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Triton Principal Matthews To Serve As NCHSAA President For 2011-12 Academic Year



CHAPEL HILL—Brooks Matthews, principal of Triton High School, will serve as president of the North Carolina High School Board of Directors for the 2011-12 academic year.

Allison Sholar, who has moved from the Pender County schools as superintendent to Currituck County, will be the immediate past president. Stewart Hobbs, now the superintendent of Yadkin County, is the incoming vice president.

A graduate of Buies Creek High School, where he lettered in four sports, and Campbell University, Brooks has an excellent athletic and administrative background. After coaching and teaching at Cape Fear Christian Academy for three years and Dunn High School for four, he went to Triton High School starting in 1984 and has been there ever since.

He taught advanced biology and coached men's and women's tennis as well as women's basketball, and then became assistant principal and athletic director in 1990. Brooks served in those capacities until 2001 when he became principal.

New Board members were recommended by the NCHSAA's Nominating Committee, based on the requirements of the Association's constitution and by-laws. The member schools at eight regional meetings select nominees for consideration across the state, then from among those nominees individuals are selected by the Nominating Committee to fill the available slots. They are approved by the membership at the Annual Meeting.

The new Board members nominated were either filling vacancies produced by members going off the Board due to completion of their terms or those who are off due to retirement or leaving public school work.

They include: Region 5—Robert Logan, superintendent, Chatham County schools; Region 7—Sally Bradshaw, principal, Fred T. Foard High School; Region 6—Carla Black, principal, Concord High School (filling unexpired term of Page Carver); Region 3—Angie Miller, athletic director, Nash-Rocky Mount schools; and Region 6—Bill Rogers, athletic director, Porter Ridge High School. Re-elected for a full four-year term was Dwayne Stallings, superintendent, Perquimans County schools, for Region 1.

"These individuals will continue to provide outstanding leadership," said NCHSAA commissioner Davis Whitfield. "We look forward to Brooks Matthews serving as president and the direction he will provide.

"We are also excited about those who will be joining the Board of Directors, which should help us to maintain an outstanding Board to serve our membership." ★

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Sportsmanship Recognition for NCHSAA Student-Athletes As “Heart Of A Champion” Winners Honored

CHAPEL HILL—A total of 22 student-athletes from North Carolina High School Athletic Association member schools were honored for their outstanding sportsmanship as winners of “Heart of a Champion” recognition.

The sportsmanship recognition is part of the program offered by the NCHSAA Student Services Division and is sponsored by the North Carolina Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company. Mark Dreibelbis, NCHSAA assistant commissioner, and assistant director for student services Chiquana Dancy administer the program.

Each of the NCHSAA member schools had the opportunity to nominate one male and one female student-athlete for the recognition. The students must have participated in at least one varsity sport or activity, including cheerleading, during the 2010-11 school year, have not been ejected from any contest, and must have demonstrated outstanding citizenship and sportsmanship during their high school careers.

The students filled out an application questionnaire and then a school official, such as the principal or athletic director, also provided an evaluation.

The students were recognized at a luncheon in June at the Radisson Governors’ Inn in the Research Triangle Park.

“We are proud of the achievements of this select group of student-athletes,” said NCHSAA commissioner Davis Whitfield. “With recognitions such as these, we are continuing our emphasis on sportsmanship and the important lessons high school athletics teach.”

North Carolina Farm Bureau Heart of a Champion 2011 Honorees:

Student Athlete	School	Nominator
James Ayscue	Millbrook	Scott McInnes
Leigh-Kathryn Bonner	Millbrook	Scott McInnes
Meghan Boston	Clyde Erwin	David Ball
Sarah Brown	Bunker Hill	Randy Joines
Hunter Bryant	Clyde Erwin	David Ball
Cierra Burdick	Butler	Janet Prevatte
Jarret Camp	Butler	Janet Prevatte
Kirby Carpenter	West Stanly	Wendy Tucker
Callie Davis	Lumberton	Kenneth Simmons
Keston Frazier	Albemarle	Joanne Hesley
Heather Gill	Mattamuskeet	Lisa Spencer
Jenna Huff	North Stanly	Tommy Harkey
Jonathan Mabe	North Wilkes	Ed Martin
Sara Marshall	West Iredell	Mark Weycker
Trey Mashore	West Rowan	Todd Bell
Garrison Matthews	Cape Fear	Tony McMillan
Craig Mitchell	Fuquay-Varina	Dwight Harrell
Samuel Nelson	Thomasville	Brad Phillips
Jessica Roberts	North Wilkes	Michael Greene
Shelby Sedberry	West Stanly	Wendy Tucker
Austin Smith	West Iredell	Mark Weycker
Taryn Stern	Hickory Ridge	Chris Balga

Carolina Panthers Have Programs Of Interest For NCHSAA Member Schools

CHARLOTTE—The Carolina Panthers have a couple of special programs that should be of great interest to North Carolina High School Athletic Association member schools and will provide great recognition.

Every year since 1997, the Panthers have honored high school football coaches through their Coach of the Week program. Members of the media, principals and athletic directors in both North and South Carolina are encouraged to nominate varsity coaches in their area.

The Panthers will select a coach for each week of the high school football season. All head coaches in the Carolinas are eligible regardless of their school’s size, league, or division. Coaches are evaluated on such factors as the coach’s impact on his team, school, and community. Previous coach of the week winners may not be nominated.

Each winning coach will receive Panthers memorabilia and a \$1,000 donation from the Panthers and the National Football League for their school’s athletic program. Also, all Coach of the Week winners will be honored with an on-field presentation during the Panthers home game versus the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on December 24, 2011. At that time, the Coach of the Year will be announced, and the winning coach will receive an additional \$2,000 for his school’s athletic department.

The nomination form for this program can be found on line at: www.panthers.com/community/prep-football/coach-week.html.

In addition, the Panthers believe that there is more to being a great leader than simply having great talent and have developed the Carolina Panthers Community Captain program.

This program recognizes outstanding high school student-athletes

in North and South Carolina who have demonstrated strong leadership skills both on and off the field. The program encourages these outstanding young men and women to continue to be leaders and role models in their communities.

During the high school football season, the Panthers will honor ten student-athletes who excel both on the field and in the classroom, as well as play an active role in their respective communities. In order to be considered for the Carolina Panthers Community Captain award, a player must meet the following criteria:

- Mandatory 3.0 grade point average or higher
- Voluntary community service record
- Varsity athlete in his or her senior year

If you know a student-athlete that is should be considered for the Carolina Panthers Community Captain award, please nominate him or her or inform the school’s head coach, assistant coaches, principal, or athletic director. The deadline for nominations is September 16.

Winners will receive a commemorative and official NFL Football and tickets/field passes to a Carolina Panthers game. All Community Captains will be honored during an on-field ceremony at that same Panthers-Buccaneers game on December 24.

The nomination form is available for download online at www.panthers.com/community/prep-football/community-captain.html

We appreciate the Carolina Panthers and their great interest in community involvement. ★

Track And Field Rules Changes Focus On Jewelry Violations, Pole Vault Requirements

INDIANAPOLIS—The penalty for wearing jewelry during high school track and field competition will shift from the team to the individual competitor beginning next season.

The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Track and Field and Cross Country Rules Committee, in its summer meeting in Indianapolis, addressed the jewelry rule and clarified two rules in the pole vault among its nine major changes. All changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

The revised jewelry rule states that “for the first violation, the competitor shall be required to remove the jewelry before further competition and be issued a warning that a subsequent violation shall result in a disqualification from the event.”

“The rule still prohibits the wearing of jewelry, but the members of the rules committee and results of the questionnaire strongly support the penalty applying only to the competitor involved as opposed to the entire team,” said Becky Oakes, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Track and Field Rules Committee.

In Rule 7-5-2, requirements for pole vault competitors were changed. The rule eliminates the limit of only two layers of tape on the grip end but still requires any tape placed on the pole to be of uniform thickness on the grip end.

In addition, Rule 7-5-25 clarifies who may touch or catch the pole and under what circumstances touching the pole is not allowed. The rule reads, “No person shall be allowed to touch the vaulting pole except an assigned official, assigned pole catcher or the competitor, when circumstances warrant, but never to prevent the pole from dislodging the bar.”

“The competitor or designated official can catch the pole, but the touch or catch by the competitor that prevents the crossbar from being dislodged is still a foul,” Oakes said.

The committee also made updates to Rule 9-1-1 regarding the method of measuring a cross country course that reflect trends in the sport. The cross country course shall be measured along the shortest possible route that a runner may take, as opposed to measuring down the middle of the course.

Another change now makes it legal for competitors to wear visible undergarments that have a contrasting stitching to the color of the single, solid color of the undergarment. The stitching must function in the construction of the undergarment and not as a design.

Other rules changes approved by the committee include:

- Rule 3-4-2: The referee retains clerical authority over the contest through the completion of any reports, including those imposing disqualifications, that are responsive to actions occurring while the referee had jurisdiction. State associations may intercede in the event of unusual incidents after the referee’s jurisdiction has ended or in the event that a contest is terminated prior to the conclusion of regulation play.
- Rule 5-7-3: The starting command for individual races – or opening relay legs of 800 meters or more outdoors and 600 meters or more indoors – shall be to instruct all competitors to take a position three meters behind the starting line or dashed arc behind the line. With “On your marks,” the competitors step to the starting line.
- Rule 7-4-10: The games committee may assign competitors to flights of no less than five for preliminary competition or may conduct the event in continuing flights. In continuing flights, the first five competitors, as determined by the games committee, constitute a flight. As a contestant clears the bar, passes a turn at the height or is eliminated, the next competitor in order will be moved up so that the number of competitors in the active flight remains constant. When the field is down to eight or fewer competitors, it is recommended that participants are called as listed on the event sheet.
- Rule 9-3-3: Updates were made to this rule that address the use of bib transponders or timing chips on the shoes and the official order of finish when the computerized item(s) are used.

A complete listing of all rules changes approved by the committee is available on the NFHS Web site at www.nfhs.org. Click on “Athletics & Fine Arts Activities” on the home page, and select “Track and Field.”

Outdoor track and field is the second-most popular sport for boys, with 572,123 participants, and most popular sport for girls, with 469,177 participants, at the high school level, according to the 2010-11 NFHS Athletics Participation Survey. The sport ranks second in school sponsorship with 16,011 schools sponsoring the sport for boys and 15,923 sponsoring the sport for girls. ★

Streaks Snapped In High School Football

Two lengthy streaks were snapped during the opening week of football in the 2011 season among North Carolina High School Athletic Association schools.

West Rowan entered the 2011 season with the nation’s longest winning streak at 46, and the Falcons have won the last three NCHSAA state 3-A football championships. But at Joe Popp Stadium in Mooresville, the Mooresville Blue Devils ended the streak with a 21-14 victory.

Mooresville quarterback Deonte Black scampered 36 yards for a touchdown with 3:44

remaining to lift the Blue Devils to victory.

West had not lost since August of 2008 when the Falcons had fallen to Davie County.

Another long streak was snapped as well, as Green Hope of Wake County got into the win column to break a 38-game losing streak.

Green Hope rolled over Smithfield-Selma 38-0 to smash its streak with a vengeance. It was the Falcons’ first victory since the 2007 season.

Quarterback Will Nassif of Green Hope completed 13 of 15 passes for 182 yards for the winners. ★

UPDATING SCHOOL INFORMATION—

Make sure your school has updated your school information on line. This is the information that will be used in the 2011-12 edition of the Directory. Schools are urged to keep this information current to make sure email notices and the like go to the appropriate personnel.

Adjustments Made In NFHS Men's Lacrosse Rules

INDIANAPOLIS—The current 10-second count to return to the goal area in high school boys lacrosse will be eliminated beginning with the 2012 season.

The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Boys Lacrosse Rules Committee, at its meeting last month in Indianapolis, also clarified rules regarding offside situations and a “Get it in/Keep it in” command for game officials. All rules changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

Rule 4-15-1 regarding advancing the ball into the goal area was expanded to describe three situations. A team shall bring the ball into the goal area within 10 seconds 1) after crossing the center line with possession, 2) after initially gaining possession in the offensive half of the field, or 3) after regaining possession in the offensive half of the field following a defensive possession. This change eliminates the need for players to continually “get a touch” in the goal area every 10 seconds.

“This change allows teams to run their offense more efficiently and simplifies the counting requirements for officials,” said Kent Summers, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Boys Lacrosse Rules Committee.

In Rule 4-11, “a team is not considered offside if a team with too few players at either end of the field has not gained an advantage because the player(s) in question are off the field of play.” The official should withhold the whistle or flag in this situation, and observe how the potentially offending player re-enters the game.

“The team has not gained an advantage in this situation, and, in fact, may be at a disadvantage by having too few players on the field,” Summers said. “If the team with too few players gains an advantage by delaying the substitution, then an illegal procedure foul rather than an offside foul has occurred.”

In Rule 4-34, the committee adopted the “Get it in/Keep it in” com-

mand for officials to use in two situations involving offensive possession. When the ball is outside the goal area, the official verbally announces “get it in,” forcing the team in possession to advance the ball into the goal area within 10 seconds and keep it in. The “keep it in” command forces the team in possession to keep the ball in the goal area. The two “Get it in/Keep it in” situations are “Under two minutes remaining in the game when the game is not tied,” and “Stalling.”

Regarding stalling, the committee revised Rule 6-10-2 to state that the warning will be made when, in the judgment of the officials, a team in possession of the ball is keeping the ball from play by not attacking the goal. The phrase “in the judgment of the officials” was used to replace the former term “obvious.”

The final major rules change states that “a player who accumulates five minutes of personal fouls has fouled out of the game but has not been ejected.” Previously, the rule required five personal fouls.

“It is extremely rare for a player to accumulate five personal fouls. Thus, the previous rule wasn’t a deterrent to excessive roughness or to using an illegal crosse,” Summers said.

Other rules changes approved by the committee include:

- Rule 1-2-1 Penalty: If, because of a logo or any other reason, the home team’s field is without a clearly marked center line, possession of the ball goes to the visiting team to begin the contest.
- Rule 4-3-3: The crosses and gloves shall rest on the ground along the center line parallel to each other, up to, but not touching, the center line.
- Rule 4-7-1: If at any point the ball becomes stuck in the front or back of the crosse, there shall be an immediate whistle and the ball awarded to the opposing team. This rule applies when a player loses his crosse and the ball remains in or under the head of the crosse. ★

Free Online Sportsmanship Course Offered Through NFHS

INDIANAPOLIS — The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) has announced the launch of its third free online course.

The course is simply titled “Sportsmanship” and is a free course that can be completed online in 12-15 minutes.

The course is designed to educate coaches, officials, players, parents and fans about sportsmanship and what it means to practice good sportsmanship during competition.

To check on this and other offerings through the Federation’s Learning Center, click on www.nfhslearn.com. ★

Both All-Star Soccer Contests End In Ties

GREENSBORO—Both of the 20th annual North Carolina Coaches Association East-West all-star soccer matches ended in ties at the UNCG Soccer Stadium.

In the women’s game, the East and West battled to a 1-1 tie. The East opened the scoring in the third minute of play when Ashley Clark of Panther Creek found Margo Flewelling of Chapel Hill open in the box and Flewelling drove home a goal for a 1-0 lead.

The West got the equalizer in the 51st minute on a goal by Julia Singley of Morganton Patton, set up by a nice pass from Sabrina Summers of Hickory St. Stephens. Summers was named the Most Valuable Player of the match.

Mike Sloan of Wilkes Central served as the West women’s head coach while Eastern Wayne’s Jorg Wagner coached the East.

The men’s contest saw the West jump to a 2-0 lead before the East battled back to end the game in a 2-2 deadlock.

Northwest Guilford’s David Reittinger, who was named the MVP, gave the West 1-0 lead on an assist from Austin Miller of High Point Central at 50:02. Then just three minutes later, Brayan Aguirre of Hendersonville scored off an assist from Phillip Carmon of Pfafftown Reagan to make it 2-0.

The East trimmed the lead to 2-1 in the 68th minute when Matthew MacDougall of Richlands scored on an assist from Christopher Ryan of Raleigh Broughton. Andrew Morales of Rocky Mount, who will play at Duke, tied it on an unassisted goal with 10 minute to play.

Lennox Charles of Polk County was the head coach for the West men while Jeremiah Mattingly of Wake Forest-Rolesville coached the East. ★

High School Softball Rules Change Enforces Stricter Penalty For Illegal Bats

INDIANAPOLIS — The use of altered or non-approved bats in high school softball will draw an additional penalty for both players and coaches beginning with the 2012 season.

At its summer meeting in Indianapolis, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Softball Rules Committee also clarified rules regarding ball color and the use of headwear during competition. All changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

The penalty for the use of an altered or non-approved bat, which previously was an out on the batter, was expanded to state, “when the illegal bat is an altered or non-approved bat, the batter and the head coach are also ejected.”

“For blatant violations such as this, the committee wants to stress accountability for both coaches and players,” said Mary Struckhoff, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Softball Rules Committee. “This is a very significant change since safety and integrity issues are at stake.”

The committee also deleted “white” from the list of permissible colors for softballs. The ball(s) must now be optic yellow, which will assist schools in ordering and manufacturers in producing the actual product being used for competition.

In Rule 3-2-5, “headwear (caps, visors, sweatbands, ribbons, etc.), if worn, must now be white, black, beige or school colors. The colors are not required to be solid nor the same for each team member.” Permitting more colors and options for players regarding headwear is consistent with requirements in other NFHS sports.

“The committee wants to allow student-athletes to have more flexibility,” Struckhoff said. “This change will also allow for players to promote more school spirit.”

The final rules change involves Rule 1-5-2a, which removes the requirement that the bat knob protrude at a 90-degree angle from the handle. The rule now states that each bat knob “may be molded, lathed, welded or permanently fastened.

Devices, attachments or wrappings are permitted except those that cause the knob to become flush with the handle.”

“The committee is primarily concerned with the performance portion of the bat – the barrel – especially when other portions do not pose any undue risks to participants,” Struckhoff said.

Major editorial changes approved by the committee include:

- Rule 1-5-1c: Clarified that shaving, rolling or artificially warming the bat barrel are prohibited.
- Rule 2-4: Revised and updated the definitions of legal and illegal bats.
- Rules 2-5-3; 3-5-6; 7-5 New: 7-4-12; 8-6-15; 8-6-16: The rules were edited and updated to clarify offensive interference.
- Rule 3-2-12 Note: A new note was added authorizing state associations to grant exceptions to NFHS playing rules for participants with disabilities, special needs and/or extenuating circumstances.
- Rule 8-9-2 New Exception: Clarified the procedure to follow when the visiting pitcher or catcher of record, having used a courtesy runner in the top half of the first inning, is injured/disqualified and unable to play defense in the bottom half of the first.
- Rule 10-1-2 New Note: A note was added clarifying the administrative responsibilities of umpires through the completion of required reports.

A complete listing of all rules changes approved by the committee is available on the NFHS Web site at www.nfhs.org. Click on “Athletics & Fine Arts Activities” on the home page, and select “Softball.”

Softball is the fourth-most popular sport for girls at the high school level, according to the 2010-11 NFHS Athletics Participation Survey, with 378,211 participants nationwide. The sport ranks fourth in school sponsorship with 15,298 schools sponsoring the sport. ★

Ronnie Chavis Honored At Retirement Dinner

PEMBROKE — Ronnie Chavis of Robeson County was honored with a special dinner upon his retirement.

The night was dedicated to one of Robeson County’s most important athletic influences during the last 40 years. As the county’s athletic director, Chavis was recognized as the nation’s athletic director of the year two years ago and received another honor at the retirement celebration.

Rep. Charles Graham of Robeson County presented Chavis with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine on behalf of Gov. Bev Perdue for his “proven record of extraordinary service and contributions to the community in North Carolina.” It is the state’s highest civilian award.

“Ronnie Chavis is a combination of many different people,” Chavis said according to The Robesonian. “Nobody can do anything alone. The good Lord knew I wouldn’t be a rocket scientist and he surrounded me with good people. I’ve been blessed with coaches and friends that had faith in me. When I started as an athletic director, I didn’t care who won or lost. I just wanted our teams to be competitive.”

Chavis was given the official coin used during the toss at the University of North Carolina’s first Thursday night home football game in school history against Florida State in 2009 by referee Brad Allen.

As a baseball player, Chavis starred at Prospect High School before pitching in college at then-Pembroke State University. Chavis coached multiple varsity sports after college and became the first athletic director of the merged Public Schools of Robeson County in 1989. ★

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2011-12 academic year. Information
is online at www.nchsaa.org.

North Carolina Teams Win Clash Of The Carolinas

CHARLESTON, SC—The North Carolina all-stars won a pair of soccer matches over their counterparts from South Carolina in the fifth annual Clash of the Carolinas at Blackbaud Stadium here on Saturday.

In the women's game, North Carolina scored a 4-2 victory over South Carolina. It was the Tar Heels' third straight victory and fourth in five matches in an event that features the top recent high school graduate soccer players from the Carolinas.

Thunder, lightning and rain forced a 45-minute delay in the game.

Emilee Englehaupt of Ardrey Kell scored the first goal of the match to give North Carolina a 1-0 lead just two minutes before halftime. North Carolina MVP Liska Dobberstein scored three minutes into the second half to make it 2-0. Dobberstein, who also played her high school soccer at Ardrey Kell, will play for Clemson.

Panther Creek's Ashley Clark scored in the 54th minute to make it 3-0, and Kristen Busby of Wilmington Hoggard scored the other goal for the North Carolinians.

In the men's game, North Carolina blanked South Carolina 2-0, scoring a pair of first-half goals.

South Carolina held an 11-10 advantage in shots, but the Tar Heels were able to find the net to even the series at 1-1-3.

Forward Austin Wyman, who played for A.C. Reynolds, scored in the 18th minute to make it 1-0. North Carolina MVP Jamie Dell, who will attend UNC Wilmington, scored in the 47th minute. Dell, a midfielder played his high school soccer at Chapel Hill. ★

RECORD BREAKERS?

Don't forget, if you have any potential state or national listings for the record book, there is a form on line to send that information for consideration. Help us to make our state and national books as inclusive and complete as possible.

Any questions call Rick Strunk at (919) 240-7367. And don't forget to check the latest version of the state record book on line!

High School Baseball Rules Changes Emphasize Responsibility Of Coaches

INDIANAPOLIS—Rules changes approved by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Baseball Rules Committee will place more responsibility on coaches for rules-compliant player equipment, effective with the 2012 high school baseball season.

At its summer meeting in Indianapolis, the committee also took steps to define a new tamper-evident protocol for non-wood bats. All changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

Prior to the start of each game, each head coach must now verify to the umpire in-chief that all participants are legally equipped and equipment is in accordance with NFHS rules. Such rules include "compliant bats that are unaltered from the manufacturer's original design and production and helmets that are free of cracks and damage."

Another rule was added to address unsportsmanlike conduct toward umpires after a game has ended and after the umpires have departed the game site. It calls for state associations to determine appropriate action when dealing with these situations.

In addition, umpires no longer will be required to perform pregame equipment checks, as that responsibility will fall to coaches beginning next year. Coaches can still ask umpires at the pregame conference to confirm that equipment is compliant.

"The committee is placing a great importance on increased coach responsibility," said Elliot Hopkins, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Baseball Rules Committee. "It is one of our top priorities."

Prior to the June 2012 meeting of the Baseball Rules Committee, the NFHS will work with appropriate parties to research and develop a baseball bat tamper-evident protocol for non-wood bats and present the recommendations to the committee for its consideration. The goal for implementation is for non-wood bats manufactured after January 1, 2015.

"Bat tampering is illegal and a major problem in high schools," Hopkins said. "Everyone is looking for a competitive edge. With this note, we want to make sure that the state associations, coaches, teams and the public are aware that we are committed to minimizing any risk for players with bat tampering."

In addition, a minor change to Rule 1-3-5 states that "No artificial or intentional means shall be used to control the temperature of the bat," based on scientific research that altering the bat damages the bat and poses an unnecessary risk of injury.

Changes to Rules 1-5-8 and 3-1-6 deal with players' equipment on the field. State associations may now authorize exceptions to NFHS rules to provide "reasonable accommodations to individual participants with disabilities and/or special needs and unique and extenuating circumstances," so long as they do not fundamentally interfere with the sport. Players and coaches must also clean or remove "any" (formerly "excessive") amount of blood from a uniform or piece of equipment before being allowed back into the game.

Other rules changes approved by the committee include:

- Rule 6-2-2c Note: The starting pitcher may warm up by using no more than eight throws, completed in one minute (timed from the first throw). This rule applies to relief pitchers as well. At the beginning of each subsequent inning, the pitcher may warm up with no more than five throws, completed in one minute.
- Rule 10-1-2: The game officials retain clerical authority over the contest through the completion of any reports, including those imposing disqualification, that are responsive to actions occurring while the umpires had jurisdiction. State associations may intercede in the event of unusual incidents after the umpires' jurisdiction has ended or in the event that a game is terminated prior to the conclusion of regulation play.
- Suggested Double First Base Rules: Runner should use the colored base on initial play at first base (dropped third strike only), unless the fielder is drawn to the side of the colored base, in which case the runner would go to the white base and the fielder to the colored base.

A complete listing of all rules changes approved by the committee is available on the NFHS Web site at www.nfhs.org. Click on "Athletics & Fine Arts Activities" on the home page, and select "Baseball."

Baseball is the fourth-most popular sport for boys at the high school level, according to the 2009-10 NFHS Athletics Participation Survey, with 472,699 participants nationwide. The sport ranks third in school sponsorship with 15,786 schools sponsoring the sport. ★

2010-11 Wachovia Cup Final Standings Announced

CHAPEL HILL—Wachovia, a Wells Fargo company, and the North Carolina High School Athletic Association have announced the final standings in the Wachovia Cup competitions for the 2010-11 academic year with the spring sports seasons completed.

The Wachovia Cup award, sponsored by Wachovia and the NCHSAA, recognizes the high schools that achieve the best overall interscholastic athletic performances within each of the state's four competitive classifications. The Wachovia Cup program has concluded its 32nd year.

All four of the champions successfully defended the Wachovia Cups each of them won a year ago. Cary Green Hope maintained its lead after winter sports to capture the Cup in the final 4-A standings for the second consecutive year. Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons took the top spot in the 3-A classification with a great all around performance. Salisbury was the Cup winner among 2-A schools for the second year in a row while Kernersville Bishop McGuinness captured first place in 1-A for the fourth time in the last five years.

"We sincerely appreciate Wachovia's commitment to our overall program in recognizing our champions for over 30 years," said Davis Whitfield, NCHSAA commissioner. "These schools who win the Wachovia Cup do a tremendous job with their overall athletic programs, and we are grateful for Wachovia's desire to recognize their achievements."

In the 4-A classification, Green Hope finished first with 427.5 points to hold off a surging Charlotte Myers Park in second with 390.5. Green Hope preserved its title by placing fifth in men's golf and fifth among 4-A women's lacrosse teams. Myers Park had a second-place finish in men's golf to go with a runner-up finish in women's lacrosse and getting to the state quarterfinals in men's dual team tennis.

Raleigh Wakefield wound up in third, primarily with a couple of great performances in track, winning the women's outdoor track and field crown and taking third in the men's meet, to go with a fourth-place finish in men's golf.

Cardinal Gibbons held on to the top spot in the 3-A standings with playoff points in an impressive five different spring sports, including winning both the men's dual team tennis championship and taking top honors among 3-A women's lacrosse teams, while finishing second in both women's outdoor track and field and women's soccer. Gibbons recorded a whopping 715 points, ahead of runner-up Charlotte Catholic at 605.

Catholic's spring performances included a women's soccer title and second place among 3-A teams in both women's lacrosse and men's dual team tennis.

Waxhaw Marvin Ridge was third with 487.5 points, just a half point

ahead of fourth-place Chapel Hill.

Salisbury had an impressive spring to secure its sixth Cup all time. Salisbury recorded 647.5 points, including winning the men's golf title, taking second in women's outdoor track and field and fifth in men's outdoor track and field. Carrboro, with a strong spring, was second with 615 points, including playoff points in six spring sports. Among the Jaguar team highlights were a title in women's outdoor track and field, a runner-up finish in women's soccer, and a top finish among 2-A schools in women's lacrosse.

East Lincoln, which advanced to the regional finals in baseball and placed fourth in the men's track and field state meet, was third with 345 points and Cuthbertson fourth at 320.

In the 1-A classification, Bishop McGuinness collected playoff points for positions in men's golf, women's outdoor track, women's soccer, and both women's and men's lacrosse en route to a total of 630 points, ahead of Durham's North Carolina School of Science and Math at 467.5. NCSSM was second in the state 1-A men's outdoor track and field championships to go with a runner-up spot in men's dual team tennis and getting to the state semi-finals in women's soccer.

Hendersonville, the school that has recorded the most Wachovia Cups of any NCHSAA school with 13, finished third in the 1-A standings with 422.5 points, and North Rowan was fourth at 322.5.

Wachovia Cup points are determined by a system based on performance in state championship events. All schools that finish in the top eight positions (plus ties) earn points. In the playoff events involving teams from more than one classification, Wachovia Cup points are awarded based on the school's standing against other schools in its own classification. If fewer than eight schools from a classification compete in a sport, only those schools that are represented are eligible to receive the Wachovia Cup points.

Points are awarded for all sports as follows: 50 for first, 45 for second, 40 for third, 35 for fourth, 30 for fifth, 25 for sixth, 20 for seventh and 15 for eighth. In the event of a tie, the schools receive an equal number of points based on the number of teams that tie and the number of teams that finish higher in the standings. Five points are awarded for each sanctioned sport in which a school competes.

Wachovia Cup standings are announced three times each school year: once after the fall and then the winter sports, and concluding with the winner after the spring sports season ends in June. The engraved silver cups are presented during NCHSAA Day activities at UNC-Chapel Hill each fall.

NCHSAA FINAL WACHOVIA CUP STANDINGS 2010-11

1-A CLASSIFICATION		2-A CLASSIFICATION		3-A CLASSIFICATION		4-A CLASSIFICATION	
SCHOOL	POINTS	SCHOOL	POINTS	SCHOOL	POINTS	SCHOOL	POINTS
1. Kernersville Bishop McGuinness	630	1. Salisbury	647.5	1. Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons	715	1. Morrisville Green Hope	427.5
2. Durham N.C. School of Science and Math	467.5	2. Carrboro	615	2. Charlotte Catholic	605	2. Charlotte Myers Park	390.5
3. Hendersonville	422.5	3. East Lincoln	345	3. Waxhaw Marvin Ridge	487.5	3. Raleigh Wakefield	365
4. North Rowan	390	4. Waxhaw Cuthbertson	320	4. Chapel Hill	485	4. East Chapel Hill	360
5. Lake Norman Charter	322.5	5. Shelby	315	5. Hickory	400	5. Charlotte Ardrey Kell	345
6. West Wilkes	275	6. North Lincoln	303.75	6. Weddington	327.5	6. Apex	342.5
7. Murphy	260	7. Pittsboro Northwood	302.5	7. Concord Jay Robinson	305	7. Skyland T.C. Roberson	340
8. East Surry	250	8. Hillsborough Cedar Ridge	282.5	8. Northern Guilford	295	8. Charlotte Providence	330
9. Raleigh Charter	247.5	9. Hampstead Topsail	257.5	9. Winterville South Central	287.5	9. Lake Norman	305
10. Pender	235	10. Berry Academy	240	10. West Henderson	240	10. Raleigh Millbrook	272.5
Southwest Onslow	235	11. Burlington Cummings	235	11. Nash Central	235	11. Watauga	267.5
12. Robbinsville	232.5	12. Newton-Conover	220	12. Burlington Walter Williams	227.5	12. Raleigh Leesville Road	257.5
13. Riverside-Martin	205	13. Durham School of the Arts	215	13. North Buncombe	215	13. New Bern	245
14. Monroe	197.5	14. Swansboro	207.5	Asheville	215	Cornelius W.A. Hough	245
15. Goldsboro	195	15. Newport Croatan	200	15. Orange	212.5	15. Pfafftown Ronald Reagan	232.5

Former NCHSAA Men's Golf Champion Wins On PGA Tour In Greensboro

GREENSBORO—A former North Carolina High School Athletic Association men's state golf champion earned his first victory on the PGA tour in August.

Webb Simpson scored a three-shot victory over the field at the Sedgefield Country Club in Greensboro to win the Wyndham

Championship, recording an 18-under par score for the event. The victory gave the 26-year-old Simpson \$3.66 million in earnings this year and put him in third place overall in the FedEx Cup standings.

Simpson, who played collegiately at Wake Forest, was the 2004 NCHSAA state 4-A

men's individual champion while he played for Broughton High School in Raleigh. His score of 141 won the individual crown in the 36-hole tournament played on Pinehurst courses number four and two as he led Broughton to the team championship. ★

In Memorium

This is information of which the NCHSAA has been made aware since the publication of the last *Bulletin*. We appreciate all those who share information with us for the benefit of our membership.

BILL GRIMM

GREENVILLE—Long-time Pitt County school employee Bill Grimm died in late June at the age of 60.

According to the Greenville Daily Reflector, police confirmed he had a heart attack and died in a one-vehicle wreck. Grimm had worked in numerous capacities during his time in Greenville, including stints at North Pitt, D.H. Conley and, most recently, J.H. Rose, where he had worked since 2003.

He was a teacher and first responder during his time there and also worked with special needs children. He also worked with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Eastern Regional basketball tournament for approximately 15 years during the tournament's run in Greenville.

In 2007, Grimm, from Lansdale, Pa., received the Brave Heart Award from the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association, an award presented annually to an individual who overcomes adversity while serving the state's youth. Grimm had undergone at least two surgeries to remove cancerous tumors and also had an open-heart procedure among other health issues.

ED LANE

CARY—Ed Lane, who coached at Cary High School for 11 years before moving into administration, died in May at the age of 81.

Lane coached at Cary from 1957 through '68 and his football teams there posted a record of 73-27-7. He also coached both men's and women's basketball, baseball, track and wrestling during his career.

Lane was a native of Perquimans County.

ED MCLEAN

WAKE FOREST—Long-time high school and college coach Ed McLean died unexpectedly in late April at the age of 75.

A graduate of Western Carolina University, where he played three sports, McLean's high school coaching stops included Rohanen High in Richmond County and an 18-year span at Broughton High in Raleigh.

At Broughton he served as athletic director but also coached track, cross country, football and basketball.

He coached the East team in the North Carolina Coaches Association all-star basketball game in Greensboro in 1973.

A member of the Broughton Hall of Fame, he left there to coach under Jim Valvano as an assistant on the basketball staff at North Carolina

State University and also coached in professional basketball at the minor league level.

He also coached at Sanderson High from 1995 to 2000 and assisted at North Carolina Central University from 2000 through '04.

B.E. "GENE" MILLER

HICKORY—An outstanding athlete, coach and administrator in Hickory died in mid-July at the age of 87.

B. E. "Gene" Miller was born in Catawba County on Jan. 3, 1924 and starred in football, basketball and baseball at Hickory High and went on to star in those three sports Lenoir-Rhyne College, beginning in 1941 and continuing after he served in World War II.

Following his graduation from Lenoir-Rhyne, Miller taught at Oxford High School and served as basketball coach in 1949 and 1950, leading both teams to conference championships.

He then began teaching at Hickory High School, where he coached the boys basketball teams to seven conference championships between 1951 and 1959.

Miller served as an elementary school principal for several years, eventually moving to the rank of assistant superintendent of the Hickory City Schools from 1964-67 then served as principal at Hickory High School from 1967-74.

Miller was inducted into the Lenoir-Rhyne Sports Hall of Fame in 1989 and into the Catawba County Sports Hall of Fame in 2004.

ELBERT MOYE

SMITHFIELD—Elbert Earl Moye died in late August at the SECU Hospice House here.

He graduated from Atlantic Christian College and also did graduate work at the University of North Carolina. He served in the US Army Air Corps for four years.

Elbert was a long-time coach at both Farmville and Smithfield-Selma. He coached in the East-West All-Star game in 1970 and the Shrine Bowl game in 1973.

RONALD LEITH WILLIAMS

FAYETTEVILLE—Ronald Leith Williams, 16, of Jack Britt High School was killed in an automobile accident in early June.

Williams played both varsity football and basketball at Jack Britt and would have been a junior at Britt in the coming 2011-12 year.

East, West Divide All-Star Basketball Games In Greensboro

GREENSBORO—Jackson Simmons scored 19 points and pulled down 15 rebounds to lead the West All-Stars to a 100-93 victory over their counterparts from the East in the 63rd annual North Carolina Coaches Association East-West all-star men's basketball game at the Greensboro Coliseum.

Simmons, who starred at Smoky Mountain High School and will be attending the University of North Carolina, helped the West take advantage of a big size edge inside. Nine of his 15 rebounds were of the offensive variety and the West snared 32 offensive rebounds for the game.

Simmons was named the Most Valuable Player.

The West led throughout until the East battled back to tie the game at 89 with 2:36 to play. The West then hit key free throws down the stretch.

Miles Bowman of Parkland scored 16 points for the West while Terrence Williams of West Mecklenburg added 14.

For the East, Wakefield's Xavier Saddler-Mee led the way with 15 points while Addison Spruill of Pender had 14. Marcus Walker of Raleigh Enloe had 12 points and seven rebounds.

Steve Robinson of Wallace-Rose Hill was the head coach of the East men while David Price of Dudley led the West.

In the women's game, the East outlasted the West 66-58, ending a three-year losing streak for the East stars.

East Bladen's Courtney Melvin, the 2011 North Carolina High School Athletic Association Female Athlete of the Year, paced the East with 18 points and 11 rebounds in just 19 minutes of play to earn Most Valuable Player honors.

Hannah Early of Hopewell and Jada Payne of Hickory paced the West, each scoring 14 points.

Debra Pegram of Beddingfield served as the East women's head coach while Hendersonville's Mike Norman was the West head coach. ★

West All-Stars Beat East 19-7 In NCCA Football Game

GREENSBORO—The West All-Stars took advantage of East errors and went on to record a 19-7 victory over the East in the 63rd annual North Carolina Coaches Association all-star football game at Jamieson Stadium.

The East turned the ball over on three of its first four possessions.

The West opened the scoring in the first quarter on a 35-yard field goal by Shawn Williams of North Davidson, and then Shelby's Raymond Ussery capped a 50-yard march with a one-yard touchdown run to make it 10-0 after Williams kicked the point after.

Then the West surprised everyone with a successful onside kick and 10 seconds after Ussery's touchdown the West struck on a 50-yard bomb from Lincolnton's Brandon Wilson to Salisbury's John Knox II, who earned offensive MVP honors.

Wilson led the West team with 38 yards on seven carries, while Ussery added 37 rushing yards on eight attempts and Knox carried 14 times for 35 yards.

Richmond running back Walter Ellerbe scored the only East touchdown on a one-yard run in the third quarter to cut it to 16-7 after Dillon Maples of Pinecrest booted the PAT. Ellerbe led the East offensively with 68 yards on 13 carries.

Williams closed the scoring in the final period with a 38-yard field goal for the West.

West defensive lineman Javon Hargrave of North Rowan, who recorded five tackles, including three for loss, and recovered a fumble, earned defensive Most Valuable Player honors.

The West now leads the series 37-25-1. ★

Gfeller-Waller Concussion Awareness Act Information Provided For Schools

The Gfeller-Waller Concussion Awareness Act was drafted and implemented to protect the safety of student-athletes in North Carolina and was signed into law on June 16, 2011 by Governor Beverly Purdue.

There are three major areas of focus in the law and these include: education, emergency action and postconcussion protocol implementation, and clearance/return to play or practice following concussion.

Each school should maintain documentation that they are in compliance with the law.

Links from the NCHSAA contains information and materials to be used by high schools and middle schools and medical professionals to comply with the law. At the top of the page are links for each major requirement stated in the law. This website includes forms, materials, and examples for schools to enable them to implement these changes into their schools or practices.

The Gfeller-Waller Concussion Awareness Act Resource Packet containing all compliance materials can be found by clicking the appropriate link: tbicenter.unc.edu/MAG_Center/gwlaw.html

It is located down the right side of the NCHSAA home page as the Gfeller-Waller Concussion Awareness Act, and the same link is found under School Central, where all sorts of things pertinent for the member schools are located.

At the beginning of this packet, you will find a checklist to help guide your school through the compliance process. ★

NFHS, NCAA Team To Offer Course On Initial Eligibility Requirements

A course that can help shed light on the initial eligibility process for prospective college student-athletes has been developed by a unique partnership.

The NCAA Eligibility Center Coaching Education course has been jointly developed by the Eligibility Center and the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), both of which are based in Indianapolis. The course is designed to educate high school teachers and coaches, as well as counselors and parents, about the NCAA's initial eligibility requirements.

After completing the course, one will be more prepared to advise student-athletes about the necessary steps to become certified to compete in NCAA Divisions I and II athletics.

Coaches can start and complete a course immediately after a course purchase is approved, and will have up to one year after purchase to review and access all printable resources.

The course can be found at the National Federation web site where a number of similar resources on other topics can be found: www.nfhslearn.com. ★

Raleigh Firm Will Perform Background Checks For NCHSAA

RALEIGH—Dr. Frank Gozzo, president and CEO of Noverant, Inc., has announced that the firm has been selected by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association for its information, training, security and compliance management system.

The NCHSAA will use Noverant's solution to perform background checks on officials, employees and other individuals interested in working with the NCHSAA.

"We are pleased to have been chosen by the NCHSAA to help them conduct background checks on individuals interested in becoming officials," said Gozzo. "There is nothing more important than the safety of our children, and our software will help the NCHSAA keep our high school athletes safe."

"Noverant's solution will help us ensure the safety of our high school athletes by ensuring that all past criminal history of our officials is immediately brought to the attention of the NCHSAA," said Davis Whitfield, commissioner of the NCHSAA. "We will be able to perform background checks more quickly on applicants and, as a result, be able to more efficiently determine whether or not an individual may officiate our games."

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CHAMPIONSHIP REVIEW



WOMEN'S SOCCER

Cuthbertson Edges Carrboro On Penalty Kicks In NCHSAA State 2-A Women's Soccer Final

CARY—It went down to penalty kicks after a very long night, and Waxhaw Cuthbertson outlasted Carrboro to take a 2-1 decision in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A women's soccer championship game at WakeMed Soccer Park.

The start of the game was delayed an hour and 40 minutes by inclement weather, and then the teams battled through 110 minutes of grueling play, including the regulation 80, two 10-minute overtime periods and two five-minute sudden-victory periods.

Tied 1-1 at the end of regulation, neither team really threatened in the first two overtimes, although Carrboro had a corner kick in the final two minutes of each extra stanza. Then it finally went down to penalty kicks, with Cuthbertson prevailing 5-4 to earn the title.

Cuthbertson got on the scoreboard in the 31st minute as senior forward Leah Drawdy, who named the Most Valuable Player in the championship, connected on a penalty kick for her 58th goal of the season. A handball was called in the box as the Cavaliers were mounting a counter attack and had crossed the ball toward the middle.

The contest was intense, with each team making good runs and challenging to score. Applying tremendous pressure in the final 10 minutes, Carrboro finally got the dramatic game-tying goal with just under two minutes to play, when junior midfielder Francesca Perone chased down a rebound that got loose and crossed it to freshman Caroline Houser, who knocked in the equalizer.

Both Carrboro and Cuthbertson, relatively new schools, were playing in their first NCHSAA women's soccer final. Cuthbertson was in only its second year of operation, while Carrboro opened in 2007.

Cuthbertson won its last 15 in a row and finished 26-2 overall. Carrboro was unbeaten in its last 19 contests prior to the final and wound up with a 17-3-3 mark.

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NCHSAA STATE 2-A WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP WakeMed Soccer Park, Cary

Carrboro	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—	1
Cuthbertson	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	—	2

Cuthbertson won penalty kick shootout 5-4.

SCORING

30:17	1st	Cutb— Leah Drawdy penalty kick
78:03	2nd	Carr— Caroline Houser (Francesca Perone)

Leesville Road Rolls Past Ardrey Kell For State 4-A Women's Soccer Championship

CARY—Raleigh Leesville Road shut out Charlotte Ardrey Kell 3-0 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A women's soccer championship game at WakeMed Soccer Park.

The game started late due to inclement weather and then the 2-A championship played prior to it going to penalty kicks, so along with a 45-minute lightning delay in the first half the game did not end until right at midnight.

Senior midfielder Rachel Hunter was named the Most Valuable Player of the championship. She scored the first goal for the Pride in the 20th minute, just prior to the lightning delay, and Leesville made that hold up for a 1-0 halftime advantage.

Caroline Gentry tallied in the 47th minute to put the Pride ahead 2-0, and then midfielder Kellie Baker put the game on ice just over five minutes later with a goal for the 3-0 final.

This year's championship marked the third time in the last four years that these two have met for the 4-A title. Leesville Road beat Ardrey Kell in each previous meeting, taking a 3-0 decision in the 2008 championship and 1-0 in '09. The Pride finished with a 24-1-1 mark while Kell suffered its first loss after 25 straight wins.

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CATA Slips Past Southwest Onslow 1-0 In NCHSAA State 1-A Women's Soccer Final

CARY—Sophomore midfielder Stephanie Arias scored the only goal of the game to lift Monroe Central Academy of Technology and Arts to a 1-0 victory over defending state champion Southwest Onslow 1-0 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A women's soccer championship game at WakeMed Soccer Park.

Arias broke the scoreless tie when she found the back of the net with 31:38 remaining in the contest to give Central Academy the lead and the Cougars held on.

CATA junior goalkeeper Lindsey Kurtz was credited with the shutout and earned the championship Most Valuable Player award.

CATA made its first appearance in any NCHSAA team championship and set a school record with its 20 victories, posting a mark of 20-4-1 and winning its last three playoff games each by a single goal. The Cougars recorded 15 shutouts in their 25 games, and two of the CATA regular-season losses came to 2-A champion Waxhaw Cuthbertson, which beat Carrboro on Friday night.

Southwest Onslow won its initial NCHSAA women's soccer championship last year by blanking Avery 2-0 and then returned eight starters

from that squad. The Stallions started slowly this season against a brutal schedule, going 0-7-3 in their first 10 matches, but got hot at the right time to finish with a record of 11-9-3.

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NCHSAA STATE 1-A WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP WakeMed Soccer Park, Cary

Southwest Onslow	0	0	—	0
Central Academy	0	1	—	1

SCORING

48:22 CATA — Stephanie Arias

Charlotte Catholic Edges Cardinal Gibbons 2-1 In NCHSAA State 3-A Women's Soccer Final

CARY—Sophomore forward Jane Cline scored both her team's goals to propel Charlotte Catholic past Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons 2-1 for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A women's soccer championship at WakeMed Soccer Park.

Cline's second goal of the day, with just 8:01 left to play, broke a 1-1 tie and was only the seventh goal allowed all season by Cardinal Gibbons. Catholic's leading scorer on the year, Cline finished the season with 24 goals.

Cline opened the scoring about midway through the first half to put the Cougars ahead 1-0. But Cardinal Gibbons got an equalizer less than two minutes into the second half, when Crusader leading scorer Christina Gibbons tallied her 14th goal of the season to tie it at 1-1.

Both teams have been perennially strong in women's soccer. Gibbons was playing in its third NCHSAA championship and lost to Waxhaw Marvin Ridge in last year's title game, while Catholic was in the finals for the sixth time, with a 3-3 mark in championship play. The Cougars had previously earned NCHSAA state titles in 2002 and '03 and have been to the state playoffs 20 straight years.

Catholic ended the year 22-2-3, while Cardinal Gibbons suffered its first loss in the state final. The Crusaders finished with a 20-1-1 mark, with a tie with Raleigh Ravenscroft the only other blemish on their slate.

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NCHSAA STATE 3-A WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP WakeMed Soccer Park, Cary

Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons	0	1	—	1
Charlotte Catholic	1	1	—	2

SCORING

19:48 CC—Jane Cline

41:09 CG—Christina Gibbons

71:59 CC—Jane Cline

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Check the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's site daily at

www.nchsaa.org

for all sorts of important information, including updated regional assignments and locations in several sports and the latest brackets.



SOFTBALL

Alexander Central Upends North Davidson For 4-A Crown

RALEIGH—Christina Krider had two doubles and scored the winning run in the seventh as Alexander Central rallied past North Davidson 3-2 in the championship game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A softball championships at Walnut Creek Softball Complex.

North had scored twice in the sixth inning of the decisive game to take a 2-1 lead before the Lady Cougars rallied. Chelsea Wilkinson, who went the distance on the mound for the winners, was the tournament Most Valuable Player as Alexander completed a 31-2 season.

Robyn Stanek had three hits and Emory Byrd two for North, the defending state champions who finished the year with a record of 30-3.

North Davidson had forced the final game by giving Alexander its first loss of the event, 2-1, as sophomore pitcher Eliza Davis outdueled Wilkinson, despite Wilkinson's 15 strikeouts.

Page Wall and Haley Price each had run-scoring hits in the sixth that provided the North runs. Lauren Elder had a double and RBI for Alexander.

North Davidson ousted Holly Springs 4-0 in a Saturday morning elimination contest to set up the matchup with Alexander, winners now of seven NCHSAA titles.

Alexander Central had won both of its games on Friday night, with Wilkinson getting both pitching victories in a 6-2 victory over North Davidson and then an 18-strikeout, three-hit 3-0 shutout of Holly Springs.

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NCHSAA 2011 STATE FAST PITCH SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS Walnut Creek Softball Complex, Raleigh

CLASS 4-A

STATE SEMIFINALS

Holly Springs 1, Clayton 0

Alexander Central 6, North Davidson 2

WINNER'S BRACKET FINAL

Alexander Central 3, Holly Springs 0 (9 innings)

ELIMINATION GAME

North Davidson 3, Clayton 2 (9 innings)

LOSER'S BRACKET FINAL

North Davidson 4, Holly Springs 0

CHAMPIONSHIP

North Davidson 2, Alexander Central 1

Alexander Central 3, North Davidson 2

D.H. Conley Wins NCHSAA State 3-A Title Over Southern Vance

RALEIGH—Pitcher Sarah Christian of Greenville D. H. Conley was named the Most Valuable Player as she fired a five-hit shutout against Southern Vance in a 5-0 championship game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A softball championships at the Walnut Creek Softball Complex.

Christian outdueled Jordan Garrett of Sothern, who also yielded just five hits, striking out nine, and led her team at the plate with a pair of hits.

Katrina Hudson knocked in both runs for Conley to lift the Vikings to the state title. Conley wound up 27-4 on the season while Southern Vance was 26-5.

Southern Vance had moved into the finals with an easy 10-1 victory over East Rowan in a Saturday morning elimination game, and then Garrett tossed a 1-0 shutout at Conley to give the Vikings their first loss of the tournament and force the final contest.

D.H. Conley shut out Southern Vance 5-0 in its Friday night opener and then beat East Rowan 4-3 in the winner's bracket final, with Shannen Adams getting the game-winning hit in the bottom of the seventh.

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NCHSAA 2011 STATE FAST PITCH SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS Walnut Creek Softball Complex, Raleigh

CLASS 3-A

STATE SEMIFINALS

Greenville D.H. Conley 5, Southern Vance 0

East Rowan 10, Crest 0, final (5 innings, 10 run rule)

WINNER'S BRACKET FINAL

D.H. Conley 4, East Rowan 3

ELIMINATION GAME

Southern Vance 6, Crest 0

LOSERS' BRACKET FINAL

Southern Vance 10, East Rowan 1

CHAMPIONSHIP

Southern Vance 1, D.H. Conley 0

D.H. Conley 2, Southern Vance 0

The National High School Sports Record Book
can be purchased from the
National Federation of State High School Associations.
A number of North Carolinians are among the national
record holders. More information is available at
(317) 972-6900.

Irvin Hit Drives In Game Winner To Lift Pisgah To State 2-A Crown

RALEIGH—Sophomore catcher Mahaila Irvin's hit down the right field line with two outs in the bottom of the seventh drove home the winning run from first base as Canton Pisgah edged Swansboro 4-3 to win the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A softball championship at Walnut Creek Softball Complex.

Irvin, who had two hits in three trips to the plate in the final, was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player as the Black Bears finished with a 24-4 mark.

In the championship game, Swansboro built a 3-0 lead before the Black Bears tied it with three in the home half of the sixth and won it in the seventh.

Logan Mathews was the winning pitcher for Pisgah while Jaimee Radel took the loss, although she had 10 strikeouts.

Kaitlyn Hannah drove home two runs for the winners while Jamie Geouge was one for three with an RBI.

Radel led the Pirates, who finished 23-8 overall, with two hits and two runs batted in.

Swansboro qualified for the championship with a 6-1 morning victory over Eastern Randolph, ending ER's season with a 29-4 mark. Carly Schott was a perfect three for three and drove in three runs for the winners, while Nicole Newman had two hits. Radel got the win.

Jana Cheek and Kaitlyn Scheuering each had a pair of hits for Eastern Randolph.

Pisgah's offense had exploded in its two wins on Friday night. The Black Bears downed Central Davidson 14-9 in their opener and then broke open a 2-2 game in the seventh with eight runs to roll past Eastern Randolph 10-2.

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NCHSAA 2011 STATE FAST PITCH SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS Walnut Creek Softball Complex, Raleigh

CLASS 2-A
STATE SEMIFINALS
Eastern Randolph 1, Swansboro 0
Canton Pisgah 14, Central Davidson 9

WINNER'S BRACKET FINAL
Canton Pisgah 10, Eastern Randolph 2

ELIMINATION GAME
Swansboro 2, Central Davidson 0

LOSERS' BRACKET FINAL
Swansboro 6, Eastern Randolph 1

CHAMPIONSHIP
Canton Pisgah 4, Swansboro 3

East Surry Wins Three Games In One Day To Win 1-A Softball Championship Over Pamlico

RALEIGH—East Surry came from the loser's bracket and won three games on the final day to capture the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A softball championships at Walnut Creek Softball Complex.

The Cardinals, who have now won four straight NCHSAA state crowns and six overall, beat Pamlico in the decisive game 9-5.

Trailing 4-3 in the bottom of the fifth, East Surry scored three in the fifth and three in the sixth to take command. But Pamlico rallied with three runs of its own in the seventh and had the tying run to the plate before the Cards stopped the rally.

Beth Isaacs was the winning pitcher and went two for three with two runs batted in for East, which wound up 29-5. Outfielder Kelsey Wilson was selected as the Most Valuable Player.

Katie Lachman, the losing pitcher, and Taylor Andrews each had two hits for Pamlico which finished 26-6 overall.

East forced the decisive game in the double-elimination event with a dramatic 7-5 victory over Pamlico earlier in the afternoon, rallying for three runs in the top of the seventh. Isaacs, who was the winning pitcher and struck out 10, had a key two-run single in the frame. Isaacs and Christian Smith were both two for three for the winners.

Pamlico had taken a 5-4 lead with a three-run sixth.

East Surry moved to the championship game with a 2-1 victory over Princeton in a morning elimination contest. Isaacs was the winning pitcher, striking out nine and holding the Bulldogs to four hits. Wilson's infield hit scored Evelyn Wells with what proved to be the winning run in the bottom of the fourth, breaking a 1-1 tie.

Tori Paul had an RBI hit for Princeton, which finished the year 22-7 overall.

Pamlico had won a pair of tight 2-1 decisions on Friday night to advance to the championship game, opening with a win over Princeton behind the pitching and hitting of Lachman, and then edging East Surry.

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CLASS 1-A
STATE SEMIFINALS
Pamlico 2, Princeton 1
East Surry 6, Murphy 2

WINNER'S BRACKET FINAL
Pamlico 2, East Surry 1

ELIMINATION GAME
Princeton 5, Murphy 4, 9 innings

LOSERS' BRACKET FINAL
East Surry 2, Princeton 1

CHAMPIONSHIP
East Surry 7, Pamlico 5
East Surry 9, Pamlico 7



BASEBALL

Holly Springs Captures 4-A Crown Over T.C. Roberson

ZEBULON—Holly Springs exploded for 11 runs in two middle innings and the Golden Hawks rolled past Asheville T.C. Roberson 11-5 in the second game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A baseball championship series at Five County Stadium.

Holly Springs swept the best of three series and ended the season 27-2 in its first trip to the NCHSAA state championships.

Carlos Rodon was named the tournament Most Valuable Player. He was one for four in the second game and had an RBI, but fired a two-hit shutout while also collecting two hits in three at-bats in the first game as Holly Springs blanked Roberson 4-0.

Roberson had taken a 1-0 lead in the first on a run-scoring double by Aaron Wright, which scored Grant Petty, but that was all the Rams got even though the bases were loaded with one out.

The Golden Hawks put the game away with back-to-back big innings, with a five-run explosion in the fourth and then six in the fifth. A pair of two-run singles, by Joey Roach and Justin Manning, were key blows for the Golden Hawks in the fourth. In the fifth, Jesse Sykes had an RBI-double while Kyle Byrd and Mitch Hines knocked in runs with base hits for Holly Springs.

Byrd finished the day with three hits while Manning and Roach each had two. Manning had three runs batted in.

Aaron Wright had three hits in four trips while Corey Hargus and James Nevant each had two hits for T.C. Roberson, which finished with a 25-7 record.

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NCHSAA STATE 4-A BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES—GAME TWO Five County Stadium, Zebulon

Holly Springs	0	0	0	5	6	0	0	—	11	13	1
T.C. Roberson	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	—	5	10	0

WP— Justin Manning (9-1). LP— Parker Johnson.

GAME ONE Five County Stadium, Zebulon

T.C. Roberson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	0	2	0
Holly Springs	0	0	2	0	2	0	x	—	4	7	1

WP— Carlos Rodon (11-0). LP— Alex Ledford.

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Randleman Holds Off East Rutherford Rally 8-7 In Final Game Of NCHSAA State 2-A Series

RALEIGH—Curtis Linthicum used both his bat and his arm to lead Randleman to a dramatic 8-7 victory over defending state champion East Rutherford in the decisive game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A baseball championship series at Doak Field at North Carolina State University.

Randleman won the best of three series two games to one, and the Tigers were in the NCHSAA finals for the first time since 1985. Linthicum was selected as the Most Valuable Player by going seven for 10 in the series and picking up the pitching win in the final game.

Randleman led 7-1 in the sixth and 8-2 entering the bottom of the seventh before the never-say-die Cavaliers made a dramatic rally, scoring five times. The exciting game-ending play saw Ridge Beheler of East deliver a double down the left field line with two outs and a runner on first. Left fielder Tyler Walls dug it out of the corner, hit shortstop Dylan Richardson and his relay to catcher Zack Bach was a strike that nailed runner Taylor Peyton at the plate to end the game.

Chip Helton had two hits in four trips, including a home run, for the Cavaliers and Mark McFarland also had two hits. Richardson, Linthicum and Ty Walls each had two hits for the Gators.

East Rutherford had forced a third game in the series with a 10-5 victory on Saturday afternoon, scoring all its runs in two innings including a six-run sixth.

In Friday night's opening game, Linthicum's grand slam highlighted a five-run sixth inning as Randleman outlasted East Rutherford in a 14-6 slugfest.

Randleman ended the season with a 28-4 record while East Rutherford, winners of five NCHSAA state titles in the previous nine years, wound up 28-6.

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NCHSAA STATE 2-A BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES—GAME THREE Doak Field, N.C. State University

Randleman	0	0	1	0	2	4	1	—	8	9	5
East Rutherford	0	0	1	0	0	1	5	—	7	9	3

WP—Curtis Linthicum. LP—Derek Deaton. HR—Chip Helton, East Rutherford.

GAME TWO Doak Field, N.C. State University

Randleman	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	—	5	10	5
East Rutherford	0	4	0	0	0	6	x	—	10	11	0

WP—Chip Helton (9-1). LP—Ryan Vickers.

GAME ONE Doak Field, N.C. State University

East Rutherford	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	—	6	10	2
Randleman	2	0	1	5	1	5	x	—	14	17	1

WP—Easton Welch (6-0). LP—Tyler Jacobus (13-1).

East Columbus Rallies To Win 1-A Title 8-7 Over South Stanly

ZEBULON—Shortstop Derrick Bracey had two hits and two runs batted in to lead East Columbus to a come-from-behind 8-7 victory over South Stanly in the final game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A baseball championship series at Five County Stadium on Saturday.

The Gators captured the series two games to one after losing Friday night's opener. East Columbus had forced a third game with a victory on Saturday afternoon, downing the Rowdy Rebel Bulls 5-1 behind a route-going mound performance by Houston Barnes, who gave up just four hits.

Bracey, the Most Valuable Player of the series, helped the Gators rally from an early 6-1 deficit. His RBI single in the fourth scored Ty Freeman, who had doubled in a run, to cut the margin to 6-5.

In the top of the sixth, South Stanly extended the lead to 7-5 when Landon Fraley drove in Steven Wallace, who had two doubles in three trips for the Rowdy Rebel Bulls. But the Gators came back with three in the sixth to take the lead for good, the key blow a two-run triple by Ben Connor.

Skylar Bowen came on to get the save in the seventh in relief of winning pitcher Hunter Smith, and the Gators ended the game with a smooth 6-4-3 double play. Heath Blackmon was the losing pitcher.

Bracey, Barnes, Freeman and Taylor Stephens all had two hits apiece for the winners. Blackmon, Wallace, Jordan Starnes, and Trey Mabry each had two hits for South Stanly.

East Columbus, back in the finals for the first time since 2003, finished 24-5 overall. The Gators returned all the players from last year's squad which had no seniors and posted an 18-5 mark. South Stanly, which won the 2009 1-A title, wound up 25-11.

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NCHSAA STATE 1-A BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES—GAME THREE Five County Stadium, Zebulon

South Stanly	0	4	2	0	0	1	0	—	7	12	4
East Columbus	0	1	2	2	0	3	x	—	8	12	2

WP—Hunter Smith. Save—Skylar Bowen. LP—Heath Blackmon.

GAME TWO Five County Stadium, Zebulon

East Columbus	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	—	5	8	1
South Stanly	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	—	1	4	1

WP—Houston Barnes (8-1). LP—Landon Fraley (5-2).

GAME ONE Five County Stadium, Zebulon

South Stanly	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	—	3	2	2
East Columbus	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	—	2	11	3

WP—Russ Weiker (14-0). Save—Heath Blackmon. LP—Skylar Bowen (8-2).

South Point Beats Northeast Guilford In Third NCHSAA State 3-A Game

RALEIGH—Jeffrey Springs had two hits and two runs batted in to lead Belmont South Point over Northeast Guilford 8-5 in the third and final game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association 3-A baseball championship series at Doak Stadium at North Carolina State University.

Springs was named the championship Most Valuable Player after a dynamite series in which he had seven hits in 11 trips to the plate, including three doubles, knocked in seven runs and also pitched a complete game victory in the opener.

The Red Raiders won the series two games to one and posted a 27-3 record, while Northeast finished 30-3.

The game began as a seesaw affair, with South Point scoring two in the top of the first only to have Northeast string together five hits in the second for a 3-2 advantage. South Point then grabbed a 6-3 lead in the third with four runs, on the strength of two-run singles delivered by Patrick Horne and Chuck Lawing.

A solo homer by Johnny Brown of the Rams cut it to 6-4 in the bottom of the third. Both teams added single runs in the fifth and then Springs had a run-scoring double in the seventh to drive in the final Red Raider run.

It was a wild series, going to a third game after Jaylin Davis blasted a grand slam in the seventh inning earlier on Saturday as Northeast Guilford rallied from five runs down in the final frame to beat Belmont South Point 12-11 in game two.

In Friday night's opening game, South Point rallied from a 6-5 deficit with a seven-run explosion in the sixth and rolled to a 12-6 victory over Northeast Guilford, snapping a Ram 29-game winning streak.

Northeast Guilford was in the NCHSAA finals for the fourth time but first time since 1967, while South Point made its third trip to the championship series but first time since 1994.

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NCHSAA STATE 3-A BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES—GAME THREE Doak Field, North Carolina State University

South Point	2	0	4	0	1	0	1	—	8	11	2
Northeast Guilford	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	—	5	8	2

WP—Andrew Locklear. LP—Jaylin Davis. HR—Johnny Brown, Northeast Guilford.

GAME TWO Doak Field, North Carolina State University

Northeast Guilford	0	2	3	1	0	0	6	—	12	9	2
South Point	5	0	3	0	3	0	0	—	11	12	2

WP—Jaylin Davis. LP—Aaron Biggerstaff.

GAME ONE Doak Field, North Carolina State University

South Point	1	0	0	0	4	7	0	—	12	9	0
Northeast Guilford	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	—	6	6	6

WP—Jeffrey Springs (11-0). LP—Luis Paula (8-2). HR: Josiel Colon, Luis Paula (NEG); Spencer Wiles (SP).

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WOMEN'S GOLF

- 1A/2A/3A— WEST HENDERSON
(Dave Scupider)
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- 1A--- HENDERSONVILLE (Jessica Houston)
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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

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- 2A— CARRBORO (Jay Crooker)
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- 1A— N.C SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATH
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FOOTBALL

- 1A — WALLACE-ROSE HILL (Joey Price)
- 1AA—ALBEMARLE (Danny Akins)
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- 2AA—SALISBURY (Joe Pinyan)
- 3A — WEST ROWAN (Scott Young)
- 3AA—NORTHERN GUILFORD
(Johnny Roscoe)
- 4A —HILLSIDE (Antonio King)
- 4AA—DAVID BUTLER (Mike Newsome)

WINTER SPORTS

WRESTLING (DUAL TEAM)

- 1A— WEST WILKES (Brian Brown)
- 2A— CROATAN (David Perry)
- 3A— ORANGE (Bobby Shriner)
- 4A— PARKLAND (Maurice Atwood)

WRESTLING (TOURNAMENT)

- 1A— WEST WILKES (Brian Brown)
- 2A— CROATAN (David Perry)
- 3A— FRED T. FOARD (Mike Carey)
- 4A— PARKLAND (Maurice Atwood)

WOMEN'S WINTER TRACK

- 1A/2A/3A— CARDINAL GIBBONS
(Nick Mangum)
- 4A— WAKEFIELD (Wayne Dubnansky)

MEN'S WINTER TRACK

- 1A/2A/3A— ASHEVILLE (Chris Stroup)
- 4A— KNIGHTDALE (David Castell)

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

- 1A/2A— RALEIGH CHARTER (Mathew Moshier)
- 3A— CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC (Brian Gross)
- 4A— APEX (Tim Kane)

MEN'S SWIMMING

- 1A/2A— CARRBORO (Britton Banning-Arndt)
- 3A— CARDINAL GIBBONS (Jonah Turner)
- 4A— PROVIDENCE (Sandy Martin)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- 1A— BISHOP MCGUINNESS (Brian Robinson)
- 2A— SALISBURY (Christopher McNeill)
- 3A— SOUTH CENTRAL (Mary Bryan Carlisle)
- 4A— SOUTHWEST GUILFORD
(Jessica Bryan)

MEN'S BASKETBALL

- 1A— NORTH ROWAN (Andrew Mitchell)
- 2A— EAST RUTHERFORD (Brad LeVine)
- 3A— HUNTER HUSS (Ron Bray)
- 4A— WEST CHARLOTTE (Baronton Terry)

SPRING SPORTS

MEN'S GOLF

- 1A— BISHOP MCGUINNESS (Pearse Mahon)
- 2A— SALISBURY (Dale Snyder)
- 3A— WALTER WILLIAMS (Tommy Cole)
- 4A— LEESVILLE ROAD (Andy Hunt)

MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

- 1A— NORTH ROWAN (Robert Steele)
- 2A— BERRY ACADEMY (Jonathan Simmons)
- 3A— DOUGLAS BYRD (Robert Freeman)
- 4A— KNIGHTDALE (David Castell)

WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

- 1A— HENDERSONVILLE (Pam Bolton)
- 2A— CARRBORO (Melvin Griffin)
- 3A— SOUTH CENTRAL (Scott Johnson)
- 4A— WAKEFIELD (Ann Graham)

MEN'S TENNIS (DUAL TEAM)

- 1A— BISHOP MCGUINNESS
(Bob Weckworth)
- 2A— NEWTON-CONOVER (Brian Tate)
- 3A— CARDINAL GIBBONS (Andrew Tuttle)
- 4A— R.J. REYNOLDS (Brad Fisher)

WOMEN'S SOCCER

- 1A— CENTRAL ACADEMY OF
TECHNOLOGY AND ARTS (Jay Niessner)
- 2A— CUTHBERTSON (Nelson Garner)
- 3A— CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC (Gary Hoilett)
- 4A— LEESVILLE ROAD (Paul Dinkenor)

LACROSSE

- Women— APEX (Jenn Flaherty)
- Men— NORTHWEST GUILFORD
(Mark Goldsmith)

BASEBALL

- 1A— EAST COLUMBUS (Karl Bracey)
- 2A— RANDLEMAN (Van Hurley, Jr.)
- 3A— SOUTH POINT (Jason Lineberger)
- 4A— HOLLY SPRINGS (Rod Whitesell)

SOFTBALL

- 1A— EAST SURRY (Derrick Hill)
- 2A—PISGAH (Cyrena Goodwin)
- 3A— D.H. CONLEY (Wayne Deans)
- 4A— ALEXANDER CENTRAL (Monte Sherrill)



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