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TO: 5A-6A Athletic Directors, Girls and Boys Basketball Coaches

FROM: David Jackson, Executive Director

DATE: February 9, 2017

RE: 2016-17 5A-6A Regional Assignments

On Monday, February 13, the teams assigned to each regional tournament shall make composite recommendations on game officials in the order of their preference.

The schools may conduct a meeting at the regional site at 4:00 p.m. or a conference call of the coaches is permissible. Meetings may be held during school hours if a conference call is utilized. The list must be received by 12:00 noon on February 14. Instructions for accessing available officials and for submitting preferential lists are included with this posting. Please review before your regional tournament meeting and call our office if you have questions.

Immediately after reviewing this letter, each coach is requested to contact the tournament manager (athletic director) at your site to confirm the meeting or telephone survey. It is very important that we receive your list of officials in our office before noon on Tuesday, February 14.

# Reminder for All Post-Season Basketball Tournaments

Schools are required to have a minimum of two school officials seated with or near the student body at all games. The administrators shall check in with the tournament manager or at the scorer's table 15 minutes prior to game time.

If you have any questions, please call our office.



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#### LIST OF AVAILABLE PLAY-OFF OFFICIALS

The link "View Available Playoff Officials" for the 2017 Basketball Playoffs is located within the "Preferential Officials List and Bracket Entry Site" located on the OSSAARankings site. The link will open at 8:00 am on February 10 and close at noon on February 14. You may login to the OSSAA Rankings Site as if to rank. NOTE: This IS NOT the same list as the "List of Eligible Officials" located on the Basketball Page of the OSSAA website.

### RECORDING YOUR PREFERENTIAL OFFICIALS

To record the list of preferential officials, access the link "Preferential Officials List and Bracket Entry Site" located on the OSSAA Rankings website.

# **DIRECTION OF USE OF SITE**

Click on the link "Directions for Accessing the Preferential Officials List 2017" on the Basketball Page of the OSSAA website for instructions on how to use the site.

# REPORTING RESULTS FROM BASKETBALL PLAY-OFF CONTESTS

For Classes 5A and 6A, beginning with the first game of the Regional tournament, and from that point forward into the basketball play-offs, it is MANDATORY that scores from each contest be entered into the school's schedule on <a href="https://www.ossaarankings.com">www.ossaarankings.com</a> no later than 24 hours after the conclusion of the contest.

Any coach failing to report the score within 24 hours of the conclusion of a contest will initially be notified in writing of his or her failure to comply by OSSAA Staff. A copy of that correspondence will be sent to the coaches' school administrator as well. A second incident of failure to report will result in the coach being placed on warning for a period on one year. A third, and each subsequent failure to report will result in the suspension of the coach for the next contest.

# OFFICIAL BRACKET FOR 6A BOYS EAST CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES 2016-17

AREA TOURNAMENT shall be played on neutral sites determined by the OSSAA. Area sites will be determined after regional play. GIRLS games played on Thurs., March 2 & Sat., March 4. BOYS games played on Fri., March 3 & Sat., March 4.

