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TO: PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR/ FOOTBALL COACH
8-MAN FOOTBALL SCHOOLS

FROM: GLENN MARTINEZ, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

DATE: OCTOBER 2018

RE: **2018 CIF-SOUTHERN SECTION 8-MAN FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS**

Attached is the list of schools in Division 1 and Division 2 for the 2018 8-Man Football Playoffs. As per CIF Southern Section policy, League Coordinators will submit the names of their league entries to this office. All 8-Man Division League Champions will be guaranteed entry into the playoffs. The 8-Man Division 1 draw will consist of a 16-team bracket and the 8-Man Division 2 draw will have a 12-team bracket.

EIGHT-MAN FOOTBALL PLAYOFF FORMAT

1. The 8-Man Football Playoffs will consist of 2 divisions. Schools will be placed into their appropriate playoff divisions based on their CBEDS enrollment number on October 1, 2017. NOTE: By rule, if a school has experienced a 15% increase or decrease in their total school enrollment between October 1, 2017 and October 1, 2018, a school may petition for re-classification into another payoff division based on that increase or decrease in total school enrollment. Petitions for re-classification must be filed with the C.I.F.-SS Office prior to October 1, 2018, or they will not be considered.

Only the champions of each league will be guaranteed automatic entry into the playoffs in each division, with the remaining berths in each draw filled by at-large teams, using the criteria listed below. Also, the total numbers of 8-Man football schools are to be divided into two divisions.

2. Guaranteed entries will only be accepted from leagues where members have **PLAYED** at least 3 league contests (forfeitures will not be accepted).
3. The remainder of the bracket will be filled by at-large teams, which include freelance teams, as well as league schools who do not qualify automatically.
4. No team may qualify for the playoffs, either as a guaranteed entry, or as an at-large team, unless they have actually played 6 contests (no forfeits).

NOTE: Should the number of guaranteed playoff entries fail to complete a full bracket, this will necessitate the inclusion of at-large teams. The following criteria and procedures will be used to accomplish this task.

- (1) Leagues will have the option of entering at-large teams for consideration should they desire (see process below).
- (2) All at-large entries must be submitted to the CIF-SS no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Sunday morning for the weekend in which the playoff draw will be completed.
- (3) Schools which are being submitted as at-large entries MUST submit to this office by 9:00 a.m. the Sunday of the weekend in which the playoff draw is finalized, on the proper form which lists all contests played, results of same and any further background information the at-large selection committee should be appraised of in determining the teams which will be selected for the filling of byes.
- (4) The Selection Committee, with the full support of the CIF-SS Football Coaches Advisory Committee, will utilize the following criteria in its selection process, with each category below having the specific weight listed:

AT LARGE ENTRIES

Schools desiring admission into the playoffs, must complete the attached 8-Man Football At-Large Application Form before they can be considered. All at-large applications must be in this office by 11:00 p.m., Saturday, October 28, 2018, or your school will not be considered for the 8-Man Football Playoffs.

AT-LARGE TEAMS MUST HAVE A .500 RECORD OR BETTER FOR THEIR COMPLETED SCHEDULE TO BE CONSIDERED. A TIE CONTEST WILL COUNT AS ½ WIN AND ½ LOSS AS THE CRITERIA FOR .500 OR BETTER RECORD (A RECORD OF 4-4-1 WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS QUALIFYING.)

If there are still openings in the bracket after all of the Guaranteed Entries and .500 or better at-large teams have been taken, then below .500 teams will be taken into consideration to fill any remaining openings in the bracket.

The Selection Committee, with the full support of the CIF-SS Football Coaches Advisory Committee, will utilize the following criteria in its selection process, with each category below having the specific weight listed:

- (a) Head-to-head competition of teams under consideration (4 points)
- (b) Overall strength of the league from which the team is entered (1 point)
- (c) Overall win-loss record (1 point)
- (d) Strength against common opponents (1 point)
- (e) Strength of schedule (2 points, using overall win-loss record of opponents)

A LIST OF AT LARGE TEAMS GRANTED ENTRY WILL BE POSTED ON CIFSS.ORG BY 6:00 pm SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018.

THERE WILL BE NO MANDATORY MEETING AT THE CIF SOUTHERN SECTION OFFICE FOR THOSE TEAMS THAT MAKE IT INTO THE PLAYOFFS.

PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH YOUR OPPONENT TO EXCHANGE 4 COMPLETE GAMES TO EXCHANGE (OPPONENT'S CHOICE). SEE VIDEO EXCHANGE REQUIREMENTS ON PAGE 11.

ALSO REVIEW TICKET PICK UP INFORMATION THAT STARTS ON PAGE 8.

Last Allowable Contest 8-Man Football - October 27, 2018

PLAYOFF DATES

At-Large Applicants Posted on www.cifss.org Sunday, October 28, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

Brackets Released Monday, October 29, 2018 – 10:00 a.m. on www.cifss.org

First round	November 2, 2018
Second round	November 9, 2018
Semi-finals	November 16, 2018
Finals – Divisions 1 and 2	November 23/24, 2018



2018 9-MAN FOOTBALL SCHOOLS

Division 1

Division 2

Academy Careers & Exploration Avalon Blair Calvary Chapel/Downey Cate Chadwick Coast Union Desert Christian/Lancaster Faith Baptist Flintridge Prep Laguna Blanca Lucerne Valley Mammoth Milken Community Mojave Public Safety Academy Riverside Cnty Ed./Moreno Valley Rolling Hills Prep Sage Hill San Jacinto Valley Academy Thacher Villanova Prep Windward	Bloomington Christian Brethren Christian California Lutheran California School/Deaf (CSDR) Calvary Baptist Cuyama Valley Desert Chapel Hesperia Christian Hillcrest Chr./Thousand Oaks Lancaster Baptist Lighthouse Christian Lone Pine Lutheran/La Verne Maricopa Noli Indian St. Michael's Prep Valley Christian/Santa Maria
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8-MAN FOOTBALL LEAGUES
(1 Guaranteed Entry Each League, Champions Only)

<p><u>AGAPE</u> Academy of Careers & Exp Hesperia Christian Lucerne Valley Sage Oak Charter</p> <p><u>COAST VALLEY</u> Coast Union Cuyama Valley Maricopa Valley Christian/SM</p> <p><u>DESERT MOUNTAIN</u> Desert Chr./Lancaster Lone Pine Mammoth Mojave</p> <p><u>EXPRESS</u> Avalon Brethren Christian Calvary Chapel/D Lutheran/LV Rolling Hills Prep Sage Hill St. Michael's Prep</p>	<p><u>PREP</u> Chadwick Flintridge Prep Milken Community Windward</p> <p><u>VICTORY</u> Bloomington Christian Desert Chapel/PS Public Safety Academy Riverside Cty Ed Ac/MV San Jacinto Valley Acad</p>	<p><u>FREELANCE</u> Blair California Lutheran California School for Deaf Cate Calvary Baptist Faith Baptist Hillcrest Christian/T.O. Laguna Blanca Lancaster Baptist Lighthouse Christian Noli Indian PAL Charter Academy Riverside Cty Ed Ctr/Indio Thacher Villanova Prep</p>
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2018 FOOTBALL TICKET INFORMATION

- 1) All schools must use CIF Southern Section Tickets with FORD Championship logo.
- 2) **Where to pick up your Tickets:** This year we have 8 high school sites as well as our CIF-SS Office where you may pick up playoff tickets for the following games only:
 - 8 & 11-Man Round 1– Fri. 11/2
 - 8 & 11-Man Quarter Finals– Fri. 11/9
- 3.) **All rounds of tickets will be available at the CIF Southern Section office during regular business hours of Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Sunday 10/28 in the morning after 11-Man pairings are released and Monday, 10/29 in the morning after 8-Man Football pairings are released.**
- 4.) **All Tickets for Semi-Final games on 11/16 may ONLY be picked up at the CIFSS Office OR mailed upon request.** (See page 19)

8:30 am – 11:45 am Monday through Friday

Call Ahead Before Picking Up!

- AYALA HIGH SCHOOL
- BRENTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL (9:00 am to 12:30 pm)
- JURUPA HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
- RANCHO MIRAGE HIGH SCHOOL
- RIO HONDO PREP HIGH SCHOOL
- SAN MARCOS HIGH SCHOOL
- SANTIAGO/CORONA HIGH SCHOOL
- VALENCIA/VALENCIA HIGH SCHOOL

CIF SOUTHERN SECTION OFFICE – 7:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday

Remote Site Pick Up Dates

Ticket pick up for remote sites will be:

- Monday, October 29th – Friday, November 2nd
- Monday, November 5th – Thursday, November 8th

PLEASE NOTE: Most schools are closed, Friday, November 9th in observation of Veteran's day. Please plan accordingly.

***PLEASE CALL AHEAD AND ASK FOR YOUR TICKETS TO BE PACKAGED AND READY WHEN YOU ARRIVE DUE TO LIMITED AVAILABILITY.**

Remote Site Contact Information

School	Address	City	Contact	Phone	Email
Ayala Ruben HS	14255 Peyton Drive	Chino Hills	Warren Reed Peggy Falls	909.627.3584 x2607 909 627.3584 x2608	Warren_Reed@chino.k12.ca.us Peggy_Falls@chino.k12.ca.us
Brentwood HS	100 S. Barrington Pl.	Los Angeles	Amanda Kelson Riki Ann Serrins	310.889.2662 310.889.2796	akelson@bwscampus.com Rserrins@bwscampus.com
Jurupa Hills HS	10700 Oleander Ave.	Fontana	Kristen Braun	909.357.6300 x16203	braukm@fusd.net
Rancho Mirage HS	31001 Rattler Way	Rancho Mirage	Lisa Thomas	760.202.6455	lthomas@psusd.us
Rio Hondo Prep	5150 Farna Ave.	Arcadia	Ken Drain	626.444.9531 x167	kdrain44@yahoo.com
San Marcos HS	4750 Hollister Ave.	Santa Barbara	Cheryl Long	805.967.4581 x5568	clong@smroyals.org
Santiago HS	1395 Foothill Pkwy	Corona	Steve Mitchell	951.739.5600 x1026	smitchell@cnusd.k12.ca.us
Valencia HS	28701 Dickason Dr.	Valencia	Keith Gallion	661.294.1188 x430	kgallion@hartdistrict.org



FINANCIAL REPORTING PROCEDURE: All financial reporting for both visitor and host schools will be submitted via www.cifsshome.org and click on ***Playoff Finances*** on the left of the screen.

TICKET VALUE: Each CIF-SS ticket issued to schools for usage during the playoffs carries a \$ value. Therefore ALL unused tickets MUST be returned to CIF-SS as soon as possible following each game along with a Ticket Return Slip (attached below). If tickets are not returned OR a discrepancy is found between what was reported and what was returned, schools **MAY be billed for missing tickets.**

TICKET INFORMATION:

The first 10 tickets (8-Man) off a General ticket packet are your complimentary tickets & have been automatically accounted for on the financial report.

A different color of CIF-SS ticket is designated for each round. Any CIF-SS ticket from previous round **may not be used again!**

There are 2 types of tickets: General (\$10) & Student/Child (\$5) **in packages of 500 as well as 100.** (Student/Child – High School Students must show current HS I.D. at the gate – Child refers to ages 5-13)

All Finals tickets prices will be General (\$12) & Student/Child (\$5)

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RETURN TICKET SLIP

Tear Off and return with unused tickets and a copy of the game Financial Report form (cifsshome.org)

DATE	11-MAN ROUND 1 8-MAN QUARTER FINALS Friday, November 2 nd	11-MAN QUARTER FINALS 8-MAN SEMI FINALS Friday, November 9 th	11-MAN SEMI FINALS Friday, November 16 th
GENERAL (\$10)	BLUE	GREEN	YELLOW
STUDENT/CHILD (\$5)	PURPLE	RED	ORANGE

Sport: Football

Date of Game: _____

School Returning Tickets _____

Opponent: _____

VIDEO EXCHANGE

There shall be a **mandatory** exchange of **four** game videotapes between the **competing schools**. Each coach will have his choice of any four of his opponent's game videotapes which may include the most recent game. These original copies of videotapes shall be unedited and shall include all plays as originally videotaped. In addition to the mandatory exchange, it shall be permissible for either coach to secure from other sources, any game videotape of his opponent that he may desire to view for the purpose of preparing for his next playoff game. If a school entering the playoffs has not videotaped any of its games, it should communicate that fact to the Commissioner, prior to the beginning of the playoffs.

It is mandatory that coaches bring **ALL** their videotapes with them to the CIF-SS office on the day the initial pairings are announced. All subsequent exchanges will take place at either the CIF-SS office, a halfway point between the two schools, or some mutually agreed upon location.

The exchange will be Noon, the day after each playoff game. The coaches shall return the tapes to one another the night of their playoff game.

Any violation of the mandatory videotape exchange rule (refusal to cooperate) should be reported at once to the CIF-SS office. Such violation may subject a team to disqualification from the playoffs.

Suggested Guidelines for Video Taping

- A. Taping should be from a height of 30' or higher.
- B. Video tape should include the entire contest.
- C. Video taping should start before the snap/kick and continue until the play is over. The camera should not continue to run when the play is dead.
- D. Picture should be clear and numbers of players readable.
- E. Picture should include enough players on both teams to recognize offensive and defensive formations. The camera should follow its own team during kick plays.

Mercy Rule

A mercy rule is in effect for all football contests in the C.I.F. Southern Section, which includes pre-season games, league games and playoff games, including Championship Finals. This means that if one team has a lead of 35 points or more at the end of three quarters, there will be a running clock for the 4th quarter until the end of the contest. If schools wish to invoke a running clock prior to the start of the 4th quarter, they can do so by mutual agreement of both schools. I have attached the relevant rule to this memo, so you can see the details.

PROCEDURES:

1. Prior to the 4th Quarter, by mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and the referee, a “*running clock*” may be used if the point differential between the two teams reaches 35 or more;
2. If at the start of the 4th Quarter or at any time during the 4th Quarter, the point differential is 35 or more points, a running clock shall be used for the remainder of the contest;
3. Once the “*running clock*” is in effect during the 4th Quarter, it shall remain in effect for the balance of the contest, even if the team that is behind subsequently scores to make the deficit less than 35 points;
4. The “*running clock*” will be administered as follows:
 - A. The game clock will start with the snap or legal touch of a free kick on the first play following the establishment of the pertinent point differential, and continue to run uninterrupted when:
 - A 1st down is awarded to either team, including following a change of possession;
 - The ball or runner is out-of-bounds;
 - A legal or illegal forward pass is incomplete;
 - A play results in a touchback;
 - An inadvertent whistle occurs;
 - During all penalty enforcements.
 - B. The game clock shall be stopped for:
 - A score (including touchdown: try; field goal; safety);
 - The free kick following a fair catch or awarded fair catch;
 - A charged team time-out;
 - A coach-referee conference;
 - An official’s time-out (injury; equipment; 1st down measurement; other, as required);
 - C. Following a stoppage for any reason in B. above, the game clock will start when the ball is next:
 - Marked ready-for-play; or
 - Legally touched on the free kick following a score, a fair catch or awarded fair catch



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Fall Playoff Requirements & Due Dates

FALL DUE DATES		WINTER DUE DATES		SPRING DUE DATES	
8-man Football	Mon., Oct. 22	Basketball		Baseball	
11-man Football	Mon, Oct. 22	Soccer		Softball	
Girls Tennis	Wed., Oct. 24	Girls Water Polo		Boys Tennis	
Girls Volleyball	Mon., Oct. 8	Wrestling		Boys Volleyball	
Boys Water Polo	Wed., Oct. 24				
Cross Country	Wed., Oct. 31				
Golf	Thurs., Oct. 18				

VARSIITY TEAM INFORMATION (ROSTER)

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your entire Varsity roster into CIFSSHome Log in to www.cifsshhome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director).

Once you are logged in:

-On the left panel, Click on the “Teams” tab, select your sport

Here are the instructions for using the sample file.

- Download the sample file and delete the “contents only”. Copy and paste or type your roster information into the file as the contents and save the file to your computer. You can only upload an excel file (xls) that is the exact same format as the sample file. Columns for information not required for your sport may be left blank, but the **HEADER INFORMATION MUST REMAIN EXACTLY AS THE SAMPLE.**

- Next - click “Choose File”, find your file, then click the check box “Resolve Birthdate” and then click “Import Student”.

To confirm your roster has been uploaded, your roster will appear in the roster section.

Roster Requirements for each sport

	Name (First/Last)	Birthdate	Year	Eligibility	Number	Height	Weight	Position	Bats	Throws
Baseball	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Basketball	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Cross Country	X	X	X	X						
Football	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Golf	X	X	X	X						
Soccer	X	X	X	X	X			X		
Softball	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X
Tennis	X	X	X	X						
Volleyball	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Water Polo	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Wrestling	X	X	X	X		X	X			

For Cross Country, Golf, Tennis, Swimming/Diving & Track and Field your roster will serve as your eligibility report. Eligibility confirmation must include First Name, Last Name, Birthdate, Year & Eligibility .

VARSIITY COACHES

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your Varsity coaches (Head & Assistants) into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshhome.org)

Log in to www.cifsshhome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director). Once you are logged in:

-Click on the “Teams” tab on the left navigation bar. Click on the corresponding varsity team .

-Click on “Add/Edit Coaches”, select the information to add both your HEAD & ASSISTANT coaches

VARSITY TEAM PHOTO DUE

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that your Varsity Team Photo is uploaded to CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org)

Log in to www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director).

-On the left panel, click "Teams" tab on the left navigation bar. Click on the corresponding varsity team.

-Under Team Picture, click **Add/Edit picture**, click Browse, find your file and click "Upload Picture" – Team Photo can be **no larger than 2 MB**

SCHEDULES & SCORES Complete your schedule in CIFSSHome prior to your season as well as update scores following each contest.

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your entire season schedule into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) as well as update the scores immediately following your contests.

Log in to www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director). Once you are logged in:

-On the left panel, click on "Teams", select "YOUR SPORT"

-To Add a game, click "Add Game" at the top right and fill out all of the required fields which are marked by a red (*) to complete your schedule.

-To Submit your score, click on the "Teams", select "YOUR SPORT" Scroll through your schedule and click on the green "Post Result" button.

-Make sure that your overall and team records are correct on your team page.

AT LARGE APPLICATION – MUST HAVE .500 RECORD OR BETTER

Attention Athletic Directors/ Coaches: Please follow the instructions below to enter your school as an At Large Entry for Boys Football. The At Large Application is to be submitted by your school no later than **Saturday, October 27, 2018 @ 11:00 p.m.**

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director).

Once you are logged in:

-On the left panel, click on At Large Petition

-Select "Football" then click "Add"

Please be sure that your Schedule is updated in CIFSSHome as this is where the information for the At Large Petition will be created.

Check out the Help video under the Help tab on the bottom left, "Be CIF Prepared!"

COIN FLIPS

In an effort to give schools as much time as possible to prepare for football playoff contests, we will be conducting coin flips for home teams according to the following schedule:

- Second round – Monday, October 29, following release of pairings.
- Semi-final round – Monday, November 5, 9:00 a.m.
- Final round – Monday, November 12, 9:00 a.m.

DRONES

Drones are not allowed during any 11 or 8-man football contests at all levels. Although there is not an actual State CIF rule against the use of drones, the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) in its June 21st, 2016 Summary of Small Unmanned Aircraft Rule states "Small unmanned aircraft may not operate over any persons not directly participating in the operation." Based upon this federal ruling the CIF State Office has instructed our section to deem it a safety hazard and to not allow drones.

A Drone flying to get pregame images for a later TV broadcast well before the start of a game and the arrival of the crowd would be an example of a drone flight within the FAA rules and outside of our concern for safety.

CHAIN CREW:

Personnel assigned to the chain crew, responsible for marking downs and distances on the field, shall be responsible adults at all CIF-SS football playoff games.

Best of luck to your school in their remaining games. If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the CIF Southern Section office.

GAME BALL:

Please be advised that the Spalding football has been designated as the official ball for all playoff games. The Southern Section office, along with Spalding, will be providing schools with footballs for the championship games only.

WHEN CAN A BAND PLAY?

While there is no specific rule cited in the 2017-2018 National Federation of High Schools Football Rule Book, or in the 2017-2018 C.I.F. Southern Section Blue Book regarding this issue, the standard procedure for football contests, as interpreted by this office and the California Football Officials Association is as follows:

A band can play during a contest, but only during breaks in the action. For example, between plays, during timeouts, between quarters, half-time, and so on. If a band is playing during the game, it is considered unsportsmanlike conduct by the team whose band is playing. The playing of music during the game can be a distraction to the competing teams, and the officials, and can result in placing teams at an advantage or disadvantage as a result. It is the expectation of the C.I.F., and the game officials, that the administration of the offending school will make sure that the band adheres to this standard. If the playing of music during game action continues, then the officials have the authority to penalize the offending team 15 yards for unsportsmanlike conduct, each and every time it happens.

FOOTBALL PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCER GUIDELINES

The following information is provided for the benefit of the public address announcer at your home playoff games: this capsule summary was developed by the late John McDonough and has been found to be very useful to our member schools.

PRE-GAME PREPARATION

1. Go to the official's dressing room or see the officials on the field. Get the proper pronunciation of their names and the positions they will work.
2. Go over the referee's signals with him and ask for any instructions he might have. It is up to you to interpret his signals to the crowd. If you have a person on the sidelines relaying information to you, explain this to the officials, so they can forward information about unusual rulings to you.
3. Go to each team and be sure you have the correct numbers and names of the players.
4. Be sure you have the proper starting line-up for each team. Coordinate the announcing of the starting line ups with any other pre-game activities (playing of the National Anthem) so that the game will start on time.
5. Check the accuracy of any information about the visiting team you plan on using before the game, or at halftime, with someone from that team. You should have done this for your own team during the week.
6. Always start your program by welcoming the crowd and introducing yourself. Example: "Good evening, ladies and gentlemen, welcome to Memorial Stadium, this is Earl Richard, your game announcer."
7. Give the line-ups at a moderate pace – not too fast, but especially not too slow. Start with the left and go across the line, then the running backs, receivers, and quarterback.
8. After you give the line-ups, give the names of the officials in this order – Referee, Umpire, Head Linesman, Field Judge, Back Judge.
9. Give the winner of the toss and the options the captains chose.
10. If the national Anthem is used, invite the crowd to sing. For example: "Ladies and Gentlemen, would you please rise and join our director Al Rhienke and the Eagle Band in singing our National Anthem."

SPORTSMANSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, CIF SOUTHERN SECTION PLAYOFF CONTESTS ARE CONDUCTED UNDER THE STRICTEST CODE OF GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP...THE OFFICIALS ARE NEUTRAL MEN, REPRESENTING THE COMMISSIONER, AND ARE SELECTED BECAUSE OF DEMONSTRATED ABILITY...SPECTOATORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUPPORT THEIR OWN TEAM, AND ARE REQUESTED TO DISPLAY PROPER SPORTSMANSHIP WITH RESPECT TO THE OPPOSING SCHOOL AND THE OFFICALS...THE CIF SOUTHERN SECTION THANKS YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS...

GAME SUGGESTIONS

1. Remember, you are NOT a radio announcer and should not give a play-by-play account of the game. This is an insult to the intelligence of the spectators. In a normal game you will be speaking about 25 percent of the time and be QUIET about 75 percent of the time. The crowd came to see the game, not to hear your opinions about it.
2. Give the down and distance before each play. Simply say, "Third and eight on the Homestead 42."
3. When the ball is snapped, do not say, "Jones has the ball and is going around left end." Again, you are insulting the intelligence of the spectators. Merely give his name – "Jones is the ball carrier."
4. When the play is over, give the name of the man, or men, who made the tackle, and set up the down and distance again.
5. After a long run, pass, or kick, give the total yardage, but make no comment. Such comments as "What a beautiful run" or "A great kick", are in bad taste. The crowd can see that it was a good run or kick, and as a PA announcer you must be 100 percent impartial and objective.
6. NEVER try to outguess the officials. If you think you see a foul, do not mention it. The chances are you will be wrong. If one of the officials throws a yellow foul marker, simply say, "There is a flag on the play." Then wait – do not try to explain the foul. When the referee gives his signal, interpret it to the crowd. Get a copy of the rulebook or a program, which has the signals. If it is an unusual play, the arrangements you made prior to the game will get this information to you to pass on to the spectators.
7. Never use the names of officials during the game. You should read their names prior to the game. Do not say, "The foul was called by Head Linesman Jones" or "Referee Smith is explaining the foul to the Captain Brown".
8. Never comment on the fouls that are called, or the work of the officials, whether you think it is good or bad. This is a good way to start a riot.
9. Never comment on the sportsmanship, or play, of either team, or either coach. This, too, is a good way to start a riot.
10. Never designate the player who committed a foul. You probably will be wrong anyway, and this type of announcement tends to make the game get out of hand.
11. If a player is injured, give his name. You are not a doctor, so do not try to diagnose his injuries from the press box. If you get a later report on the player's condition, give it with no comment. Never try to explain how a player was injured. This can easily be misconstrued by the crowd as an unsportsmanlike act on the part of an opponent and cause an unfortunate situation.
12. If the crowd starts to boo the visiting team, or the officials, to an extreme degree, say, "Ladies and Gentlemen, these people are our guests tonight, let's treat them as such."
13. A few minutes before the end of the game, preferably during a time out, thank the people for coming, announce convenient routes for leaving the stadium, and remind them to drive carefully on the way home.

In summary, the public address announcer just covers the facts of the game, as impartially and objectively as possible. You should not give opinions of your own because the spectators are present and should be free to form their own opinions. A radio announcer gives his opinions because the listener is seeing the game through his description, but you are a public address announcer, and this is a totally different art.



CIF SOUTHERN SECTION PLAYOFF/CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS - ALL TEAMS AND HOST SITES 2018-2019



Rosters & Scores:

- Complete schedules are to be submitted to CIFSSHOME prior to each season.
- Update scores following every contest via MaxPreps>CIFSSHOME or direct to CIFSSHOME. Additional directions on accessing CIFSSHOME are included in this document.

TV/Web/Radio Rights:

Any TV or streaming webcast (video or audio) or radio transmission of a CIF-SS playoff or championship event requires a contract and rights fees through the CIF-SS office prior to the contest. The only 'exceptions' are: Games broadcast via Fox Sports West, Fox Sports Prezone or the NFHS Network.

'Official' Championship Souvenirs: The exclusive vendor for CIF Southern Section Championship souvenirs (t-shirts, scarfs, pins, beanies, hats, etc...) is our long-time partner *CIF T-shirts*. These are the official items sold each year per sport. You are likely familiar with their annual shirts at the finals. You can order team and individual items through them at www.ciftshirts.com.

Official Ball Required:

Only the approved official ball in each ball sport may be played by either school during CIF-SS playoff contests. Violation of this rule will result in loss of your next home playoff game. The current Official Ball list for each sport is included and available at www.cifss.org in the "Resources" drop down. This policy has been in effect since 2002.

Gatorade Only:

Only Gatorade jugs, cups, bottles, ice chests may be used or visible during any CIF-SS playoff contest. (No Powerade, Body Armor, etc). The only acceptable alternative is a plain-wrap or Igloo labeled products. This rule does not apply to the actual liquid distributed to athletes. This policy has been in effect since 1995.

CIF-SS on Souvenirs:

The 'CIF Southern Section', 'CIF-SS', 'Southern Section' and 'CIF' marks and logos are registered trademarks with the State of California. Schools may only use the CIF Southern Section marks on rings, patches and banners, by doing business with a CIF-SS licensed vendor. **Schools may only use the CIF Southern Section marks on apparel and other souvenir items exclusively through ciftshirts.com. Schools creating items with CIF-SS registered marks from a non-licensed vendor will face sanction and/or will be required to purchase any unsold shirts/items at the Championship Final.** A list of the currently licensed vendors for these products is included and regularly updated on www.cifss.org.

Please note: The use of only "CIF" is strictly prohibited per the State CIF registered trademark. The "CIF", is not just the CIF Southern Section. Only those teams in State regionals, bowl games and individual sport finals actually qualify to use CIF without Southern Section attached. Any such use must be approved in advance by the CIF State office.

Host Site Requirements:

Playoff Tickets:

(This pertains to revenue sports of basketball, football and volleyball): It is mandatory to sell tickets for admission to all CIF-SS playoffs and championship contests. Use of the CIF-SS provided tickets is desired, if possible logistically, for audit, cost and sponsorship reasons. A Ticket Board(s) is included. Refer to the Ticket Handlers and Financial Clerks memo included with your tickets for additional information.

CIF-SS/FORD Banner: It is a requirement of each host school (including off-site) that the CIF-SS/Ford Championships banner be displayed at every playoff home game in football and the gymnasium sports post football season (or on the electronic signage where schools/venues do not display banners).

Gatorade: It is a requirement of each school use only Gatorade product/jugs/cups/squeeze bottles during CIF-SS championship events. No other competitive product shall be used. Water can be placed in Gatorade merchandise.

PA Announcements: As host of a CIF-SS playoff contest, the CIF-SS announcements take precedence over the host school's messaging and must be read in entirety at each playoff contest. Home schools are the host of a CIF-SS event in the playoffs. For contractual requirements, please read all the provided PA's each contest.

Media Credential Access: Accredited working media should be given admission to all playoff games by showing their CIF-SS Press or Photo credential.



**CIF SOUTHERN SECTION PLAYOFF/CHAMPIONSHIP
ADDITIONAL/CUSTOM POST SEASON AWARDS
2018-19**



PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATES:

Each member of a team participating in the CIF-SS playoffs can receive a Participation Certificate. These certificates will be downloaded and printed solely by your school. The certificate is in a 'Type-In' format and may be downloaded from the CIFSSHOME website under FORMS.

NEED ADDITIONAL AWARDS:

Feel free to order additional directly.

Medals and Plaques:

If your team won or was a runner-up in a CIF-SS championship and you need to purchase any additional champion/runner-up plaques and runner-up medals contact **All American Trophy by contacting Paul Purdum at (323) 725-1962.**

**Patches: "Champion", "Runner Up"
"ALL-CIF" Team Patches**

Schools may order additional CIF-SS Team Champion & Runner Up patches (Octagon Red or Football shaped) "exclusively" ordered through **JL Custom Jackets and Patches at www.jlcustomjackets.com, (951) 867-3200, or email lindseyjlcustomjackets.com.**

CUSTOM AWARDS/ RINGS/BANNERS/APPAREL SOUVENIRS USING CIF-SS:

Schools often seek to create custom patches, gym banners and championship rings that include both the school and CIF-SS marks/logos/names. Example: 'ACME BOYS BASKETBALL 2016 CIF-SS CHAMPIONS'. Schools may create these items using CIF-SS marks only through a CIF-SS licensed vendor.

CIF-SS 'registered' trademark: The "CIF Southern Section", "CIF-SS", "Southern Section" and "CIF" marks and logos are registered trademarks with the State of California. Schools may only use the CIF Southern Section marks on rings, patches and banners by doing business with a CIF-SS licensed vendor. Schools creating items with CIF-SS registered marks from a non-licensed vendor will face sanction and/or will be required to purchase any unsold shirts/items at the Championship final if similar non-licensed items appear at the contest. A list of the currently licensed vendors for these products is included and regularly updated on www.cifss.org.

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CIF-SS vendors who are licensed to create custom items for schools that include CIF-SS:

Championship Patches (circle shape) Playoffs or Prelims, Finals Patches (shape of a shield) for participation in Cross Country, Track & Field or Swimming Finals, Masters Patches (oval shaped) for participation in a Masters Track & Field or Wrestling event and Wrestling Dual Meet (rectangle shaped) are sold "ON-SITE" by the CIF-SS vendor. Additional patches post event can be ordered through any of the licensed CIF-SS patch vendors:

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Sports Jackets Unlimited	www.sportsjacketsunlimited.com	(562) 693-9894
Neff	www.neffco.com/School-Patches	(800) 232-6333 x3417
We Got 'Em Tees	www.wegotemtees.com	(760) 983-6087
TAS - The Advertising Specialists	www.tassigns.com	(626) 966-4770

- **Custom Banners/Souvenirs** Your school may now create custom items that include the CIF-SS mark or logo (championship banner, banners for your gym, etc...) through a licensed CIF-SS vendor (and their specialty).

C&L Varsity Jackets (Souvenirs)	www.cljackets.com	Larry Westbrook	(714) 828-6900
Integrity Design (Banners)	www.IntegrityDesignUSA.com	Larry Shoppa	(855) 341-8817
Jostens	www.jostens.com		
NEFF (Banners)	www.neffco.com		(800) 232-6333
Cabana Banners (Souvenirs)	www.cabanabanners.com	Mike Cook	(800) 697-3139

- **Rings**

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Signature Style Jewelry	www.signaturestylejewelry.com

PROTECT YOUR SCHOOL TRADEMARKS: The CIF Southern Section strongly suggests you double-check the status of *your school* licensed/registered marks and logos now. Some schools have permanently lost control of others selling their merchandise with no royalty or approvals because the proper State of California licensing/registering process had not previously occurred or been enforced.

For additional vendors licensing information, please contact CIF Southern Section Marketing Manager Jackie Gibson at jackieg@cifss.org or 562-493-9500.

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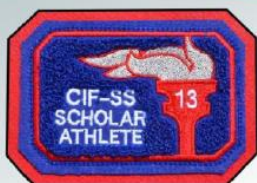
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