



Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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RUSSELL ATHLETIC/KHSAA COMMONWEALTH GRIDIRON BOWL RETURNS TO BOWLING GREEN

Six new state football champions will be crowned this weekend at the Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl at Houchens-L.T. Smith Stadium on the campus of Western Kentucky University. Three games will be contested on Friday, Dec. 2 and Saturday, Dec. 3.

Four defending champions are making a trip to the Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl this year (Mayfield, Central, Trinity (Louisville) and Highlands) while a total of five undefeated teams (Mayfield, Glasgow, Scott County, Highlands and Bowling Green) will be trying to take home a championship.

STATE FOOTBALL FINALS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 2

Class 1A Championship

Mayfield (14-0) vs. Hazard (11-2), 11 a.m.

Class 2A Championship

Glasgow (14-0) vs. Holy Cross (Covington) (11-3), 3 p.m.

Class 6A Championship

Trinity (Louisville) (13-0) vs. Scott County (14-0), 7 p.m.

Saturday, December 3

Class 3A Championship

Central (11-3) vs. Belfry (13-1), 11 a.m.

Class 4A Championship

Franklin-Simpson (13-1) vs. Highlands (14-0), 7 p.m.

Class 5A Championship

Bowling Green (14-0) vs. Anderson County (12-2), 7 p.m.

ON THE AIR/ON THE WEB

Thanks to an exclusive arrangement between the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) and iHigh.com, live streaming video of all championship games will be available at www.khsaa.tv. The video will be available for free viewing at any time. The iHigh.com team of Neil Price, Leo Peckenpaugh and Darren Douglas will call all six games over two days.

In addition, the games will also air at a later date on statewide television through CWKYT in Lexington, WAVE in Louisville, WYMT in Hazard and WBKO in Bowling Green.

Fans can follow audio from the 2011 Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl on the Russell Athletic/KHSAA Radio Network broadcasts. Gary Ball, Steve Bertram, Bill Ransdell, Jeff Schlosser and Scott Thompson will call all the action. Audio streaming of each of the six championship games can be heard at www.khsaa.org or www.khsaa.net.



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STATE FOOTBALL TICKETS

Single Session general admission tickets are on sale at any of the 12 participating schools for an advance purchase price of \$8 each. Single session general admission tickets will be available at the gate on game day for \$10 each and are available through the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/football.

Admission gates will open one hour before game time for each contest on Friday and Saturday.

STATE FOOTBALL PARKING

There is ample parking on site and within walking distance of Houchens-L.T. Smith Stadium. In addition to two parking structures, parking is available in the Creason Lot for \$5 per car. Additional parking is available at the Adams Street, Kentucky Street and Center Street lots for free with shuttle service to the stadium. On Friday and Saturday, lots will open at 8 a.m.

KHSAA MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Media credentials may be picked up at Entry Gate 3/4 at Houchens/L.T. Smith Stadium. The entry gate is on the "closed" end of the facility, and on the "Diddle Arena" side of the Stadium. An area map is posted on the Association website at www.khsaa.org.

MEDIA INFORMATION/TITLE SPONSOR REMINDER

Rosters and stats of the teams have been posted on the KHSAA website. Two-deep and probable starters will be posted on Tuesday. All information will be available on site.

This is a reminder to all media that the official title of the event is the Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl and should be used on first reference.

BASKETBALL REGULAR SEASON BEGINS TONIGHT

The first contest date for boys' and girls' basketball teams is Monday, November 28. The 2011 Houchens/KHSAA Girls State Basketball Tournament will be played on March 7-10 at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green while the PNC/KHSAA Boys' State Basketball Tournament will be played on March 14-17 at Rupp Arena. The defending girls' state basketball champion is Rockcastle County, while Christian County is the defending boys' state champion.

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UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

December 2-3 Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl,
Houchens Industries - L.T. Smith Stadium, Bowling Green