KSHSAA releases 2018-19 classifications



The Kansas High School Activities Association released the classifications for the 2018-19 season Wednesday for all activities other than football, and there were some major changes that involved Frontier League programs.

Both Spring Hill and Bonner Springs made the jump from Class 4A to 5A in the latest numbers as Spring Hill featured an enrollment of 779 and Bonner Springs is the second smallest school in 5A with an enrollment of 750.

The rest of the Frontier League schools, including Louisburg, will all remain in Class 4A. Louisburg recorded an enrollment number of 530, which put them close to the middle.

Frontier League school Ottawa and Bishop Miege are both the largest 4A schools with an enrollment of 679. The lowest 5A school is Andover Central at 748.

6A		5A		4 A	
Member Schools: 36		Member Schools: 36		Member Schools: 36	
Range: 2462-1320		Range: 1313-748		Range: 679-317	
Wichita-East HS	2462	Wichita-Heights HS	1313	Ottawa HS	679
Wichita-North HS	2260	Wichita-Northwest HS	1259	Shawnee Mission-Bishop Miege HS	679
Garden City HS	2052	Maize HS	1231	Winfield HS	672
Wichita-Southeast HS	2041	Emporia HS	1216	Augusta HS	649
Derby HS	2035	Topeka-Seaman HS	1201	Buhler HS	641
Olathe South HS	2032	Wichita-Bishop Carroll HS	1171	Tonganoxie HS	635
Olathe North HS	1965	Overland Park-Blue Valley Southwest HS	1119	Paola HS	617
Dodge City HS	1956	Topeka West HS	1105		596
Topeka-Washburn Rural HS	1937	Kansas City-Turner HS	1102	Kansas City-Piper HS	596
Olathe Northwest HS	1936	Kansas City-Washington HS	1092		576
Olathe East HS	1899	Kansas City-FL Schlagle HS	1061		566
Lawrence-Free State HS	1857	Salina-Central HS	1051	Chanute HS	558
Shawnee Mission East HS	1788	Tecumseh-Shawnee Heights HS	1051	El Dorado HS	546
Manhattan HS	1774	Newton HS	1038	Mulvane HS	533
Topeka HS	1763	Maize South HS	1022	Louisburg HS	530
Wichita-South HS	1752	Salina-South HS	1022		501
Wichita-Haysville Campus HS	1698	De Soto HS	953	Eudora HS	498
Shawnee Mission West HS	1657	Overland Park-St. Thomas Aquinas HS	949	Wellington HS	489
Gardner-Edgerton HS	1643	Goddard-Eisenhower HS	936	Coffeyville-Field Kindley HS	484
Overland Park-Blue Valley Northwest HS	1633	Topeka-Highland Park HS	922	Altamont-Labette County HS	477
Overland Park-Blue Valley HS	1632	Lenexa-St. James Academy	902	Atchison HS	474
Shawnee Mission Northwest HS	1629	Wichita-Kapaun Mt. Carmel HS	894	Rose Hill HS	465
Overland Park-Blue Valley West HS	1620	Valley Center HS	885	Baldwin HS	444
Lawrence HS	1592	Great Bend HS	867	Topeka-Hayden HS	436
Overland Park-Blue Valley North HS	1525	Lansing HS	852	Ulysses HS	436
Shawnee Mission South HS	1509	Kansas City-Sumner Academy	846	Wamego HS	428
Shawnee Mission North HS	1497	Thays HS	837	Andale HS	388
Kansas City-Wyandotte HS	1474	Pittsburg HS	837	Iola HS	366
Wichita-West HS	1450	Andover HS	836	Clearwater HS	363
Hutchinson HS	1447	Goddard HS	825	Parsons HS	339
Junction City HS	1427	Spring Hill HS	779	Pratt HS	336
Liberal HS	1401	Arkansas City HS	773	Garnett-Anderson County HS	334
Shawnee-Mill Valley HS	1371	Basehor-Linwood HS	756	Chapman HS	322
Kansas City-JC Harmon HS	1337	McPherson HS	752	Osawatomie HS	320
Olathe West HS			750	Nickerson HS	317
Leavenworth HS		Andover Central HS	748	Wichita-Trinity Academy	317

KSHSAA voted to make changes to the classification system last year.

For football, the two 4A divisions and Class 2-1A have been eliminated. They have been replaced with 32 team classifications in 4A, 5A and 6A, while 3A and 2A will have 48-team classifications. The remaining schools will play in 1A.

The second proposal was for all other sports. Other than football, classes 4A, 5A and 6A will have 36 teams in each division. Classes 3A and 2A will have 64 schools each, while the remaining schools will be in 1A.

The football proposal passed with a vote of 215-73 and the all-sports proposal passed with a 207-145 majority. All of the classes, except 6A and 1A, were in favor.

3A		2A		1A	
Member Schools: 64		Member Schools: 64		Member Schools: 117	
Range: 315-174		Range: 172-105		Range: 105-14	
Holton HS	315	Oskaloosa HS	172	Sedan HS	105
Clay Center Community HS	303	Humboldt HS	171	Macksville HS	104
LaCygne-Prairie View HS	303	McLouth HS	169	Hill City HS	103
Concordia HS	298	Mound City-Jayhawk Linn HS	168	Moundridge HS	103
Girard HS	295	Ellsworth HS	167	Cottonwood Falls-Chase County HS	101
Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail HS	293	Conway Springs HS	166	Lincoln HS	101
Galena HS	289	Whitewater-Remington HS	166	Little River HS	99
Baxter Springs HS	288	Cherokee-Southeast HS	165	Solomon HS	99
Burlington HS	288	Effingham-Atchison Co Community HS	164	Elbing-Berean Academy	98
Hugoton HS	288	Lakin HS	163	Kinsley HS	97
Columbus HS	285	Bossville HS	163	Greensburg-Kiowa County HS	96
Kansas City-Bishop Ward HS	281		162	Udall HS	96
Meriden-Jefferson West HS	279	Eskridge-Mission Valley HS	161	Valley Falls HS	96
Wichita Collegiate HS	277	Hutchinson-Trinity Catholic HS	160	Burlingame HS	95
Marysville HS	269	Ellis HS	157	Salina-St. John's Military Academy	95
St. George-Rock Creek HS	269	Garden Plain HS	156	Spearville HS	95
	265	Richmond-Central Heights HS	156	Troy HS	95
Hiawatha HS Lindsborg-Smoky Valley HS	265	Wichita-The Independent HS	156	St. John-Hudson HS	94
Frontenac HS	263	Hillsboro HS	153	Rosalia-Flinthills HS	93
		Horton HS	152	Burden-Central HS	92
Hesston HS Perrv-Lecompton HS	263 263	Sterling HS	152	Oxford HS	92
Perry-Lecompton HS Larned HS	263		148	Stockton HS	92
Larned HS Russell HS	250	Alma-Wabaunsee HS Belleville-Republic County HS	148 148	Clyde-Clifton Clyde HS	91
Canev Vallev HS	255	Svracuse HS	148	↓Olpe HS	89
Hoyt-Royal Valley HS	255	Arma-Northeast HS	146	Washington County HS	89
Scott Community HS	255	Marion HS	146	Coldwater-South Central HS	88
Colby HS	254	Johnson-Stanton County HS	145	La Crosse HS	87
Holcomb HS	230	Leon-Bluestem HS	144	St. Francis HS	87
Sabetha HS	240	Sedgwick HS	144	Centralia HS	86
Goodland HS	244	Inman HS	143	Jetmore-Hodgeman County HS	86
Beloit HS	239	Ellinwood HS	139	Montezuma-South Gray HS	86
Halstead HS	237	Pittsburg-St, Mary's Colgan HS	139	Victoria HS	86
Chenev HS	232	Uniontown HS	139	Atwood-Rawlins County HS	85
Easton-Pleasant Ridge HS	231	Lyndon HS	139	Claffin-Central Plains HS	85
laven HS	228	Winchester-Jefferson County North HS	137	Peabody-Burns HS	85
Vellsville HS	226	Herington HS	136	Caldwell HS	81
Riley County HS	220	Brookville-Ell-Saline HS	136	Minneola HS	81
Kingman HS	224	Lawrence-Bishop Seabury Academy	134	Wichita-Classical School Of Wichita	81
Fredonia HS	222	Olathe-Heritage Christian Academy	133	Moran-Marmaton Valley HS	80
Dsage City HS	220	Pleasanton HS	133	Satanta HS	80
Riverton HS	218	Smith Center HS	133	Kensington-Thunder Ridge HS	78
Douglass HS	218	Bennington HS	132	Langdon-Fairfield HS	78
Cimarron HS	213	Salina-Sacred Heart HS	129	Onaga HS	77
Council Grove HS	214	Medicine Lodge HS	129	Wakefield HS	77
Lyons HS	208	Oakley HS	125	Downs-Lakeside HS	76
Anthony/Harper-Chaparral HS	208	Pratt-Skyline HS	125	Highland-Doniphan West HS	76
Cherryvale HS	207	Plainville HS	125	Lebo HS	76
Silver Lake HS	207	Yates Center HS	124	Norwich HS	76
Atchison-Maur Hill-Mount Academy	208	Holton-Jackson Heights HS	122	Chetopa HS	73
Neodesha HS	203	Shawnee-Maranatha Christian Academy		Hutchinson-Central Christian HS	73
Vorton Community HS	203	Elkhart HS	117	Frankfort HS	72
Seneca-Nemaha Central HS	202	Sublette HS	117	Hanover HS	72
St. Marvs HS	202	Ness City HS	116	Osborne HS	72
Sypsum-Southeast of Saline HS	200	Howard-West Elk HS	115	Sylvan-Lucas Unified HS	72
toisington HS	199	WaKeeney-Trego Community HS	115	Dighton HS	71
lays-Thomas More Prep-Marian HS	187	Hoxie HS	114	Madison HS	70
Ainneapolis HS	184	Meade HS	114	Pretty Prairie HS	69
(ismet-Southwestern Heights HS	182	Goessel HS	112	St. Paul HS	69
Eureka HS	181	Allen-Northern Heights HS	110	Bucklin HS	68
Belle Plaine HS	180	Blue Rapids-Valley Heights HS	107	Mankato-Rock Hills HS	68
Phillipsburg HS	180	Canton-Galva HS	107	Rexford-Golden Plains HS	68
Pomona-West Franklin HS	179	Oberlin-Decatur Community HS	106	Burrton HS	67
Wathena-Riverside HS	175	Leoti-Wichita County HS	105	Lost Springs-Centre HS	66
Erie HS	174	Oswego HS	105	McPherson-Elyria Christian HS	66
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				Hartford HS	65
				Stafford HS	63

With those new proposals comes a different playoff system for many of the sports.

Postseasons for wrestling, track, soccer, cross country and golf will remain the same. However, the classifications will not be the same for wrestling. There will be 36 teams in Class 6 and 5A and then 40 percent of the next biggest programs will be classified in Class 4A, which is approximately 60 schools.

Louisburg will see postseason changes in five sports programs – football, basketball, baseball, softball and volleyball.

In football, Louisburg will no longer have district play as the playoffs will begin in week nine. Class 4A will play an eight-game regular season and then each side of the state will be seeded in a bracket from 1 through 16, based on their record.

Given the fact the Frontier League currently has nine teams after recently adding three schools in Tonganoxie, Bonner Springs and Piper, the Wildcats will no longer have to play a non-league opponent. De Soto recently chose to leave the Frontier League following the 2017-18 season to join a new league made up of 5A schools.

Another change will be in basketball. For the postseason, there will no longer be substates, instead the 18 teams on each side of the state will be bracketed out by record beginning with two play-in games.

From there, the bracket will be sized down to four-team pods, with the higher seed hosting the game. Teams will have to win two games to reach the state tournaments. Pods will be 1-16-8-9 seeds, 4-13-5-12, 2-15-7-10 and 3-14-6-11. The eight pod winners will advance to the state tournament.

Baseball and softball will be similar as there will no longer be regionals. Like basketball, there will be two play-in games with the same pod structure. The top four overall seeds will each host all games in their pod on the same day.

In volleyball, there will be four substates across the state, broken into eight brackets. There will also be nine teams in each substate, which will require a play-in game. Teams will need to win two games to qualify for state.