



GHSAA

"ITEMS OF INTEREST"

November 2022

This & That from Columbus, Home of the SB Elite Eight

As I write this month's Items of Interest column, I am attending the Fast Pitch Softball Championships in Columbus. This "Elite Eight" event is always one of my favorites in the GHSAA calendar, as 64 schools make their way to Columbus with hopes of a championship. The talent and level of play is impressive, many college coaches are here to evaluate players and the tournament is always first class!

Ernie Yarbrough has coordinated FP Softball for many years and this tournament is known throughout the nation as one of the best. Representatives from the Tennessee association were here to observe and, of course, we are happy to have them and will help them in any way.

Special thanks to Ernie for his leadership and attention to detail. The opening ceremony was incredible, the stadium was full, and the event was enjoyed by all in attendance.

As you know, the GHSAA has partnered with TPG (Teale Properties Group) to work with our marketing program. Alan Sharp has been the marketing representative for over 20 years and will continue to work with the GHSAA as a member of TPG. Alan has done a great job over the years and we are happy to continue to have him on board.

TPG has also provided the GHSAA with a full-time salesperson, Jorge Cimadevilla. Jorge hit the ground running and has become a fast member of our team, and having Jorge and Alan together will be tremendously beneficial for our association.

I am extremely happy with this partnership and look forward to our first quarterly report next week. Preliminary indications are looking great, so we are excited. Keep in mind that our ability to diversify revenue streams allows us to waive school membership dues and send member shares to our schools. TPG, Jorge and Alan will be a big part of these efforts for years to come.

Finally, there is a Senate Study Committee for transparency in athletic associations and the first meeting was held last week. Many came to speak on behalf of the GHSAA and I spent over two hours answering questions. This has become a regular part of what we do each year and I always appreciate the opportunity to tell our story.

The questions were focused on reclassification, the multiplier and there were also questions asked about why the GHSAA doesn't provide oversight of individual school's booster clubs.

We were told there would be more meetings and I will inform you of the date, time and location so that you may attend. Your support is always appreciated, after all, the GHSAA is your association.

As always, please call if I can be of service to you in any way.

– Dr. James R. Hines, Jr., Executive Director



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GHSA Playoff Broadcast Policy!

Attention ADs: With the football playoffs rapidly approaching, this is a good time to remind member schools of the GHSA broadcast policies. During the regular season, the HOST school owns the rights to its events and must give permission for the visiting school to produce a broadcast (**audio or video**). The host school can use any platform it chooses to broadcast its own regular season events.

But the GHSA owns the rights to **all state playoff events** and anyone wishing to produce an audio or video broadcast **MUST** secure a contract from the GHSA and pay a right's fee. This includes **any streaming** of the event, whether it be by the school, a parent or an outside media entity, and no matter the platform (even personal YouTube channels).

No streaming of a state playoff event in ANY sport is allowed without first securing a contract from the GHSA. Email Media Director Steve Figueroa (stevefig@ghsa.net) to request a broadcast contract.

The only exception to this rule is if the school is a member of the NFHS School Broadcast Program (SBP). All schools participating in the SBP may live-stream any contest their team is participating in during the state playoffs (without a contract or fee) with the exception of any **neutral-site** event.

A school hosting a state playoff event **must** allow the visiting school to stream the event without a fee if that school is an SBP member. In addition, if the visiting school is uploading the stream to the NFHS Network, the host school is prohibited from originating a separate stream on another platform. The NFHS Network has exclusive rights to any state playoff events it wishes to put on its network. If the host school is also an SBP member, then it also may stream the event.

If a school is hosting a playoff event and an outside entity wishes to broadcast or stream the event, but does not have a contract from the GHSA, the host school **should not allow** the broadcast.

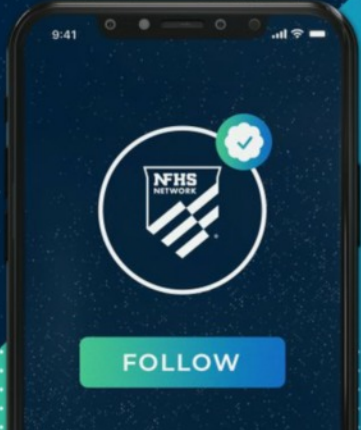
Please contact Steve Figueroa (see above email) with any questions about the GHSA broadcast policy.

⚠ **BEWARE**

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ONLY use links from
a verified NFHS
Network account!

Watch games on
NFHSNetwork.com
or any of the
[NFHS Network apps.](http://NFHSNetwork.com)



State Fastpitch Softball Champions - 2022



7A: Buford



6A: Pope



5A: Northside-Columbus



4A: West Laurens



3A: Wesleyan



2A: Jeff Davis



A, Division 1: Heard County



A, Division 2: Emanuel County Institute

GHSA Cheerleading State Championships on November 11-12

The 2022 GHSA Cheerleading State Championships will take place November 11-12 at the Macon Centreplex.

Admission is \$15.00 per session and tickets are ONLY available digitally on [GoFan](https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA) (<https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA>).

The arena will be cleared between sessions each day so please make sure your ticket purchase is for your team's session!

Absolutely **NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY** will be allowed from any mobile device (phone / iPad/ tablet) or cameras by spectators during the competition! There is a danger to the cheerleaders and this displays poor sportsmanship toward the team competing.

Violators are subject to removal from the venue.

Fans can watch every session live on NFHSNetwork.com/associations/GHSA for \$11.99 all-access pass, or on GPB-TV (GPB.org). GPB also will air one hour of highlights on Nov. 20 at 8 a.m., and 5 p.m.

Thanks to our partners: Team IP, Nfinity and Unforgettable Moment Photography.

Defending state championship teams are South Forsyth, Creekview, McIntosh, Jefferson, Dawson County, Bleckley County, Mt. Paran, Gordon Lee and Northgate (CoEd).



SCHEDULE

Friday, November 11, 2022

Session 1: Class 2A and 4A Finals
Doors open at 9:00 a.m. Session begins at 10:00 a.m.

Session 2: Class 3A and 6A Finals
Doors open at 2:00 p.m. Session begins at 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 12, 2022

Session 1: Class A and 5A Finals
Doors open at 9:00 a.m. Session begins at 10:00 a.m.

Session 2: Class 7A and Coed Finals
Doors open at 2:00 p.m. Session begins at 3:00 p.m.

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State Championship merchandise will be available for purchase at the site by Team IP (teamip.com/preorder)

You may also preorder team t-shirts by using the flyer at left.

Preorder deadline is November 7, 2022.

Volleyball Finals Will Stream Live on NFHS Network!

The NFHS Network will stream live coverage of the 2022 GHSA Volleyball State Championships, presented by Mizuno, on Friday and Saturday, November 4 & 5, from the Champions Center at Lakepoint Sports Complex in Cartersville.

Tickets are \$15 per day (or \$20 for a two-day pass) and must be purchased online on GoFan at <https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA>.

If you can't be there in person, family and friends can watch all the action live at <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/associations/ghsa>. Subscribing to the Network is just \$11.99 for a 30-day period or \$69 for an annual pass. DVDs and Digital Copies can also be ordered on [NFHS Network.com](https://www.nfhsnetwork.com).

Webcast partners include: Georgia Farm Bureau Insurance, Mizuno and Molten.



VOLLEYBALL FINALS

November 4, 2022

3:00 pm - Class 1A
5:30 pm - Class 2A
8:00 pm - Class 3A

November 5, 2022

11:00 am - Class 4A
1:30 pm - Class 5A
4:00 pm - Class 6A
6:30 pm - Class 7A



Cross Country Championship Info

The 2022 GHSA Cross Country State Championships, presented by Atlanta Track Club, will be held Friday and Saturday, November 4 & 5, at the Carrollton High School Course.

Tickets to the event are \$10.00 and are available for purchase **ONLY** on [GoFan](https://gofan.co).

Live results will be available online by Perfect Timing Group (www.ptgrouponline.com).

Defending boys state champions are: Mill Creek, Richmond Hill, Decatur, Chestatee, Westminster, Pace Academy, Armuchee and Whitefield Academy.

And defending girls state champions are: Marietta, North Atlanta, St. Pius, Marist, Westminster, Pace Academy, Armuchee and Wesleyan.

Schedule at Carrollton High School

Friday, Nov. 4, 2022

9:00 am Boys A Div. 1
9:45 am Girls A Div. 1
10:30 am Boys A Div. 2
11:15 am Girls A Div. 2
12 noon Boys 7A
12:45 pm Girls 7A

Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022

8:00 am Boys 2A
8:45 am Girls 2A
9:30 am Boys 3A
10:15 am Girls 3A
11:00 am Boys 4A
11:45 am Girls 4A
12:30 pm Boys 6A
1:15 pm Girls 6A
2:00 pm Boys 5A
2:45 pm Girls 5A



GHSA SPORTSMANSHIP STATEMENT

Please insure that the following statement is read as a public address announcement prior to the start of every GHSA sanctioned contest:

"The GHSA and its member schools have made a commitment to promote good sportsmanship by student/athletes, coaches, and spectators at all GHSA sanctioned events.

Profanity, degrading remarks, and intimidating actions directed at officials or competitors will not be tolerated, and are grounds for removal from the event site.

Spectators are not allowed to enter the competition area during warm-ups or while the contest is being conducted. Thank you for your cooperation in the promotion of good sportsmanship at today's event."

One Act Play State Championships on November 12 & 19

The 2022 GHSA State One Act Play Championships will be held at eight different sites on November 12 for Classes 6A, 3A, 2A and A Division 2, and on November 19 for Classes 7A, 5A, 4A and A Division I.

Admission is free at all sites.

Defending state champions are Milton, Houston County, Warner Robins, Thomas County Central, Franklin County, Davidson Fine Arts, Lakeview Academy and Georgia Military College.

ONE ACT PLAY FINALS SCHEDULE

The Schedule at ALL Sites Shall be:

9:00 am - 10:15 am	Region 3
10:15 am - 11:30 am	Region 4
11:30 am - 12:45 pm	Region 5
12:45 pm - 2:00 pm	Region 6
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	RECESS
3:00 pm - 4:15 pm	Region 7
4:15 pm - 5:30 pm	Region 8
5:30 pm - 6:45 pm	Region 1
6:45 pm - 8:00 pm	Region 2
8:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Judges' Deliberations
8:30 pm	Awards Presentation



ONE ACT PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP SITES & DATES

November 12

- Class 1A, Division 2 - at Baldwin High School
- Class 2A - at Warner Robins High School
- Class 3A - at Denmark High School
- Class 6A - at the Buford Performing Arts Center

November 20

- Class 1A, Division 1 - at Houston County High School
- Class 4A - at Northside-Warner Robins High School
- Class 5A - at Tift County High School
- Class 7A - at Jackson County High School



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COACHES & OFFICIALS - To request an interpretation of a current NFHS Rule or GHSA Policy, go to the MIS System "Forms" page and scroll down to "Rules Interpretation Request."

Your request will then be sent to the respective GHSA Sport Coordinator.

Stay Connected to the GHSA!

ATTENTION: All coaches, athletic directors, schools, fans, teams and booster clubs, join the conversation on social media @OfficialGHSA on TikTok, Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and Instagram for all the latest Georgia High School Association news and live championship updates.

Reminder: Post-Season Tickets Are Available ONLY on GoFan

Hey GHSA schools & fans it's time for the post season. Since 2016, GoFan has been the official digital ticketing provider of the GHSA. All playoffs and championships tickets are sold **exclusively** on GoFan from your mobile phone. Enjoy the post season!

To find your event, search the GoFan site for your school. <https://gofan.co/>

You can also view a list of all GHSA state championships at this address: <https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA>

And there are links on the GHSA web site (www.ghsa.net) to several YouTube Training Videos that will show you:

- How To Buy Tickets
- How To Validate Tickets and
- How to Access & Share Tickets.

Below are the answers to some Common Questions:

- How many tickets can be purchased?

There is no limit to the number of tickets that can be purchased.

- How do spectators view their purchased tickets?

They can click "View Tickets" in their emailed receipt, sign in to their Go Fan account, or open in the GoFan app. For fastest entry into the game, fans should pull up their tickets prior to reaching the gate.

- Can fans transfer tickets to others?

Yes, purchased tickets can be transferred to children, spouse, family or anyone else via text, email or copying a link.

- Can tickets be purchased after the start of the game?



Yes, as long as it is not a sell out, tickets can be purchased up to four hours after the scheduled start.

- How do we redeem tickets at the gate?

The spectator shows the digital ticket on his/her phone. Your ticket gate folks will have the fan click the green "Validate" button, and then you will see a big green checkmark so you know they are good.

- Can parents buy tickets at the gate?

Yes. Fans can go to GoFan.com on their phone, search for the name of either school, click on the event, and purchase the ticket. State championship tickets can also be accessed at: <https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA>

- What if a game is cancelled?

Ticket buyers will receive a 100% refund on the price of the ticket and the convenience fee. To receive a refund please email service@gofan.co and include your name, email used to purchase the ticket(s) and the event for which you purchased ticket(s).

ACT and SAT Assessment Dates

Each year, the GHSA office gets requests to alter schedules due to conflicts with ACT and SAT tests. We cannot accommodate those requests. The following chart gives dates of the exams and possible conflicts with GHSA activities. We urge you to inform your athletes and coaches **now** about these dates in order for the athletes to plan their assessments around events in which they are to compete.

ACT ASSESSMENT DATES

December 10, 2022.....	State Football championships
February 11, 2023.....	State Dance Championship, Traditional Wrestling Sectional Tournaments
April 1, 2023.....	None
June 10, 2023.....	None
July 15, 2023.....	None

ACTIVITY CONFLICTS

SAT ASSESSMENT DATES

November 5, 2022.....	Region/Sectional Cheerleading, State Volleyball, State Cross Country Meet
December 3, 2022.....	State Football playoffs
March 11, 2023.....	Region/Area Literary, Area Riflery, Basketball State Finals
May 6, 2023.....	Baseball State Playoffs, Sectional Track Meets
June 3, 2023.....	None

ACTIVITY CONFLICTS

AP EXAM DATES

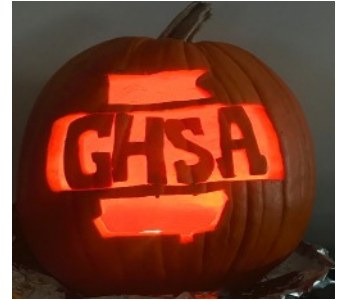
Week 1 - May 1-5, 2023.....	Baseball, Lacrosse, Soccer & Tennis Playoffs, Area Golf
Week 2 - May 8-12, 2023.....	Baseball, Lacrosse & Tennis Playoffs, State Track Meets

ACTIVITY CONFLICTS

GHSA - November Calendar - 2022

November

- 1 Deadline to file Riflery schedules with GHSA
- 1 Report Cross Country & One Act Play winners by 9 a.m.
- 4, 5 State Cross Country Meet
- 4, 5 End Football Regular Season; Volleyball State Finals
- 5 Earliest date for Game Day Cheer and Dance events
- 5 Region Cheerleading (A & Coed Sectionals)
- 8 Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- 11 Earliest date for Wrestling match and Basketball game
- 11, 12 First Round State Football Playoffs; Cheerleading State Championships
- 12 State One Act Plays (Classes TBA)
- 18, 19 Second Round State Football Playoffs
- 19 State One Act Plays (Classes TBA); Determine Flag Football qualifiers
- 24 **Thanksgiving Day** - GHSA Office closed 23rd through 25th
- 25, 26 Quarterfinal Round State Football Playoffs
- 29 First two rounds Flag Football Playoffs



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