

MISSION STATEMENT

The South Dakota High School Activities Association will serve member schools by providing leadership in the development, supervision and conduct of interscholastic activities which enrich the educational experiences of high school students. The SDHSAA is committed to the ideals which will provide equitable participation opportunities and positive recognition to students, while working cooperatively with all schools to enhance the achievement of desired educational goals.

VISION AND BELIEF

Believing that the finest minds of tomorrow are with us now and that where they go from here is up to us, member schools of the South Dakota High School Activities Association, we collectively strive to prepare the citizens of tomorrow with the best of today.

VISION AND EFFORT

Member schools focus their efforts on a future where young people will teach what they learn – respect and responsibility, commitment and compassion – and will weave those qualities into the fabric of their lives outside of classrooms and competitive areas.

VISION AND VALUES

Dignity, equity, fairness, justice, sportsmanship and scholarship are the heartbeat of the Association's vision for its students as Association members pledge themselves to multiculturalism, gender fairness, and disability awareness, reaching for a world where –

- ◆ differences are valued and seen as an enrichment of society that adds purpose, depth and meaning to living on this planet.
- ◆ colors of the human rainbow are visible in every facet of human activity.
- ◆ no one's actions, appearance, or language is disrespectful, demeaning, sexist, or insulting toward another human being.
- ◆ athletic and fine arts activities blend into the development of strong, inclusive opportunities for all students to participate in their school communities.
- ◆ students thrive in violence-free and drug-free schools, motivated to carry their values into their families and the world around them.

HISTORY

The SDHSAA was organized in 1905 for the purpose of managing and fostering high school athletics on a high plane. At that time a Board of Directors of three members was chosen to administer the affairs of the Association. They were G. E. Muller, Superintendent, Hurley High School; R. L. Kirk, Superintendent, Aberdeen High School; and A. A. McDonald, Superintendent, Sioux Falls High School.

Initial concerns were primarily in track and field. During the ensuing years it became evident that the SDHSAA should assume the initiative for a well-balanced athletic program to meet the needs of all schools and all students desiring to participate in athletics.

In 1923 the Association became a member of the National Federation of State Athletic Associations which now includes all state associations and several Canadian provinces.

Down through the years each non-athletic school activity formed its own organization. In 1961, largely through the efforts of the South Dakota High School Principals' Association, the member schools voted to become an Activities Association. This step merged all of these organizations into one association, which is the present South Dakota High School Activities Association.

The administrative entity for the SDHSAA is the Board of Directors. This Board was originally called the Board of Control, but the title was changed to Board of Directors by a Constitutional Amendment beginning with the 1996-97 school year. Six men have served the SDHSAA as Executive Director: R. E. Rawlins from 1915-1922 and 1925-1937, R.M. "Bus" Walseth from 1937-1970, Dave Evans from 1970-1977, Clair Lilevjen from 1977-1979, Marlyn Goldhammer from 1979-200, Wayne Carney from 2001-2017 and Dan Swartos from 2017 to present.

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Athletic Directors, Coaches and Sports Officials
FROM: SDHSAA
RE: Recruitment and Retention of Sports Officials

Recruitment and retention of sports officials is one of the most difficult tasks we have to deal with in South Dakota as well as across the rest of the country. **The recruitment of officials is everyone's responsibility.** We need to see those individuals who have been involved in playing the game(s), understands the games(s) and feels a passion for the game(s). Individuals who were former players are an excellent target group to get involved in officiating!

The South Dakota High School Activities Association in conjunction with the Sports Official's Advisory Council is actively promoting the recruitment of new officials. This is where you (both sports official and school) can be of a tremendous help. Once these individuals have been identified, they need an opportunity to work.

The SDHSAA Board of Directors passed the following recommendation at their April 12-13, 2000 Board of Directors meeting.

“...If officials bring a new or less experienced official with them to a contest to work a portion of the sub-varsity contest, the host school should pay said official.”

The SDHSAA is actively encouraging officials to bring those people to the contest (FB, BB, GYM, VB, WR, SOCCER CHEER and DANCE) and for the local school district to pay these new or prospective official(s). A suggested dollar amount is a minimum of \$50.00.

Thank you for your time and interest in interscholastic athletics. We appreciate your efforts and if the Sports Council, the Sports Officials Association in each sport (check your Sports Official's Directory/Handbook for contacts) or the SDHSAA can assist you in these efforts, please do not hesitate to contact any of these groups.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Applications for the registration of officials will be accepted from May 1 to July 1 for renewal officials. Exceptions may be granted for new officials:

Sport	Deadline For Application To SDHSAA	Deadline For New/Late Renewal Application	Mailing Date of Rule Books & Packets	Online Open Book Exam Start and End Dates
Volleyball	July 1	August 31	July	August 1 – August 31
Football	July 1	August 31	July	August 1 – August 31
Cheer and Dance	July 1	August 31	July	August 1 - August 31
Soccer	July 1	August 31	July	August 1 – August 31
Gymnastics	July 1	November 30	September	November 1 – November 30
Wrestling	July 1	November 30	October	November 1 – November 30
Basketball	July 1	November 30	October	November 1 – November 30
Track & Cross Country	July 1	March 31	February	March 1 – March 31

REGISTRATION FEE

One sport	\$60.00
Two Sports	\$80.00
Three Sports	\$95.00
Four Sports	\$110.00
Five Sports	\$120.00

For renewing officials - \$20.00 late fee after **July 1st**

New Official	\$22.00	Someone who has never registered to officiate. Will be allowed to register after cut-off date for that sport. Must be registered by the first of the month in which the state tournament is held.
Full time College Student	\$60.00 (one sport) with \$43 reimbursement from Sports Officials Council once all requirements are met, including initial jamboree	A minimum of 12 undergraduate hours or 9 graduate hours
Out-of-State (Dual Registration)	\$60.00 (one sport)	Out-of-State officials may fully license in South Dakota and become post season eligible by meeting all South Dakota requirements in the sport in which they are registered. All requirements of South Dakota officials must be met in South Dakota even if you have previously met a similar requirement in your home state. Not fulfilling stated requirements as listed in the official's handbook will lead to probation and fines, and render you ineligible for any post season contests. Out-of-state certified officials, meeting all requirements, will be post season eligible their second year of licensing with SD.

NOTE: you are not considered a licensed official with the SDHSAA until online registration is completed and the registration fee has been paid. All late fees will be applied.

POLICIES REGARDING REGISTRATION

Your license fees provide you with rule books, case book, official's manual and membership to the NFOA.

I. Who Should Make Application:

- A. Individuals who are interested in officiating **varsity** high school sports, such as football, girls and/or boys' basketball, girls and boys wrestling, gymnastics, volleyball, competitive cheer, competitive dance, soccer, cross country and track and field. **(Must be 18 years of age or older to register with the SDHSAA.)**

NOTE: The following track officials must make application: Qualifying Meets & Region Meets: Starters, Meet Referees

State Meet: Starters, Meet Referees, Head Field Judges.

- B. If an official drops his/her license and then re-applies prior to the **3rd year** from the drop time, s/he enters at the same classification as when s/he left (registered or certified).
- C. An official registering with a previous background of officiating (another state, etc.) may submit appropriate records showing past experience. Based on this data, a determination will be made as to entry classification. Officials that move into South Dakota from another state and are classified as "Certified" (or the highest level) in their original state will be eligible for a state tournament their second year of licensing in SD provided they have taken the closed book test.

II. Deadline For Applications:

- A. Renewal Officials - on or before **JULY 1** annually.

NOTE: Early application is necessary for Nat'l Federation benefits and publication of the SDHSAA Officials' Directory.

- B. First Time Officials – See set dates on page 2.

CLASSIFICATION AND REQUIREMENTS

BASKETBALL

New Official	Registered	Certified
Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting - Annual
Mechanics Meeting Annual	Mechanics Meeting - Annual	Mechanics Meeting - Annual
Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual	2 Region Meetings – Annual
Open Book Exam– Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual
Mechanics Test– Annual	Mechanics Test – Annual	Mechanics Test– Annual
Jamboree – 1 in first 2 years, then one in next 3 years(Must be completed by Dec. 1)	Jamboree – 1 in first 2 years, then one in next 3 years. After the first 5 years, registered officials need a jamboree, 1 every 5 years. (Must be completed by Dec. 1)	Jamboree – 1 every 3 years Officials must attend initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events (must be completed by Dec. 1)

COMPETITIVE CHEER**COMPETITIVE DANCE**

Registered or New		Registered or New	
Rules Meeting - Annual		Rules Meeting - Annual	
Open Book Exam - Annual		Open Book Exam - Annual	
Officials Clinic – As needed		Officials Clinic – As needed	

CROSS COUNTRY

New Official		Registered	
Rules Meeting - Annual		Rules Meeting – Annual	
Open Book Exam – Annual		Open Book Exam - Annual	

FOOTBALL

New Official	Registered	Certified
Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting - Annual
Mechanics Meeting - Annual	Mechanics Meeting- Annual	Mechanics Meeting - Annual
Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual
Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual
Jamboree – 1 in first 2 years then one in next 3 years. (Must be complete by September 20)		Jamboree – 1 every 3 years (Must be complete by September 8) Officials must attend initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events.

GYMNASTICS

New Official	Registered	Certified
Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting – Annual	Rules Meeting – Annual
Officials Clinic - Biennial	Officials Clinic – Biennial	Officials Clinic - Biennial
Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual
Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam– Annual
Intersquad Meet - Annual	Intersquad Meet - Annual	Intersquad Meet - Annual
Practice judge – Twice (2)		

SOCCER

New Official	Registered
Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting - Annual
Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual

TRACK AND FIELD

New Official	Registered
Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting – Annual
Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam - Annual

VOLLEYBALL

New Official	Registered	Certified
Rules Meeting - Annual	Rules Meeting – Annual	Rules Meeting – Annual
Mechanics Meeting - Annual	Mechanics Meeting – Annual	Mechanics Meeting - Annual
Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual
Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam- Annual
Jamboree – 1 in first 2 years then one in next 3 years. (Must be complete by opening competition)	Jamboree – 1 in first 2 years then one in next 3 years. (Must be complete by opening date of competition) After the first 5 years, registered officials need a jamboree, 1 every 5 years.	Jamboree – 1 every 3 years (Must be complete by opening date of competition). Officials must attend initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events.

WRESTLING

New Official	Registered	Certified
Rules Meeting/Clinic – Annual	Rules Meeting/Clinic – Annual	Rules Meeting/Clinic - Annual
Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual	Open Book Exam – Annual
Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting – Annual	Region Meeting - Annual

POLICIES REGARDING PENALTIES/PROBATION FEES

Penalties: Kinds and description.

If an official drops a sport that has penalty fees assessed, those fees will stay in effect for two years.

A. Probation:

1. Probation period will begin as soon as the SDHSAA identifies that a requirement(s) has not been met by the official and will end as soon as the appropriate requirements are met and probation fee is paid.

B. Suspension:

1. An official will be suspended from officiating for one year when that official fails to complete the same requirement for three consecutive years.

C. Late Registration Penalty Fee:

1. All renewal applicants are expected to register prior to **July 1**.
2. Officials who do not meet the registration deadline will pay a penalty fee of \$20.00.

D. Penalties for not fulfilling requirements in your specific sport(s)

1. Official remains on probation until the following requirements are met:
 - a) First Year
 1. An official will be placed on probation and pay a \$25 penalty fee for each requirement missed with a maximum of \$50 per sport.
Official will need to pay any outstanding probation fees to be in good-standing with SDHSAA for any sport.
 - b) Two Consecutive Years
 1. An official who fails to complete the same requirement two consecutive years will be placed on probation and pay an additional \$25 penalty fee per violation. Official will need to pay any outstanding probation fees to be in good-standing with SDHSAA for any sport.
 - c) Three Consecutive Years
 1. An official who fails to complete the same requirement three consecutive years will be suspended from officiating for one full year.
The official will need to pay any outstanding probation fees, and if certified, will return to registered status, to be in good standings with the SDHSAA

E. Penalty for Missing a Jamboree /Clinic (BB, VB, FB, GYM, CHEER and DANCE):

1. Official remains on probation until the following two requirements are met:
 - a) Pay a penalty fee of \$25 (paid any time up to and including when application is made).
 - b) Attend a jamboree, which in some cases may not occur until the following school year.

NOTE: For “certified” officials: If on the 3rd year of probation for missing a jamboree an official may choose to return to the “registered” classification or be suspended for one year and return at the “certified” classification thereafter.

Schedules for jamborees will be posted on the SDHSAA websites under officials tabs then under “sports specific

RECIPROCITY

Any out of state official who seeking reciprocity in South Dakota will be assessed a fee of \$10.00 per sport. The fee for officials who desire reciprocity in North Dakota and Minnesota is \$10.00. The fee for officials desiring reciprocity with Nebraska is \$10.00 **per sport**. Officials should write directly to these state association offices enclosing the proper amount of fees to be paid. There is open reciprocity with **Wyoming**. However, the Wyoming Activities Association requests that they have the names of South Dakota officials who will be officiating in Wyoming. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.

Minnesota State League, 2100 Freeway Blvd., Brooklyn Center, MN 55430 (763)560-2262

Montana HS Association, 1 South Dakota Ave., Helena, MT 59601 (406)442-6010

Nebraska School Activities Assoc., PO Box 85448, Lincoln, NE 68505 (402)489-0386

North Dakota HS Activities Assoc., Box 817, Valley City, ND 58072 (701)845-3953

Wyoming HS Activities Assoc., 731 E 2nd St., Casper, WY 82601 (307)577-0614

WORK LIMITATIONS

Registered:

Registered officials are eligible to work "regular season" contests only, they are not eligible for sub-state or state contests. An official may stay at the “registered” classification indefinitely.

Certified:

Certified officials are eligible to work regular season games and all SDHSAA sub-state and state events. Certified officials are not eligible for state events if on probation. Certified officials are eligible to work state tournament events in basketball, and volleyball only if certification has been maintained for 3 years or more. In gymnastics and wrestling certification must be maintained for two or more years.

NOTE: Certified officials on probation are not eligible for sub-state or state events.

SUPERVISED EXAM (To Become Certified)

To move from “registered” classification to “certified” classification, the supervised (closed book) exam will be offered at location to be determined: Exam sites and the date will be in your packet of information pertaining to the sport you are licensing in. You must score at least a 75% to pass the exam. There is not a time deadline as to when this transition must be made. An official may stay in the “registered” classification indefinitely. No supervised exam offered in Competitive Cheer, Competitive Dance, Soccer, Cross Country or Track and Field.

OUT OF STATE OFFICIALS TRANSFER

1. Officials that move into South Dakota from another state and are classified as “certified” (or the highest level) in their original state will be eligible for a state tournament their second year of licensing in SD.
 2. All officials meeting and exam requirements must be completed in South Dakota.
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SDHSAA LICENSED OFFICIALS ARE MEMBERS OF NFOA

By SDHSAA Board of Directors approval all SDHSAA Officials are automatic members of the National Federation Officials Association. The insurance provider is Dissinger Reed. For detailed information go to <https://www.dissingerreed.com/national-federation-of-state-high-school-associations/>

Membership provides:

- Insurance which includes general liability coverage, accident medical, catastrophic medical and accidental death & dismemberment, fee loss
 - Awards program at the state, sectional and national level
 - Opportunity to serve on a national rules committee
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INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

SDHSAA licensed officials are considered independent contractors and not employees of the SDHSAA or member schools. The license entitles the official to officiate contests between SDHSAA member schools for remuneration as an independent contractor and not as an employee. In South Dakota, independent contractors must meet a minimum age requirement of 18 years.

CONTRACTS

Game contracts should be in writing, clearly setting forth the dates, financial arrangements and terms to which both agree. Such businesslike procedures prevent misunderstandings and are appreciated by the school administrators and coaches. It is advisable to confirm the date at least one week prior to the game by sending an e-mail or mailing a note to the contest manager. An officials' word is his/her bond. Once given, verbally or by formal contract, he/she will be present regardless of possible inconvenience or financial loss and will never give up one contract to accept another better paying assignment.

When officials have been contracted by a school (the school) that is no longer going to offer a particular program due to: a) joining a Board of Directors approved cooperative; b) the school being closed; or c) a school discontinuing a program, payment of the officials shall be handled in the following manner:

- Responsibility for payment is solely between the school and the officials.
 - If the contracted officials are not able to replace the existing contracted date, the school shall pay the contracted officials.
 - If the contracted officials sign a contract to replace the existing contracted date, the school has no financial obligation to the officials.
 - The above provisions apply to written contracts only, verbal agreements are excluded.
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OFFICIALS BREAKING GAME CONTRACTS

If an official backs out of a contract without mutual agreement with the contracting schools, athletic directors or assigner of officials may file a ‘non formal’ complaint with the SDHSAA based on a breach of the officials’ code of ethics. This violation could mean loss of eligibility for sub-state and state contests in the sport the violation occurred. Each contract violation is evaluated on a case by case basis.

COMMITTEES BREAKING GAME CONTRACTS

Any official whose contract is broken by the region committee will be reimbursed by the committee unless the official receives a replacement contract from another region. If the game is cancelled for any reason other than an act of God, the School requesting cancellation shall pay the official's fee if requested.

MILITARY DUTY

Officials who are in the Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves that are called to duty may return to their same status when making application to the SDHSAA. Penalties will not be applied for requirements not met during tour of duty.

CONVICTION STATUS

Any individual convicted of a felony criminal offense involving a minor child will not be allowed to apply for a sports official's license in South Dakota.

RECRUITMENT & RETENTION OF NEW OFFICIALS

Contracted officials are encouraged, with permission from both schools, to bring new and/or less experienced officials to a contest to work the sub-varsity game. Each veteran official would work a half with the new official. Such a practice will enable new officials to gain valuable experience and confidence.

THE OBSERVATION PROGRAM FOR SDHSAA BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL OFFICIALS

Purpose of the Observation Program

1. Observe officiating – Officials must have:
 - Knowledge of rules and application of them
 - Proper mechanics
 - Control of the game
 2. Observe Sportsmanship at game site
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GUIDELINES FOR JAMBOREE CREDIT DURING THE SUMMER

The organizing agency/person must apply for jamboree credit with the region coordinators or region representatives in the sport of the jamboree. Deadline for the application is the last meeting of the group prior to May 1st of each school year.

The application must include:

1. The outline of the jamboree including the method of instruction.
 2. The instruction must be based on NFHS high school mechanics.
 3. The clinicians must be licensed high school officials.
 4. Approval of said clinic must be given by the sport coordinators or sport representatives plus the SDHSAA.
 5. Officials receiving credit may not be paid for attending.
 6. A region sport coordinator or representative is to be involved with the jamboree, if possible.
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENT/COACH EJECTIONS—

Chapter II, Part 1, Section 9 of the SDHSAA By-Laws states “Any student or coach ejected from an interscholastic contest by game officials will be ineligible for the next regularly scheduled game/meet at that level of competition and all other games/meets in the interim at any level of competition.”

EJECTION REPORTING PROCEDURE: If there is an ejection the following procedure must be followed:

1. The local administration (where student is enrolled or coach is employed) must file a report, using the appropriate form (found on SDHSAA Website under School Login Zone), notifying the SDHSAA of the ejection.
2. The SDHSAA Office will contact the official involved with the ejection and ask for a report. The report form (found on SDHSAA Website under Officials Login Zone) must be filed.
3. A copy of the Official's report may be forwarded to the school administration for their review.

APPEALS: A student may appeal his/her ejection to the SDHSAA if it can be verified that his/her actions did not contribute to the disqualification. This applies only to a student-athlete who was wrongfully ejected due to the recording of an incorrect number by the officials. A coach may appeal the penalty only when he/she is disqualified for indirect technical/unsportsmanlike conduct fouls.

If there is an appeal the following procedure must be followed:

1. In the case of a student/coach ejection, the student/coach must make a written appeal to his/her local administration using the appropriate form (Ejection # 2). If they are in agreement, the local administration must sign and forward the form to the SDHSAA Office.

2. The SDHSAA will review the appeal and make the final decision whether to overturn the ejection or uphold the ejection. When an athlete or coach is ejected from a contest, he/she must watch the NFHS Sportsmanship course on the NFHSLearn website and show proof of the completion of the course (print certificate) and send it to the SDHSAA office, in addition to the game suspension PRIOR to returning to the playing floor/field.

DISRUPTION OF OUTDOOR GAMES/CONTESTS DUE TO WEATHER (LIGHTNING, ETC.)

Officials and school personnel should always rule on the side of safety and postpone or delay any outside activity when threatening weather exists. If there is any doubt as to whether the contest should be suspended, it is always better to err on the side of safety. The decision to suspend a contest lies with the game officials. However, local school administrators should not hesitate to discuss a suspension of play with the officials if they feel weather conditions warrant. Teams should be sent to their respective locker rooms or buses and fans should be instructed to leave the stadium.

Regular Season

In the event the regular season contest cannot be resumed after a delay, based upon mutual agreement of both schools (not the officials), the following options may be selected:

1. Resume play from the point of interruption at a later date.
2. Declare a winner and loser based on the score at the time of interruption.

Regions

In the event the region contest cannot be resumed after a delay, the contest/meet may not be postponed beyond the deadline unless the regional committee receives approval from the SDHSAA executive staff.

State

In the event a state meet/tournament is interrupted due to adverse weather conditions, decisions as to how to proceed will be as follows:

- Golf - The meet manager and club pro/director and SDHSAA Representative.
- Tennis - The meet director, meet manager, and SDHSAA Representative.
- Cross Country - The meet director, meet manager and referee.
- Track & Field - Decisions as to how to proceed in the field events and running events will be made by the meet director (SDHSAA Representative), meet manager, meet referee and head field judge. In the event adverse weather conditions prevent utilizing the following Monday as a make-up day, all remaining events will be canceled and team standings will be based on the events that were completed.

DISRUPTION OF MATCH/GAME DUE TO SLIPPERY FLOOR

In the event that moisture condenses on the floor, it shall be the decision of the officials to stop the game/contest whenever he/she deems conditions are no longer safe to continue.

Once a decision has been made by the officials to stop the game/contest, based upon mutual agreement of both schools, one of the following three options must be selected:

1. Resume play from the point of interruption at a later date.
2. Declare a winner and loser based on the score at time of interruption.
3. In the event the basketball game is tied or volleyball match is tied (games are 1-1 or 2-2) at the point of disruption, and it is not possible to complete the contest at a later date, the contest will be considered canceled with neither team allowed to schedule a replacement game/contest.

VOLLEYBALL – TIME CONSIDERATION FOR HEAT

If conditions are unbearable, the time between games within the match may be extended from 3 minutes to 4 minutes. The officials and the coaches shall make this decision. If there is a disagreement as to taking extra time or not, the final decision rests with the match official.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PROCEDURES

While the risk for blood-borne infectious diseases, such as HIV/Hepatitis B, remains low in sports, proper precautions are needed to reduce the risk of spreading diseases. Along with these issues are skin infections that occur due to skin contact with competitors and equipment.

Universal Hygiene Protocol for All Sports

- Shower immediately after all competition and practice
- Wash all workout clothes after practice
- Wash personal gear, such as knee pads, periodically
- Don't share towels or personal hygiene products with others

- Refrain from (Full body) cosmetic shaving
- Refer to any sport NFHS rule book for more information on Infectious Skin Diseases and Blood-Borne Infectious Diseases.

POLICIES REGARDING UNIFORMS

American Flag

Officials are allowed to wear the American Flag provided it does not exceed 2 x 3 inches and if worn it must be placed on the left sleeve of the officiating shirt. It is recommended that the flag placement on Volleyball, Basketball and Wrestling official uniforms be 2 inches from the bottom of the sleeve. Football flag placement shall be centered 1 inch above the pocket or placed on the upper left arm of the uniform with the stars facing in.

Basketball

1. **Belt** - If worn, it shall be black
2. **Jacket** - Black, SDHSAA logo on jacket or “college style” jacket. All crew members must match style or jacket, either college style or traditional
SDHSAA style would be acceptable.
3. **Shirt** - Standard black/white vertically striped: (one inch)
 - a. Short sleeves (approximately 8 inches in length with black cuffs)
 - b. “V” neck shirt shall be worn and an under garment (if worn) shall be black
 - c. Worn inside pants
 - d. Entire crew shall wear same design and style
4. **Shoes** - Entirely black with black laces
5. **Socks** - Black
6. **Trousers** - Black, with no flares
7. **Whistle** - Black lanyard, recommend black plastic - carry a spare

Competitive Cheer and Dance

1. **Shirt** - White polo shirt with the SDHSAA logo (Order from DSS Image Apparel Phone: 605-225-6987)
2. **Slacks/Skirt** – Black
3. **Jacket** - Black
4. **Shoes** – Dressy/casual (no flip flops) - Black

Football

1. **Shirt** - Black and white vertically striped, long or short-sleeved official’s shirt shall be worn. The shirts shall have 1 or 2-inch stripes, a black cuff and Byron Collar. All officials, in a given game, are to wear the same type shirt.
2. **Knickers** - Standard, all white tapered knickers shall be worn with a short overlap below the knee (not more than 4 inches).
3. **Black Pants** - hard finish pants may be worn in lieu of traditional white knickers. Entire crew must be the same. (One inch single white stripe down the leg)
4. **Shorts** – Black or white shorts may be worn during warm weather. Entire crew must be the same.
5. **Socks** – With knickers will be one-piece stockings with a modified northwestern stripe (1/2 inch white, 1/2 inch black, 1 inch white, 1/2 inch black, 1/2 in white) are required. The width of the black showing below the knickers should be the same as the wide black band below the striping pattern. Socks worn with black pants shall be black.
6. **Shoes** - Black football shoes, with minimal white or silver trim/markings, and black laces are required. Shoes should be shined before each game.
7. **Cap** - Black baseball-style cap with white piping is required. For the purpose of identification, the referee shall wear a solid, white baseball-style cap.
8. **Belt** - A black leather belt 1 1/4 to 2 inches wide with a plain buckle shall be worn.
9. **Jacket** - A black and white vertically striped jacket when worn during the game.
10. The uniforms should fit properly and be clean and neat.
All officials must have the proper equipment; essentials are a whistle, penalty marker, white bean bag to mark non-penalty spots, game card, pencil and rubber bands or some device to keep track of the down number. The penalty marker shall be a light gold flag (15 inches x 15 inches) with a middle pouch weighted with sand or beans, etc. The linesman shall furnish a clipping device for use in measuring first downs.

Cross Country and Track and Field

1. **Shirt** – White cotton polo with official SDHSAA Track & Field logo. (Dakota Sports Inc. or Harve's Sport Shop)
2. **Jacket** – Ash City North End 88083, Full zip, water resistant & zipper pockets. Color: Putty
3. **Pullover** – White Bear Microfiber Wind Shirt 5150, Meshed lined – windproof & water resistant. Color: Putty/Navy
4. **Slacks** – Black, navy blue or khaki
5. **Shorts** – Acceptable in hot weather (official's shorts or dress shorts-same colors apply as slacks)
6. **Shoes** - Black
7. **Socks** – Black (white if wearing shorts)
8. **Cap** - An appropriate cap (starters may wear orange)
9. Equipment, Aids and Suggestions are a starter pistol (plus and extra); black powdered shells; bright colored sleeve; whistle

Gymnastics

1. **Blazer/Slacks/Skirt** - Black (no sweater)
2. **Shirt** - White blouse, shirt or sweater
3. **Equipment** - Judges shall carry with them a pen/pencil, a sharpener and green flags.

Soccer

The officials shall be dressed alike in uniforms primarily consisting of:

1. **Shirt** - The primary jersey is the GOLD USSF Style Shirt with Black pinstripes, black collar, and black cuffs (on long sleeve shirt only. In the event of a color conflict between the officials and the field players of either team, the officials shall change to a jersey of a color distinct from the field players of both teams. The following four shirts have been approved as alternates that can be worn in case of color conflict:
 - a. Black USSF Style Shirt with black collar and black cuffs (if long sleeve)
 - b. Red USSF Style Shirt with black collar and black cuffs (if long sleeve)
 - c. Blue USSF Style Shirt with black collar and black cuffs (if long sleeve)
 - d. Green USSF Style Shirt with black collar and black cuffs (if long sleeve)There is no order of preference among the alternate jerseys.
2. **Shorts or Long Pants** - Black
3. **Shoes** - Predominantly black
4. **Socks** - black with white stripes.
5. **Officials Equipment** - Two whistles, yellow card, red card, stop watch, flipping coin, pencil and scorecard.
6. **Cap** - Solid black, if worn.

Volleyball

1. **Shirt** -Blue collared polo shirt (Smitty) with sublimated SDHSAA official logo on upper left chest. Shirts must be ordered from the SDVBOA through the link below.
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeK5RTk8QIK16mjByBxfnDRZeQbag9mJ6bI9o9FTz3w1BMDeA/viewform>
 - a. Partners, while working a match, may wear shirts with varied sleeves lengths. (short or long sleeves)
 - b. Shirt must be worn inside the slacks
 - c. Volleyball officials who are pregnant have the following options:
 - 1) Purchase a larger regulation volleyball official's shirt
 - 2) Add additional material to the side seams of an existing volleyball official's shirt
 - d. **Line judges registered as officials with the SDHSAA**, will be required to wear blue,. collared officiating shirt, with black pants.
 - e. **Line judges not registered with the SDHSAA** are recommended to wear a white polo shirt and black pants
2. **Slacks** - Black
3. **Belt** – if worn must be black
4. **Shoes** - Solid black with black laces
5. **Jacket** – Black, required for district, region and state (optional for matches during regular season) Purchase a black jacket at supplier of your choice. Have the SDHSAA volleyball logo embroidered on it.
6. **Socks** - Black

7. Officials equipment shall include: A whistle with a black lanyard, line-up "card", a pen/pencil, a set of yellow and red cards, an air pressure gauge, a net measuring device, a watch (with second hand or timer) and a coin. *The wearing of a PAVO volleyball uniform shirt with its logo on the sleeve or on the front is illegal.*

Wrestling

1. **Shirt** - Short sleeved knit shirt, with alternating black and white 1 inch stripes or grey with black pin stripes.
2. **Trousers** - Full length black trousers
3. **Belt** - If worn, must be black
4. **Socks** - Black
5. **Shoes** - Black with black laces

The referee shall be neatly attired and have other accessories, including a coin or colored disc, a whistle and red and green armbands. The red armband shall be worn on the left wrist and the green armband on the right wrist.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUB-STATE TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Basketball

1. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments providing all requirements are met, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provided the official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Students from out-of-state attending a South Dakota college or university are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, provided they are a certified official registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.
2. All certified officials eligible for sub-state tournaments must submit their basketball schedule to the SDHSAA.
3. The officials:
 - a. must work a minimum of 12 regular varsity contest (non-gender specific) during the current school year to be eligible to officiate any post season contest.
 - b. must complete, submit and pass the online open book exam; complete, submit and pass the online mechanics exam; view online a rules meeting; view online a mechanics clinic; attend two regional meetings; attend a jamboree 1 of every 3 years. **Officials must attend their initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events.**
 - c. must complete all officials meeting requirements in South Dakota.
 - d. will not be eligible to officiate sub-state or state tournaments if said official is on PROBATION.
 - e. That do not meet these requirements, the said official is to be removed from his/her contract. The coordinator in the region should also be contacted. If the region chair would like assistance finding a replacement, the coordinator may assist in finding a replacement official.
 - f. for all classes, **Class "AA", "A" and "B"** boys' and girls', will use Three (3) Person Officiating for sub-state and state tournaments.

Cross Country

1. Officials hired for the State Meet must be registered with the South Dakota High School Activities Association, pass the Cross Country online open book exam, and view the online rules meeting.
2. The SDHSAA will select the officials for the State Meet.
3. Each qualifying meet and region and field committee will select their officials for their meet recognizing the starter and the meet referee are to be two different individuals.
4. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state meets.

Football – Play-Off Games – First Round And Quarter Finals

1. The SDHSAA office staff is responsible for the selection of game officials for all play-off games.
2. Officials will make application to work play-off games on a form designed by the SDHSAA office.
3. The assignments will be made by crews who have worked together during the season; however there are occasions where officials not working with a regular crew will be needed as substitutes.
4. Assignment of games will be made within said officials region whenever possible.
5. The official must complete, submit and pass the online open book test; view the online rules meeting and the online mechanics meeting; attend a regional meeting; and attend a jamboree 1 of every 3 years. Officials must attend their initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events. All officials meeting requirements must be completed in South Dakota. (NOTE: The mechanics clinic which is separate from the rules meeting must also be viewed online on the SDHSAA website.)

6. All crews making application to work play-off games must take the online "Mechanics Exam". Only the crew chief must submit the exam online but the exam should be completed as a crew as in past years. For those officials who are not a part of a crew, they will also take the exam online.
7. The officials must work during the current football season a minimum of 5 regular season football games to be eligible for selection for quarterfinal, semi-final or final football playoff games. (Not applicable to first round games)
8. **ONLY OFFICIALS HAVING CERTIFIED STATUS WILL BE HIRED TO WORK THE PLAY-OFF GAMES.** Crews having a "registered" official(s) will be allowed to replace the "registered" official(s). Possible replacements are to be indicated on the application form. A "certified" official on PROBATION will not be eligible to officiate the semi-final or final games.
9. Before making the assignment, consideration is given to the level of competition (9-man and 11-man) the officials have worked. Those officials working a combination of 9-man and 11-man games would be generally assigned at the level where they have worked the majority of their games.
10. Notification of officials to work a Play-off game will be by telephone to the person whose signature appears on the application form of each crew. Notification for sub-state play-off games will be the responsibility of the host school. (There will be times when the SDHSAA Staff may be making the calls.) Notification to the substitute or replacement member of a crew will be either by the referee or the SDHSAA staff member. Accepting or declining of the acceptance can be handled at this time if possible. This call will be made as soon as site and teams for Play-off games have been determined. (Attempts are made to project what schools may be involved, but there are many factors which may alter projections.)
11. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provided the official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Students from out-of-state attending a South Dakota college or university are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, provided they are a certified official registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.

Gymnastics

1. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provided the official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.
2. Judges must view the online rules meeting, take and pass the online open book exam, practice judge at an intersquad meet (jamboree), attend a mini clinic (Region meeting), and attend the biennial judges clinic. Judges may "opt out" from the biennial judge's clinic one time every five (5) years. (began in 2019) (2019-23).The judge will not be penalized for missing the requirement (not placed on probation or fined) that year. The judge would be eligible for sub-state and state meets providing all other requirements are met.
3. Certified judges must attend their initial annual judge's clinic prior to being eligible for any sub-state or state events.
4. A judge not meeting a requirement will be placed on probation.
5. A certified judge on probation will not be eligible to judge a sub-state and/or state meet.
6. In the event there is a shortage of eligible judges needed to work the sub-state and state competition, the SDSHAA reserves the right to secure necessary judges.

Soccer

1. Official must view the online rules meeting.
2. Officials must take and pass the online open book exam.
3. Officials not meeting requirements will be placed on probation.
4. Officials placed on probation for missing requirements will not be eligible to officiate any sub-state or state tournaments.

Track And Field

1. Officials who are utilized for qualifying meets, regional track meets and the state meet must register with the South Dakota High School Activities Association, pass the online Track and Field Open Book exam, view the online rules meeting.
2. The head field judges at the state meet must take and pass the online open book exam, view the online rules meeting.
3. Each qualifying meet and region track and field committee will select their officials for their meet recognizing the track starter and the meet referee are to be two different individuals.
4. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state or state meets.

Volleyball Officials

1. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provided official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Students from out-of-state attending a South Dakota college or university are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, provided they are a certified official registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.
2. All officials meeting requirements must be completed in South Dakota.
3. The following requirements must be met to be eligible for sub-state tournament work: view the online rules meeting, online mechanics meeting; a region meeting; complete, submit and pass the online open book exam; attend a jamboree 1 of every 3 years. Officials must attend their initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events. (Schedules must be sent to the SDHSAA.)
4. The official cannot be on probation.
5. Sub-state official must work a minimum of four varsity matches in any class.
6. If an official does not meet these requirements, the official is to be removed from his/her contract. The coordinator in the region should also be contacted. If the region chair would like assistance finding a replacement, the coordinator may assist in finding a replacement official.

Volleyball Line Judges

1. SUB-STATE: All Regions (first 2 or 3 rounds, depending on class) will use the following criteria for the selections of line judges: Hire licensed officials (*may be on probation*); if not available choose experienced and capable adults. If non-licensed officials are secured as line judges, their attire must be dark slacks and a white shirt.
2. SoDak16: All region line judges must be licensed officials. (*May be on probation*)

Wrestling

1. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provide the official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Students from out-of-state attending a South Dakota college or university are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, provided they are a certified official registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.
2. The following requirements must be met: view the online rules meeting, submit and pass the online open book exam and attend a region meeting.

REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Basketball

1. Twelve officials will be used in all three classes of (“B”, “A” & “AA”) tournaments. Three-person crews will be used for both the boys and girls tournaments in all classes. Officials will work one game each day.
2. Requirements to work the tournament
 - a. An official may only work one state basketball tournament; either a girls tournament or a boys tournament, not one of each.
 - b. Officials will indicate preferences as to which state tournament they would be able to work. Choices to include a boy’s tournament only, a girl’s tournament only or either tournament. It will be up to the selection committee to assign officials, they deem creditable, to the tournament in which the official is best suited to work.
 - c. The officials must work during the current school year a minimum of 12 regular season varsity contest (non-gender specific) to be eligible to officiate any post season contest.
 - d. All certified officials eligible for state tournaments must submit their basketball schedule to the SDHSAA.
 - e. The official must hold a "certified" classification for a minimum of 3 years (eligible on the 3rd year of certification). In the event the official's certified officiating experience is interrupted, prior years of service will be counted if the period of interruption does not exceed two years.
 - f. The official must complete, submit and pass the online open book exam; complete, submit and pass the online mechanics exam; view the online rules meeting, view the online mechanics clinic; attend two regional meetings; attend a jamboree 1 of every 3 years. Officials must attend their initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events.

- g. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provided official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Students from out-of-state attending a South Dakota college or university are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, provided they are a certified official registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.
 - h. Officials must be present all three days of state tournaments and be available to work any session as assigned by the SDHSAA. If this cannot be done, the official shall decline the opportunity to work.
 - i. A "certified" official on PROBATION will not be eligible to officiate region, SoDak16, or state tournaments.
3. The SDHSAA will send notification via e-mail to the head boys and girls basketball coaches that a list of all officials eligible to work a state tournament is available on the SDHSAA website. The list would indicate the tournament preference of each individual official. The coaches are to consider this list as their "recommendation list". Using this list, each coach is to "recommend" up to twelve officials and submit the list back to the SDHSAA. These recommendations will be tabulated, however every official recommended will be considered a candidate to be selected to officiate one of the state basketball tournaments.
4. SDHSAA Board of Directors action on April 16, 2002 adopted the following procedure for the purpose of selecting state tournament officials:
- a. A committee will be selected by the SDHSAA to make the actual tournament selections. These people would represent all areas of the state as well as all class levels.
 - b. In addition to the above guidelines consideration will be given to:
 - 1. New officials (An official who has never worked a state tournament or an official who has not worked a state tournament in the last three years.)
 - 2. Representation from all areas of the state.
 - 3. Official observation/evaluation forms.
5. Five-Year Rule – (implemented in the 2003-04 season)
- a. No more than six officials will sit out in any one year.
 - b. Select those officials that have worked 5 or more consecutive state tournaments.
 - c. Select any official that has worked five consecutive state tournaments (combination of both boys and girls) and has already been a sit out official one or more times.
 - d. If more than six officials remain, select those officials that have the most tournaments overall. (example: Official X has worked 5 straight tournaments but their overall number of tournaments worked is more than 5)
 - e. If six officials have not been selected, then select the officials who have the most state tournaments worked.
 - f. If there are still officials that have worked 5 consecutive tournaments remaining, use a lottery draw to bring the total number of sit out officials to six.
6. Official Observation Forms
7. Region contracts

Competitive Cheer and Competitive Dance

- 1. The following requirements must be met to be eligible for sub state and/or state competition: View online, the rules meeting for credit, take and pass the online open book exam, attend officials clinic when offered.
- 2. A judge not meeting the requirements will be placed on probation.
- 3. A judge placed on probation will not be eligible to judge at the state competition.
- 4. A judge must work a minimum of 2 competitions to be eligible to work the state competition.
- 5. All judges (safety and performance) will be registered with the SDHSAA.

State Finals:

Cheer: Three performance and two safety judges will evaluate performances at the state finals. All judges will be registered.

Dance: Four performance judges and one safety judge will evaluate performances at the state finals. All judges will be registered.

SDHSAA will be responsible for securing judges for the state finals. A list of eligible judges will be sent to each head coach in Cheer and Dance. Using this list, coaches may recommend up to six (6) cheer judges and eight (8) dance judges. The recommendation list will be considered by the SDHSAA to assist with the state tournament judges' selection process. All decisions of the judges are final. Coach's recommendation will not be disseminated to officials or coaches.

Cross Country

1. Officials hired for the State Meet must be registered with the South Dakota High School Activities Association, pass the Cross Country online open book exam, and view the online rules meeting.
2. The SDHSAA will select the starters for the State Meet
3. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state or state meets.

Football

1. Officials will make application to work play-off games on a form designed by the SDHSAA office.
2. All crews making application to work play-off games must take the "Mechanics Exam". The test will be online. Only the crew chief must submit the test online to the SDHSAA, but the test should be completed as a crew as in past years.
3. The officials must work during the current football season a minimum of 5 regular season football games to be eligible for selection for quarterfinal, semi-final or final football playoff games.
4. Each head coach will be sent via e-mail a recommendation list containing the names of the officials' crews that have indicated a desire to officiate the football playoffs. Three lists will be developed (11AAA/11AA, 11A/B, and 9-man). Officials will be able to have their crew listed on a maximum of two lists.
5. Each head coach may vote for 4 crews they feel deserving to work a semi-final or championship game.
6. Votes will be tabulated by the SDHSAA and used as a recommendation list for assignments to the semi-final and championship games. Any officiating crew not receiving at least one recommendation from the coaches will not be considered for a semi-final or final game. Coach's recommendation will not be disseminated to officials or coaches. The following regions must be represented by at least one crew each year:
Regions 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7; Regions 3 and 4; Regions 8, 9, 10 & 11.
7. At least one new crew must be selected to work a championship game each year. A new crew is defined as a crew (majority members of the crew) that has never worked a championship game or has not worked a championship game in the last 5 years.
8. Crews assigned must have worked games during the regular season at the level they are assigned (9-man, 11A or B, 11AA, 11AAA). No minimum number of games at a particular level is required however.
9. The SDHSAA Office and the State Football Officials' Coordinator will review the coaches' recommendation list and select the crews to work the semi-final and championship games. Geographic location of games may also be used in determining semi-final assignments.
10. The SDHSAA will assign crews for the first round and second round games based upon availability of crews and geographic location of the games. Recommendation lists from the coaches may be used in determining crew's assignments.
11. A crew could not work a final game two years in a row.
12. Only those officials that have certified status with the SDHSAA will be allowed to work playoff games.

Gymnastics

1. The SDHSAA will secure 16 judges to work the state gymnastics meet.
2. Judges MUST view online or attend a rules meeting, take and pass the online open book exam, attend the Biennial judging clinic, practice judge at an intersquad meet and attend a mini clinic. (Judges not meeting requirements will be placed on probation).
3. Judges may utilize an "opt out" from the Biennial judges clinic one time every five (5) years. (See Requirements for Sub-state Tournament information).
4. Only "South Dakota certified" officials with a minimum of 2 years of certification (will be eligible in 2nd year) will be given consideration. In the event the official's certified officiating experience is interrupted, prior years of service will be counted if the period of interruption does not exceed two years.
5. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provided official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.
6. Judges will work Class "A" & "AA".
7. A "certified" official on PROBATION will not be eligible to officiate state meets.
8. Two new judges may be selected to judge the state meet each year, (when applicable). A "new" judge is defined as an individual who did not judge the state meet the previous year or an official that has never officiated the state meet.
9. State Meet judges are required to judge a minimum of 4 high school meets. (Schedules must be sent to the SDHSAA.)

10. The SDHSAA will send notification, via e-mail, to all head gymnastics coaches, that a list of eligible judges is now available on the SDHSAA website. The email will include instructions for completion of the on-line recommendation list. Recommendation totals will not be disseminated to officials or coaches.
11. Using this list a coach may recommend up to 12 judges for their class. This recommendation list will be considered by the SDHSAA to assist with securing 16 judges to be used for Class A & AA competition.
12. In the event there is a shortage of eligible judges needed to work the state competition, the SDHSAA reserves the right to secure necessary judges.

Soccer

1. Official must view the online rules meeting.
2. Officials must take and pass the online open book exam.
3. Officials not meeting requirements will be placed on probation
4. Officials placed on probation for missing requirements will not be eligible to officiate any sub-state or state tournaments.
5. Eight officials will be selected to work the state tournament. Each contest will be officiated with a center referee and two side referees as well as an alternate.
6. The SDHSAA will send notification via email, to all head coaches, that a list of all state tournament eligible officials is available on the SDHSAA website. The coaches are to consider this list as their “recommendation list.” Using this list, each coach is to “recommend” up to eight officials and submit them back to the SDHSAA. These recommendations will be tabulated and the eight officials receiving the most recommendations will be selected to work the tournament. An official must be registered with the SDHSAA to be eligible for the state tournament. At least one west river official must be represented.
7. Officials are required to officiate a minimum of 7 high school regular season contests, in order to work the semifinals and championships.

Track And Field

1. Starters, meet referees and head field judges who are utilized for the State Meet must register with the South Dakota High School Activities Association, pass the Track and Field online open book exam, and view the online rules meeting.
2. The SDHSAA will select the head starters, assistant starters, meet referees, head field judges and head umpires for the different sites of the state track & field meet.

Volleyball – State Tournament Officials

1. The following requirements must be met to be eligible for state tournament work: view the online rules meeting, view the online mechanics meeting; attend a region/local association meeting; complete, submit and pass the online open book exam; attend a jamboree 1 of every 3 years; must work a minimum of 8 varsity dates during the regular season. A regular season varsity tournament counts as two dates. (Officials schedules must be sent to the SDHSAA.) Officials must attend their initial jamboree prior to working any sub-state or state events.
2. The official cannot be on probation.
3. The official must hold a "certified" classification for a minimum of 3 years (eligible on the 3rd year of certification). In the event the official's certified officiating experience is interrupted, prior years of service will be counted if the period of interruption does not exceed two years.
4. Only certified officials are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, including any certified official with an out-of-state address/residency, provided official is fully registered with the SDHSAA. Students from out-of-state attending a South Dakota college or university are eligible to officiate sub-state and state athletic games and tournaments, provided they are certified official registered with the SDHSAA. Officials registered with sister state associations, who have paid reciprocity fees to the SDHSAA are not eligible for sub-state and state games and tournaments.
5. **State Tournament Officials Selection.** Twenty-four officials will be selected to work the state tournament. Eight in each class. The selection process is as follows:
 - a. The SDHSAA will send notification, via e-mail, to all head volleyball coaches, that a list of eligible officials for the state tournament is available on the SDHSAA website. Using this list the head coach may recommend up to eight (8) officials in their class.
 - b. Three separate lists are to be developed, one for each class. Each official has the option of placing his/her name on one, two, or all three lists.
 - c. This recommendation list will be considered by the SDHSAA to secure officials for the three classes of tournaments. Coach's recommendation will be not disseminated to officials or coaches.

- d. Consideration in selecting these officials would be given to:
 - 1) officials working region matches,
 - 2) years of experience,
 - 3) geographic representation of tournament officials,
 - 4) recommendation results,
 - 5) number of matches worked in a particular class.
- There must be one new official in the group of twenty-four officials. The new official selected must be a person who has not officiated a state tournament **OR** may be a person who has not officiated a state tournament the previous three years. (Must sit out three full years, new status starts the fourth year.)
- Each official will work a total of three matches.

6. Volleyball - Guidelines for Selecting Line Judges

- a. Line judges must have knowledge of line judge duties with actual line judge experience.
- b. Line judges must be licensed officials with the SDHSAA. (*may be on probation*)
- c. Only active volleyball officials will be considered, providing they meet the criteria.
- d. Preference will be given to individuals that can work all three days.
- e. Line judges will work the same class for the entire tournament.
- f. Each line judge will work a total of 6 matches.
- g. Line judge assignment for all matches shall be assigned by the SDHSAA Representative.

Wrestling

1. Selection of State Wrestling Tournament officials shall be as follows:
 - a. Every head wrestling coach of a team participating in the elimination tournaments (Class “B” & “A”) will receive a recommendation list of the eligible certified officials. Only those officials who have been licensed by the SDHSAA for a minimum of three years are eligible for the recommendation list. Of those three years, a minimum of two years must be at the certified status.
 - b. All “B” Schools will be polled for selection of State “B” Officials.
All “A” Schools will be polled for selection of State “A” Officials.
 - c. Each coach shall be entitled to recommend up to seven officials. Recommendation lists will be available under the School Zone on the SDHSAA website and will be electronically submitted. The submission means that the head coach and the athletic director or principal agree to the officials selected.
 - d. Coaches may recommend less than seven, but no more than seven.
 - e. Coaches may waive their right to recommend by not submitting the recommendation list.
 - f. All recommendation lists will be tabulated.
 - g. There shall be no weighting. Each recommendation shall be counted as one.
 - h. The coaches’ recommendation will be used as a recommendation only, to help determine the officials for the state tournament. Officials will work in pairs using the referee and assistant referee concept. At least one west river official will be represented in each tournament.
 - i. There must be at least one new official each year in each of the two state tournaments. A new official is defined as someone who has never worked a state tournament or has not worked a state tournament the previous three years or longer.
 - j. To be eligible to work the State Wrestling Tournament, the official must have worked a minimum of ten varsity dates during the regular season with varsity tournaments counting as two dates and varsity duals counting as one date. At least one SDHSAA member school must be involved in order for the meet to count towards the minimum of ten. Triangular and quadrangular will count as two dates if only one official is working all matches.
 - k. Should an official be in the top ten for both tournaments, ranking of the official in each class will determine which tournament they will be working.
 - l. The Board of Directors reserves the right to reject the name of any official for cause.
 - m. One of the officials for each class will be selected to be present at first day weigh-ins to check hair, nails, weight,

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**CODE OF ETHICS
FOR ALL SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
SPORTS OFFICIALS**

as adopted by the South Dakota Sports Officials Advisory Council and the South Dakota High School Activities Association

Schools have entrusted officials to assist them in the educational development of their youth through athletics. The proper operation of such a process requires that officials be independent, impartial and responsible to the people they serve. In recognition of these expectations there is hereby established a Code of Ethics for all officials registered or certified by the South Dakota High School Activities Association. The purpose of the Code is to establish guidelines for ethical standards of conduct and behavior for all officials.

1. Officials must devote time, thought and study to the rules and mechanics of the game or contest to render effective and creditable service in a fair and unbiased manner;
2. Officials must resist temptations and outside pressures to use one's position to benefit oneself;
3. Officials must uphold the honor and dignity of sports officiating in all personal conduct and relations with student athletes, coaches, athletic directors, school administrators, colleagues and the public;
4. Officials must be prepared both physically and mentally, dress according to expectations and maintain proper appearance befitting the importance of the game;
5. Officials must meet all requirements for meetings, clinics, tests, etc. in the sport(s) they are licensed in;
6. Officials must dress in the proper uniform, which must be clean, and shall possess all of the necessary equipment to properly officiate the contest (ie. whistle, stop watch, penalty flags, etc);
7. Officials must arrive at scheduled events/contests in a timely manner, at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the contest, unless otherwise specifically stated in the contract or the league requirements;
8. Officials may never participate in any form of illegal gambling on sports contests, may never gamble on any sporting event in which they have either a direct or indirect involvement, and may never gamble on events involving high school athletes;
9. Officials may never utilize alcohol or illegal substances while officiating any contest;
10. Officials may never use tobacco products while on school grounds;
11. Officials may never use profanity, foul or abusive language while officiating;
12. Officials must honor signed contracts and officiate such contests unless prior suitable arrangements have been made with the schools with which the official signed the contract;
13. Officials may not make false or misleading statements regarding their qualifications, ratings, credentials, experience, training or competence;
14. Officials may not cancel officiating commitments in order to accept other officiating commitment that pay more money or have more prestige, unless approved by the athletic directors at both schools or the hiring authority;
15. Officials may not conceal any criminal background that may affect the qualification of officials to work in certain competitive environments;
16. Officials may never, directly or indirectly, solicit votes or consideration for state tournaments, sub state playoffs of regular season contests, nor may officials market, publicize or promote their services, other than general letters availability to the athletic director;
17. Officials may not publicly criticize other officials; express public disgust or disapproval with decisions of other officials;
18. Officials may not conduct post-game interviews with news media about the accuracy or correctness of calls made during the contest or the performance of their officiating duties, and should refrain from any sort of post-game interview regarding the conduct of the contest;
19. Officials may never engage in sexual harassment, including sexual solicitation, physical advances or verbal or nonverbal conduct which is sexual in nature, and shall report all suspected cases of sexual harassment, abuse or assault to law enforcement as required by law;
20. Officials may not engage in physical, verbal or emotional harassment, abusive words or actions or exploitative coercion, or demeaning behavior toward participants;
21. Officials may never accept gifts, favors, special treatment or privileges from a team, school, club or individual associated with a team;
22. Officials shall refrain from undue fraternization with coaches, players, spectators, event administrators or other participants at the contest;

23. Officials may not disclose confidential information about participants or other information about teams or individuals which they have officiated, such as scouting reports, tendencies or abilities of athletes and so forth;
24. Officials may not utilize non-registered or non-certified officials for officiating contests without the prior approval of the South Dakota High School Activities Association;
25. An official may not participate in a State Tournament in the classification that involves his/her own children, stepchildren, siblings or step-siblings as players. The official may, however, participate in another classification at the State Tournament level.
26. Officials may not officiate the same team at a varsity contest in which the official coached as a head coach during the previous school year;
27. Officials shall never make an improper or frivolous complaint about the conduct of another official under this Code of Ethics;
28. Officials may not engage in any other questionable behavior, which is unbecoming to sports officials, the avocation of sports officiating or which reflects poorly on the official.
29. Officials who are convicted of a criminal felony involving a minor will not be eligible to officiate in South Dakota.
30. Officials shall maintain an ethical approach while participating in forums, chat rooms and all forms of social media.

PROCEDURE FOR REPORTING VIOLATIONS OF THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR ALL SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION SPORTS OFFICIALS:

PURPOSE: To provide a tool to promote and enforce consistent professional behavior by all South Dakota sports official registered or certified by the SDHSAA.

FILING A COMPLAINT

A complaint may be filed by completing the form located [HERE](#). Complaints should be filed within two (2) business days upon discovery in order to provide timely review of any alleged incident.

The complaint may be filed by:

- A. superintendent,
- B. principal,
- C. athletic director,
- D. school board action,
- E. licensed SDHSAA official,
- F. member of the SDHSAA Board of Directors, or
- G. SDHSAA Executive staff member.

The complaint shall include:

- A. The nature of the complaint,
- B. The date, time and place of the violation,
- C. Description of complaint

UPON RECEIPT OF A COMPLAINT:

When reports are received by the SDHSAA office, the Executive Director of officials will contact the official who has allegedly violated one or more of the above codes or any other actions unbecoming of a SDHSAA official. The official will be informed of this in writing by the SDHSAA office. The official will be given the opportunity to present facts to the Executive Staff in writing in response to the alleged violations or will be granted a hearing, if requested. If a hearing is granted, the official and the individual making a complaint must appear in person, make his/her complaint to the Executive Staff, and answer questions of the Executive Staff. Based on the information received, the Executive Staff will rule as to whether or not the official shall be reprimanded. The penalty may include, but not be limited to, a reprimand, suspension or expulsion of the official. The official may appeal the Executive Staff's decision, with written notification within 10 days to the SDHSAA, in order to be reviewed by the Board of Directors at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

SPORTS OFFICIALS ADVISORY COUNCIL

1. The Advisory Council is the executive committee for the SD Sports Official's Association.
2. Membership includes one official from each of the sports the SDHSAA licenses officials plus an athletic director and a Native American official representative. These nine individuals are all voting members.
3. In addition, there are three individuals who are non-voting members. These are the executive secretary, a secretary and a treasurer. They are appointed by the Advisory Council. There is not a term limit on the appointments.
4. Two regular meetings of the Advisory Council will be held each year. (November and April)
5. The April meeting expenses for all seven members plus the executive secretary, secretary and treasurer will be paid by the SDHSAA.
6. Each term of office will be three years in length (as other advisory committees) with the opportunity to be appointed to one additional three year term. Any person appointed to a partial term shall be eligible for two additional terms.
7. The executive secretary, secretary and treasurer position are continuous.
8. Membership on the committee is as follows:

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South Dakota High School Official Association

15 Year Official Awards

Anyone that has been registered for 15 years as an official in any sport (not sport specific), and **has not previously received this award** is eligible to receive this award. A congratulatory letter will be sent to you from the SDHSAA. You will then receive a 15-year Certificate and pin that will be mailed to you. You must be registered with the SDHSAA to receive this award. You will be able to get this award within one year of being an active official.

Should you have any question please feel free to contact Marsha Karst at (605) 224-9261 or email her at marsha.karst@sdhsaa.com.

25- 40-50 YEAR OFFICIALS AWARD
STATE TOURNAMENT SELECTION SITE

THE SDHSAA IS PROUD TO RECOGNIZE ANY OFFICIALS THAT HAVE SERVED 25, 40, or 50 YEARS (not sport specific). IF YOU HAVE OFFICIATED FOR 25, 40, or 50 YEARS. The SDHSAA would like to recognize you at the State Tournament of your choice. Please give this careful consideration, as once you make your selection that is where the presentation will be made.

25 YEAR AWARD – PLAQUE AND PIN
40 YEAR AWARD– STATE TOURNAMENT LIFETIME PASS AND PLAQUE
50 YEAR AWARD – WATCH WITH SDHSAA LOGO INLAID

NAME: _____

CHECK ONE SPORT	DATE OF EVENT	City
___ Soccer	Oct. 17, 2020	Huron
___ Competitive Cheer and Dance	Oct. 23--24, 2020	Rapid City
___ Football	Nov.12-14, 2020	Vermillion
___ “B” Volleyball	Nov 19-21, 2020	Huron
___ “A” Volleyball	Nov. 19-21, 2020	Watertown
___ “AA” Volleyball	Nov. 19-21, 2020	Brookings
___ “AA” & “A” Gymnastics	Feb. 12-13, 2021	Watertown
___ “A” Wrestling	Feb. 25-27, 2021	Rapid City
___ “B” Wrestling	Feb. 25-27, 2021	Rapid City
___ “AA” Girls Basketball	March 11-13, 2021	Sioux Falls
___ “A” Girls Basketball	March 11-13, 2021	Watertown
___ “B” Girls Basketball	March 11-13, 2021	Huron
___ “AA” Boys Basketball	March 18-20, 2021	Rapid City
___ “A” Boys Basketball	March 18-20, 2021	Sioux Falls
___ “B” Boys Basketball	March 18-20, 2021	Aberdeen
___ Track	May 28-29, 2021	Rapid City

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NFOA AWARDS PROGRAM

Active Official Awards - Awarded to active high school officials for recent, significant achievement in their sport. Recipients must be NFOA members and exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and moral character and be endorsed by their respective state high school associations. These awards are presented at the state, sectional and national levels.

State Level

An individual in each sport category is selected to receive a state Active Official Award. NFOA certificates are awarded to each official selected. Recipients' certificates are forwarded to state associations for appropriate presentation.

Sectional Distinguished Level

Sectional Officials of the Year are selected in the eight NFHS geographic sections. The NFOA Awards Screening Committee selects the recipients for this award from state association nominees.

National Distinguished Level

Each sectional recipient will be considered for this award. The NFOA Awards Screening Committee selects the recipient. The NFHS Board of Directors approves the recipient.

National Official Contributor - Awarded to one individual who is not an active official, but who has made significant contributions to high school sports officiating throughout a long and distinguished career. Recipient must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and moral character and be endorsed by their respective state high school associations. These individuals may have improved officiating as administrators, media personnel, physicians or educators. The nominee need not be a member of NFOA. This award is presented at the national level only. Each state may submit a nominee. The NFOA Awards Screening Committee selects the recipient. The NFHS Board of Directors approves the recipient.

NFHS Citation (Official) - This is the highest honor awarded by the NFOA and goes to persons deemed to have contributed to the associations at the highest level. Only one citation may be awarded each year. Among the factors which may be considered are: 1) individual has a long-standing and distinguished record of involvement with high school activity programs at the local and state levels; 2) individual is recognized as among the best in their profession by their colleagues; 3) the state association executive officer from the individual's state supports the nomination. The NFHS Board of Directors approves the Citation recipient.

National NFOA Distinguished Service Award Winners

****Active Officials***

1987-88 Harve Johnston, Mitchell
1988-89 Howard Connors, Vermillion
1990-91 Marvin "Pal" Christensen, Yankton
1992-93 Gary Reed, Sioux Falls
1994-95 Lucy Lindskov, Sioux Falls
1995-96 Steve Withorne, Rapid City
1996-97 Randy Thomas, Faith
1997-98 Joanne Runge, Hartford
2006-07 Dean Mann, Sioux Falls
2008-09 Dale Weber, Salem

NFHS Citation (Official)

1998-99 Colin Kapitan, Yankton

National Contributor

2004-05 Ruth Rehn, Pierre

Officials Contributors

1989-90 John Egan, Arizon (S. Falls)
1992-93 Bernie Stocking, Pierre
1994-95 Rich Hanson, Sioux Falls
1995-96 Mike Redmond, Brookings
1996-97 Dr. Curt Voight, Rapid City

Sectional Distinguished Active Official

2002-03 Jim Johnston, Mitchell
2003-04 Buck Timmins, Mitchell
2006-07 Gary Duffy, Oldham

NFOA AWARD WINNERS

Basketball

1988-89 Harve Johnston, Mitchell
1988-89 Duane Donat, Aberdeen

Boys Basketball

1989-90 Dale Weber, Salem
1990-91 Bill Kohn, Lemmon
1991-92 Gary Reed, Sioux Falls
1992-93 Mike Redmond, Brookings
1993-94 Vern Pfeifer, Aberdeen
1994-95 Al Sime, Britton
1995-96 Bob Krietlow, Stickney
1996-97 Jim Johnston, Mitchell
1997-98 Jim Aberle, Lead
1998-99 Dave Dolan, Rapid City
1999-00 Clyde Hagen, Sioux Falls
2000-01 Gene Struck, Montrose
2001-02 Sherman Culter, Claremont
2002-03 Juel Burnette, Brandon
2004-05 Dave Tate, Pierre
2004-05 Duane Fiala, Sioux Falls
2005-06 Pete Entringer, Colman
2006-07 David A. Burnett, Philip
2007-08 Rick Brommer, Sioux Falls
2008-09 Keith Kusler, Aberdeen
2009-10 Lee Johnson, Wessington Springs
2010-11 Mark Naugle, Hill City
2011-12 Jeff DesLauriers, Sioux Falls
2012-13 Jim Ricketts, Jr., Sioux Falls
2013-14 Kevin Bad Wound, Rapid City
2014-15 Fran Ruesink, Dell Rapids
2015-16 Mike Mudder, Tyndall
2016-17 Mike Kirkeby, Rapid City
2017-18 Jeremy Grady, Salem
2018-19 Dave Rogers, Spearfish
2019-20 Larry Osborne, Rapid City

Girls Basketball

1989-90 Gary Frankenstein, Howard
1999-91 Dave Stevens, Sioux Falls
1991-92 Rowan Doorn, Lennox
1992-93 Ron Eastmo, Deadwood
1993-94 Michelle Schirado, S Falls
1994-95 Bob Malloy, Parkston
1995-96 Luke Yellow Robe, Rapid City
1996-97 Mike Begeman, Sioux Falls
1997-98 Gillas Stern, Freeman
1998-99 Mary Kapitan, Yankton
1999-00 Larry Stevens, Rapid City
2000-01 Burnell Glanzer, Armour
2001-02 John Bjorkman, Lake Norden
2002-03 Jeff Sylliaasen, Garretson
2003-04 Brian Ryken, Gayville
2004-05 Jo Auch, Menno
2005-06 Dale Tjarks, Flandreau
2006-07 Tom McGough, Miller
2007-08 Darin Berg, Sioux Falls
2008-09 Brad Kuhnert, Sioux Falls
2009-10 Dave Beranek, Sioux Falls
2010-11 Terry Nebelsick, Huron
2011-12 Dan Sudbeck, Dimock
2012-13 Jim Haskamp, Alexandria
2013-14 Donnie Kayser, Alexandria
2014-15 Moe Ruesink, Volga
2015-16 Landon Arnold, McIntosh

2016-17 Bret Buck, Bryant
2017-18 Terry Jastram, Sioux Falls
2018-19 Greg Blue, Cavour
2019-20 Randy Stanton, Rapid City

Football

1988-89 Howard Connors, Vermillion
1989-90 Verlyn Stotz, Huron
1990-91 Ethan Hanks, Rapid City
1991-92 Jim Ricketts, Sioux Falls
1992-93 Don Anderson, Yankton
1993-94 John Burchill, Pierre
1994-95 Orrin Anderson, Sioux Falls
1995-96 Curt Ehresmann, Watertown
1996-97 Rod Bean, Belle Fourche
1997-98 Clyde Gross, Huron
1998-99 Duane Hansen, Sioux Falls
1999-00 Scott Fiedler, Sioux Falls
2000-01 Gary Harrington, Huron
2001-02 Buck Timmins, Mitchell
2002-03 Jim Phillips, Deadwood
2003-04 Scott Healy, Aberdeen
2004-05 Terry Weaver, Watertown
2005-06 Randy Kludt, Winner
2006-07 Dana Nelson, Yankton
2007-08 Jim Ricketts, Sioux Falls
2008-09 Stan Evans, Rapid City
2009-10 Randy Oldenkamp, Mitchell
2010-11 Brian Weber, Bridgewater
2011-12 Steve Krier, Sioux Falls
2012-13 Fred Obermeier, Clark
2013-14 Jerry Beers, Brookings
2014-15 Todd Landsman, Sioux Falls
2015-16 Keith Matthiesen, Hartford
2016-17 Steve Hilton, Piedmont
2017-18 Andy Deinert, Mitchell
2018-19 Chad Gordon, Yankton
2019-20 Matt Clark, Huron

Gymnastics

1990-91 Lucy Lindskov, Sioux Falls
1991-92 Joanne Runge, Hartford
1992-93 Betty Luther, Sioux Falls
1993-94 Marge Evjen, Sturgis
1994-95 Roberta Schumacher, Aberdeen
1995-96 Mary Lee, Brandon
1995-96 Harriett Wendt, Sioux Falls
1996-97 Linda Dohrer, Sioux Falls
1997-98 Ellen Steever, Lennox
1998-99 Sue Hamre, Sioux Falls
1999-00 Lynnetta Fisher, Sisseton
2000-01 Rose Pearce, Rapid City
2001-02 Kay Rose, Sioux Falls
2002-03 Cheryl Allen, Rapid City
2003-04 Jeni Appelwick, Madison
2004-05 Julie King, Wolsey
2005-06 Kelly Hanson, Groton
2006-07 Pamela Arneson, Rapid City
2007-08 Melanie Carpenter, Sioux Falls
2008-09 Bill Allen, Rapid City
2009-10 Lisa Schroeder, Alexandria
2010-11 Jenny Christian, Brandon

2011-12 Kelli Helms, Aberdeen
2012-13 Shavonne Mitchell, Pierre
2013-14 Tara Johanneson, Tea
2014-15 Carrie Wieman, Madison
2015-16 Michelle Johnson, Aberdeen
2016-17 Rebecca Uhrig, Pierre
2017-18 Timberly Lunde, Watertown
2018-19 Emily Baertsch, Rapid City
2019-20 Stephanie Jorgensen, Sioux Falls

Track & Field

1978-88 Arnie Bauer, Sioux Falls
1988-89 Don Reshetar, Aberdeen
1989-90 Clark Swisher, Aberdeen
1990-91 E.L. "Red" Thomas, Rapid City
1991-92 Rich Hanson, Sioux Falls
1992-93 Dean Mann, Sioux Falls
1993-94 Mike West, Philip
1994-95 Steve Charron, Huron
1995-96 Richard Rockafellow, Geddes
1996-97 Floyd Farrand, Sioux Falls
1997-98 George Kjellsen, Sisseton
1998-99 Dan Barker, Madison
1999-00 Vern Schlekeway, Sioux Falls
2000-01 Virgil "Coke" Newman, Volga
2001-02 Bob Malloy, Parkston
2002-03 Russ Weller, Yankton
2003-04 Jim Tays, Hot Springs
2004-05 Keith McVay, Marion
2005-06 Gene Gillen, Hermosa
2006-07 Tim Casper, Lake Preston
2007-08 Keith Stirling, Lake Andes
2008-09 Gale Patterson, Wall
2009-10 Bob Holloway, Rapid City
2010-11 Dwight Clough, Scotland
2011-12 Bradley Tucker, Rapid City
2012-13 Mike Mebius, Wessington Springs
2013-14 Don McLean, Mitchell
2014-15 Bernie Schuurmans, Madison
2015-16 Terry Bong, Sioux Falls
2016-17 Mark Wendelgass, Huron
2017-18 Randy Thomas, Faith
2018-19 Keith Kusler, Sioux Falls
2019-20 Duane Donat, Aberdeen

Volleyball

1989-90 Peggy Kessler, Valley Springs
1990-91 Jana Carlson, Valley Springs
1991-92 Gary Duffy, Oldham
1992-93 Carol Kendall, Rapid City
1993-94 Deb Schlagel, Clark
1994-95 Curt Voight, Rapid City
1995-96 Terry Duffy, Brookings
1996-97 Dan Krier, Mitchell
1997-98 Roger Nelson, Brookings
1998-99 Kim Weed, Sioux Falls
1999-0 Chuck Vail, Rapid City
2000-01 Lori Krier, Mitchell
2001-02 Kelley Anne Devine, Sioux Falls
2002-03 Francis "Joe" Drab, Rapid City
2003-04 Beth Conroy, Mitchell
2004-05 Vonda Bjorklund, Volga
2005-06 Sandy Neugebauer, Mitchell
2006-07 Sue James, Alcester
2007-08 Gene Bjorklund, Volga

2008-09 Gene Gillen, Hermosa
2009-10 Beth Schutt, Estelline
2010-11 Shane Thill, Mitchell
2011-12 Julie Ortman, Sioux Falls
2011-13 Ignacio P. Magbuhat, Box Elder
2013-14 Cindy Trager, Sioux Falls
2014-15 Deb Sternhagen, Tyndall
2015-16 Brett Distel, Box Elder
2016-17 Brian Kringen, Rapid City
2017-18 Carla Snedeker, Mitchell
2018-19 Julie Bjerke, Clark
2019-20 Scott Wagner, Brookings

Wrestling

1989-90 Sid Fosheim, Milbank
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1991-92 John Houska, Rapid City
1992-93 Ken Keck, Clark
1993-94 Bruce Wendling, Beresford
1994-95 Gregg Roach, Brookings
1995-96 Paul Schreiner, Pierre
1996-97 Jerry Hirschoff, Rapid City
1997-98 Rick Fink, Harrisburg
1998-99 Gary Maffett, Brookings
1999-0 Mark Neises, Howard
2000-01 Clair Donovan, Spearfish
2001-02 Mike Jorgensen, Parker
2000-03 Doug Hughes, Spearfish
2003-04 Bud Postma, Madison
2004-05 Jeramie Eimers, Tea
2005-06 Greg Harrell, Sioux Falls
2006-07 Lee Pulse, Kimball
2007-08 Graydon Dailey, Belle Fourche
2008-09 Cory Slykhuis, Tea
2009-10 Steve Rounds, Pierre
2010-11 Jerry Bussler, Rapid City
2011-12 Tim Steffensen, Clear Lake
2012-13 Clark Slykhuis, Letcher
2013-14 Rod Fortin, Tea
2015-15 Dave Cornemann, Yankton
2015-16 Patrick Krause, Groton
2016-17 Todd Dvoracek, Yankton
2017-18 Eddie Heisinger, Piedmont
2018-19 Koln Fink, Sioux Falls
2019-20 Marc Lewis, Sioux Falls

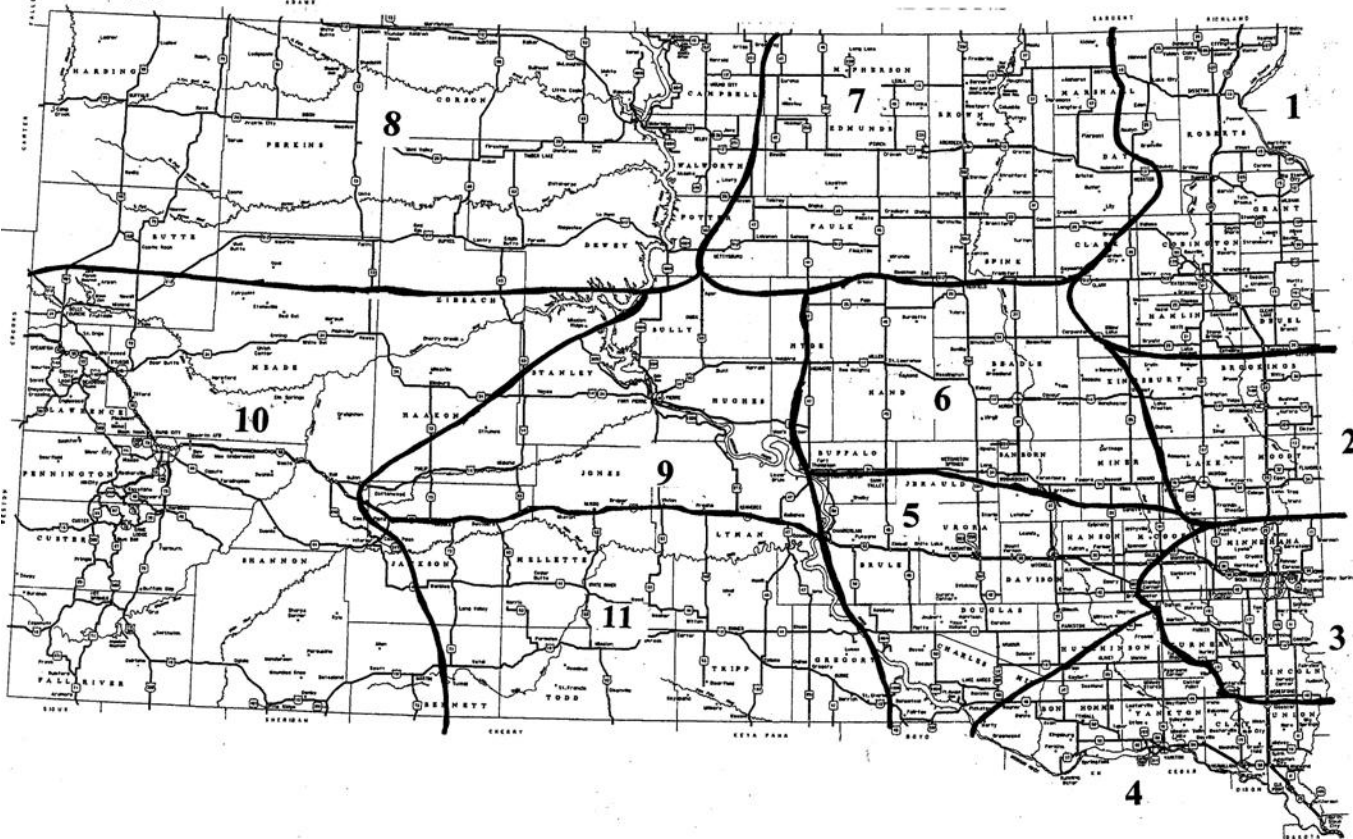
Competitive Spirit

2007-08 Sue Cronkhite, Sioux Falls
2008-09 Julie McFarland, Rapid City
2009-10 Carrie Wieman, Madison
2010-11 Jasper DesLauriers, Pierre
2011-12 Jessica Pickett, Colman
2012-13 Tammy Griffith, Aberdeen
2013-14 Amanda Stoesser, Ft. Pierre
2014-15 Bobby Fossum, Aberdeen
2015-16 Kelsey Freidel Nelson, Sioux Falls
2016-17 Brandy Gangle, Lake City
2018-19 Renee Cummings, Watertown
2019-20 Christina Bennett, Pierre

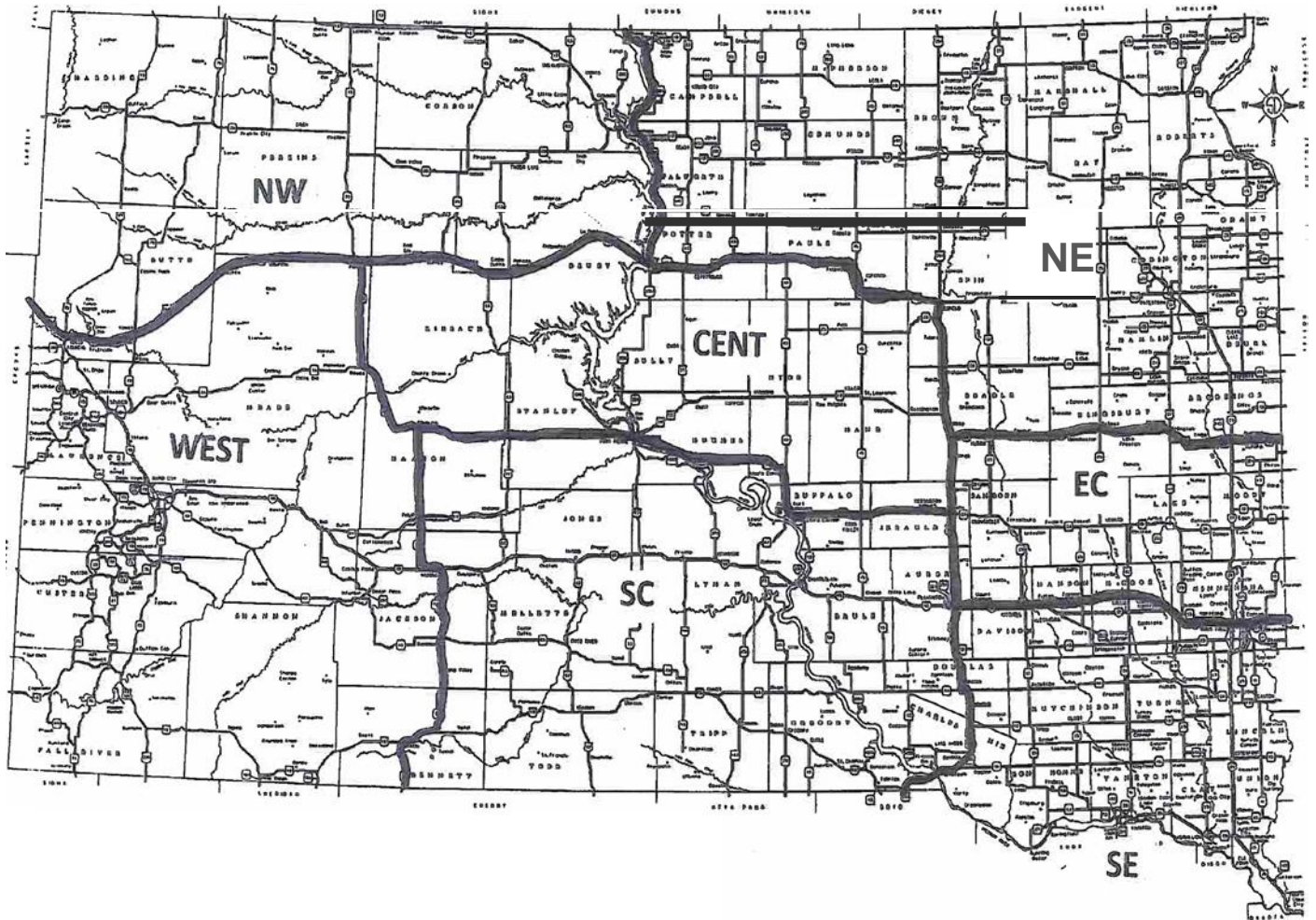
Soccer

2014-15 Tom Hilsendeger, Bath
2015-16 Guy McNeely, Yankton
2016-17 Greg Stone, Rapid City
2017-18 Nicole Hovdestad, Sioux Falls
2018-19 Dennis Titze, Rapid City
2019-20 Roy Wilcox, Yankton

SDHSAA BASKETBALL/FOOTBALL REGIONS



SDHSAA VOLLEYBALL REGIONS



Regions

SE- SOUTH EAST- East of Hwy 281 and South of I-90

EC – EAST CENTRAL – East of Hwy 281, South of 14 and North of I-90

NW – NORTH WEST – West of Missouri River (Hwy 83), North of Hwy 212

NE – NORTH EAST – North of Hwy 14, East of Hwy 281 to Redfield, North of

Hwy 212 to Missouri River, East of Missouri River

CENTRAL – East of Hwy 73, South of Hwy 212, West of Hwy 281, North of Hwy 34

SC- SOUTH CENTRAL – South of Hwy 34, East of Hwy 73, West of Hwy 281

WEST – South of Hwy 212, West of Hwy 73

- ☆ Basketball
- ☆ Football
- ☆ Track and Field
- ☆ Reciprocity
- ☆ Competitive Cheer
- ☆ Gymnastics
- ☆ Volleyball
- ☆ Competitive Dance
- ☆ Soccer
- ☆ Wrestling

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