football Bowl Game" (Form FN1) 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. See Appendix C for "Guidelines on Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares."

## 10.000 – Rules of Competition

### 10.010 GAME RULES

Rules as set forth in the NFHS Soccer Rules Book, unless set aside by FHSAA regulation, shall apply in all soccer games.

### 10.020 FHSAA MODIFICATIONS

**10.021** The following modifications to NFHS Rules have been adopted by the FHSAA Board of Directors:

Rule	Modification
4-1-1(a)	<b>UNIFORMS:</b> Compression/bicycle shorts may be worn under the uniform bottom in accordance with the National Federation rule. Such shorts, however, may not be worn in lieu of the uniform bottom.
5-1-1	<b>OFFICIALS:</b> The minimum crew size that may be used during a regular season game is two officials (head referee and assistant referee).
6-2-1	<b>TIMER:</b> The official time may be kept by the head referee.
7-1-1	<b>LENGTH OF GAMES:</b> Varsity level games will be played in two 40-minute halves; sub-varsity level games will be played in two 40-minute halves.
7-1-3	<b>SUSPENDED GAME:</b> Provision for the continuation of suspended game is adopted according to FHSAA Policy on Inclement Weather.
7-1-5	<b>GOAL DIFFERENTIAL:</b> Eight (8) goal differential attained at end of the first half or secured at any point during the second half terminates the game.
7-3-1	<b>RESOLUTION OF TIE GAMES:</b> Regular season games that are tied at the end of regulation play will end as a tie. Games in invitational tournaments, as well as all games in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series, that are tied at the end of regulation play will be resolved according to the overtime procedure contained in Item 10.050.
7-3-2	<b>INTERVALS BETWEEN OVERTIME PERIODS:</b> There will be a five-minute interval between the second half and the first of the two overtime periods and a two-minute interval between the second overtime period and the first of the two sudden-victory periods.
12-8-3 Note	<b>DISQUALIFIED (EJECTED) PLAYER:</b> See Section 11.000 (Unsportsmanlike Conduct) of this manual.

**10.022** The following modifications to NFHS Rules **HAVE NOT** been adopted by the FHSAA Board of Directors:

Rule	Modification
7-1-2	Game-ending procedure or shortening game periods.

### 10.030 ATHLETIC UNIFORMS

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

### 10.040 CARD SYSTEM FOR MISCONDUCT

Administration of the Card System for Misconduct in all contests must be administered as follows:

(a) A player who commits any of the violations listed in National Federation Rule 12-8-1(a-f) shall be issued a yellow card, shall be cautioned, may be substituted for immediately, and shall be required to leave the field until the next legal substitution opportunity. An official, however, may issue a red card and disqualify (eject) a player on a first offense if the situation warrants.

- (b) A coach who commits any of the violations listed in National Federation Rule 12-8-1(a-f) shall be issued a yellow card and shall be cautioned. An official, however, may issue a red card and disqualify (eject) a coach on a first offense if the situation warrants.
- (c) A player who commits a second violation of any of the violations listed in National Federation Rule 12-8-1(a-f) shall be issued a second yellow card, may be substituted for immediately and shall be disqualified (ejected) from further participation in the game.
- (d) A coach who commits a second violation of any of the violations listed in National Federation Rule 12-8-1(a-f) shall be guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct, shall be issued a red card, shall be disqualified (ejected) and removed from the premises, and shall be subject to the provisions of Section 11.000 (Unsportsmanlike Conduct).
- (e) A player who commits any of the violations listed in National Federation Rule 12-8-1(g) and 12-8-3(a-e) shall be guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct, shall be issued a red card, shall be disqualified (ejected) from further participation in the game and shall not be replaced on the field with a substitute. This player shall be subject to the provisions of Section 11.000 (Unsportsmanlike Conduct).
- (f) A player who violates National Federation Rule 12-8-2(a) (taunting) shall be guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct, shall be issued a red card (official shows a yellow/red card combination) and disqualified (ejected) from further participation. The number of players on the field shall not be reduced for violation of 12-8-2(a, b, c).
- (g) A player who violates National Federation Rule 12-8-3(b) shall be guilty of a hand ball foul (non-contact with opponent) and disqualified for serious foul play. The player shall be issued a blue card and disqualified from further competition in the game and shall not be replaced on the field with a substitute.
- (h) A coach who commits any of the violations listed in National Federation Rule 12-8-1(g), 12-8-2(a) and 12-8-3(a-e) shall be guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct, shall be issued a red card, shall be disqualified (ejected) and removed from the premises and shall be subject to the provisions of Section 11.000 (Unsportsmanlike Conduct).

## **10.050 OVERTIME PROCEDURE**

**10.051** The overtime procedure to be used in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series, as well as invitational tournament games, is as follows [Note: schools hosting invitational tournaments during the regular season may use this entire overtime procedure or go directly to penalty kicks as specified in (c)]:

- (a) Following a five-minute interval, there shall be two (2) full five-minute overtime periods (not sudden victory). A coin toss as specified in Rule 5-2-2(e)(2) shall be held in advance of the first overtime period. At the conclusion of the first overtime period the teams shall change ends of the field and play the second overtime period.
- (b) If a tie still exists following the second overtime period, following a two-minute interval, there shall be two (2) five-minute sudden-victory periods. A coin toss as specified in Rule 5-2-2(e)(2) shall be held in advance of the first sudden-victory period. At the conclusion of the first sudden-victory period, if a tie still exists, the teams shall change ends of the field and play the second sudden-victory period.
- (c) If a tie still exists following the second sudden-victory period, the head coaches and team captains for both teams will meet with the officials at the halfway line to review the procedure for penalty kicks as follows:
  - (1) The referee will choose the goal at which all of the kicks from the penalty line will be taken.
  - (2) Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the penalty kicks.
  - (3) A coin toss will be held as in Rule 5-2-2(e)(2). The team winning the toss will

have the choice of kicking first or second.

(4) Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.

(5) The defending team may change the goalkeeper prior to each penalty kick.

(6) Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring the greatest number of these kicks will be declared the winner.

(7) Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory. An asterisk (\*) may be placed by the team advancing to indicate the advancement was the result of a tie-breaker system.

(d) If the score remains tied after each team has had five penalty kicks:

(1) Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the kicks in a sudden victory situation, wherein if one team scores and the other team does not score, the game is ended without more kicks being taken.

(2) If the score remains tied, continue the sudden victory kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating kicks. If a tie remains, repeat (d)(1).

**10.052** The Misconduct Procedure as listed on pages 70-71 in the NFHS Rules Book shall be in effect during the penalty kick phase of overtime.

### **10.060 SUSPENDED CONTEST**

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

### **10.070 PROTESTS**

**10.071** Protests of interscholastic contests shall not be allowed. The decision of the officials shall be final.

**10.072** 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.

## **11.000 – Unsportsmanlike Conduct**

### **11.010 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.

### **11.020 DISQUALIFICATION OF A STUDENT-ATHLETE**

**11.021** A student-athlete who is disqualified (ejected) from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct or a flagrant foul shall be ineligible to compete for the remainder of that contest and in any interscholastic athletic contest for the next seven (7) calendar days at the same level, or any level, of participation in which the student-athlete was disqualified (ejected). If less than two (2) contests are scheduled during this seven-day period of time at the same level as disqualification (ejection), the student shall be ineligible for the next football game or a minimum of the next two (2) contests in all other sports. If the disqualification (ejection) occurs in the last contest of a season, the student shall be ineligible for the same period of time as stated above in the next sport in which the student participates.

**11.022** A student-athlete who is disqualified (ejected) from a contest for any act of gross unsportsmanlike conduct, or a second or subsequent act of general unsportsmanlike conduct or flagrant foul, shall be ineligible to compete in any interscholastic athletic contest for

a period of up to six weeks. Acts constituting gross unsportsmanlike conduct are defined in FHSAA Bylaw 11.11.2.

**11.023** It is the responsibility of the local school authorities to ensure this policy is enforced. When an ineligible student is allowed to participate, forfeiture of the contest is mandatory. This policy applies to all regular season and State Series competition.

**11.024** In the event that more than three (3) students from the same school are disqualified (ejected) for any form of unsportsmanlike conduct in any one sport within the same school year, that school shall be assessed a minimum financial penalty of \$100 per disqualification (ejection) for the remainder of the school year beginning with the fourth disqualification (ejection) and shall have its program in that sport placed on administrative probation for one or more years in addition to monetary penalties and student suspensions.

**11.025** When the first disqualification (ejection) of a student for “gross unsportsmanlike conduct” as defined in FHSAA Bylaw 11.11.2 occurs, a written warning shall be issued to the school represented by the offending student that each subsequent disqualification (ejection) of a student for an act of “gross unsportsmanlike conduct” in any sport will subject the school to a minimum financial penalty of \$250 per occurrence. Beginning with the next disqualification (ejection) of a student for an act of “gross unsportsmanlike conduct” in any sport, the minimum financial penalty of \$250 shall be assessed.

### **11.030 DISQUALIFICATION OF A COACH**

**11.031** A coach who is disqualified (ejected) from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be suspended from coaching for the remainder of that contest and in any interscholastic athletic contest for the next seven (7) calendar days at the same level, or any level, of participation in which the coach was disqualified (ejected). If less than two (2) contests are scheduled during this seven-day period of time at the same level as the disqualification (ejection), the coach shall be suspended for the next football game or a minimum of the next two (2) contests in all other sports. If the disqualification (ejection) occurs in the last contest of a season, the coach shall be ineligible for the same period of time as stated above in the next sport in which he/she coaches.

**11.032** A coach who is disqualified (ejected) from a contest for any act of gross unsportsmanlike conduct, or a second or subsequent act of general unsportsmanlike conduct, shall be ineligible to coach in any interscholastic athletic contest for a period of up to six weeks. Acts constituting gross unsportsmanlike conduct are defined in FHSAA Bylaw 11.11.2.

**11.033** When disqualified (ejected) from a contest, a coach shall immediately leave the premises or facility (i.e. gymnasium in basketball, volleyball and wrestling; stadium in baseball, football, soccer and softball, etc.) to a place where the coach is not visible to either student-athletes, officials, spectators or other coaches; and to where the contest itself is not visible to the coach. A disqualified (ejected) coach shall not have any further contact with or give instruction to athletes or other members of the coaching staff for the remainder of the contest, including halftime intermission; breaks between quarters, periods or innings; and post-contest activities.

**11.034** A coach who has drawn a suspension from the next contest or number of contests after having been disqualified (ejected) from the previous contest shall not attend the contest from which he/she has been suspended in any capacity and shall not be present at the site. A suspended coach also shall be prohibited from accompanying his/her team to the site of the contest.

**11.035** A school whose coach is disqualified (ejected) from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be assessed a monetary penalty of not less than \$100. Additional minimum fines may be imposed for unsportsmanlike conduct by the coach as stipulated in the

Penalty Code of the FHSAA Handbook as follows:

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

**11.036** 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.

**11.037** It is the responsibility of the local school authorities to ensure this policy is enforced. When a coach is allowed to coach in a contest from which he/she has been suspended, the school shall face additional penalties. This policy applies to all regular season and State Series competition.

### **11.040 PUBLIC CRITICISM OF OFFICIALS**

No coach or other school employee shall 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 the school whose coach or other employees are in violation of this provision.

## **12.000 – Use of Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Substances**

**12.001** 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, shall be disqualified from the contest and shall be suspended from subsequent contests in accordance with the provisions of 11.022. 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 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.

**12.002** 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.

## **13.000 – Crowd Control**

The home school administration is responsible for the control of spectators during a contest. The FHSAA recommends that the home school administration secure uniformed security to assist with this responsibility. However, the officials assigned to work a contest are responsible for the conduct of the contest itself. In the event a spectator or spectators interfere with the conduct of a contest or cause an official to become distracted through continual, unrelenting verbal abuse, the official should immediately stop the action and report the spectator or spectators to the home school administration or the nearest uni-

formed security officer and ask that they be restrained or removed from the facility. If the home school administration or uniformed security 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.

## **14.000 – Inclement Weather Procedures**

**14.001** If a severe 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 of each school involved in the contest to determine if the contest should be played as scheduled, delayed, suspended or postponed. If the principal of either of the schools involved requests that the contest be interrupted or postponed, the officials must immediately honor such request. If the principal of only one of the competing schools is available, his/her request must be honored.

**14.002** 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.

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

**14.004** 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.

**14.005** 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.

**14.006** 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 Associate Commissioner for Athletic Operations. Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

## **15.000 – Filming, Videotaping Contests**

**15.001** A visiting school may film or videotape its team's or contestants' performance in a 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.

**15.002** No representative of a school that is not participating in a contest may film or videotape 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.

**15.003** A school that violates these guidelines shall be guilty of unsportsmanlike con-

duct and shall be subject to reprimand and the assessment of a financial penalty by the FHSAA.

## 16.000 – Officials

### 16.010 REGISTERED OFFICIALS

**16.011** All member schools must use FHSAA registered game officials in soccer games in which they participate. The crew for regular season games must consist of two officials (head referee and assistant referee). However, the use of three officials (referee and two assistant referees) by the host school is optional. The decisions of the game officials shall be final. No protests shall be allowed.

**16.012** Host schools must contract for officials only with local officials associations which are sanctioned by the FHSAA Office. Schools may not, under any circumstance, enter into contracts with individual officials.

**16.013** Guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures governing the FHSAA contest officials program are published in the 2002-03 FHSAA Officials Guidebook, a copy of which has been provided to each member school. That publication also is available on the FHSAA web site at [www.fhsaa.org](http://www.fhsaa.org).

### 16.020 MAXIMUM FEES

**16.021** The maximum fees a local officials association may charge for a regular season contest is:

- Jamboree – Negotiable; local officials associations are encouraged to volunteer their services for jamborees
- Varsity game (two officials) – \$40.00 per official
- Varsity game (three officials) – Referee \$40.00; Assistant referees, \$30.00 per official
- Sub-varsity game (two officials) – \$30.00 per official
- Sub-varsity game (three officials) – Referee \$27.50; Assistant referees, \$21.00 per official.

**16.022** Fifty (50) cents per mile one way, one vehicle, is the maximum mileage rate that may be charged by a local officials association.

### 16.030 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:

- (a) An authorized representative of the host school should greet the officials upon their arrival.
- (b) The host school should provide a private, secure place for the officials to park.
- (c) The host school should provide a secure dressing facility which affords privacy.
- (d) The host school should provide the officials access to private shower facilities with hot water whenever possible.
- (e) The host school should provide the officials with refreshments during the halftime intermission, following the conclusion of the contest and other appropriate times.
- (f) 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.
- (g) 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.
- (h) Coaches must not enter the officials dressing facility while the officials are in attendance except when requested by the officials.

# 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series

## Terms and Conditions

**Contact:** Denarvise Thornton, Administrator for Fall Soccer, Ext. 240 (dthornton@fhsaa.org)

In accordance with Article 9.8.0 of the FHSAA Bylaws, the following Terms and Conditions governing the 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series have been approved by the FHSAA Board of Directors:

### 17.000 – Participation

#### 17.010 SCHOOLS

**17.011** Participation in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series is voluntary and limited only to those schools that include grades 10 through 12 or any combination thereof and are full members of the Association. Compensation for expenses of schools competing in the FHSAA State Series is not guaranteed.

**17.012** A school shall enter only one (1) team in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

**17.013** A high school that joins the Association shall not be eligible to enter a team into the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series in its initial year of membership. Neither shall a continuing member school that is starting a fall soccer program for the first time or resuming a fall soccer program that was previously discontinued be eligible to enter a team into the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series until the school has fielded a varsity team and participated in a representative schedule against other member schools for a minimum of one school year. A representative schedule is defined as being 14 or more of the maximum number of contests (28) allowed. These provisions shall not apply to newly opening public high schools that join the Association in their initial two years of existence.

**17.014** A team shall compete in a minimum of 12 regular season games to be eligible to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

#### 17.020 STUDENT-ATHLETES

**17.021** Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaw 11 and applicable administrative guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures may compete in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. In accordance with Bylaws 11.12.1 and 11.13.1, member schools are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes prior to the beginning of competition and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all interscholastic competition.

**17.022** To be eligible to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series a student-athlete shall participate in a minimum of four (4) fall soccer games on the varsity or junior varsity levels during the regular season.

**17.023** Only those student-athletes who were enrolled in and in regular attendance at a school prior to Saturday, Oct. 19, 2002 shall be eligible to represent that school in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series during the 2002-03 school year. Student-athletes who transfer to and enroll in a school after that date shall not be eligible to represent that school in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series for the 2002-03 school year.

### 18.000 – Commitment Form

**18.001** Each member school that elected to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series for the 2001-02 and 2002-03 school years was required to notify the FHSAA Office of its intent to do so on the appropriate FHSAA State Series Commitment Form during the

2000-01 school year.

**18.002** A properly executed commitment form is a binding agreement between the member school and the Association. The following penalties shall be assessed a member school that commits to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series and then subsequently withdraws from, or fails to honor, its commitment:

(a) If the school withdraws from its commitment after submitting the form to the FHSAA Office but before the classification and district assignments are released, the school shall be assessed a \$50.00 administrative fee.

(b) If the school withdraws from its commitment after the classification and district assignments are released, but before the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting, the school shall be assessed a \$100.00 administrative fee and its fall soccer program may be placed on administrative probation.

(c) If the school withdraws from its commitment after the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting, the school shall be assessed a \$250.00 administrative fee, and its fall soccer program will be placed on restrictive probation and will not be allowed to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series for the two-year period for which the commitment form originally was filed, as well as the next two-year period, unless the reason stated for such failure to participate is ruled sufficient by the Commissioner or the Board of Directors.

**18.003** A school that does not commit to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series by the commitment deadline, and later submits a request to participate to the FHSAA Office shall:

(a) Be assessed an administrative fee of \$50 if the request is received before the classification and district assignments are released.

(b) Be assessed an administrative fee of \$100 if the request is received after the classification and district assignments are released, but before the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting.

No school, under any circumstance, shall be assigned to a classification and district in the FHSAA State Series if its request for such assignment is received in the FHSAA Office on or after the date of the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting.

**18.004** By committing to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series, a member school agrees to participate in accordance with and abide by all the guidelines, regulations, policies and procedures for the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

## **19.000 – Official Entry List**

**19.001** Each school participating in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series must submit by facsimile (fax) transmission to the Director of the District Tournament to which it is assigned not later than 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21, 2002, the “2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series Official Entry List” (Form SC1) containing the names of those student-athletes who will represent the school in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. To be valid, the Official Entry List must bear the signatures of the Principal, FHSAA Representative or Athletic Director and Head Fall Soccer Coach. An Official Entry List not bearing each of these signatures is not to be accepted. An Official Entry List cannot be e-mailed.

**19.002** A school may list up to 27 student-athletes on its Official Entry List of which any 22 may participate.

**19.003** A late filing fee of \$50.00 shall be assessed a school whose Official Entry List is not received by the District Tournament Director by the 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21, 2002 deadline. The late filing fee will increase to \$100.00 if the Official Entry List is not received by the District Tournament Director by 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25, 2002. A school

whose Official Entry List is not received by the time of its team's first match in the District Tournament may be permitted to participate in competition only with the approval of the FHSAA Office; however, that school shall be assessed a minimum financial penalty of \$250. This penalty will increase if it is later determined that any student-athlete(s) representing the school in uniform were ineligible to do so. Under no circumstances shall the District Tournament Director permit a school for which he/she has no Official Entry List to participate in the District Tournament without the approval of the FHSAA Office.

**19.004** The Official Entry List may contain only the names of those student-athletes previously reported to the FHSAA Office on an Annual Eligibility List (Form EL1) or on line via iFHSAA (the Association's new interactive online database). All student-athletes must be eligible before they participate.

**19.005** Once a school submits its Official Entry List to the District Meet Director, it may make additions or changes to that list only by faxing the "2002-03 FHSAA State Series Request for Addition or Change to Official Entry List" (Form AT7) directly to the attention of Dorothy W. Brunson, Director of Member Services, in the FHSAA Office at (352) 373-1528. The request must include a copy of the original Official Entry List that was submitted to the District Tournament Director. Once approved, the FHSAA Office will fax the additions or changes to the District Tournament Director. No fee will be assessed for requests for additions or changes received in the FHSAA Office prior to the 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21, 2002 submission deadline. Requests for additions or changes received after the submission deadline, however, will result in the assessment of an administrative fee of \$50.00 per addition or change. Requests for additions or changes are permissible until the time of a school's first match in the District Tournament. Once a school's first match in the District Tournament begins, no additions or changes may be made to the Official Entry List until the conclusion of the District Tournament. Additions or changes may then be made prior to the school's first match in the Regional Tournament, but not during the Regional Tournament; and again prior to the school's first match in the Florida Finals state championship tournament, but not during the Florida Finals state championship tournament. A student-athlete whose name was not originally submitted on the Official Entry List is not eligible to participate in the District Tournament until the addition of his/her name is approved by the FHSAA Office. The administrative fee for the late addition(s) will appear on the school's next monthly statement.

**19.006** The District Tournament Director shall forward to the FHSAA Office the Official Entry Lists for all schools participating in the District Tournament within 10 business days of the conclusion of the District Tournament.

## **20.000 – School Classification**

The FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series in the 2001-02 and 2002-03 school years shall be conducted in a single classification.

## **21.000 – Districts**

### **21.010 ASSIGNMENT**

Schools that committed to participate in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series in the 2001-02 and 2002-03 school years shall be assigned on a geographical basis to one of 16 districts in their respective classifications (see Appendix D). A tournament shall be conducted in each district following the conclusion of the regular season on the dates specified herein to determine the two schools that shall represent the district in the remainder of the FHSAA State Series.

## **21.020 DISTRICT SCHEDULE**

**21.021** Each school assigned to a district shall be required to schedule two regular season games with every other school in that district to be eligible to participate in the District Tournament. A school, however, shall not schedule a district game to be played later than Saturday, Oct. 19, 2002. Any school that does not comply with this requirement shall not be permitted to participate in the District Tournament.

**21.022** If a scheduled district game is postponed due to inclement weather or other unforeseen and unavoidable situations and can only be played after the Oct. 19, 2002 deadline, the Commissioner may grant permission for the game to be played after the deadline and counted. This exception, however, will be granted only if the game was originally scheduled to be played prior to the deadline.

**21.023** The manner in which any two schools within a district satisfy these requirements is at the discretion of the two schools provided the games are part of the regular season schedule of both schools and not games played between the two schools as part of an invitational tournament. It is not necessary that the two games be played on a home-and-home basis.

## **21.030 PLANNING/SCHEDULING MEETINGS**

**21.031** Each district was required to conduct a District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting on Monday, March 25, 2002 to schedule mandatory district matches and plan the District Tournament for the 2002-03 school year. A similar meeting will be held on March 24, 2003 for the 2003-04 and 2004-05 school years. No school shall schedule fall soccer games for the following season(s) until this meeting is held. The meeting must be held at a time so that all schools in the district can have a representative present with no loss of time from school. Exceptions to this policy must be made in writing to the Commissioner or his/her designee. The meeting must be conducted by the FHSAA representative from the school designated by the FHSAA Office as District Leader (see Appendix D). The District Leader is responsible for all aspects of the District Tournament until the date of the tournament at which time the Tournament Director shall assume responsibility for the event.

**21.032** The District Leader must notify in writing the FHSAA representative, athletic director and fall soccer coach of each school in his/her district of the site and time of the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the meeting. If, however, the FHSAA representative, athletic director or fall soccer coach at a given school has not received written notification from the district leader relative to the site and time of the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting, it is their responsibility to contact the District Leader for the arrangements.

**21.033** Each school in a district is required to have one voting representative present at the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting. This voting representative must be either the FHSAA Representative or Athletic Director. All decisions will be made by a majority vote of those representatives present. There can be no voting by proxy. A school that fails to have its FHSAA Representative or Athletic Director present at this meeting shall be assessed a financial penalty of \$100.00.

**21.034 AGENDA:** The following items of business must be addressed at the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting:

1. Review FHSAA rules, policies, terms and conditions governing the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series, including the FHSAA Licensing and Merchandising Policy.
2. Schedule all mandatory games between district opponents within the permissible dates. All district matches must be scheduled during this meeting. If a school does not have the appropriate representative present at the meeting, the District Leader shall schedule the district games for that school.
3. Select host school, site and determine schedule of games and number of sessions for the

District Tournament. (Note: An actual host school must be selected at this meeting and may be subsequently changed only with the permission of the Commissioner. Designating the No. 1 seed, etc., when determined, as the host school is not permitted.)

4. Review the seeding and bracketing provisions (see Item 22.023).
5. Determine team awards to be ordered.
6. Select and make arrangements for purchase of soccer balls.
7. Determine number of passes to be allowed competing teams.
8. Select officials and submit recommended list to FHSAA Office by deadline.
9. Select official timer and scorer and set their compensation.
10. Determine financial arrangements. See Item 24.031(a)(b) and (c) under financial terms.
11. Determine allocation of tickets to participating schools on an equitable basis if seating is limited.
12. Determine the amount of compensation, not to exceed \$50.00, to be paid to the Tournament Director.
13. Other business as should be addressed during this meeting.

**21.035** The FHSAA Office will mail each District Leader a form on which to record the decisions made during the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting. The report form, as well as the minutes of the meeting and other applicable attachments, must be completed and returned to the FHSAA Office immediately after the meeting is concluded. A copy also should be mailed to each school in the district.

## **22.000 – State Series Structure**

### **22.010 LEVELS**

The FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series shall be conducted as a series of successive tournaments designated respectively – District, Regional and Florida Finals (see Appendix E for sample bracket).

### **22.020 DISTRICT TOURNAMENTS**

**22.021 Dates and Time Schedule:** District Tournaments shall be held during Week 17 (Oct. 28-Nov. 1, 2002). The championship game shall be played on Friday, Nov. 1. Otherwise, each respective district will determine its own dates of competition and time schedule at the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting. See Appendix F for suggested pregame format.

**22.022 Site:** The site of each District Tournament will be determined at the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting.

**22.023 Seeding and Bracketing:** Each school in a district shall be seeded and placed on the bracket for its District Tournament according to the following provisions:

(a) Each school shall be seeded based on the district points it accumulates in the two games played against all district opponents during the regular season. Three (3) points shall be awarded for each victory over a district opponent. One (1) point shall be awarded for each tie with a district opponent. The school with the most district points shall be seeded No. 1; the school with the second-most district points shall be seeded No. 2; etc.

(b) In the event two or more schools within the district are unable to play the required two district games due to inclement weather or other unforeseen and unavoidable situations which are deemed acceptable by the Commissioner, all schools within that district shall be seeded according to the average of district points accumulated. The school with the highest average district points shall be seeded No. 1; the school with the second-highest average district points shall be seeded No. 2, etc.

(c) Two-Schools Tied: When two schools are tied for a seed, the following procedure shall be used (in the following order until the tie is broken):

- (1) Won-loss results of head-to-head competition between the two schools;

- (2) District points earned by the two schools versus the highest-seeded school (and proceeding through the lowest seeded school, if necessary);
- (3) Number of district points earned on the road in district games;
- (4) Number of district points earned at home in district games;
- (5) Overall average points (in all games played, both district and non-district); and
- (6) Coin toss by the District Leader.

(d) Three (or more)-Schools Tied: When three or more schools are tied for a seed, the following procedure shall be used (in the following order until the tie is broken):

- (1) Total district points earned in games played among the tied schools;
- (2) District points earned by the tied schools versus the highest-seeded school (and proceeding through the lowest seeded school, if necessary);
- (3) Number of district points earned on the road in district games;
- (4) Number of district points earned at home in district games;
- (5) Overall average points (in all games played, both district and non-district); and
- (6) Draw by the District Leader.

Once the three-or-more-way tie has been reduced to two schools, the two-school tiebreaker formula shall be used.

(e) A single-elimination, standard progression bracket shall be used. The Nos. 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13 and 16 seeds shall be placed in the upper half of the bracket and the Nos. 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14 and 15 seeds shall be placed in the lower half of the bracket. Byes, if any, shall be awarded to the higher seeded schools. The school on the top line of the bracket in each tournament game shall be designated the home school for that game.

(f) Each school in the district shall report by phone to the District Leader its final district win-loss record and district points earned not later than 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 21. Only games played prior to this date may be reported. The District Leader shall seed the schools, place the schools on the bracket according to their seed, and assign games dates and times in accordance with the provisions herein and the arrangements agreed upon during the District Tournament Planning/Scheduling Meeting. A copy of the finalized bracket shall then be faxed by the District Leader to all schools in the district as well as to the FHSAA Office.

## **22.030 REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS**

**22.031 Complexes:** Competition will be conducted in four regional complexes in each classification. Districts 1 through 4 will comprise the Region 1 complex, Districts 5 through 8 the Region 2 complex, Districts 9-12 the Region 3 complex, and Districts 13-16 the Region 4 complex. One tournament will be conducted in each complex.

**22.032 Dates and Time Schedule:** Regional Tournaments shall be played during Weeks 18 and 19 on the following dates:

- Quarterfinals – Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2002;
- Semifinals – Friday, Nov. 8, 2002; and
- Championship – Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2002.

Game times will be determined by the principal of the host school. See Appendix F for suggested pregame format.

**22.033 Bracketing and Sites:** One of the competing schools shall serve as the host school for Regional Tournament quarterfinal, semifinal and championship games. The host school shall be designated by the FHSAA as follows:

- (a) In the quarterfinals, the champion of odd-numbered districts will host the runners-up from their neighboring even-numbered districts, and vice versa.
- (b) In the regional semifinals, school on the **bottom line** of the bracket in each game shall be designated the host school, except that when a district champion plays a district runner-up, the district champion always shall be designated the host school.
- (c) In the regional finals, the school on the **bottom line** of the bracket in each game shall

be designated the host school. If, however, the school on the bottom line of the bracket served as a host school in the regional semifinals and the school on the top line of the bracket was a visitor in the regional semifinals, the school on the top line of the bracket will be designated the host school for the regional final. In any case, when a district champion plays a district runner-up, the district champion always shall be designated the host school.

(d) Determination of a host school using this criteria is not absolute. In all cases, the FHSAA Office reserves the right to select an alternate site.

## **22.040 FLORIDA FINALS**

**22.041 Date and Site:** The Florida Finals shall be played on Friday and Saturday of Week 19 (Nov. 15 & 16, 2002) at a site to be determined by the FHSAA Office once all four Regional Tournament champions have been declared. Denarvise Thornton, FHSAA administrator for fall soccer, will be the Tournament Director.



**22.042 Schedule:** The two semifinal games will be played on Friday, Nov. 15 with the winners of the semifinal games advancing to the state championship game on Saturday, Nov. 16. The exact game times will be announced by the FHSAA Office once the tournament site has been selected. A meeting of the head coaches of both participating teams and the game officials will take place at the tournament site 30 minutes prior to the start of each game.

**22.043 Bracketing:** In establishing the competitive rotation of the bracket, Regions 2, 3 and 4 rotate clockwise against the stationary Region 1. The rotation for the next three years is as follows:

- 2002-03 – Region 1 vs. Region 2; Region 3 vs. Region 4
- 2003-04 – Region 1 vs. Region 3; Region 2 vs. Region 4
- 2004-05 – Region 1 vs. Region 4; Region 2 vs. Region 3

**22.044 Home Team:** The Region 2 Champion and the Region 4 Champion shall be the home team in each semifinal game. The school on the bottom line of the bracket shall be the home team for the state championship game.

## **22.050 ADVANCEMENT OF WINNERS**

**22.051 District to Regional:** The champion and runner-up from each of the 16 District Tournaments shall advance to one of the four Regional Tournaments in each classification to which they are assigned.

**22.052 Regional to Florida Finals:** The champion from each of the four Regional Tournaments in each classification shall advance to the Florida Finals.

## **22.060 FORFEITURES AND VACATIONS OF BRACKETS, STANDINGS**

**22.061** Individuals or teams that are eliminated from FHSAA 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 FHSAA State Series competition from which they were eliminated by defeat.

**22.062** If championships or other placements in FHSAA 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.

## 23.000 – Local Management

### 23.010 DESIGNATION OF LOCAL DIRECTOR

The FHSAA representative of the host school will be the Local Director for the tournament in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series which his/her school is hosting. He/she will be responsible for making the necessary preparations to host the match and for the filing of necessary reports to the FHSAA Office upon conclusion of the meet as per FHSAA policy.

### 23.020 REPORTING RESULTS AND ARRANGEMENTS

**23.021** The Local Director of each Regional Tournament game must report to the FHSAA Office at the conclusion of the game, but not later than 9 a.m. EST on the day following the game, the score of the game that his/her school hosted, the updated win-loss records of both teams and arrangements for the subsequent game in the tournament if his/her school expects to host. This report may be made online via iFHSAA (the Association's new interactive online database), by e-mail to "scfscores@fhsaa.org", by faxing the "FHSAA State Series Contest Results and/or Arrangements Report Form" (Form AT8) to **(352) 372-9086**, or by calling (352) 372-9551 and following the instructions of the automated attendant. All required information must be provided regardless of the manner in which the report is filed.

**23.022** If the host school for a subsequent round game is not the host of the preceding round game and is therefore not required to report the results of said match as prescribed in 23.021, a representative of that school still must report to the FHSAA Office not later than 9 a.m. EST on the day following the previous game, the arrangements for the subsequent game his/her school will host. This report may be made online via iFHSAA (the Association's new interactive online database), by e-mail to "scfscores@fhsaa.org", by faxing the "FHSAA State Series Contest Results and/or Arrangements Report Form" (Form AT8) to **(352) 372-9086**, or by calling (352) 372-9551 and following the instructions of the automated attendant. All required information must be provided regardless of the manner in which the report is filed.

## 24.000 – Financial Terms

### 24.010 ADMISSION PRICES

**24.011** The Board of Directors has established the following admission prices for the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series:

- District Tournament – \$5.00 per session
- Regional Tournament – \$6.00 per day
- Florida Finals – \$7.00 per session

**24.012** The admission price as stated in 24.011 shall be charged by the host school for the tournament(s) in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series for which it serves as host unless waived in writing by the Associate Commissioner for Athletic Operations in **advance** of the tournament.

### 24.020 TICKETS

**24.021 Required:** 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.

**24.022 District and Regional Tournaments:** The Local Manager must furnish the tickets to be sold for admission to the District Tournament or Regional Tournament game

which his/her school hosts.

**24.023 Florida Finals:** The host school/organization will furnish the tickets to be sold for the Florida Finals.

### **24.030 DIVISION OF RECEIPTS**

**24.031 District Tournaments and Regional Tournament Games:** (a) Each District Tournament and Regional Tournament game shall be financially independent. The gross gate receipts of each District Tournament and each Regional Tournament game shall be divided as follows:

- 55 percent to the host school
- 30 percent to the visiting school(s)
- 15 percent to the FHSAA

If, however, a District Tournament or Regional Tournament game 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.

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

(c) If a District Tournament or Regional Tournament game shows a net loss on the financial report form, the FHSAA shall compensate the host school up to \$250 for the loss, subject to the following provisions:

1. The host school must charge the full admission price established in 24.011;
2. 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 in 24.021;
3. The host school must file a financial report form for the meet within 21 calendar days of the completion of the meet as stipulated in 24.031(f);
4. The host school must submit with the financial report form the “FHSAA State Series Contest Pass Gate Sign-In Form(s)” (Form AT9) as stipulated in 25.020; and
5. The host school must be in compliance with all policies for the event.

(d) By unanimous vote of those representatives present at the District Tournament Planning Meeting the terms of Item 21.031(a)(b) and (c) may be set aside and the net profit, less the 15 percent share due the FHSAA, or net loss greater than \$250 incurred by a District Tournament, pro-rated among participating schools. If the vote is not unanimous, the terms of Item 21.031(a)(b) and (c) must be followed.

(e) Each school participating in a District Tournament and/or Regional Tournament game will be responsible to pay any and all expenses related to its team. Neither the FHSAA nor the host school will assume responsibility for any participating school expenses of any kind other than the payment of the percentage of gross gate receipts as stipulated above.

(f) The appropriate “FHSAA State Series Financial Report Form” (Forms FN3 & FN4) 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 District Tournament or Regional Game/Tournament. 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. See Appendix C for “Guidelines on Filing of Financial Reports and Payment of Revenue Shares.”

**23.032 Florida Finals:** In the Florida Finals, when net profits after expenses allow, the FHSAA will pay each school an amount based upon its mileage from the tournament center as follows:

<b>Round Trip Distance in Miles</b>	<b>Flat Rate</b>	<b>Mileage Allowance</b>
0-300	\$1,000.00	\$1.00/mile
301-600	\$1,500.00	\$1.00/mile
601-over	\$2,000.00	\$1.00/mile

(a) Neither the FHSAA nor the host site will assume responsibility for any other team expenses of any kind except for those expenses specified above.

(b) When net profits after expenses do not allow for the payment of the above schedule, participating teams will divide 50 percent of the net profit in mileage and 50 percent of the net profit on a share-per-games-played basis. 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 Florida Finals does not show a net profit after expenses.

## **25.000 – State Series Rules and Policies**

### **25.010 ADHERENCE TO, ENFORCEMENT OF RULES, POLICIES**

**25.011** Participating schools shall adhere to all regulations and policies governing the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

**25.012** The determination of the host school for each tournament/match shall be conditioned in part on the school’s willingness to comply with and enforce regulations and policies governing the contest. 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.

**25.012** It is the responsibility of the host school to ensure that an atmosphere of neutrality is maintained in all games held as part of the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. Such matches are not “home games” for the host schools. Special festivities held as part of, or in conjunction with, regular season home games (i.e., pregame activities designed to rally support for the home team or give special recognition to members of the home team) are not permitted during the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

### **25.020 SQUADS**

**25.021 Player Limit:** Each school participating in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series shall be allowed a maximum of 22 players in uniform for each tournament game. Uniformed players, coaches and team managers will be admitted to FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series contests free of charge.

**25.022 Florida Finals:** The number of field passes for participating teams shall not exceed the number of uniformed players plus eight (8) to be used by coaches, managers, statisticians, trainers, medical personnel, administrators, etc.

### **25.030 PASSES**

FHSAA State Series Passes, FHSAA Lifetime Passes, FHSAA Student SID Identification Cards and legitimate news media credentials ONLY will be honored at District Tournaments, Regional Tournament Games and the Florida Finals. All individuals who gain admittance to a State Series event using a pass must record their name, signature and type of pass used on the “FHSAA State Series Contest Pass Gate Sign-In Log” (Form AT9). This pass log must be submitted to the FHSAA Office with the financial report.

### **25.040 PREGAME WARM-UP PERIOD**

A pregame warm-up period of 20 minutes will be permitted prior to each game in the

### **25.050 CHEERLEADERS**

Cheerleaders from participating schools in uniform, along with their adult sponsors, will be admitted free of charge to all matches in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. The number of cheerleaders permitted will be the same as the number who cheered for varsity games during the regular season.

### **25.060 BANDS**

Bands will not be permitted to play at matches in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

### **25.070 SIGNS AND/OR BANNERS**

The display of signs, banners, placards or similar items at games in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series is permitted, provided:

- (a) They are in good taste and reflect good sportsmanship in their message and use;
- (b) 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;
- (c) They are not displayed on the court, or in a manner which interferes with play;
- (d) They do not obstruct the view of participants or spectators; and
- (e) They are not safety hazards.

### **25.080 NOISEMAKERS**

Whistles, or noisemakers of any kind that mimic the sound of a whistle, are prohibited at games in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

### **25.090 GAME BALL**

**25.091 District Tournaments, Regional Tournament Games:** The host school will supply legal game soccer balls which must be approved by the game referees.

**25.092 Florida Finals:** The Brine NCAA Championship Soccer Ball (model no. BC105) is the official ball of the FHSAA Florida Fall Soccer Finals. The use of this ball by all participating teams in each game of the Florida Finals is mandatory. The FHSAA will provide the actual balls to be used in each game.

### **24.100 TIE GAMES**

All FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series games must be played to completion. Tie games will be resolved in accordance with the procedure outlined in Regulation 10.050.

### **25.110 FAILURE TO APPEAR**

In the event a team fails to appear at the tournament or game site to play at the scheduled time for its game, the game shall be declared forfeited to the team's opponent, and that team will advance to the next round of the tournament. 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 Director in consultation with the FHSAA Office to make adjustments, if possible, in the starting time of the game to accommodate the absent team.

### **25.120 SOUVENIR PROGRAMS**

**25.121 District Tournaments and Regional Tournament Matches:** All host schools of District Tournaments and Regional Tournament games that produce an official program must display on the program cover both the "FHSAA Soccer" logo and "Sport

the “Tude!” sportsmanship logo, which may be downloaded from the FHSAA web site ([www.fhsaa.org](http://www.fhsaa.org)). If the program cover is preprinted, the logo must be displayed prominently inside or on the team roster inserts.

**25.122 Florida Finals:** The host school/organization will produce the official souvenir program for the FHSAA Florida Fall Soccer Finals and will retain all proceeds from its sale.

### **25.130 LICENSING AND MERCHANDISING**

**25.131** The FHSAA owns or controls all rights and interests in its name, logos, trademarks and service marks, whether registered or unregistered, including the “FHSAA Soccer” logo and the official event logo for the “2002 FHSAA Florida Fall Soccer Finals.” The sale of items bearing any of these marks by a member school or organization without the written consent of the FHSAA is prohibited.

**25.132** 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 FHSAA State Series; host schools/organizations are required to sell items provided by the official FHSAA event souvenir merchandiser.

**25.133** The official FHSAA event souvenir merchandiser is Team IP Sportswear, Inc., of Port St. Lucie. They may be reached at (877) 821-8643. Team IP has been awarded exclusive souvenir merchandising rights to all FHSAA State Series events on the district, regional and state levels in all sports. A host school/organization that desires to sell souvenir merchandise at an FHSAA State Series event must purchase such merchandise from Team IP. No other vendor shall be permitted to produce such merchandise. Team IP shall have the right to go on-property and sell souvenir merchandise at the site of any FHSAA State Series event. The host school/organization of an FHSAA State Series event shall grant Team IP access to its property for the event.

**25.134** The host school/organization of an FHSAA 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 FHSAA State Series event.

### **25.140 PUBLIC-ADDRESS ANNOUNCER AND PROMOTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**25.141** The public-address announcer shall be considered a bench official for all matches played as part of the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. As such he/she shall maintain complete neutrality at all times. See Appendix G for guidelines.

**25.142** Announcements promoting the FHSAA and its interscholastic programs must be read over the public-address system, if available, prior to and during all matches in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. See Appendix H for the appropriate script.

### **25.150 PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE**

Teams that advance to the Florida Finals shall not be allowed practice time on the field at the site of the Florida Finals other than the 20-minute pregame warm-up. An exception shall be made for the host school, if the tournament is to be played on its home field, to practice on the field as it normally would.

### **25.160 ALL-STAR TEAMS**

No employee of the FHSAA may influence in any way the selection of any all-star or all-tournament team.

### **25.170 FILM AND VIDEOTAPING**

The provisions of Section 14.000 shall be strictly enforced during the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. It is recommended that opposing teams cooperate in a timely exchange of match films.

### **25.180 UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT**

**25.181** The provisions of Section 11.000, including suspensions for players and coaches who are disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct, shall be strictly enforced during the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

**25.182** Unethical and unsportsmanlike conduct by competitors, coaches and spectators shall not be tolerated at matches in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series. Each participating school shall be held strictly accountable for unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of its competitors, coaches and spectators at the tournament site, hotels and elsewhere.

**25.183** If contestants or people from any school entered in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series 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.

### **25.190 UNIFORMED SECURITY**

The Local Director for District Tournaments, Regional Tournament matches and the Florida Finals is responsible for providing proper uniformed security at the tournament or game which his/her school is hosting.

## **26.000 – Media Requirements**

### **26.010 CREDENTIALS AND SEATING**

**26.011** Space must be set aside to provide for news media representatives covering a match in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series whether they be from newspapers, radio stations, commercial television stations and/or cable television stations.

**26.012** News media representatives covering a District Tournament or Regional Tournament game must be admitted free of charge to the facility upon presentation of proper news media identification.

**26.013** News media representatives planning to cover the Florida Finals must secure credentials as instructed by the FHSAA Office, according to the FHSAA Policy on Media Credentials. Requests for credentials should be submitted to the FHSAA Office not later than 5 p.m. EST Monday of the week of the Florida Finals. Only those representatives requesting credentials by the deadline will be guaranteed seating and informational materials at the tournament.

**26.014** Reporting information to the news media and/or the FHSAA Office, as stipulated in instructions to Local Directors, will be the responsibility of the Local Director and is required.

### **26.020 MEDIA RIGHTS**

**26.021** Radio broadcasts, telecasts, cablecasts and webcasts of contests in the FHSAA State Series are governed by the FHSAA Broadcast Policy. Such broadcasts, telecasts, cablecasts and webcasts must be approved by the FHSAA Office.

**26.022** Radio, TV and internet outlets must submit the “Application for Media Rights to FHSAA State Series Event” (Form AT10) to the FHSAA Office by 3 p.m. EST on the

business day preceding the game to be broadcast, telecast, or cablecast to avoid a \$25.00 late filing fee.

**26.023** 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. Rights fees must be paid by company check made payable to “FHSAA” and mailed directly to the FHSAA Office within 30 days of the match. 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 future contests.

(a) The FHSAA Radio Network owns exclusive rights to the radio broadcast of all FHSAA Florida Fall Soccer Finals state championship games.

(b) Sunshine Network owns exclusive rights to the telecast and cablecast of all FHSAA Florida Fall Soccer Finals state championship games.

(c) iHigh Inc. owns exclusive rights to the webcast of all contests in the FHSAA State Series.

**26.024** Approval of radio broadcasts, telecasts and cablecasts of FHSAA State Series contests by the FHSAA Office are final. The FHSAA Office shall fax to the host school of an FHSAA State Series contest a copy of the approved media rights agreement. A school shall not permit the radio broadcast, telecast or cablecast of an FHSAA State Series contest for which it is serving as host that has not been approved by the FHSAA Office.

### **26.030 POSTGAME INTERVIEWS**

**26.031 District Tournaments, Regional Tournament Games:** (a) The host school should cooperate with news media representatives in providing them access to a work area and telephone following games in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series so that they can file their report on the contest.

(b) The head coach of each competing team is encouraged to cooperate with the news media by participating in interviews as quickly as possible following the conclusion of the contest and providing game statistics if available.

**26.032 Florida Finals:** (a) Postgame Press Conference: The host site must designate a room or area secluded from the general public for a postgame press conference involving the head coach and up to five players from each team participating in the just-concluded game. Participation by the head coach in the postgame press conference is mandatory. Participation by athletes is voluntary and at the discretion of the head coach. The procedure for each press conference will be as follows: 1) a five-minute “cooling off” period will precede the start of the press conference; 2) the first head coach and athletes to appear will be from the losing team and will take questions for approximately five minutes; 3) the second head coach and athletes to appear will be from the winning team and will take questions for approximately 10 minutes. The interview session for each team must be conducted as expeditiously as possible so that the coaches may tend to responsibilities to their athletes or to the requirement that they vacate dressing rooms. Both the head coach and athletes may agree to supplemental one-on-one interviews, at their discretion, following their press conference.

(b) Awards Ceremony: News media representatives must remain off the field and no interviews may take place during the awards ceremony following the championship game.

(c) Lockerrooms closed: The FHSAA operates under a closed lockerroom policy at all Florida Finals events. At no time will news media representatives be granted access to lockerrooms or dressing rooms at any state championship event.

## 27.000 – Awards

### 27.010 TEAM AWARDS

**27.011 District Tournaments:** Trophies are available for awarding to the champion and runner-up teams, and may be purchased from the FHSAA's authorized vendor by the host school or district as an expense of the tournament as determined by those school representatives present at the District Tournament Planning Meeting, or individually by the champion and runner-up schools. There shall be no other team awards presented by outside organizations or individuals.

**27.012 Regional Tournaments:** Trophies are available for purchase by the champion and runner-up schools from the FHSAA's authorized vendor. There shall be no other team awards presented by outside organizations or individuals.

**27.013 Florida Finals:** Trophies will be awarded to the champion and runner-up in the Florida Finals. There shall be no other team awards presented by outside organizations or individuals.

**27.014 FHSAA Authorized Vendor:** Trophies for champion and runner-up teams in District and Regional Tournaments 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.

### 27.020 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

**27.021 District and Regional Tournaments:** No individual awards will be given at District or Regional Tournaments.

**27.022 Florida Finals:** Medallions will be presented to members of the champion and runner-up teams at the Florida Finals. A total of 20 medallions will be ordered for presentation to teams in the championship game. Schools may purchase additional medallions by contacting the FHSAA Office. There shall be no other awards presented to any individual by any organization or individual at the Florida Finals.

## 28.000 – Officials

### 28.010 ASSIGNMENT

**28.011 District Tournaments:** Officials for each District Tournament shall be selected by the school representatives present at the District Tournament Planning Meeting. A crew of three officials (one referee and two assistant referees) shall be assigned to each game. The District Leader will contract with the appropriate local officials association for those officials selected by his district. The decisions of the officials shall be final. No protests shall be allowed.

**28.012 Regional Tournaments:** Officials for Regional Tournament games shall be assigned by the FHSAA Office. A crew of three officials (one referee and two assistant referees) shall be assigned to each game. The decisions of the officials shall be final. No protests shall be allowed.

**28.013 Florida Finals:** Officials for the Florida Finals shall be assigned by the FHSAA Office. A crew of three officials (one referee and two assistant referees) shall be assigned to each game. The decisions of the officials shall be final. No protests shall be allowed.

### 28.020 PAYMENT

**28.021 District Tournaments:** The host school for each District Tournament will be responsible for paying game officials from the total revenue of the tournament according to the financial terms stipulated in Item 24.030 of these regulations. Checks in payment

of officials' fees and expenses must be issued to the local officials association to which the officials belong.

**28.021 Regional Tournaments:** The host school for each Regional Tournament game will be responsible for paying game officials from the total revenue of the game according to the financial terms stipulated in Item 24.030 of these regulations. Checks in payment of officials' fees and expenses must be issued to the local officials association to which the officials belong. The FHSAA Office will notify each host school in advance of the total amount of fees due and the name of the local officials association to which the check is to be issued.

**28.022 Florida Finals:** The FHSAA Office will be responsible for paying game officials assigned to work the Florida Finals.

### **28.030 FEES**

**28.031** The fees to be paid officials for games in the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series are as follows:

- District Tournaments: \$42.00 referee; \$32.00 per asst. referee
- Regional Tournaments: \$44.00 referee; \$34.00 per asst. referee
- Florida Finals: \$49.00 referee; \$39.00 per assistant referee

**28.032** Fifty (50) cents per mile one way, one vehicle, is the maximum mileage rate.

# 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 successfully completed the eighth grade for the first time more than four school years ago. If the student is a sixth-grader, seventh-grader or eighth-grader, 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, 2002 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 Application for Sanction of Interstate/International Event 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:** The application for sanction (Form AT3 for interstate sanction; Form AT4 for international 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 school’s processing fee of \$75, check or money order, per application made payable to the NFHS. (Do not send cash.) The sanction must be received in the NFHS office sixty (60) calendar days or more prior to the event. The late fee for any event that arrives in the NFHS office 15-59 calendar days prior to the event will be \$25 for a total of \$100. If the event arrives in the NFHS office less than 15 calendar days prior to the event, the late fee will be \$125 for a total application fee of \$200. If the NFHS does not receive the late fees within ten (10) days, the event will not be sanctioned, and the meet director will be notified they are running a non-sanctioned event.

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](http://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 Standard 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 Report and Payment of Revenue Shares**

### **WHO MUST FILE?**

Financial Report forms must be filed by the host for all regular season events for which you are required to file a sanction with the FHSAA. Financial Report forms must be filed even if there was no revenue from the event. Forms are not filed in the sports of tennis and golf.

Financial Report forms must be filed for all FHSAA State Series contests hosted by your school.

### **WHERE DO I LOCATE FORMS AND WHAT DO I ATTACH?**

Forms are located in the FHSAA Forms Book and on the FHSAA web site. Please photocopy originals in the Forms Book if more than one form is needed during the sports season.

For district and regional events, the FHSAA State Series Contest Pass Gate Sign-In Form (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 per report.

### **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 shall be \$4. The host school may request approval for an increase in the \$4 minimum. **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 Associate Commissioner for Athletic Operations **in advance** of the event.

### **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 \$250 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 \$250: no disbursement to FHSAA; no disbursement to visitor(s); will receive reimbursement from FHSAA for \$250.

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 Sign-In 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

## 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series

### District Assignments

(x – denotes district leader)

#### Single Class

70 schools

#### REGION 1 (19 schools)

##### DISTRICT 1 (4 schools)

East Hill Christian (Pensacola)  
Maclay (Tallahassee)  
Malone – X  
Rocky Bayou Christian (Niceville)

##### DISTRICT 2 (6 schools)

Countryside Christian (Gainesville)  
First Coast Christian (Jacksonville)  
Oak Hall (Gainesville) – X  
Orange Park Christian  
The Rock (Gainesville)  
St. Johns Country Day (Orange Park)

##### DISTRICT 3 (4 schools)

Central Florida Christian (Ocoee)  
Montverde  
Mount Dora Bible – X  
Seven Rivers Christian (Lecanto)

##### DISTRICT 4 (5 schools)

Altamonte Christian  
Calvary Christian (Ormond Beach)  
Lake Mary Prep – X  
PACE-Brantley Hall (Longwood)  
Trinity Christian (Deltona)

#### REGION 2 (18 schools)

##### DISTRICT 5 (4 schools)

Lakeland Christian  
Seminole Presbyterian (Tampa) – X  
Tampa Baptist  
Vanguard (Lake Wales)

##### DISTRICT 6 (5 schools)

Bayshore Christian (Tampa)  
Calvary Christian (Clearwater)  
Canterbury (St. Petersburg)  
Lakeside Christian (Clearwater) – X

Pinellas Christian Home School  
(Clearwater)

##### DISTRICT 7 (5 schools)

Bradenton Christian  
Manatee HEAT (Bradenton)  
Out-of-Door Academy (Sarasota)  
St. Stephen's Episcopal (Bradenton)  
Sarasota Christian – X

##### DISTRICT 8 (4 schools)

Canterbury (Fort Myers)  
Community School of Naples  
Heritage Christian (Englewood)  
Southwest Florida Christian (Fort Myers) – X

#### REGION 3 (17 schools)

##### DISTRICT 9 (5 schools)

Circle Christian (Orlando)  
Faith Christian (Orlando)  
Orlando Christian Prep  
Orlando Lutheran  
Pine Castle Christian (Orlando) – X

##### DISTRICT 10 (4 schools)

Brevard Christian (West Melbourne)  
Celebration  
Covenant Christian (Palm Bay) – X  
West Shore (Melbourne)

##### DISTRICT 11 (4 schools)

Berean Christian (West Palm Beach)  
Community Christian (Stuart) – X  
Dreyfoos (West Palm Beach)  
Morningside Academy (Port St. Lucie)

##### DISTRICT 12 (4 schools)

Boca Raton Prep  
Lake Worth Christian (Boynton Beach) – X  
Summit Christian (West Palm Beach)  
Wellington Christian

#### REGION 4 (16 schools)

##### DISTRICT 13 (5 schools)

Florida Bible Chr. (Miramar) – X  
Posnack Jewish (Plantation)  
Sagemont (Weston)  
Sheridan Hills Christian (Hollywood)  
University (Davie)

##### DISTRICT 14 (4 schools)

Greater Miami Academy – X  
Hillel (North Miami Beach)  
Horeb Christian  
Miami Christian

##### DISTRICT 15 (4 schools)

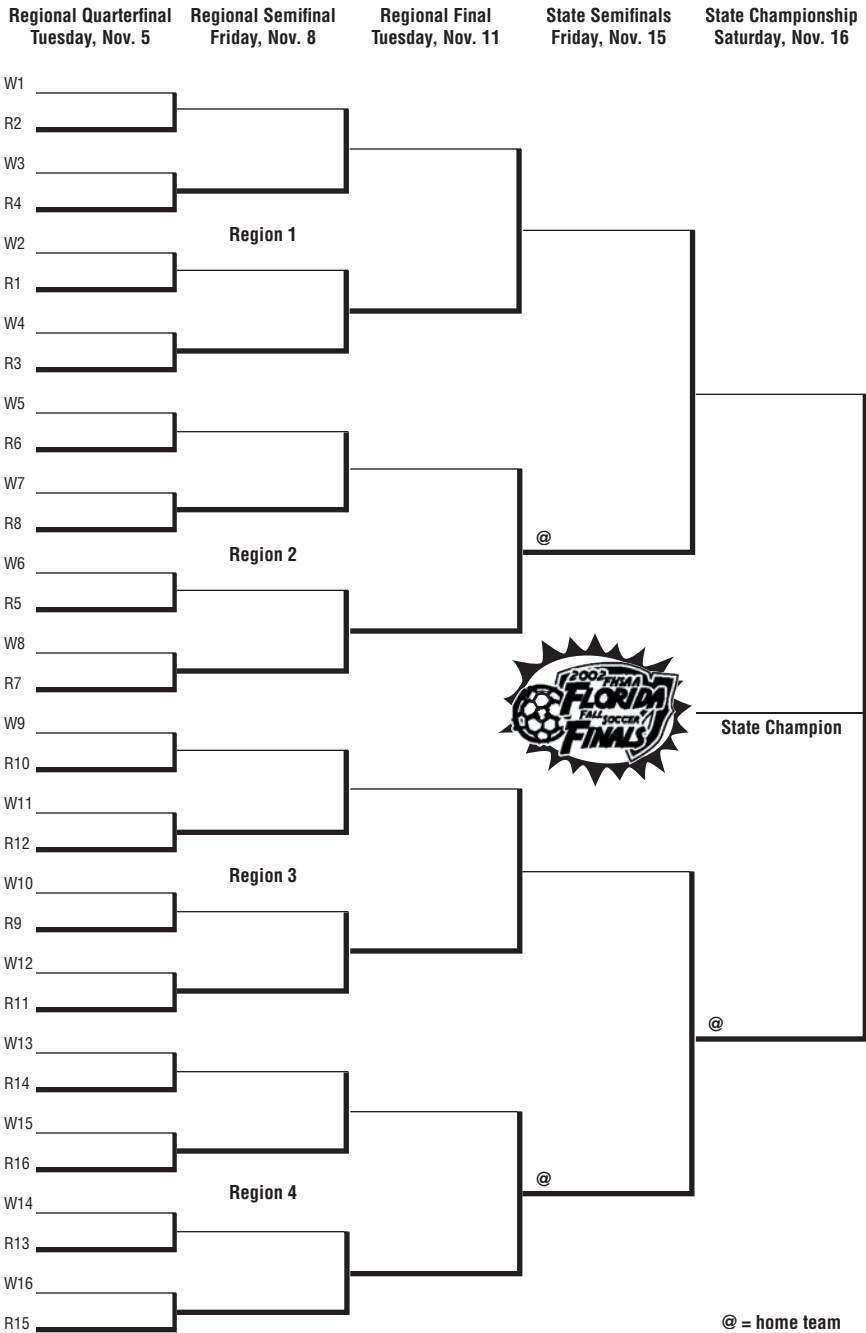
Brito Miami Private  
Holy Cross (Miami)  
St. Brendan (Miami)  
Westwood Christian (Miami) – X

##### DISTRICT 16 (3 schools)

Colonial Christian (Homestead)  
Island Christian (Islamorada)  
Princeton Christian – X

# Appendix E

## 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series Bracket



@ = home team

# Appendix F

## 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series

### Suggested Pregame Format

The following format is suggested for pregame festivities in District Tournaments and Regional Tournament matches held as part of the FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series.

#### FIRST GAME OF SESSION

<b>Game Clock</b>	<b>Description</b>
35:00	Teams may begin warm-up.
20:00	Captains and officials meet.
15:00	Teams report to sidelines.
12:00	Teams and officials proceed together in line to midfield.
11:00	National Anthem.
8:00	Introduction of players, coaches and officials. As the individual's name is called, he/she should take one step forward, then step back into line. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Visiting team" non-starters, then starters, then head coach.</li> <li>2. "Home team" non-starters, then starters, then head coach.</li> <li>3. Officials.</li> </ol>
2:00	Team introductions end; final preparation.
0:00	Reset clock to 40:00; game begins.

#### SECOND GAME OF SESSION (if applicable)

<b>Game Clock</b>	<b>Description</b>
32:00	Teams may begin warm-up.
17:00	Captains and officials meet.
12:00	Teams report to sidelines.
9:00	Teams and officials proceed together in line to midfield.
8:00	Introduction of players, coaches and officials. As the individual's name is called, he/she should take one step forward, then step back into line. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Visiting team" non-starters, then starters, then head coach.</li> <li>2. "Home team" non-starters, then starters, then head coach.</li> <li>3. Officials.</li> </ol>
2:00	Team introductions end; final preparation.
0:00	Reset clock to 40:00; game begins.

# **Appendix G**

## **FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series**

### **Guidelines for Public-Address Announcers**

The public-address announcer plays a vital role in the conduct of any high school athletic event. In many cases he/she sets the tone for the event among spectators and can either contribute to or detract from the sportsmanship shown by fans, and even competitors. The duty of the public-address announcer is to fairly and accurately communicate the necessary information to enhance the enjoyment of the contest for both the home team and visiting team fans. It is not the responsibility of the public-address announcer to entertain those in attendance at the event. The FHSAA has established these guidelines to be followed by public-address announcers during FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series games.

1. The public-address announcer is an official of the game and must maintain complete neutrality before, during and after the game that he/she is announcing. Cheerleading for the home team is not permitted. It is assumed that encouraging fans to cheer is the responsibility of someone other than the public-address announcer.

2. The public-address announcer shall keep his comments positive and sportsmanlike. At no time shall a public-address announcer make any comments of a negative or derogatory nature about the visiting team (i.e., its players, coaches, fans, school or community) or game officials. Nor shall a public-address announcer make any comments that may incite spectators to engage in unsportsmanlike behavior.

3. Only those announcements provided by the FHSAA and the host school management shall be read before, during and after the game. Announcements recognizing local supporters of and contributors to the host school's athletic program, as well as promotional announcements for upcoming events sponsored by the host school are permitted.

4. The public-address announcer shall introduce the starters/players and head coaches for both participating teams with equal enthusiasm. No special emphasis shall be placed on the introduction of starters/players and coaches for the home team.

5. The public-address announcer shall announce information that will assist spectators in following the contest, without describing play-by-play or offering color commentary. Such information may include announcing the name of the player making a play and the result [i.e., "Goal by Smith" or "Save by Jones"]; announcing a penalty and the result; and substitutions. The public-address announcer must never call attention to details during the game that might give one team a strategic advantage. Finally, whatever information the public-address announcer chooses to announce, he/she must announce for both teams.

6. The public-address announcer must be prepared to make the following announcement at the first sign of unsportsmanlike behavior by spectators:

"The FHSAA promotes good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial or sexist comments, or other intimidating actions directed at officials, student-athletes, coaches, team representatives or spectators will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site of competition."

# Appendix H

## 2002 FHSAA State Fall Soccer Series

### Public-Address Script

#### **Prematch Welcome and Festivities**

GOOD [AFTERNOON/EVENING] HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL FANS. (Name of host school) WELCOMES YOU TO (name of facility) FOR (district/regional) TOURNAMENT COMPETITION IN THE 2002 F-H-S-A-A STATE FALL SOCCER SERIES.

THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION AND THE STUDENTS OF (host school) WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT INTERSCHOLASTIC EVENTS ARE AN EXTENSION OF THE CLASSROOM, AND THAT LESSONS ARE BEST LEARNED WHEN PROPER RESPECT IS ACCORDED TO ALL. PLEASE, LET YOUR GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP SHOW AS YOU WATCH [TODAY'S/TONIGHT'S] GAME, AND DON'T FORGET TO "SPORT THE 'TUDE!"

WE NOW ASK THAT YOU STAND AND JOIN US AS WE HONOR AMERICA WITH THE PLAYING OF OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM, PERFORMED [TODAY/TONIGHT] BY (name of performer if performed live).

*(National Anthem is performed)*

[TODAY'S/TONIGHT'S] GAME IS A [DISTRICT/REGIONAL] TOURNAMENT [FIRST ROUND/QUARTERFINAL/SEMIFINAL/CHAMPIONSHIP] CONTEST BETWEEN THE (visiting school & nickname) AND THE (home school & nickname).

LET'S MEET THE TEAMS. FIRST, FOR (visiting team) WITH A RECORD OF \_\_\_ WINS AND \_\_\_ LOSSES: (Name the visiting team players, non-starters first name and number only , then the 11 visiting team starters, give position, height, class, number and name). THE (visiting team nickname) ARE COACHED BY (name of head coach) IN [HIS/HER] (number) YEAR.

NOW, FOR (home team) WITH A RECORD OF \_\_\_ WINS AND \_\_\_ LOSSES: (Name the home team players, non-starters first name and number only , then the 11 visiting team starters, give position, height, class, number and name). THE (home team nickname) ARE COACHED BY (name of head coach) IN [HIS/HER] (number) YEAR.

THE OFFICIALS FOR [TODAY'S/TONIGHT'S] GAME, AS ASSIGNED BY THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION, ARE FROM THE (name of officials association in city). THEY ARE (read positions and names for each official).

*(Proceed with call of game.)*

#### **FHSAA Sponsorship (read during halftime)**

[TODAY'S/TONIGHT'S] MATCH IN THE 2002 F-H-S-A-A STATE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SERIES IS SPONSORED BY THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION. THE F-H-S-A-A IS A DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION MADE UP OF MORE THAN SIX HUNDRED SIXTY MIDDLE AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS, WHICH ESTABLISHES THE REGULATIONS GOVERNING INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC COMPETITION IN FLORIDA. THESE REGULATIONS ENSURE THAT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN OUR STATE CAN COMPETE AGAINST EACH OTHER ON A FAIR AND EQUITABLE BASIS. THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION – PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES THROUGH WHICH FLORIDA'S STUDENTS LEARN BY DOING.

### **FHSAA Corporate Partners (read during halftime)**

THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ITS CORPORATE PARTNERS, WHO MAKE THE F-H-S-A-A STATE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SERIES POSSIBLE. DODGE AND YOUR FLORIDA DODGE DEALERS; GRAB LIFE BY THE HORNS. THE UNITED STATES MARINES; THE FEW. THE PROUD. GATORADE THIRST QUENCHER; IS IT IN YOU? TECO (tee-co) PEOPLES GAS. SUNSHINE NETWORK; TELEVISION HOME OF THE 2002 F-H-S-A-A FLORIDA GIRLS VOLLEYBALL FINALS. AND SPALDING; PROVIDER OF THE OFFICIAL GAME BALL FOR THE 2002 F-H-S-A-A FLORIDA GIRLS VOLLEYBALL FINALS.

### **FHSAA Web Site**

FOR THE LATEST OFFICIAL NEWS ABOUT FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS, VISIT F-H-S-A-A DOT O-R-G, THE OFFICIAL WEB SITE OF THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION. THAT'S W-W-W DOT F-H-S-A-A DOT O-R-G!

### **FHSAA Student Officials Program**

THERE'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS TO STAY INVOLVED IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS ONCE THEIR PLAYING CAREERS ARE OVER, AND IT STARTS RIGHT NOW! AS A REGISTERED CONTEST OFFICIAL IN THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION'S STUDENT OFFICIALS PROGRAM, HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS CAN BEGIN THEIR OFFICIATING CAREERS. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, OR VISIT THE F-H-S-A-A WEB SITE AT F-H-S-A-A DOT O-R-G.

### **FHSAA Coaches Recruitment**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON YOUNG PEOPLE, AND INSTILL THE IDEALS OF CITIZENSHIP, CHARACTER, AND INTEGRITY? BECOME A HIGH SCHOOL COACH AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN EDUCATION, AND THE CLASSROOM OF INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR.

### **FHSAA Officials Recruitment**

FANS, THERE'S A NEED FOR CONTEST OFFICIALS IN ALL SPORTS IN FLORIDA. WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE THOUSANDS OF MEN AND WOMEN IN THE F-H-S-A-A OFFICIALS PROGRAM WHO PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN THE INTEGRITY OF INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED, CONTACT THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION OFFICE IN GAINESVILLE, OR VISIT THE F-H-S-A-A WEB SITE AT F-H-S-A-A DOT O-R-G.