

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



SPORTS NEWS

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BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association will hold its annual November meeting Tuesday, November 19, at the KHSAA Office in Lexington. Committee meetings will begin at 8:30 a.m., with the full Board meeting scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. The meeting will carry over to Wednesday, Nov. 20, if needed.

For a full agenda, contact the KHSAA Office.

FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS WEEK #3

The third week of the Class Football postseason is on tap this week. Among the 32 teams still alive in the class playoffs, eight enter with undefeated records (Class A – Mayfield; Class AA – Owensboro Catholic, LaRue County, Breathitt County; Class AAA – Bullitt East; Class AAAAA – Henderson County, Male, Trinity (Louisville)). Paul Dunbar's 33-21 win over Scott County snapped the Cardinals undefeated season last Friday night in Class AAAAA action.

Monday evening, game dates and times will be released on the Association website at www.khsaa.org/football.

SEMIFINAL FOOTBALL SITES

This is a reminder that per KHSAA Tournament Rules, the team from the even-numbered Region will host next weekend's State Semifinals.

EIGHT-PLAYER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Kentucky Country Day and Bethlehem will tangle in the Eight-Player State Championship scheduled for this Friday, Nov. 22 at 8 p.m. The championship will be played at Kentucky State University's Alumni Stadium in Frankfort. Tickets are on sale through the two participating schools for \$6. At the gate, tickets will be \$8. Gates will open at 7 p.m.

The match-up assures a new eight-player champion. Eminence has won the Eight-Player State Championship since it was officially sanctioned beginning in 1999 and from 1996-98 when the playoffs were approved by the KHSAA Board of Control, but not officially sanctioned. This will mark the final year eight-player is officially sanctioned as a State Championship.

CLASS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Class Championships – Ky. Fair & Exposition Center, Cardinal Stadium, Louisville.

Friday, Dec. 6

Class A, 12 p.m. (ET); Class AA, 4 p.m. (ET)

Saturday, Dec. 7

Class AAA, 12 p.m. (ET); Class AAAAA, 4 p.m. (ET).

FOOTBALL NOTES

(Taken from Member School Reports to the KHSAA)

Dustin Grutza completed 15 of 19 passes for 287 yards and three touchdowns in Mason County's 49-21 win over Lloyd Memorial. Grutza also completed two two-point conversion passes. In addition, he had 66 yards rushing and two touchdowns and nailed three PAT kicks.

Breathitt County's Justin Haddix continues to add to impressive season totals. Haddix has completed 224 of 319 passes (70.2%) for 3,698 yards and 54 touchdowns on the year. Haddix ranks tied for eighth in pass completions for a season, second in pass completion percentage, seventh in yards passing and fourth in touchdown pass completions. He needs just four touchdown pass completions to surpass the state mark of 57, set by Chris Redman of Male in 1994.

Male's Sergio Spencer scored on a 53-yard run on the second play of the game in helping the Bulldogs to a 27-0 win over DuPont Manual. Michael Bush scored on a three-yard pass from Andrew Patton and added a two-yard touchdown run in helping the Bulldogs remain undefeated.

Kentucky Country Day is averaging 37.5 points-per-game headed in to the Eight-Player State Championship.

Paul Dunbar's Carson Kerr has increased his school-record career PATs total to 84 on the year. Kerr has converted 39 of 43 attempts on the year for the Bulldogs.

With two touchdowns in a 40-13 win over Graves County, Alex Fendrick of Henderson County set a school record for most points in a season with 186. He surpasses the previous mark of 182 points set by Daymon Carter in 1991. Fendrick has 31 touchdowns on the year, also surpassing the old school mark of 29 held by Carter.

During Paducah Tilghman's last three games, Joe Casey has rushed 94 times for 838 yards and 14 touchdowns.

HOW TO GET INFO/NOTES IN THE WEEKLY RELEASE

The KHSAA requests assistance from its member schools and media outlets to aid in the compilation and dissemination of notes of interest, coach's association polls and upcoming events in all sports. Information should be forwarded to the KHSAA, attention Butch Cope, by 1 p.m. (ET) on Monday of each week. You may e-mail (bcope@khsaa.org) the information or fax it to the KHSAA at (859) 293-5999. Information received will be reviewed and published at the discretion of the Association. The KHSAA strives to publicize all of its sports to the fullest extent and appreciates any and all assistance.

THE NEXT REGULAR RELEASE WILL BE MONDAY, NOV. 25, 2002.