

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

Member Schools: 36

Range: 2462-1320

Wichita-East HS	2462
Wichita-North HS	2260
Garden City HS	2052
Wichita-Southeast HS	2041
Derby HS	2035
Olathe South HS	2032
Olathe North HS	1965
Dodge City HS	1956
Topeka-Washburn Rural HS	1937
Olathe Northwest HS	1936
Olathe East HS	1899
Lawrence-Free State HS	1857
Shawnee Mission East HS	1788
Manhattan HS	1774
Topeka HS	1763
Wichita-South HS	1752
Wichita-Haysville Campus HS	1698
Shawnee Mission West HS	1657
Gardner-Edgerton HS	1643
Overland Park-Blue Valley Northwest HS	1633
Overland Park-Blue Valley HS	1632
Shawnee Mission Northwest HS	1629
Overland Park-Blue Valley West HS	1620
Lawrence HS	1592
Overland Park-Blue Valley North HS	1525
Shawnee Mission South HS	1509
Shawnee Mission North HS	1497
↑Kansas City-Wyandotte HS	1474
Wichita-West HS	1450
Hutchinson HS	1447
Junction City HS	1427
↑Liberal HS	1401
↑Shawnee-Mill Valley HS	1371
Kansas City-JC Harmon HS	1337
↑Olathe West HS	1328
↑Leavenworth HS	1320

5A

Member Schools: 36

Range: 1313-748

Wichita-Heights HS	1313
↓Wichita-Northwest HS	1259
Maize HS	1231
Emporia HS	1216
Topeka-Seaman HS	1201
Wichita-Bishop Carroll HS	1171
Overland Park-Blue Valley Southwest HS	1119
Topeka West HS	1105
Kansas City-Turner HS	1102
Kansas City-Washington HS	1092
Kansas City-FL Schlagle HS	1061
Salina-Central HS	1051
Tecumseh-Shawnee Heights HS	1051
Newton HS	1038
Maize South HS	1022
Salina-South HS	1022
De Soto HS	953
Overland Park-St. Thomas Aquinas HS	949
Goddard-Eisenhower HS	936
Topeka-Highland Park HS	922
Lenexa-St. James Academy	902
Wichita-Kapaun Mt. Carmel HS	894
Valley Center HS	885
Great Bend HS	867
Lansing HS	852
↑Kansas City-Sumner Academy	846
↑Hays HS	837
Pittsburg HS	837
Andover HS	836
Goddard HS	825
↑Spring Hill HS	779
↑Arkansas City HS	773
↑Basehor-Linwood HS	756
↑McPherson HS	752
↑Bonner Springs HS	750
↑Andover Central HS	748

4A

Member Schools: 36

Range: 679-317

Ottawa HS	679
Shawnee Mission-Bishop Miege HS	679
Winfield HS	672
Augusta HS	649
Buhler HS	641
Tonganoxie HS	635
Paola HS	617
Fort Scott HS	596
Kansas City-Piper HS	596
Towanda-Circle HS	576
Independence HS	566
Chanute HS	558
El Dorado HS	546
Mulvane HS	533
Louisburg HS	530
Abilene HS	501
Eudora HS	498
Wellington HS	489
Coffeyville-Field Kindley HS	484
Altamont-Labette County HS	477
Atchison HS	474
Rose Hill HS	465
Baldwin HS	444
Topeka-Hayden HS	436
Ulysses HS	436
Wamego HS	428
Andale HS	388
Iola HS	366
Clearwater HS	363
Parsons HS	339
Pratt HS	336
Garnett-Anderson County HS	334
Chapman HS	322
Osawatomie HS	320
Nickerson HS	317
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

Member Schools: 64

Range: 315-174

↓Holton HS	315
↓Clay Center Community HS	303
↓LaCygne-Prairie View HS	303
↓Concordia HS	298
↓Girard HS	295
↓Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail HS	293
↓Galena HS	289
↓Baxter Springs HS	288
↓Burlington HS	288
↓Hugoton HS	288
↓Columbus HS	285
↓Kansas City-Bishop Ward HS	281
↓Meriden-Jefferson West HS	279
↓Wichita Collegiate HS	277
↓Marysville HS	269
↓St. George-Rock Creek HS	268
↓Hiawatha HS	265
↓Lindsborg-Smoky Valley HS	265
↓Frontenac HS	263
Hesston HS	263
↓Perry-Lecompton HS	263
↓Larned HS	260
↓Russell HS	256
Caney Valley HS	255
↓Hoyt-Royal Valley HS	255
Scott Community HS	254
Colby HS	250
↓Holcomb HS	246
Sabetha HS	244
Goodland HS	239
Beloit HS	237
Halstead HS	232
Cheney HS	231
Easton-Pleasant Ridge HS	230
Haven HS	228
Wellsville HS	226
Riley County HS	224
Kingman HS	223
Fredonia HS	222
Osage City HS	220
Riverton HS	218
Douglass HS	215
Cimarron HS	214
Council Grove HS	214
Lyons HS	208
Anthony/Harper-Chaparral HS	207
Cherryvale HS	207
Silver Lake HS	206
Atchison-Maur Hill-Mount Academy	203
Neodesha HS	203
Norton Community HS	202
Seneca-Nemaha Central HS	202
St. Marys HS	201
Gypsum-Southeast of Saline HS	200
Hoisington HS	199
Hays-Thomas More Prep-Marian HS	187
Minneapolis HS	184
Kismet-Southwestern Heights HS	182
Eureka HS	181
Belle Plaine HS	180
Phillipsburg HS	180
Pomona-West Franklin HS	179
Wathena-Riverside HS	175
Erie HS	174

2A

Member Schools: 64

Range: 172-105

↓Oskaloosa HS	172
↓Humboldt HS	171
↓McLouth HS	169
↓Mound City-Jayhawk Linn HS	168
↓Ellsworth HS	167
↓Conway Springs HS	166
↓Whitewater-Remington HS	166
↓Cherokee-Southeast HS	165
↓Effingham-Atchison Co Community HS	164
↓Lakin HS	163
↓Rossville HS	163
↓Prairie Village-Kansas City Christian HS	162
↓Eskridge-Mission Valley HS	161
↓Hutchinson-Trinity Catholic HS	160
Ellis HS	157
↓Garden Plain HS	156
↓Richmond-Central Heights HS	156
↓Wichita-The Independent HS	156
Hillsboro HS	153
↓Horton HS	152
↓Sterling HS	151
Alma-Wabaunsee HS	148
Belleville-Republic County HS	148
Syracuse HS	148
↓Arma-Northeast HS	146
Marion HS	145
Johnson-Stanton County HS	144
Leon-Bluestem HS	144
↓Sedgwick HS	143
Inman HS	142
Ellinwood HS	139
Pittsburg-St. Mary's Colgan HS	139
Uniontown HS	139
Lyndon HS	137
Winchester-Jefferson County North HS	137
Herrington HS	136
Brookville-Ell-Saline HS	134
Lawrence-Bishop Seabury Academy	133
Olathe-Heritage Christian Academy	133
Pleasanton HS	133
Smith Center HS	133
Bennington HS	132
Salina-Sacred Heart HS	129
Medicine Lodge HS	128
Oakley HS	125
Pratt-Skyline HS	125
Plainville HS	124
Yates Center HS	122
Holton-Jackson Heights HS	120
Shawnee-Maranatha Christian Academy	120
Elkhart HS	117
Sublette HS	117
Ness City HS	116
Howard-West Elk HS	115
WaKeeney-Trego Community HS	115
Hoxie HS	114
Meade HS	114
Goessel HS	112
Allen-Northern Heights HS	110
Blue Rapids-Valley Heights HS	107
Canton-Galva HS	107
Oberlin-Decatur Community HS	106
Leoti-Wichita County HS	105
Oswego HS	105

1A

Member Schools: 117

Range: 105-14

↓Sedan HS	105
↓Macksville HS	104
↓Hill City HS	103
↓Moundridge HS	103
Cottonwood Falls-Chase County HS	101
↓Lincoln HS	101
Little River HS	99
↓Solomon HS	99
↓Elbing-Berean Academy	98
↓Kinsley HS	97
↓Greensburg-Kiowa County HS	96
↓Udall HS	96
Valley Falls HS	96
↓Burlingame HS	95
↓Salina-St. John's Military Academy	95
↓Spearville HS	95
Troy HS	95
St. John-Hudson HS	94
Rosalia-Flinthills HS	93
↓Burden-Central HS	92
↓Oxford HS	92
Stockton HS	92
Clyde-Clifton Clyde HS	91
↓Olpe HS	89
Washington County HS	89
Coldwater-South Central HS	88
↓La Crosse HS	87
↓St. Francis HS	87
Centralia HS	86
↓Jetmore-Hodgeman County HS	86
Montezuma-South Gray HS	86
Victoria HS	86
Atwood-Rawlins County HS	85
↓Claflin-Central Plains HS	85
Peabody-Burns HS	85
Caldwell HS	81
Minneola HS	81
↓Wichita-Classical School Of Wichita	81
Moran-Marmaton Valley HS	80
Satanta HS	80
Kensington-Thunder Ridge HS	78
Langdon-Fairfield HS	78
Onaga HS	77
Wakefield HS	77
Downs-Lakeside HS	76
Highland-Doniphan West HS	76
Lebo HS	76
Norwich HS	76
Chetopa HS	73
Hutchinson-Central Christian HS	73
Frankfort HS	72
Harover HS	72
Osborne HS	72
Sylvan-Lucas Unified HS	72
Dighton HS	71
Madison HS	70
Pretty Prairie HS	69
St. Paul HS	69
Bucklin HS	68
Mankato-Rock Hills HS	68
Rexford-Golden Plains HS	68
Burrton HS	67
Lost Springs-Centre HS	66
McPherson-Elyria Christian HS	66
Quinter HS	66
Hartford HS	65
Stafford HS	63
Kiowa-South Barber HS	62

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.