2021 GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION VOLLEYBALL



VOLLEYBALL HANDBOOK

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2021 GHSA Volleyball Handbook

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2021 GHSA Volleyball Dates and Deadlines

.Online Volleyball Rules Clinic Opens (<u>learn.ghsa.net</u>)
Earliest Date for Volleyball Practice.
Deadline for completion of Online Volleyball Rules. Clinic for ALL coaches
Earliest Date for Volleyball Match
.Deadline to complete Region/Area Match
.9:00 am Deadline for electronic submission of Region/Area RESULTS on GHSA MIS site (<u>https://app.ghsa.net/node</u>)
.12:00 noon Deadline for Official Roster to be entered in the GHSA MIS System (<u>http://app.ghsa.net/</u>)
First Round of Volleyball State Playoffs for 3A, 5A and 7A. Higher seed will host match.
First Round of Volleyball State Playoffs for 1A/2A Public, 1A Private, 4A and 6A.
.12:00 noon Deadline for Official Roster to be updated in the GHSA MIS System (<u>http://app.ghsa.net/)</u> .
.Second Round of Volleyball State Playoffs. Higher seed will host match.
.12:00 noon Deadline for Official Roster to be updated in the GHSA MIS System (<u>http://app.ghsa.net/)</u> .
Quarterfinal Round of Volleyball State Playoffs for 3A, 5A and 7A. Higher seed will host match. (NOTE: A GHSA "universal" coin flip will be held in the event same-seeded teams meet.)
Quarterfinal Round of Volleyball State Playoffs for 1A/2A Public, 1A Private, 4A and 6A. Higher seed will host match. (NOTE: A GHSA "universal" coin flip will be held in the event same-seeded teams meet.)
.12:00 noon Deadline for Official Roster to be updated in the GHSA MIS System (<u>http://app.ghsa.net/)</u> .
Semifinal Round of Volleyball State Playoffs will be played at neutral sites. Higher seed will be home team. (NOTE: A GHSA "universal" coin flip will be held in the event same-seeded teams meet.)
.12:00 noon Deadline for Official Roster to be updated in the GHSA MIS System (<u>http://app.ghsa.net/)</u> .
.Volleyball State Championship presented by Mizuno

Du - Jan. 22 Tr - Feb. 10-12 March 19 & 26 May 20-21, 23 Nov. 19-20 Feb. 26 Nov. 13 & 20 May 12-14 Oct. 30 April 20-21 March 9-12 Dec. 9-11 May 16-17 April 23 April 23 May 3-6 Dates and more information for Bass Fishing and Esports may be found on the GHSA web site (www.ghsa.net). The "Dead Weeks" for the 2021-22 school year are Monday, May 30 through Sunday, June 5, 2022 and Monday, July 4 through Sunday, July 10, 2022. The GHSA office will be closed both weeks. Finals Feb. 3-5 Feb. 12 May 14 May 14 Nov. 5-6 Nov. 6 Dec. 9 Second Round Quarterfinals Semifinals May 14, 16 May 10-11 March 4-5 April 28-29 By May 9 Oct. 28-29 April 9 Oct. 30 Dec. 3-4 Dec. 6 **GHSA STATE PLAYOFF DATES** April 25-26 Nov. 26-27 Oct. 26-27 March 1-2 By May 3 May 9-10 May 5-6 Dec. 2 Du - Jan. 15 By April 27 Nov. 19-20 Feb. 25-26 April 18-21 Oct. 19-21 May 3-4 Oct. 23 **May 2-3** Nov. 30 First Round/ Sectionals (Class A Areas) May 2-3 (5-7A) Du - Jan. 15 Tr - Feb. 5 Oct. 12-14 April 13-14 April 27-28 April 12-15 April 27-29 April 21-22 By April 21 Nov. 12-13 Oct. 19-20 Feb. 22-23 Nov. 13 March 26 Nov. 30 May 7 PLAYOFF QUALIFIERS DETERMINED May 5 April 25 (5-7A) Du - Jan. 7-8 Tr - Jan. 28-29 March 12 March 12 April 23 Nov. 13 Feb. 19 April 14 April 30 April 23 Oct. 9 April 9 Feb. 19 April 9 Oct. 16 Nov. 20 Oct. 30 Nov. 6 Oct. 30 GAMES/DATES PLAY DATE March 12 March 12 April 30 April 23 April 23 LAST Nov. 6 Nov. 6 Feb. 19 Oct. 9 April 9 Oct. 16 Oct. 30 Nov. 20 Oct. 30 Feb. 19 Jan. 29 April 13 April 14 April 9 Jan. 28 May 7 Feb. 5 18 (13 JV) Dates 20 (14 JV) Dates 10 (7 JV) Dates 12 (8 JV) Dates 6 (girls) Dates MAXIMUM 10 (7 JV) **30** (21 JV) 25 (18 JV) 18 (13 JV) 18 (13 JV) (13 JV) **30** (21 JV) 10 (7 JV) 10 (7 JV) 10 (7 JV) 12 (8 JV) 6 (4 JV) 6 (4 JV) 16 I I I CONTEST Aug. 5 Feb. 18 Nov. 12 Nov. 12 Feb. 19 Aug. 20 Oct. 25 Aug. 7 Nov. 6 Aug. 9 Aug. 9 Jan. 24 Jan. 24 Feb. 14 Oct. 25 Nov. 6 Jan. 24 Feb. 7 Feb. 7 Oct. 7 FIRST I DATE FOR FIRST PRACTICE Sept. 20 Aug. 2 Aug. 2 Feb. 14 Aug. 2 Oct. 25 Jan. 10 Jan. 17 Aug. 2 Aug. 2 Aug. 2 Aug. 2 Aug. 2 Aug. 2 Oct. 11 Oct. 25 Oct. 25 Jan. 3 Jan. 3 Jan. 3 Feb. 7 Jan. 17 CROSS COUNTRY FLAG FOOTBALL CHEERLEADING GAME DAY ONE ACT PLAYS SOFTBALL (FP) SOFTBALL (SP) VOLLEYBALL BASKETBALL GYMNASTICS WRESTLING ACTIVITY FOOTBALL **SWIMMING** LACROSSE BASEBALL LITERARY SOCCER RIFLERY TENNIS TRACK DANCE GOLF NOTES:

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2021 GHSA Volleyball Protocol and Procedures

Excerpts from 2021-22 GHSA Constitution (Pgs. 90-91) (http://www.ghsa.net/constitution)

REGULAR SEASON:

- A. Volleyball is organized on a Region or Area basis with seven (7) state championships. Beginning and ending dates for practice and competition can be found at the front of this publication.
- B. The National Federation Volleyball rules committee has given each state its option about the number of games that determine a match.
 - 1. Region/Area matches shall be best-of-three unless ALL teams in the Region/Area agree (prior to the start of the season) to play best-of-five. Championship matches in the Region/Area Tournament **may** be best-of-five, and all post-season play after Region/Area Tournaments **shall** be best-of-five.
 - 2. Non-Region/Area dual matches may use the best-of-five format on nights before a school day.
 - 3. In all competitions, the third set shall be played to fifteen (15) points.
- C. Notification of entry in Volleyball must be filed in writing with the GHSA State Office no later than March 1, for the next school year. Schools will be assigned by the GHSA Executive Director to a region or geographic area for competition, and then will be notified of that assignment.
- D. Schools must enter team schedules, rosters and weekly game/meet results during the season on MaxPreps and be responsible for updates as needed. This information will support statewide media, event programs, broadcasts partners and GHSA Region Standings. Teams are encouraged to maintain team/individual statistics on MaxPreps.
- E. Playing dates:
 - Schools have a maximum of 18 playing dates regardless of whether or not it is a tournament format or head-to-head competition (each day of a tournament equals one playing date). Region/Area and State playoffs are not counted as part of the allotted playing dates.
 - 2. An invitational tournament is defined as four (4) or more schools competing in a single or double elimination format that leads to a champion being declared. The use of pool play is acceptable.
 - 3. The maximum number of days for an invitational tournament is two (2) days.
 - 4. No school shall enter any tournament unless it has been approved by the GHSA Executive Director.
- F. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:
 - 1. In accordance with National Federation rules, the use of artificial noisemakers shall be prohibited.
 - 2. Display of signs (larger than 8.5 x 11 inches) in the stands is not allowed during regular season or post season competition.
 - 3. Competitors must stay in uniform while in the competitive area.
 - 4. All varsity Region/Area Volleyball matches shall be officiated by at least one (1) officially-dressed volleyball official who is registered under the GHSA plan for the registration of officials
 - 5. Each school will have a contract with an officials association for regular season matches, play days and
 - invitational tournaments. The host school will be billed by the official's association for all of the officiating fees for these games, including travel.
 - 6. In accordance with National Federation rules, teams may use multi-colored balls in the regular season and post-season competitions.
 - 7. One coach (head or assistant) may stand in the libero replacement zone to coach his/her team during play.
 - Schools may have tryouts that are limited to a maximum of five consecutive school days between May 1 and the last day students are in school. Students participating must be academically eligible and enrolled at that school or an 8th grader at a feeder school for that school.





REGION/AREA INFORMATION:

Each Region/Area may determine its procedure for selecting and ranking its top four (4) teams for the state playoffs. The Region/Area may use regular season records and not have a Region/Area Tournament. The Region/Area may choose to have either a singleelimination (best 3 of 5) or a double-elimination (best 2 of 3) tournament with schools seeded on the basis of their Region/Area records or may allow schools to play a non-Region/Area schedule and then be seeded into the Region/Area Tournament. That choice must be submitted to the Region or GHSA Volleyball Area Coordinators before the first competition date of the regular season.

- 1. All finances (including officials' game fees and travel) will be the responsibility of the Region/Area.
- 2. Region ticket prices are set by the Region. Area ticket prices are to be set at \$6.00.
- 3. The GHSA will receive 5% of the gross gate receipts.
- 4. Results of each Region/Area Tournament must be entered in the GHSA MIS system within 24 hours of the completion of the event, but no later than 9:00 a.m., Monday immediately following the Region/Area Tournament.

STATE PLAYOFFS:

The **State** Volleyball playoffs will consist of five (5) rounds of dual matches. The first *three* rounds will be held at the site of the higherseeded team, with the *semifinal* and championship rounds to be held at central sites. (NOTE: A GHSA "universal" coin flip will be held in the event same-seeded teams meet in any round.)

- 1. All playoff matches will be a best-of-five, single-elimination format.
- 2. The seeding for the playoffs will be determined by a team's finish in region/area competition or tournament.
- 3. Finances for all classes through the Quarterfinal Round will be handled as follows:
 - (a) Ticket prices will be \$8.00 per day.
 - (b) The GHSA will receive 12% of the gross gate receipts.
 - (c) Officials' fees will be taken from the gross gate receipts and paid by the host school.
 - (d) The visiting team will be paid mileage at the GHSA-approved rate.
 - (e) Any residual funds will be split between the teams.
 - (f) The host school will be entitled to all concession funds.
- 4. Finances for the **Semifinal and Championship matches** shall be handled as follows:
 - (a) Ticket prices are TBD and will be published on the GHSA web site.
 - (b) The gate receipts will be sent to the GHSA office.
 - 1. GHSA will retain 12% of the gross receipts.
 - 2. GHSA will pay the officials.
 - 3. Any funds remaining will be disbursed to the competing teams.
- 5. The number of **free admissions** for "traveling parties" of participating teams at playoff contests shall be a maximum of 20 players and team essential personnel. Coaches will be admitted with GHSA coaching passes.
- 6. Line Judges will be supplied by the various officials' associations for all post-season matches.





2021 GHSA Volleyball Use of GHSA MIS site

The GHSA Volleyball MIS site is accessed through the "Affiliate Login" at the top of the GHSA website.



The GHSA MIS site (<u>http://app.ghsa.net/</u>) MUST be used for:

• Electronic submission of Area/Region Results

- Each Area Coordinator / Region Secretary will be issued login credentials for submission of Area/Region Meet Results. **Deadline is 9am on Monday, October 18, 2021.**
- Area/Region Coordinators / Region Secretaries must not only submit results on the MIS site but ALSO must enter the Head Coaches name, email address and cell phone number.
- Electronic submission of Team Roster





2021 GHSA VOLLEYBALL STATE PLAYOFFS INSTRUCTIONS

Please read and follow the "General Instructions" very carefully.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

• The GHSA Constitution and By Laws govern the GHSA Volleyball State Playoffs. This handbook will assist you in the step by step process as you move through the State Tournament.

1st Round:

- The #1 and #2 seeds in the bracket will host and be home team.
- The Highest Seed (Host) will contact the visiting teams as soon as the teams are determined to make arrangements for the round.
- Both schools shall agree on the date and times of the match.
- The Host shall schedule officials through their local association.
- The Host shall inform the GHSA Office of the match schedule and official's association calling the match.
- The Host shall provide a game manager, scorekeepers, and Libero Tracker for the match.
- The Host shall provide the Official GHSA Volleyballs (Molten Super Touch) for the matches and warmup.
- The Officials shall report all match results to the GHSA Office immediately after the match.
- The Host shall provide tickets and collect admission as per GHSA Constitution and By Laws.
- The Host shall pay Officials for the match.
- The Host shall submit all financial forms along with payment as per GHSA Constitution and By Laws.

2nd Round:

- The Highest Seed will Host and be home team.
- The Highest Seed will contact the visiting team as soon as the teams are determined to make arrangements for the round.
- Both schools must agree on the date and time of the match.
- The Highest Seed shall schedule officials through their local association.
- The Highest Seed shall inform the GHSA Office of the match schedule and official's association calling the match.
- The Host shall provide a game manager, scorekeepers, and Libero Tracker for the match.
- The Host shall provide the Official GHSA Volleyballs (Molten Super Touch) for match and warmup.
- The Officials shall report all match results to the GHSA Office immediately after the match.
- The Host shall provide tickets and collect admission as per GHSA Constitution and By Laws.
- The Host shall pay Officials for the match.
- The Host shall submit all financial forms along with payment as per GHSA Constitution and By Laws.





Quarterfinals:

- The Highest Seed will Host and be home team.
- The Universal Coin Flip will be utilized where equal-seeded teams are meeting.
 - The GHSA office will conduct one "universal" coin flip prior to the Quarterfinal round and again prior to the Semifinal round in all sports to determine the designated home team in all classifications where equal-seeded teams are meeting in that round. This flip will determine whether the top or bottom of the bracket in all such cases would be the host team (subject to other hosting requirements as specified by the GHSA by-laws for each respective sport).
- The Highest Seed will contact the visiting team as soon as the teams are determined to make arrangements for the round. Both schools must agree on the date and time of the match.
- The Host shall schedule officials through their local association.
- The Highest Seed/Host shall inform the GHSA Office of the match schedule and official's association calling the matches.
- The Host shall provide a game manager, scorekeepers, and Libero Tracker for the match.
- The Host shall schedule officials through their local association.
- The Host shall provide warmup balls.
- Molten will provide the Official GHSA Volleyballs (Molten Super Touch) for match.
- The Officials shall report all match results to the GHSA Office immediately after match.
- Presale digital tickets will be available at GoFan: <u>https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA</u>
- The Host shall provide tickets and collect admission as per GHSA Constitution and By Laws.
- The Host shall pay Officials for the match.
- The Host shall submit all financial forms along with payment as per GHSA Constitution and By Laws.

Semifinals:

- Neutral Sites will be utilized and the Highest Seed will be home team.
- The Universal Coin Flip will be utilized where equal-seeded teams are meeting.
 - The GHSA office will conduct one "universal" coin flip prior to the Quarterfinal round and again prior to the Semifinal round in all sports to determine the designated home team in all classifications where equal-seeded teams are meeting in that round. This flip will determine whether the top or bottom of the bracket in all such cases would be the host team (subject to other hosting requirements as specified by the GHSA by-laws for each respective sport).
- The GHSA Office will schedule the officials calling the matches.
- The GHSA shall provide the Official GHSA Volleyballs (Molten Super Touch) for match and warmup.
- The Officials shall report all match results to the GHSA Office immediately after match.
- Presale digital tickets will be available at GoFan only: <u>https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA</u>
- The GHSA shall pay Officials for the match.





Finals:

- **OFFICIAL TEAM TRAVEL FORM:** Please complete the online "Team Travel" completely in the GHSA MIS system by the deadline.
- **EXCESS TEAM ENTRY FORM:** List names of "Team Essential Personnel" who may not traveling with nor checking in with the team.
- **MATCH PERSONNEL:** ONLY team members and Team Essential Personnel are allowed on the floor and on the court. Photographers and videographers are not allowed on the floor nor on the court.
- **GAME ADMINISTRATOR:** Each school is required to have an Administrator on site during the match. Provide the name and cell # on the GHSA MIS system form. If not traveling with the team, they must check in at the "Pass Gate" and show valid photo ID.
- **UNACCOMPANIED MINORS/NON-PARTICIPANTS:** Must purchase a ticket and enter through the spectator entrance and are not allowed in the team areas (floor, court, etc.).
- **ROSTER FOR OFFICIAL PROGRAM:** Each team advancing to the semifinals is responsible for submitting your roster (player, uniform #, and year), team record, coaching staff, etc. to Adam Schindler at Score Atlanta (adam@scoreatl.com) no later than Monday, October 28. Programs are free to fans at venue.
- LIVE BROADCASTS: All matches will be exclusively video streamed live on NFHS Network. Monthly subscription is \$10.99 for unlimited viewing to all volleyball matches and other sports for 30 days. (https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/associations/ghsa). Local radio broadcasting must be cleared through GHSA Media Director Steve Figueroa at 770-633-3200 or stevefig@ghsa.net.
- LODGING: For information concerning lodging contact the respective Championship site rep for a list of establishments.
- **PRE GAME WARMUP:** Serving team will be allowed five (5) minutes and receiving team will be allowed 5 minutes of warmup.
- **LINE-UP/ROSTER:** Your official line-up/roster information must be turned in to the official scorer no later than (20) minutes prior to your scheduled match time.
- **GAME BALLS:** Game and warmup balls will be provided by Molten.
- **MERCHANDISE:** Championship merchandise by TeamIP will be available on site.
- TICKETS: Tickets for the finals will be available digitally only at GoFan: https://gofan.co/app/school/GHSA
- **PARKING / CONCESSIONS:** The host school is entitled to any parking fees and/or concessions.
- **TRAINERS:** Athletic trainers shall be provided by each school.
- **TIMES:** Game Times: 11:00am, 12:00noon, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, 4:00pm, 5:00pm and 6:30pm
- LOCKER ROOMS: Each team shall be provided a warm up court and locker room 1 1/2 hours before scheduled match time. Please provide a school representative to show teams to their locker room and lock & unlock the area as requested.
- **WARM-UP:** A separate warm-up gym will be provided and made available one hour prior to each match.
- **NATIONAL ANTHEM AND INTRODUCTIONS:** At the beginning of each match all members of the team will line up on the end line (starters on the end closest to the bench) for the National Anthem and introductions.
- **HOSPITALITY:** A coach hospitality room will be provided.
- **PUBLIC ADDRESS:** PA Announcer will be provided by the host site. GHSA will provide the PA script.
- **HANDICAPPED PARKING:** Handicapped parking shall be provided and a viewing area will be established on both sides of the championship court.
- **POST MATCH:** Fans will be restricted from the Championship court when the match is completed. After team awards are given, all fans will be allowed to enter the designated court for post-game conversations, media interviews and photos.





- **SPONSORS:** Corporate Partners have rights to display at the event. Typically, Mizuno will display. Alan Sharp, GHSA Marketing, will coordinate.
- **SIGNAGE:** GHSA signage will be set-up at each site by Alan Sharp.
- **PHOTOGRAPHY:** GHSA official photographers (1-2) with credentials will be on-site. Teams may reach coordinate specific orders by contacting: Chrystal Moore (Court #17) <u>chrystalmoorephotography@gmail.com</u>; Cecile Copeland (Court #8) <u>cecil@theathleticimage.com</u>.
- **OFFICIALS:** GHSA will assign & pay the officials (line judges, score keeper, timer & libero tracker) for the event.
- GATORADE: GHSA will provide Gatorade supplies for each team bench area.
- **PROGRAMS:** Event programs, produced by GHSA / ScoreAtlanta, will be delivered to each site.
- **AWARDS:** GHSA will provide the tournament Runner-Up with fifteen (15) medals and a team trophy. The Champion will receive fifteen (15) medals, a team trophy and t-shirts. Additional championship t-shirts can be ordered by contacting Brittany Kirby, TeamIP: <u>bkirby@teamip.com</u>; (772) 398-4664. Use GHSA "Additional Medal Form" for more medals <u>https://www.ghsa.net/forms</u>.
- GHSA Mandates
 - Artificial noisemakers shall not be used
 - Fans may not display signs (larger than 8 ½ X 11 piece of paper) in the seating areas
 - All spectators must wear shirts
 - Only one team camera on a tripod is allowed. All team cameras have to be on the upper level. Hand-held cameras are allowed in the stands as long as they do not interfere with other fans.

NOTE: Please remind your student body and spectators that shirts and shoes must be worn at all times in the gymnasium, outside food or drink, drones, and bags over 10" X 12" are not allowed. Ticket takers have been instructed to confiscate these item(s) prior to entering the arena and they can be retrieved when leaving the arena. Also, remind them of the GHSA "No Re-Entry" policy at GHSA sanctioned events. Additional information about each venue is attached to this email.

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GHSA State Championship Schedule

LakePoint Sports Complex

Champions Center

<u>Court # 8</u>		Court	t # 17_
11:00 am	1A Public/2A	12:00 noon	1A Private
1:30 pm	3A	2:30 pm	4A
4:00 pm	5A	5:00 pm	6A
6:30 pm	7A		





GHSA FORMS

- Volleyball Official Team Roster Form (Due to the GHSA Office by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, November 3, 2021)

 <u>http://app.ghsa.net/</u>
- GoFan Mobile Ticket Mobile Instructions
 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RV7QK3T-unw&feature=youtu.be
- GoFan Digital Tickets GHSA Policy Memo (Attached)
- GHSA Pass Gate Form
 <u>https://www.ghsa.net/sites/default/files/documents/forms/PassGateForm_2020.pdf</u>
- State Volleyball Playoffs Financial Report First to Third Round
 <u>https://www.ghsa.net/sites/default/files/documents/forms/FinancialReport-VolleyballPlayoffs_rev20200622.pdf</u>
- State Volleyball Championship Financial Report
 - o https://www.ghsa.net/sites/default/files/documents/forms/FinancialReport-VolleyballFinals.pdf



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HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Attn: GHSA Member Schools

RE: GoFan Digital Ticket Sales

In preparing your financial reports for GHSA State Playoffs in all sports, this is a reminder to you that GoFan Digital Ticket sales are part of your total gate. The playoff forms for all sports have a separate line item for you to show the # of digital tickets sold and the resulting gate income. GoFan furnishes a report to GHSA for all playoff games at all member schools showing the # of digital tickets sold – please make sure your financial report reflects that information.

If for any reason, the # of GoFan tickets are not shown on your playoff financial reports and included in the total gate revenue, GHSA will invoice you for the GHSA portion of the gate proceeds relating to digital tickets and a notice to pay your visiting team their portion of the omitted gate proceeds as well. It will be easier for all if you include your digital tickets on the original financial report sent to GHSA.

Please do not hesitate to contact the GHSA office if you have questions concerning the digital ticket program.

Thank you!