



## 2023 GHSA BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENT

### Semifinal Team Instructions

Please read these “Instructions” very carefully. Each year we have problems arise because the coaches/team representatives do not follow the instructions. Pay particular attention to the State Tournament bracket regarding the issue of which uniform your team should be wearing each game. The bracket, and not your seeding, determines home/visitors.

Enclosed you have the following forms:

- OFFICIAL TEAM TRAVEL FORM – Please fill out this form completely and turn it in at the “Team Entry Gate” at the arena. You are allowed to list (20) names on this form.
- LINE-UP/ROSTER – Your official line-up/roster information must be turned in to the official scorer no later than (20) minutes prior to your scheduled game time.
- EXCESS TEAM ENTRY FORM – List the names of ‘Team Essential Personnel’ (individuals who are part of your team operations) over the limit of the (20) names on the TEAM TRAVEL FORM at the Team Entry Gate. NOTE: Late arrivals must show a valid photo ID.
- FLOOR PASSES – Each team will be allowed a total of (6) COURTSIDE PASSES. The passes are to be worn in clear view by the non-playing team essential personnel members who will be allowed in the bench area (coaches, managers, trainers, etc.). These passes may be picked up when the team arrives at the arena. **ONLY team members and individuals with official “courtside credentials” will be allowed to sit on the courtside team bench.**
- GAME ADMINISTRATOR/RESOURCE OFFICER – Each school is responsible for having an Administrator and Resource Office on site during the game. Please provide the name and cell # of these individuals on the enclosed form and submit it to the “Game Manager” upon arrival at the venue. If not traveling with the team, they must check in at the “Team Entry Gate” and show valid photo ID.
- TICKETING – All spectator tickets are \$15.00 and must be purchased through GOFAN. For more info go to; [service@gofan.co](mailto:service@gofan.co)
- UNACCOMPANIED MINORS/NON-PARTICIPANTS - Must purchase a ticket and enter through the spectator entrance and are not allowed in the team areas (bench, locker room, etc.)
- BRACKET – The team listed on the top of the respective bracket will be the “Home Team” and wear white jerseys. The teams listed on the bottom of the respective bracket will be the “Visiting Team” and wear dark jerseys regardless of the respective seeding.
- GAME SITE – Contact your respective “Site Contact” immediately to confirm game details and site logistics information. Some semifinal sites have a “Clear Bag Policy” for spectators. Please ensure your fans are made aware of this policy.
- CHEERLEADERS - The VISITING squad will be allowed to perform a routine between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarters and the HOME squad between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters. Routines must be within NFHS/GHSA guidelines. The travel roster form is in this packet of instructions and must be complete and presented at the team check-in gate.
- GAME BALLS – Game balls will be provided by the GHSA. Teams MUST bring their own balls for pre-game warm-ups at semifinals.
- HALFTIME – Halftime intermission will be 12-minutes.

NOTE: Please remind your student body and spectators that artificial noisemakers, banners, and signs larger than 8 ½” X 11” are NOT allowed in the arena, and shirts and shoes must be worn at all times in the arena. Ticket takers have been instructed to confiscate these item(s) prior to entering the arena.

# 2023 Semifinals - Sites & Contacts

Semifinals Live on NFHSNetwork.com (Subscription Rates Apply)

A Div. 1 – Georgia College & State University – March 3

Site & GHSA Contact - Andy Cowart – Email: [andycowart@windstream.net](mailto:andycowart@windstream.net)

A Div. 2 – Valdosta State University – March 4

Site Contact: Vaconna Hardin – Email: [vmhardin@valdosta.edu](mailto:vmhardin@valdosta.edu)

GHSA Site Rep: Jesse Crews – Cell#: 912-496-2504

AA – Georgia College & State University – March 4

Site & GHSA Contact - Andy Cowart – Email: [andycowart@windstream.net](mailto:andycowart@windstream.net)

AAA – Ft. Valley State University – March 3

Site Contact: RJ Mathis – Email: [rj.mathis@fvsu.edu](mailto:rj.mathis@fvsu.edu)

GHSA Site Rep: Carror Wright – Email: [cwright@ghsa.net](mailto:cwright@ghsa.net)

AAAA – Ft. Valley State University – March 4

Site Contact: RJ Mathis – Email: [rj.mathis@fvsu.edu](mailto:rj.mathis@fvsu.edu)

GHSA Site Rep: Carror Wright – Email: [cwright@ghsa.net](mailto:cwright@ghsa.net)

AAAAA – University of West Georgia – March 3

Site Contact – Troy Johnson – Email: [troyj@westga.edu](mailto:troyj@westga.edu)

GHSA Site Rep: Jay Russell – Email: [jayrussell@ghsa.net](mailto:jayrussell@ghsa.net)

AAAAAA – University of West Georgia – March 4

Site Contact – Troy Johnson – Email: [troyj@westga.edu](mailto:troyj@westga.edu)

GHSA Site Rep: Jay Russell – Email: [jayrussell@ghsa.net](mailto:jayrussell@ghsa.net)

AAAAAAA – GSU Convocation Center – March 4

Site Contact – Nicholas Ryan Buchs – Email: [nbuchs1@gsu.edu](mailto:nbuchs1@gsu.edu)

GHSA Site Rep: Garrett Black – Email: [gblack@ccboe.net](mailto:gblack@ccboe.net)

## 2023 Finals Schedule

Live on NFHSNetwork.com

### Wed. March 8 – Macon Centreplex

1:00 – Girls – Class A Div. 2

3:00 – Boys – Class A Div. 2

5:00 – Girls – Class 4A

7:00 – Boys – Class 4A

### Thur. March 9 – Macon Centreplex

1:00 – Girls – Class 2A

3:00 – Boys – Class 2A

5:30 – Girls – Class 5A

7:30 – Boys – Class 5A

Co-Ed 3-Point Contest following 2A Boys

### Fri. March 10 – Macon Centreplex

1:00 – Girls – Class 3A

3:00 – Boys – Class 3A

5:30 – Girls – Class 6A

7:30 – Boys – Class 6A

Girls 3-Point Contest following 3A Boys

### Sat. March 11 – Macon Centreplex

11:00 – Girls – Class A Div. 1

1:00 – Boys – Class A Div. 1

3:00 - AAASP

5:30 – Girls 7A

7:30 – Boys 7A

Boys Slam Jam after AAASP Game

# GAME ADMINISTRATORS SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Please list the individual(s), and their cell phone #'s, who will be at your schools GHSA State Tournament contest.

## ADMINISTRATORS

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

## RESOURCE OFFICERS

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

The head coach is responsible for turning in this form to the "Game Manager" upon arrival at the venue.

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

# OFFICIAL TEAM TRAVEL FORM

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ BOYS \_\_\_\_\_ GIRLS \_\_\_\_\_

Each team is allowed (20) names on the "Team Travel Form", consisting of players, managers, trainers, statisticians, etc. Coaches are admitted on their GHSA Coaches Pass. Teams wishing to admit more than the (20) names on this form must list the names of "Team Essential Personnel" individuals on the "Excess Team Entry Form" at the team entry gate.

NAME	FUNCTION (player, manager, etc.)
1 _____	_____
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COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**The head coach is responsible for turning in this form prior to the "Game Manager" upon arrival at the venue.**

# CHEER SQUAD TRAVEL FORM

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

Each team is allowed (20) names on this "Travel Form". Coaches are admitted on their GHSA Coaches Pass. Teams wishing to admit more than the (16) names on this form must list the names of "Team Essential Personnel" individuals on the "Excess Team Entry Form" at the team entry gate.

NAME	FUNCTION (player, manager, etc.)
1 _____	_____
2 _____	_____
3 _____	_____
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19 _____	_____
20 _____	_____

COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The head coach is responsible for turning in this form prior to the "Game Manager" upon arrival at the venue. Non-school and minor mascots are NOT permitted.

# EXCESS SCHOOL ENTRY FORM

NOTE: Requires a photo ID and must serve a team essential function. Unaccompanied minors are not allowed to sign in on this form. They must go to the spectator ticket window and purchase a ticket.

NAME

SCHOOL & FUNCTION

1	_____	_____
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# CHEER TEAM INSTRUCTIONS FOR SEMIFINALS

The GHSA would like to encourage the cheerleading and/or dance teams to be a part of the game atmosphere for these games. As such, the following is the script for each game:

1. Between the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of each game, the visiting team's cheerleading/dance squad will be allowed on the court to perform a short routine, and be off the court when the first horn is sounded to resume play.
2. Between the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of each game, the home team's cheerleading/dance squad will be allowed on the court to perform a short routine, and be off the court when the first horn is sounded to resume play.
3. During the halftime intermission, the visiting team's cheerleading/dance squad will be allowed on the court to perform a 3-4 minute routine, followed by the home team's cheerleading/dance squad who will be allowed on the court to perform a 3-4 minute routine. The court must be cleared no later than the 3-minute mark of the game clock.

School participating in the basketball state championships need to coordinate halftime performances with **GHSA Cheer/Spirit Coordinator, Penny Mitchell at 478-957-9775 or [pennypitts@ghsa.net](mailto:pennypitts@ghsa.net)**. The Atlanta Hawks and Atlanta Dream will also be scheduled to entertain during various halftimes.

4. If special music/narration is required it should be taken to the P.A. announcer prior to the start of the game.
5. These performances are NOT mandatory.







## 2023 GHSA Basketball PA Script

Please spread PAs throughout the game during halftimes, pregame and timeouts.

The Georgia High School Association develops and promotes opportunities for personal growth through interscholastic athletics and fine arts. The GHSA would like to salute its outstanding corporate partners: Breda Pest Management, Georgia Farm Bureau Insurance, Gatorade, Georgia Electric Membership Cooperatives, Daktronics, Atlanta Hawks, Sports Medicine South, BSN Sports, Mizuno, NFHS Network, GoFan, and Wilson, the official basketball of the GHSA. Thank-you for supporting Georgia high school athletics.

The GHSA and its member schools have made a commitment to promote good sportsmanship by student athletes, coaches and spectators. Profanity, degrading remarks and intimidating actions directed at officials or competitors will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the event site. Spectators are not allowed to enter the competition area during warm-ups or while the contest is being conducted. Thank you for your cooperation in the promotion of good sportsmanship at today's event.

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coaches in an effort to give them more time to mentor young people. BSN congratulates all the teams playing this weekend and applauds the efforts of educators and parents all across Georgia.

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The Basketball Semifinals will video streamed live on NFHS Network.

All Basketball Championship finals will be televised LIVE on the GPB Knowledge Channel (check your local listings) and steamed live on **GPB Sports and NFHS Network**. Also available on the GPB Sports App, Facebook, Twitter and YouTube. Streaming rights are exclusive to the GHSA, GPB and the NFHS Network. No other live broadcasts are permitted on social media or any other online platform!

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