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KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
FIFTH THIRD/ KHSAA STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATING UMPIRES

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FIFTH THIRD / KHSAA STATE BASEBALL TOURNAMENT
Applebee's Park, Lexington, Kentucky
June 10 through June 13, 2009

INSTRUCTIONS TO UMPIRES INVOLVED IN STATE BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

Congratulations from the Board of Control and staff of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association on working the state finals. We hope that these instructions answer most of your questions about your participation in the 2009 Baseball Championships.

THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN ON THESE PAGES ARE VERY IMPORTANT. PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY AND CONTACT JULIAN TACKETT AT THE KHSAA OFFICES SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

The KHSAA will have representatives available prior to the championship games at the KHSAA offices (859) 299-5472 throughout the week of the championships. You can contact Julian Tackett directly through a tournament cell phone, (859) 229-3916.

Thanks again, and best of luck in the tournament.

STATE BASEBALL TOURNAMENT SUGGESTED DIRECTIONS

GENERAL

As Lexington's newest landmark, Applebee's Park is easy to find and easy to access. The site is just 1.5 miles North from the I-64 and I-75 interchange and less than one-quarter mile from New Circle Road. Right field is located along North Broadway (US 27-68), the number one gateway into Lexington. The park sits at 1200-1295 North Broadway, directly adjacent to the Northland Shopping Center. This is the location of the general parking for the park. Teams will park and enter via the Pass Gate on the third base line side. Each school will be provided five parking passes to allow you access to the team parking. All others will pay the normal parking fee. You must use one of these passes for your team bus. Please follow the directions of any Lexington Legends staff member monitoring the parking lots to minimize problems.

FROM EAST OF LEXINGTON (VIA I-64)

Take I-75 North at junction with I-64 West. Take exit 113 (Paris / Lexington), exit right. At exit traffic light, turn right to go to Park. Proceed through the third light (including the one at the exit), to the light at the entrance to the Park. Turn right to enter park.

FROM NORTH OF LEXINGTON (VIA I-75)

Take exit 113 (Paris / Lexington), exit right. At exit traffic light, turn right to go to Park. Proceed through the third light (including the one at the exit), to the light at the entrance to the Park. Turn right to enter park.

FROM SOUTH OF LEXINGTON (VIA I-75)

Take I-75 North to exit 113 (Paris / Lexington), exit right. At exit traffic light, turn right to go to Park. Proceed through the third light (including the one at the exit), to the light at the entrance to the Park. Turn right to enter park.

FROM SOUTH OF LEXINGTON (VIA US27, Nicholasville Road)

Follow Nicholasville Road toward Lexington. Come through downtown and continue on US 27 which has now become North Broadway. After passing Transylvania University, and several housing areas, Northland will appear on the left. Turn left to enter the park.

FROM WEST OF LEXINGTON (VIA Bluegrass Parkway or US60E)

Take the Bluegrass Parkway till it ends at Versailles Road. Make a right onto Versailles Road and travel east into Lexington. From Versailles Road, take the second New Circle Road exit heading northeast. Continue on New Circle Road to North Broadway. Make a right onto North Broadway and proceed to the park. Turn right to enter the park.

TO GO TO THE CROWNE PLAZA - CAMPBELL HOUSE FROM APPLEBEE'S PARK

Turn right to exit the park. Stay on North Broadway through downtown. It will transition to South Broadway. Follow approximately four miles after exiting Applebee's Park, Crowne Plaza-Campbell House will be on the corner of South Broadway and Mason Headley.

TO GO TO KHSAA FOR THE BANQUET

From the hotel, turn left and go through downtown until you come to Vine Street, at the bottom of the hill past the Hyatt. Turn right. Proceed 2.8 miles as Vine merges into US60 (Winchester Road/Third Street). Proceed 1.4 miles and turn left on Executive Drive (at the traffic light near Country Inn and Suites). In the second block, first building on the right is the KHSAA.

SCHEDULE OF GAMES

Weather permitting, the game dates and times have been set for this week's championship contests. You need to make no further arrangements in terms of game date and time. The schedule will be as follows --

Quarterfinal 1, Semi-State 8 vs. Semi-State 2, Thursday, June 11, 2009, 11:00 a.m. ET
Quarterfinal 2, Semi-State 3 vs. Semi-State 7, Thursday, June 11, 2009, 1:30 p.m. ET
Quarterfinal 3, Semi-State 6 vs. Semi-State 1, Thursday, June 11, 2009, 6:00 p.m. ET
Quarterfinal 4, Semi-State 4 vs. Semi-State 5, Thursday, June 11, 2009, 8:30 p.m. ET
Semifinal 1, Winner of 8/2 and 3/7, Friday, June 12, 2009, 6:00 p.m. ET
Semifinal 1, Winner of 6/1 and 4/5, Friday, June 12, 2009, 8:30 p.m. ET
State Championship Game, Saturday, June 13, 2009, 7:00 p.m. ET

HOUSING

Umpire housing for the baseball finals is arranged through the Lexington Convention and Visitors Bureau and a corporate contract with the Crowne Plaza-Campbell House. As part of the bid package from the city of Lexington, the hotel has allotted each team a block of rooms at a discounted price. Other rooms may be slightly higher per room per night. When you call for rooms, ask for reservations and for the block under "KHSAA Baseball Tournament." These reservations will be finalized by June 3, 2009 so do not call before this time. The Crowne Plaza Lexington-The Campbell House has been selected as the official Headquarters Hotel of the 2009 Forcht Bank/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament.

Umpire housing has been reserved at the Crowne Plaza Lexington-The Campbell House in Lexington. If you are not going to utilize the housing, please contact the staff at the hotel by noon on Monday, June 8, 2009.

The umpires and winners of all Semi-States will be staying at the Crowne Plaza Lexington-The Campbell House, located at the intersection of Harrodsburg Road and Mason Headley Road (1375 Harrodsburg Road).

Please feel free to contact the KHSAA office if you have any questions.

SPECIAL INFORMATION REGARDING TITLE REFERENCE TO TOURNAMENT

As your preparations for the 2009 State High School Baseball Tournaments are being finalized, it is important that you know the legal obligations regarding the use of the tournament title.

Forcht Bank / KHSAA State High School Baseball Tournament is a registered trademark of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. Any use of this term dealing with sports, recreation, games and athletics must be approved by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association prior to such usage. As such, you should guard against any t-shirt, hat, button, etc. that uses the event title in any way, shape, form or fashion. You should also be mindful that the KHSAA has granted exclusive novelty rights for the event, so this further restricts the ability of outside vendors.

For 2008 through 2010, the KHSAA is under a titling agreement with Forcht Bank to serve as the Title Sponsor of the Boys State Baseball Tournament. All references to the event shall state the "Forcht Bank /KHSAA State High School Baseball Tournament".

If you desire to use one of the logos in the promotion of the 2009 State High School Baseball Tournament or if you are approached by other events or organization attempting to use it, you must contact Butch Cope, Julian Tackett or Brigid DeVries at the KHSAA for the rules, regulations and permission regarding such usage. Prior to printing any banners, signs and other materials, you must contact the KHSAA for approval and you must include the registered trademark symbol with any such publication.

The KHSAA will aggressively and actively pursue violators of these trademarks.

PRE-TOURNAMENT COOKOUT

NO ADDITIONAL PRACTICE MAY BE SCHEDULED BY ANY COMPETING TEAM USING APPLEBEE'S PARK DURING THE WEEK OF THE TOURNAMENT IN ORDER TO ENSURE ALL TEAMS EQUAL ACCESS.

There will be a pre-tournament cookout on Wednesday night at 6:00 at the KHSAA Offices in Lexington, 2280 Executive Drive. This activity is for teams and official traveling parties including coaching staff and the eight tournament umpires.

All teams, head coaches and umpires are expected to be in attendance. The dress will be casual for the players, collared shirt/slacks for the adults. In addition, each participating coach is expected to address the crowd about his/her team, and be prepared to answer media inquiries following the event. Many of the local dignitaries responsible for the efforts put forth in hosting this event will be in attendance. Immediately following the banquet, there will be a short MANDATORY meeting for the participation coaches and umpires to review any last minute details. This should not be a lengthy meeting and a potential rain schedule will be discussed at that time. Please bring your scorebook to this meeting to verify any needed details including eligible pitchers. If inclement weather should force postponement of any semi-state series, please complete the enclosed form BA101, as this information will be necessary to verify eligible pitchers.

FIELD DIMENSIONS

The fence distances at Applebee's Park are 320 feet down the left field line, 318 down the right field line, and 401 to straight away center field. The outfield walls are clearly bordered by a warning track (and some of the wall is brand new following recent storms). There is an area deep down each side that is out of play. We will review those areas at the coach's meeting and with the umpires prior to each game.

WHEELCHAIR/A.D.A. ACCOMMODATIONS

Efforts will be made to make a reasonable accommodation for those individuals who may need wheelchair access or other needs due to disability. Please see Julian Tackett or Gary Durbin upon arrival for instructions. Due to insurance and other concerns, there will be NO wheelchairs allowed on the field level for any reason.

TICKET SALES

All tickets will be sold through the Legends Box Office on Monday June 8 through Wednesday June 10. Normal ticket hours are 9:00 to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. In addition, the box office will be open beginning at 4:00 p.m. on Championship Saturday. Tickets will be priced in advance of the event (prior to the close of business on Wednesday) at \$8 per ticket for the General Admission area, and \$12 for the Home Plate (lower level BLUE) seating areas, with children 2 and under admitted free. At the gate, these tickets will be priced at \$10 for General Admission (two games), and \$14 for the Home Plate area. There will also be discounted tickets available for advancing teams in accordance with the procedures below. In addition, a General Admission All Session Ticket is available through the box office for \$24 for all three days.

Advance tickets are available by calling the box office at Applebee's Park, 859-422-7867 prior to the close of business (5:00 p.m. ET) on Wednesday for each team's first round game. In addition, persons desiring to purchase tickets may go to the KHSAA web site, and click on the links to order tickets (<http://www.khsaa.org/baseball/2009>) If purchased in advance according to the deadlines, fans may purchase the tickets for \$8 per seat (\$2 off normal price). In addition, following each game, the box office will remain open one-half hour after the games are complete to sell advance tickets for the team's next round game at \$8.00 per ticket.

For all walk-up and game day ticket sales, the tickets will be full price based on the section. Admission gates and ticket booths will open one hour before the start of the first game each day. **Please advise your fans that the gates will not open until this time. In addition, please remind your fans that with reserved seating, they need to make plans to be at the park as early as possible to avoid long lines at the box offices.**

Each umpire working the championship will provided admission to the entire tournament and up to two additional admission opportunities for the immediate family. Please advise at the pre-tournament meeting if additional is necessary for immediately family. Friends, other umpires, other acquaintances are expected to use the ticket booth.

GAME ASSIGNMENTS

Each umpire will be assigned to work two games on Thursday, and one game on Friday. Four will then be selected and notified on Friday night as to working the finals. We will utilize the four-person mechanics and coverages as described in the National Federation umpires Manual. Make certain that you are familiar with these coverages and position rotation and much of this will be reviewed at the Wednesday night meeting.

The game assignments will be as follows – (to be completed at the meeting)

| GAME | HOME PLATE | 1 ST BASE | 2 ND BASE | 3 RD BASE |
|--------------------|------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| First Round Game 1 | | | | |
| First Round Game 2 | | | | |
| First Round Game 3 | | | | |
| First Round Game 4 | | | | |
| Semifinal Game 1 | | | | |
| Semifinal Game 2 | | | | |
| Championship | | | | |

ARRIVAL TIME AND DRESSING FACILITIES

You will be expected to be at the game site 1 hour and 15 minutes before the start of the sessions. You will be issued a parking pass at the organizational meeting which will be valid for entry into reserved parking. Upon entering the main parking lot, make an immediate right, and park in the area to the right as direction. This is a slight change from the past in order to ensure that the Legends staff has access to their designated lot and in order to minimize the inconvenience to you. Please be prepared as it is my preference that you travel without the game uniform on so as to draw as little attention to yourselves as possible upon arrival.

You will then need to come to the front entrance to the stadium and enter via Gate 2, which is our only pass gate and then proceed behind the first base line to the dressing room. You will be dressing in the visiting team dressing room in Applebee's Park behind the right field wall.

From the dressing room, you will enter the stadium through a gate under the scoreboard in right-center field.

POSTPONEMENT OF PLAY

I will work in conjunction with the umpires and the Legends staff in making a play or postpone decision. The competing coaches have no input in the matter. If we get weather situations, we will constantly monitor via on site equipment, and keep the umpires informed at all times.

UNIFORM

The following will be the uniform for umpires working in the state baseball tournament in 2009.

Powder Blue pullover jersey with navy/white trim will be worn for the first two games on Thursday and for the semi-final games. Numbers (4" or 3") worn on right shoulder sleeve are required and must be the required color combination. No local association or KHSAA patch is to be worn on the jersey.

Dark Blue pullover jersey with red/white trim will be worn for the last two games on Thursday and for the Championship game. Numbers (4" or 3") worn on right shoulder sleeve are required and must be the required color combination. No local association or KHSAA patch is to be worn on the jersey.

Any foul weather pullover gear or plate jacket should be the KHSAA navy (dark blue) pullover unless a plate coat is worn. If plate coat is worn, it shall have the KHSAA patch.

Gray slacks.

You will be provided a hat to wear. However, bring your Navy Blue Hat (local logo allowed, but HIGHLY discouraged as this is a split crew assignment) just in case we have weather trouble or in case the hats do not arrive.

Black Shoes (white running stripes and markings are allowable).

Black Belt/Small Buckle.

Navy Blue Ball Bag.

Navy Blue Undershirt, if undershirt is worn and visible.

Black socks.

Sunglasses are permissible for the field umpires, however, all should wear them and the style of glasses should not distract from the appearance of the umpire(s).

PARKING

Parking will be in the normal home game parking lots adjacent to the baseball stadium. Umpires should enter as directed in these instructions to minimize problems and use the parking pass provided. Public parking will be \$3 per vehicle.

PRACTICE PRIOR TO THE GAME, WARM-UP TIME

Weather permitting, a practice schedule has been designed to give all teams equal access to Applebee's Park. If rain forces postponement or adjustment, teams will be notified. The complete field will be available as well as enclosed batting cages. The schedule for practice times is in bracket order and as follows and cannot be changed or altered-

| TEAM | ON FIELD | BATTING CAGE |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Semi-State 8 –Winner | 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 10 | 10:15 a.m., Wednesday, June 10 |
| Semi-State 2 –Winner | 10:15 a.m., Wednesday, June 10 | 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 10 |
| Semi-State 3 –Winner | 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 10 | 11:45 a.m., Wednesday, June 10 |
| Semi-State 7 –Winner | 11:45 a.m., Wednesday, June 10 | 12:30 p.m., Wednesday June 10 |
| Semi-State 6 –Winner | 12:30 p.m., Wednesday June 10 | 1:15 p.m., Wednesday June 10 |
| Semi-State 1 –Winner | 1:15 p.m., Wednesday June 10 | 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 10 |
| Semi-State 4 –Winner | 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 10 | 2:45 p.m., Wednesday, June 10 |
| Semi-State 5 –Winner | 2:45 p.m., Wednesday, June 10 | 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 10 |
| Game One Winner | NOT AVAILABLE | 10:00 a.m., Friday, June 12 |
| Game Two Winner | NOT AVAILABLE | 11:00 a.m., Friday, June 12 |
| Game Three Winner | NOT AVAILABLE | 12:00 p.m., Friday, June 12 |
| Game Four Winner | NOT AVAILABLE | 1:00 p.m., Friday, June 12 |
| Game Five Winner | NOT AVAILABLE | 10:00 a.m., Saturday, June 13 |
| Game Six Winner | NOT AVAILABLE | 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 13 |

TIMETABLE FOR TOURNAMENT

Enclosed is a complete timetable of the events surrounding the championship games. Please be familiar with this timetable and adhere to the restrictions that are in place.

| Wednesday, June 10, 2009 | |
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| Tickets go on sale for all games. All seats sold will be reserved seats | 9:00 a.m. ET |
| Team Practice Slots on Field. No cleats in the home plate area. | 9:30 a.m. ET to 2:45 p.m. ET |
| Team Practice Slots in Hitting Cages | 10:15 a.m. ET to 3:00 p.m. ET |
| ALL TEAMS OFF FIELD | 3:30 p.m. |
| Banquet for participating teams, KHSAA Offices | 7:00 p.m. ET |
| Umpires meeting with KHSAA staff at KHSAA offices | Immediately following cookout |
| Thursday, June 11, 2009 | |
| Gates open for teams to bring equipment into park. All throwing, etc. must not interfere with field preparation. No warm-ups on the infield dirt! | 9:30 a.m. ET |
| Field available for preliminary warm up activity. All throwing, etc. must occur in the outfield area, inside the foul line and may not interfere with field preparation. | 9:45 a.m. ET |
| Gates open, tickets sold | 10:00 a.m. ET |
| Field available for home team infield (10:00). | 10:05 a.m. ET |
| Field available for visiting team infield (10:00). | 10:15 a.m. ET |
| All off of field for final preparations | 10:25 a.m. ET |
| Introduction of visiting team players and coaches, non starters first | 10:55 a.m. ET (approximate) |
| Introduction of home team players and coaches, non starters first | Immediately after |

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| Presentation of Colors by Color Guard followed by National Anthem Teams should remain on baseline through first pitch ceremony | Immediately after |
| Ceremonial first pitch | Immediately after |
| First pitch of game one | 11:00 a.m. ET |
| Field maintenance | After fourth inning |
| Immediately following game 1, Field available for home team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELDF ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | Immediately after game and field is clear |
| Field available for visiting team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELDF ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | |
| All off of field for final preparations | |
| Introduction of visiting team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| Introduction of home team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| First pitch of game two | Immediately after, Tentatively scheduled at 1:30 p.m ET |
| Field maintenance | After fourth inning |
| Immediately following game 2, but not earlier than 5:05 p.m. , Field available for home team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELDF ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | Immediately after game and field is clear |
| Field available for visiting team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELDF ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | |
| All off of field for final preparations | |
| Introduction of visiting team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| Introduction of home team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| First pitch of game three | Immediately after, Tentatively scheduled at 6:00 p.m ET |
| Field maintenance | After fourth inning |
| Immediately following game 3, Field available for home team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELDF ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | Immediately after game and field is clear |
| Field available for visiting team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELDF ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | |
| All off of field for final preparations | |
| Introduction of visiting team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| Introduction of home team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| First pitch of game four | Immediately after, Tentatively scheduled at 8:30 p.m ET |
| Field maintenance | After fourth inning |
| Friday, June 12, 2009 | |
| Tickets go on sale for all games. All seats sold will be reserved seats. | 9:00 a.m. ET |
| KHSAA meeting of Assigning Secretaries in softball and baseball, KHSAA offices | 1:30 p.m. ET |
| Gates open for teams to bring equipment into park. All throwing, etc. must not interfere with field preparation. No warm-ups on the infield dirt! | 4:30 p.m. ET |
| Field available for preliminary warm up activity. All throwing, etc. must occur in the outfield area, inside the foul line and may not interfere with field preparation. | 4:45 p.m. ET |

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| Gates open, tickets sold | 5:00 p.m. ET |
| Field available for home team infield (10:00). | 5:05 p.m. ET |
| Field available for visiting team infield (10:00). | 5:15 p.m. ET |
| All off of field for final preparations | 5:25 p.m. ET |
| Introduction of visiting team players and coaches, non starters first | 5:55 p.m. ET (approximate) |
| Introduction of home team players and coaches, non starters first | Immediately after |
| Presentation of Colors by Color Guard followed by National Anthem Teams should remain on baseline through first pitch ceremony | Immediately after |
| Ceremonial first pitch | Immediately after |
| First pitch of semifinal one | 6:00 p.m. ET |
| Field maintenance | After fourth inning |
| Field available for home team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELT ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | |
| Field available for visiting team infield (10:00). TEAMS COMPETING IN SECOND GAME SHOULD GET STRETCHED AND LOOSE IN BOUNDARY AREAS OF PARK AND BE PREPARED TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE INFIELT ON FIRST OPPORTUNITY | |
| All off of field for final preparations | |
| Introduction of visiting team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| Introduction of home team players and coaches, non starters first | |
| First pitch of semifinal two | Immediately after, Tentatively scheduled at 8:45 p.m ET |
| Field maintenance | After fourth inning |
| Saturday, June 13, 2009 | |
| Tickets go on sale for final game. All seats sold will be reserved seats. | 4:00 p.m. ET |
| Gates open for teams to bring equipment into park. All throwing, etc. must not interfere with field preparation. No warm-ups on the infield dirt! | 5:15 p.m. ET |
| Field available for preliminary warm up activity. All throwing, etc. must occur in the outfield area, inside the foul line and may not interfere with field preparation. | 5:30 p.m. ET |
| Gates open | 6:00 p.m. ET |
| Field available for home team infield (10:00). | 6:05 p.m. ET |
| Field available for visiting team infield (10:00). | 6:15 p.m. ET |
| All off of field for final preparations | 6:25 p.m. ET |
| Introduction of visiting team players and coaches, non starters first | 7:00 p.m. ET |
| Introduction of home team players and coaches, non starters first | Immediately after |
| Presentation of Colors by Color Guard followed by National Anthem Teams should remain on baseline through first pitch ceremony | Immediately after |
| Ceremonial first pitch | Immediately after |
| First pitch of championship game (Semifinal 1 winner is home team) | Immediately after |
| Field maintenance | After fourth inning |

WARM-UP TIME

On the days of the tournament, the teams may not be on the field except as detailed in the timetable. There will be no exceptions and schools violating this policy face the possibility of a fine or other punishment permissible by KHSAA Bylaw 33. It is imperative that the grounds crew has adequate time to perform their functions.

BETWEEN INNINGS

Between innings, the team taking the field particularly the pitcher should delay approximately one minute before leaving the dugout. There are many promotions and other activities surrounding the games, and we don't want players warming up and standing waiting for a promotion or activity to end.

HOME AND VISITING TEAM AND DUGOUTS AND LOCKERS

The team in the top bracket of the tournament draw will be the home team in all games and use the first base dugout. A representative of the school and the KHSAA playoff staff will inspect the dugout before and after the game. It is expected that the dugouts will be left in the same condition it is found. The KHSAA will take whatever action is necessary including fining the particular school and assessing the cost for cleanup to those schools leaving the dugouts in unsatisfactory condition or damaging any of the field property.

The team in the bottom bracket of the tournament draw will be the visiting team in all games and use the third base dugout.

A representative of the school and the KHSAA playoff staff will inspect the dugout before and after the game. It is expected that the dugouts will be left in the same condition it is found. The KHSAA will take whatever action is necessary including fining the particular school and assessing the cost for cleanup to those schools leaving the dugouts in unsatisfactory condition or damaging any of the field property. The

There will be no locker room facilities available at the stadium. Teams should be prepared for play upon arrival.

COLOR OF JERSEY

The home team will wear its light colored jersey and the visiting team will wear its dark colored jersey. KHSAA staff will resolve conflicts regarding these issues and both teams should be prepared to have both light and dark jerseys available.

UMPIRES

The umpires have been appointed and announced by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. For 2007, the umpires are

| Name | Hometown | Local Association |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Jim Bell | Louisville | 6 / 7 |
| Jim Chapman | Kevil | 1 |
| Kevin Claycomb | Elizabethtown | 5 |
| Dave Hall | Mt. Sterling | 10/11 |

| Name | Hometown | Local Association |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Dennis Owens | Glasgow | 4 |
| Tim Sammons | South Shore | 16 |
| Steve Thomas | Jackson | 14 |
| Lyle Travis | Taylor Mill | 9 |

GAME BALLS AND BALL RETRIEVERS

For the championship games, the Rawlings Company will be providing the Rawlings R100KY raised seam baseball as the game balls. Each team is expected to help in the retrieval of foul balls down their side to make certain that the best possible balls are being used. There will be ball persons supplied to assist in the return of the balls to the umpires.

BENCH DECORUM

The KHSAA will instruct the umpires to enforce the rules of the game regarding bench conduct and the coaching boxes. With the continued emphasis on sportsmanship and the high profile nature of the state tournament, there should be no need for further reminders about the conduct of the coaching staff and other personnel on the bench, including actions, gestures and language. In light of recent Board of Control emphasis on conduct, the umpires have been instructed to ensure that all rules are enforced within the NFHS Rules and other books.

TOWELS AND OTHER SUPPLIES

The Association does not provide towels for the teams participating in the tournament. Your school will need to inform the participants to bring a towel if they need one for any reason.

OFFICIAL STATS

The KHSAA provides official statistics for the games through WL Stats. Due to space constraints, there is no space provided for team statisticians in the press box. All team stat personnel must stay within the dugout during the entire game or be positioned in the stands. The stats results will be posted on the KHSAA web site immediately after each game.

TRAINERS/DOCTORS AND EMERGENCY TREATMENT

The University of Kentucky Sports Medicine Offices will be providing training services for the games. They intend to have a certified and/or student trainer in each dugout at all times.

Each team is also entitled to have its own team doctor available and an ambulance will be available. Please feel free to utilize these important services that are provided by the representatives of the Lexington community.

Should emergency medical treatment be necessary, Lexington Fayette Fire Department EMTs will be transporting the injured person(s) to the St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. The member school administration is responsible for ensuring that the parental permission to seek medical treatment is authorized from each participant. The Principal, Athletic Director and/or the Head Coach can use a copy of KHSAA Form GE04 (the physical exam form) for this purpose as this form contains appropriate language.

VIDEOTAPING/MEDIA/ FILM

Press, radio and TV representative's passes will be made available upon request by having the outlets contact the KHSAA in advance. If you have media covering your team, they should contact Butch Cope, Director of Media Relations and Promotions, not later than Monday of the tournament week.

There shall be no other videotaping of any baseball tournament game, other than by KHSAA designees and outlets or by persons whose entire taping unit can be contained within their seat and present no obstruction to other spectators. (No tripod, external power sources, or use of the Applebee's Park power sources). IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU REITERATE THIS TO YOUR FANS TO PREVENT REPEATING OF PREVIOUS PROBLEMS. Tapes of each game will be for sale by the KHSAA following the games. Information on these sales is enclosed in this information. Due to space constraints, schools will NOT be afforded an opportunity to videotape contests played during the state tournament from the video decks or utilizing tripods or external power sources. Taping can be done from the confines of a seat or an area that does not restrict fan viewing.

POST GAME MEDIA INTERVIEWS

All post games media interviews are to be done in the vicinity of the dugout. With the tight timetable, the field playing area is cleared as soon as possible to prepare for the next game. Please inform your local media of the need to adhere to this restriction.

FAN BEHAVIOR AND ACTIONS

No one outside of the team is to come on the playing field. Fans are to stay in the stands before, during and after the game. Please make several announcements to this effect to the student body during the week before the game.

SIGNS, BANNERS, NOISEMAKERS

No posters or signs of any kind will be permitted to be adhered (with glue, tape string or other devices) by any official or unofficial school representative to any permanent surface of the stadium. No signage posted on behalf of a school may contain derogatory language or sayings or contain the name of the opponent or any of its players. Please make certain all pep, spirit and support organizations are aware of this rule.

No electronic amplification equipment will be allowed in the stadium (excepting band instruments used in conjunction with the official high school band and its performance), nor any other electronic, mechanical or semi-mechanical noisemaker. This includes stereos, speakers, cannons, electronic horns, tanks, etc. In addition, no recorded music or other type of reproduction subject to copyright restrictions will be permitted.

INCLEMENT WEATHER STATEMENT

With the possibility of inclement weather, we remind you that you should be prepared to move to a place of shelter in the event of bad weather conditions. Should it begin to rain, the games will continue on schedule unless there are signs of lightning or the umpires in consultation with tournament management determine that it is unsafe to continue.

Should weather conditions force a postponement or delay, you should immediately leave the bleacher area and heed any announcements made by tournament management. Should evacuation become necessary, please observe the directions given by uniformed officers as well as tournament officials. In accordance with adopted KHSAA policy, if the games are suspended, the minimum suspension will be 30 minutes after the last sight of lightning or sound of thunder.

Persons leaving the stadium should seek shelter in their mode of transportation. In all circumstances, use prudent judgment in determining whether or not you should remain in the dugout or bleachers. When the decision is made to resume the games, there will be announcements made throughout the stadium area, and prior to the resumption of play, a fifteen minute warm-up period will be given to both teams. The KHSAA pitching limitations are in force irrespective of weather conditions or cancellations.

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

GENERAL POLICY

An expense allowance will be paid to each umpire in the state tournament.

GAME FEE

Umpires working the state championship will be paid \$66.00 for each contest umpired.

LODGING

Umpires working the state championship will be staying in rooms that are being provided by the Campbell House.

MEALS

Each umpire will be reimbursed \$20 per day for meals for each night of lodging utilized.

MILEAGE

Each umpire is reimbursed \$.35 per mile, round trip for one vehicle, from the home location (or the state line for out of state umpires) to Lexington, in accordance with mileage numbers provided by the American Automobile Association.

RECEIVING YOUR REIMBURSEMENT

Your expense check will be mailed from the KHSAA offices not later than 30 days following the finals. An expense voucher will be given to each umpire at the pre-tournament meeting.