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Welcome to the State Championships

719 Ohio high schools began the football season in August. 224 qualified for the playoffs in late October. Now 14 have advanced to this week's state championship games. All seven state championship games will be played at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton, home of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

State Championships Schedule

Home team listed first.

Pairings are shown with final AP state rank and current records.

All games played at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium, Canton.

Thursday, Nov. 30

Div. II – No. 5 Akron Archbishop Hoban (13-1) vs. No. 2 Cincinnati Winton Woods (13-1), 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 1

Div. VII – No. 5 Cuyahoga Heights (12-1) vs. Minster (10-4), 10 a.m.

Div. V – No. 3 Wheelersburg (14-0) vs. No. 1 Pemberville Eastwood (14-0), 3 p.m.

Div. I – No. 8 Pickerington Central (13-1) vs. No. 6 Mentor (13-1), 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 2

Div. VI – No. 1 Maria Stein Marion Local (14-0) vs. No. 2 Kirtland (14-0), 10 a.m.

Div. IV – No. 7 Clarksville Clinton-Massie (13-1) vs. No. 1 Steubenville (14-0), 3 p.m.

Div. III – Dresden Tri-Valley (13-1) vs. No. 1 Trotwood-Madison (14-0), 8 p.m.

Tickets and Fan Parking Information

Single-game tickets will be on sale this week at the participating schools for \$11 each. Tickets will also be available at the gate for \$15 each. Single-game tickets can also be purchased online at: www.ProFootballHOF.com/Tickets

Parking at the Pro Football Hall of Fame and Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium will be closed to the public. It is recommended that fans park at the Stark County Fairgrounds and take advantage of the stadium shuttle. Shuttle service is available for all seven OHSAA Championship Games. The stadium shuttle will begin at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, and then Friday and Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. and will run continuously until 60 minutes after the final game of the day. Parking is \$5 per car. Stadium shuttle transportation is free. RVs can park in the Fairgrounds for \$15 per day and stay overnight, but there are no power or water hook-ups.

The Stark County Fairgrounds are located at 700 Wertz Ave. NW, Canton, Ohio. Directions to Fairgrounds:

- When travelling North on I-77: Continue north on I-77 and exit at Exit 105 (W. Tuscarawas Street). Turn left (West) onto W. Tuscarawas Street and travel to the fifth traffic signal, Wertz Avenue NW. Turn right (North) onto Wertz Avenue thru two traffic signals to 7th Street NW Fairgrounds entrance on your left.
- When travelling South on I-77: Continue south on I-77 and exit at Exit 106 (13th Street NW). Turn right (West) onto 13th Street and travel to second traffic signal, Wertz Avenue NW. Turn left (South) onto Wertz Avenue NW and travel thru one traffic signal to 7th Street NW Fairgrounds entrance on your right.

Championship Games Return to Canton

After hosting the OHSAA state championship games in Columbus throughout the 1980s, natural grass was installed in Ohio Stadium in Columbus in the spring of 1990 and OSU asked the OHSAA to move its football state championship games to another location. The OHSAA found a home in Stark County, with Canton Fawcett Stadium and Massillon Paul Brown Tiger Stadium sharing the state championship games for 24 years until 2014 when the finals returned to the 'Shoe.

Team Capsules

Please see pages 11-17 for team capsules on each of the 14 state finalists.

Media Information

Nov. 27 Media Teleconference

The OHSAA will conduct a media teleconference featuring the 14 head coaches of the state finalists on Monday, Nov. 27. It will begin at 10:30 a.m. with Division VII. Each coach will be available for 15 minutes. A replay will be available. Media are asked contact Tim Stried (tstried@ohsaa.org) for more information.

State Championship Game Media Credentials

Media must apply by noon on Tuesday, Nov. 28, for credentials to cover the state championship games. Media must use the OHSAA's official credential application form. Please contact Tim Stried at tstried@ohsaa.org for details.

Playoff Games On TV

Spectrum will make its playoff game selections by noon on Mondays. Spectrum has exclusivity of the games it selects. Other games are available for tape-delay telecasts, which can be shown beginning at 11:30 PM the same day of the game.



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Back in the Spotlight

Six of the 14 state finalists are making a return trip from the 2016 state championship games that were held at Ohio Stadium in Columbus.

- Akron Archbishop Hoban is the two-time defending Div. III state champ, but is playing in Div. II this year.
- Trotwood-Madison was the 2016 Div. III runner-up to Akr. Archbishop Hoban.
- Steubenville was the 2015 & 2016 Div. IV runner-up to Cols. Bishop Hartley both years.
- Maria Stein Marion Local is the defending Div. VI state champ.
- Cuyahoga Heights was the 2016 Div. VI runner-up to Maria Stein Marion Local, but is playing in Div. VII this year.
- Minster was the 2016 Div. VII runner-up to Warren John F. Kennedy.

State Finalists by Regional Seed

The Division V final between Pemberville Eastwood and Wheelersburg is the only state championship game to feature two teams that were a No. 1 seed in their respective regions. The following regional seeds have advanced to the state finals:

- No. 1 seed – 5 (Hoban, Trotwood, Steubenville, Wheelersburg, Eastwood)
- No. 2 seed – 3 (Winton Woods, Marion Local, Cuyahoga Hts.)
- No. 3 seed – 3 (Pickerington Central, Mentor, Kirtland)
- No. 4 seed – 2 (Clinton-Massie, Minster)
- No. 5 seed – 1 (Tri-Valley)
- No. 6 seed – 0
- No. 7 seed – 0
- No. 8 seed – 0

State Championship Game Experience

Maria Stein Marion Local (Div. VI) is making its 12th trip to the state championship game, which is the most among all 2017 finalists and in the Top 5 all-time in Ohio. The Flyers have nine titles and two runner-up finishes. Steubenville (Div. IV) is making its ninth appearance (three titles, five runner-up). The other state finalists include Mentor (three appearances, all runners-up), Pickerington Central (two, both runners-up), Cincinnati Winton Woods (one, title), Akron Archbishop Hoban (two, both titles), Trotwood-Madison (six, one title and five runners-up), Dresden Tri-Valley (first appearance), Clarksville Clinton-Massie (two, both titles), Wheelersburg (one, title), Pemberville Eastwood (first appearance), Kirtland (five, three titles, two runners-up), Cuyahoga Heights (one, runner-up) and Minster (three, two titles, one runner-up).

Tri-Valley's Cinderella Story

Dresden Tri-Valley will be making its first state championship game appearance in school history when they meet undefeated AP #1 Trotwood-Madison Saturday night at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton. For perspective, the Scotties' last two playoff wins came over opponents (Cols. Bishop Hartley & Akron SVSM) with a combined 13 state championship game appearances and 10 state titles. The Scotties are the only team remaining in any division that did not start the playoffs with a home game in Week 11. They are one of only two teams to make the state finals that were not ranked in the final AP poll. The Scotties will look to become the first team in their conference (Muskingum Valley League) to win a state football title since Crooksville won the Class A state championship over Ashtabula St. John at the Akron Rubber Bowl in 1977.

In Div. V, top-ranked Pemberville Eastwood is also making its first

trip to the state championship game.

MAC is Back in Divisions VI and VII

A member of the Midwest Athletic Conference has made the Division VII state championship in every year of the smallest-school division's existence (2013). MAC teams are 3-1 in Div. VII state title games, with wins coming from Maria Stein Marion Local (2013 & '14) and Fort Recovery (2015). The MAC's only loss came at the hands of Warren John F. Kennedy over Minster in last year's title game. In Div. VI, a MAC team has been in the state championship game eight of the last nine years (all but 2013), with six titles during that span. When the OHSAA expanded to six divisions in 1994 through 2012, a MAC team played in 19 of 23 Div. VI state championship games, winning 15 championships.

Also of note, MAC member Coldwater played in the previous eight Div. V state championship games, winning four titles. Coldwater moved to Div. VI this year and lost to Marion Local in a regional championship game.

Strength of Schedule

Akron Archbishop Hoban (Div. II) and Maria Stein Marion Local (Div. VI) both defeated five playoff teams during their regular-season campaigns, tied for the most of any state finalist in all divisions:

- Hoban: Youngstown Cardinal Mooney (31-13 in Week 2), Akron SVSM (21-7 in Week 5), Parma Padua Franciscan (49-10 in Week 7), Chardon NDCL (42-0 in Week 9), Cle. Benedictine (35-17 in Week 10)
- Marion Local: Day. Chaminade Julianne (35-7 in Week 1), Coldwater (13-7 in Week 3), Minster (21-7 in Week 4), Anna (32-7 in Week 6), Fort Recovery (21-10 in Week 8)

Noting the Undefeated

Six teams will look to cap off a perfect 15-0 season this weekend in Canton, as Trotwood-Madison (Div. III), Steubenville (Div. IV), Pemberville Eastwood (Div. V), Wheelersburg (Div. V), Maria Stein Marion Local (Div. VI) and Kirtland (Div. VI) all remain unbeaten. The Div. V & Div. VI state championship games are the only matchups between two undefeated teams.

Proving the Pollsters

Four of the seven teams that won Associated Press poll championships at the end of October have advanced to the state finals, as Trotwood-Madison (Div. III), Steubenville (Div. IV), Pemberville Eastwood (Div. V) and Maria Stein Marion Local (Div. VI) will all look to cap off perfect seasons with a state championship. Two teams not ranked in the final AP poll have advanced to the state finals – Dresden Tri-Valley (Div. III) and Minster (Div. VII).

Last year, the only team to be ranked No. 1 in the final poll and go on to win a state championship was Maria Stein Marion Local (Division VI).

Twenty-one of the 28 state semifinalists were ranked in the final poll. Thirty-five of the 70 teams that appeared in the final Associated Press poll reached the regional finals. The final AP polls appear on page 5 of this packet.

AP No. 1 vs. AP No. 2

The Division VI state championship game between Maria Stein Marion Local (AP #1) and Kirtland (AP #2) is the only state championship game to feature the top two teams ranked in the final AP

poll at the end of October. Other notable title game top-five AP matchups are:

- Div. V: AP #1 Pemberville Eastwood (14-0) vs. AP #3 Wheelersburg (14-0)
- Div. II: AP #2 Cin. Winton Woods (13-1) vs. AP #5 Akr. Archbishop Hoban (13-1)

All 70 teams that appeared in the final AP poll earned a playoff berth. Those 70 teams went 59-11 in the first round of the playoffs. Of those 59 wins, 57 were home games for the ranked team, while two ranked teams won on the road in the first round - Girard (Division IV) and West Jefferson (Division V).

MAC Builds on Success

(By Gary Rasberry, Celina Daily Standard) The Midwest Athletic Conference started in 1973, but it wasn't until 1989 that the conference began its run of football dominance of the smaller divisions. From 1989, when Minster won the conference's first state title, to 2015 when Fort Recovery won its first-ever state title and Coldwater captured its sixth since 2005, the MAC has been regular visitors to the state championships game. In that span, the MAC has been missing from State Championship Weekend only three years (1991, 1993 and 2002). In 2003, Versailles, a five-time state champion before joining in the MAC in 2000, won its first MAC state football title, starting a streak where the MAC has brought home at least one title from either Stark County (Massillon or Canton) or Ohio Stadium every season except the 2009 season. In 2005, the MAC had its first double-championship weekend as Coldwater won the Division IV title in Canton and Delphos St. John's won the Division VI state title a few hours later in Massillon. The MAC had two champions in 2006, 2007, 2012 and 2013.

In 2014, the MAC made state history in becoming the first conference to win three state football championship titles in the same season Coldwater, Minster and Marion Local swept Divisions V, VI and VII.

Since the OHSAA created the seventh division, the MAC has won every state championship in the smallest-school division except 2016 when Warren John F. Kennedy topped Minster. Marion Local won the first two back-to-back in 2013 and 2014 with Fort Recovery winning last season. Minster is back representing the MAC in the Div. VII title game this weekend.

The MAC is 68-3 in first round playoff games against non-MAC schools since the playoffs expanded to eight qualifiers per region in 1999. (The three losses include a Versailles loss to Lima Central Catholic in 2005, a Delphos St. John's loss to Arlington in 2014 and an Anna loss to Middletown Madison in 2017.) The MAC is 51-13 against non-MAC schools in OHSAA regional championship games. The MAC is 36-7 in state semifinal games against non-MAC schools.

With New Bremen and Versailles winning state volleyball championships on Nov. 11, 2017, the MAC currently owns 123 various OHSAA state team championships.

In the Beginning... to Seven Divisions

When the OHSAA created the football playoffs in 1972, there were three divisions (called Class A, AA and AAA) and only one playoff qualifier per region (12 total playoff qualifiers). Now in its 46th year, the postseason has expanded to seven divisions and 224 total playoff qualifiers. Expansion occurred in 1980 to five divisions and

two qualifiers per region, and then again in 1985 to four qualifiers per region. In 1994, a sixth division was added, while in 1999, the number of qualifiers per region increased to eight. The playoffs expanded to seven divisions in 2013.

OHSAA Football by the Numbers

- 719 – High schools in Ohio that played football in 2017
- 7 – Divisions for the playoffs
- 72 – Schools in Division I
- 108 – Average number of schools in Division II through VII
- 32 – Playoff qualifiers per division
- 4 – Playoff qualifiers per region
- 224 – Total playoff qualifiers
- 31.2 – Percentage of football playing schools that qualify

About the Regionals and State Semifinals

The regional playoffs follow bracket format, beginning with the regional quarterfinals.

Regional Quarterfinals (Nov. 3): During the first round, the higher seed hosts the playoff game at its home stadium or the stadium of its choosing. The No. 8 seed plays at the No. 1 seed, the No. 7 seed at No. 2, etc.

Regional Semifinals (Nov. 10), Regional Finals (Nov. 17) and State Semifinals (Nov. 24): Neutral sites are selected by the OHSAA. There are many factors that go into determining playoff sites, such as quality of field surface, seating capacity, quality of lighting, size of locker rooms and distance from field, press box size, parking spaces available, and a separate locker room for officials. After all those factors are taken into consideration, it must be confirmed that the site is available and willing to host a playoff game on the date needed.

First-Round Playoff Results by Seed

During the first round of the 2017 playoffs, the higher seeds (home teams) went 83-29. One No. 8 seed won at the No. 1 seed, as Reading defeated Casstown Miami East 27-25 in Division V, Region 20.

2017 Regional Quarterfinal Results by Seed:

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| No. 1 seeds = 27-1 | (No. 8 seeds = 1-27) |
| No. 2 seeds = 22-6 | (No. 7 seeds = 6-22) |
| No. 3 seeds = 20-8 | (No. 6 seeds = 8-20) |
| No. 4 seeds = 14-14 | (No. 5 seeds = 14-14) |

In the 2016 playoffs, the higher seeds (home teams) went 80-32 in the first round and five No. 1 seeds lost. In 2015, the higher seeds (home teams) went 81-31, and four No. 1 seeds lost.

First Round Success

Two schools have an amazing success rate in the first round of the playoffs. St. Henry has been in the playoffs 15 times and is 15-0 in first-round playoff games. Cincinnati Colerain is now 19-0 in first-round games, although one of its first-round games (1995) was later forfeited. In addition, three schools won their first-round playoff game nine straight years before losing, including Germantown Valley View, Mogadore and Newark Licking Valley.

Writing History

Entering the 2017 season, 62 OHSAA member schools had never made the football playoffs. That number decreased by four, as Lima Perry (Div. VII, Region 28), Galion Northmor (Div. VI, Region 23), Eastlake North (Div. II, Region 5) and Middletown Madison (Div. V, Region 20) qualified. In addition, Cincinnati West Clermont is a new consolidated school of Batavia Amelia and Cincinnati Glen Este High Schools. Glen Este had made six playoff appearances, while Amelia

had made none.

Eight schools made the playoffs for the first time in 2016, including Hilliard Bradley (Div. I), Columbus West (Div. II), Akron East (Div. III), Bellefontaine Ben Logan (Div. IV), Cincinnati Aiken (Div. V), Lakeside Danbury (Div. VII), McGuffey Upper Scioto Valley (Div. VII) and Cincinnati Hillcrest Academy (Div. VII). The number of first-time playoff participants since 2000 includes five in 2017, eight in 2016, eight in 2015, 10 in 2014, two in 2013, seven in 2012, eight in 2011, six in 2010, 14 in 2009, 12 in 2008, 14 in 2007, 10 in 2006, 12 in 2005, 16 in 2004, 12 in 2003, 21 in 2002, 17 in 2001 and 26 in 2000.

Adding to History

While the aforementioned four schools made the playoffs for the first time, Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller is back in the playoffs for the 34th time, which ranks second to Newark Catholic's 35 appearances. Newark Catholic didn't make the playoffs in 2017, while Moeller qualified with a 4-6 record.

MOST OHSAA PLAYOFF APPEARANCES, INCLUDING 2017

1. Newark Catholic, 35 (did not qualify in 2017)
2. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, 34
3. Ironton, 33 (did not qualify in 2017)
4. Mogadore, 31
5. Steubenville, 30

Playoff Streaks

Coldwater owns the longest active streak of qualifying for the playoffs at 21-straight years. In fact, the Cavaliers have been to the state championship game the last eight years to tie Newark Catholic for the state record of consecutive title game appearances. Newark Catholic went to the championship game each year from 1980-87. Cleveland St. Ignatius went to the championship game six times in a row from 1991-96. The all-time longest streak of consecutive years making the playoffs is 22 years by Cleveland St. Ignatius from 1988 through 2009.

** denotes active streak*

School	Consecutive Years in Playoffs (Years)
Cleveland St. Ignatius	22 (1988-2009)
* Coldwater	21 (1997-2017)
* Mogadore	19 (1999-2017)
Columbus St. Francis DeSales	18 (1994-2011)
* Kettering Archbishop Alter	17 (2001-2017)
* Steubenville	17 (2001-2017)
* Clarksville Clinton-Massie	16 (2002-2017)
Akron Manchester	15 (1991-2005)
Aurora	13 (2005-2017)
Cin. Archbishop Moeller	13 (2002-2014)

Coldwater and Marion Local Set Consecutive Playoff Wins Record

During the last two seasons, Maria Stein Marion Local (2015) and Coldwater (2016) set the OHSAA record for most consecutive playoff victories with 24.

No. School Years

- 24 Coldwater 2012-13-14-15-16
- 24 Maria Stein Marion Local 2011-12-13-14-15
- 23 Cleveland St. Ignatius 1991-92-93-94-95-96
- 17 Youngstown Ursuline 2008-09-10-12
- 17 Newark Catholic 84-85-86-87-88
- 16 Delphos St. John's 1997-98-99-2000
- 15 Versailles 1993-94-95-96
- 13 Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller 1975-76-77-79-80-81

Welcome Back

Entering the regional quarterfinals, Milford (Div. I) was back in the playoffs for the first time since 1986, while Sidney (Div. II) was back in for the first time since 1989. Two teams in Div. IV were also back after a long hiatus, including Pepper Pike Orange (1988) and London (1989). In 2016, the longest return trip was by Barberton (1998). In 2015, Burton Berkshire was back in the playoffs for the first time since 1981. In 2013, Norwalk was back in the playoffs for the first time since winning the state championship in 1974.

GCL South Assembles State Championship Streak

By Tom Gamble (In-Game Sports, Cincinnati): The Greater Catholic League South Division has had at least one of its member schools wins a state football championship each of the last six years. Cin. Archbishop Moeller won Div. I crowns in 2012 and 2013; Cin. La Salle is the three-time defending state champion in Div. II; and Cin. St. Xavier won the 2016 Div. I title.

In all, GCL South schools have won 15 state titles, which started when Moeller won three consecutive Class AAA titles in 1975, 1976 and 1977 under legendary coach Gerry Faust. Moeller also won a fourth title that decade in 1979, captured three titles in the '80s (1980, 1982 and 1985) and then won its last two championships earlier this decade in 2012 and 2013.

St. Xavier has won three state titles, including last season when the Bombers become the first team in OHSAA history to qualify for the postseason with a 5-5 record and go on to win a state championship. The Bombers, who also won crowns in 2005 and 2007, made an improbable run through the 2016 playoffs that culminated in a 27-20 double overtime win over Cleveland St. Ignatius at Ohio Stadium. La Salle is 3-0 in state finals, winning the last three Div. II state championships. Cin. Elder has enjoyed its share of state playoff success having won back-to-back state titles in 2002 and 2003.

Overall, members of the GCL South are 15-7 in state championship games and own an impressive 136-65 record in 82 total playoff appearances.

Week 10 Movers

Many schools needed to win their final regular-season game in order to clinch a playoff berth. In addition, several schools were outside the playoff field after Week 9 and moved up into the playoff field thanks to victories in Week 10. They include Hilliard Darby (Div. I, Region 3, 10th to 8th), Cincinnati West Clermont (Div. I, Region 4, 9th to 6th), Mayfield (Div. II, Region 5, 9th to 8th), Toledo St. John's Jesuit (Div. II, Region 6, 9th to 8th), Canal Winchester (Div. II, Region 7, 9th to 8th), Chillicothe (Div. II, Region 8, 9th to 8th), Aurora (Div. III, Region 9, 10th to 8th), Cleveland Glenville (Div. III, Region 10, 9th to 8th), New Richmond (Div. III, Region 12, 10th to 6th), Salem (Div. IV, Region 13, 9th to 8th), Bellevue (Div. IV, Region 14, 9th to 5th), Chillicothe Unioto (Div. IV, Region 15, 9th to 8th), Swanton (Div. V, Region 18, 11th to 8th), East Palestine (Div. VI, Region 21, 10th to 7th), Youngstown Liberty (Div. VI, Region 21, 12th to 6th), Jeromesville Hillsdale (Div. VI, Region 22, 10th to 6th), Fort Recovery (Div. VI, Region 24, 9th to 7th) and Vienna Matthews (Div. VII, Region 25, 10th to 8th).

Of note, in Div. III, Region 9, Chagrin Falls Kenston was third in the region going into week 10 and won its final regular-season game to finish 8-2, but fell to ninth in the final computer ratings.

Before the Playoffs...

Historians have found that in most years since 1895, the media or a specific organization named an Ohio high school football state champion. The Associated Press began its polls in 1947 and the OHSAA created the playoffs in 1972. The research of mythical state champions dating back to 1895 has been compiled on the football page at OHSAA.org.

Final 2017 Associated Press State Poll

DIVISION I

Rank School (1st place votes) Record, Tot.Pts.
 1 Cleveland St. Ignatius (18) 9-1 216
 2 Toledo Whitmer (5) 10-0 170
 3 Lakewood St. Edward 9-1 159
 4 Cincinnati St. Xavier 9-1 155
 5 Hilliard Bradley 10-0 149
 6 Mentor 9-1 106
 7 Centerville 9-1 102
 8 Pickerington Central 9-1 58
 9 Stow-Munroe Falls 9-1 53
 10 Cincinnati Colerain 8-2 29
 Others receiving 12 or more points: 11, Canton McKinley 14. t-12, Euclid 12. t-12, Massillon Perry 12.

Division II

Rank School (1st place votes) Record, Tot.Pts.
 1 Avon (16) 10-0 219
 2 Cincinnati Winton Woods (5) 9-1 181
 3 Wadsworth 10-0 168
 4 Barberton (1) 10-0 146
 5 Akron Archbishop Hoban 9-1 141
 6 Cincinnati La Salle 8-2 125
 7 Cincinnati Anderson 9-1 89
 8 Sidney 9-1 50
 9 Whitehouse Anthony Wayne 9-1 34
 10 Olmsted Falls (1) 9-1 27
 Others receiving 12 or more points: 11, Columbus Walnut Ridge 24. 12, Dayton Belmont 19. 13, Bedford 13.

Division III

Rank School (1st place votes) Record, Tot.Pts.
 1 Trotwood-Madison (17) 10-0 205
 2 Canfield (3) 10-0 171
 3 Sandusky (1) 10-0 137
 4 Medina Buckeye 10-0 126
 5 Bay Village Bay (2) 10-0 121
 6 Columbus Bishop Hartley 9-1 107
 7 Kettering Archbishop Alter 9-1 91
 8 Toledo Central Catholic 8-2 81
 9 Bellefontaine 9-1 54
 10 Columbus Independence 9-1 27
 Others receiving 12 or more points: 11, Parma Padua Franciscan 23. 12, Goshen 21. 13, New Philadelphia 15. t-14, Alliance 12. t-14, Peninsula Woodridge 12.

Division IV

Rank School (1st place votes) Record, Tot.Pts.
 1 Steubenville (17) 10-0 201
 2 Germantown Valley View (3) 10-0 180
 3 Perry (2) 10-0 153
 4 Bellville Clear Fork (1) 10-0 136
 5 Shelby 10-0 133
 6 Cincinnati Wyoming 10-0 123
 7 Clarksville Clinton-Massie 9-1 80
 8 St. Marys Memorial 9-1 47
 9 Girard 9-1 45
 10 Newark Licking Valley 10-0 42
 Others receiving 12 or more points: 11, Gnadendhutzen Indian Valley 21. 12, Youngstown Cardinal Mooney 20. 13, Cortland Lakeview 15. 14, Poland Seminary 14.

Division V

Rank School (1st place votes) Record, Tot.Pts.
 1 Pemberville Eastwood (14) 10-0 208
 2 North Lima South Range (5) 10-0 200
 3 Wheelersburg (4) 10-0 172
 4 Orwell Grand Valley 10-0 126
 5 Jamestown Greeneview 10-0 102
 6 Marion Pleasant 8-1 93
 7 Bethel-Tate 10-0 72
 8 Portsmouth West 9-1 66
 9 Archbold 8-2 33
 10 West Jefferson 9-0 31
 Others receiving 12 or more points: 11, Sullivan Black River 30. 12, Anna 28. 13, Johnstown-Monroe 25. 14, Casstown Miami East 21.

Division VI

Rank School (1st place votes) Record, Tot.Pts.
 1 Maria Stein Marion Local (18) 10-0 203
 2 Kirtland (1) 10-0 182
 3 Nelsonville-York (3) 10-0 155
 4 Rootstown (1) 10-0 151
 5 Findlay Liberty-Benton 9-1 107
 6 Creston Norwayne 9-1 89
 7 Lima Central Catholic 9-1 83
 8 Mogadore 8-1 74
 t-9 Coldwater 7-3 44
 t-9 Chillicothe Southeastern 9-1 44
 Others receiving 12 or more points: t-11, St. Henry 16. t-11, Coal Grove Dawson-Bryant 16. 13, Fort Recovery 13. 14, Mechanicsburg 12.

Division VII

Rank School (1st place votes) Record, Tot.Pts.
 1 Norwalk St. Paul (16) 10-0 219
 2 Dalton (6) 10-0 191
 3 Danville (1) 9-1 161
 4 Convoy Crestview 9-1 139
 5 Cuyahoga Heights 8-1 125
 6 Sidney Lehman Catholic 9-1 114
 7 Canal Winchester Harvest Prep 9-1 75
 8 Waterford 9-1 70
 9 Lucas 8-2 37
 10 McComb 8-2 28
 Others receiving 12 or more points: 11, Minster 20. 12, Delphos St. John's 16. 13, East Canton 14. 14, Fort Loramie 12.

Playoff Qualifiers By Record Since 2013

Record	2017 Teams	2016 Teams	2015 Teams	2014 Teams	2013 Teams
10-0	31	29	21	37	35
9-0	2	1	1	2	1
9-0-1	0	1	0	0	0
9-1	45	50	66	43	57
8-1-1	0	0	0	0	0
8-1	6	2	6	0	1
8-2	76	53	54	55	63
7-2	2	4	5	3	4
7-3	36	63	36	49	34
6-2	0	0	1	0	0
6-3	0	2	3	1	1
6-3-1	0	0	0	0	0
6-4	23	17	22	28	22
5-5	1	2	5	4	4
5-4	0	0	1	1	0
4-6	2	0	2	1	1
4-5	0	0	1	0	1
3-6	0	0	0	0	0
Total	224	224	224	224	224

Playoff Qualifiers By Won-Loss Record, 2000-2012

Record	2012 Teams	2011 Teams	2010 Teams	2009 Teams	2008 Teams	2007 Teams	2006 Teams	2005 Teams	2004 Teams	2003 Teams	2002 Teams	2001 Teams	2000 Teams
10-0	34	32	37	30	34	29	25	28	21	26	29	26	28
9-0	0	4	2	0	1	0	2	1	4	1	2	2	1
9-0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9-1	47	45	45	49	49	52	58	55	54	56	53	48	52
8-1-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8-1	1	3	1	2	1	3	4	0	4	3	0	3	2
8-2	58	54	59	59	54	58	48	51	60	51	53	57	51
7-2	6	1	1	2	1	1	2	0	3	5	1	3	4
7-3	28	40	35	40	36	35	32	36	28	39	41	40	34
6-2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
6-3	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	3	2
6-3-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
6-4	11	8	4	7	11	12	14	18	12	9	8	6	13
5-5	1	2	4	2	2	1	4	0	4	1	4	3	5
5-4	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
4-6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
4-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
3-6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Total	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192

OHSAA Playoff Leaders

OHSAA PLAYOFF APPEARANCES (including 2017 playoffs)

1. Newark Catholic, 35
2. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, 34
3. Ironton, 33
4. Mogadore, 31
5. Steubenville, 30
- T-6. Youngstown Cardinal Mooney, 29
- T-6. Wheelersburg, 29
8. Cleveland St. Ignatius, 28
9. Columbus St. Francis DeSales, 25
10. Canton McKinley, 25
- tie-11. Cincinnati St. Xavier, 24
- tie-11. Massillon Washington, 24
- tie-13. Coldwater, 23
- tie-13. Columbus Bishop Watterson, 23
- tie-13. Kettering Archbishop Alter, 23
- tie-13. Lakewood St. Edward, 23
- tie-17. Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary, 22
- tie-17. Hamilton Badin, 22
- tie-17. Marion Pleasant, 22
- tie-17. Orrville, 22
- tie-17. Warren John F. Kennedy, 22

OHSAA PLAYOFF WINS (updated Nov. 27, 2017)

- tie-1. Newark Catholic, 72
- tie-1. Cleveland St. Ignatius, 72
3. Coldwater, 71
4. Maria Stein Marion Local, 71
5. Steubenville, 65
6. Youngstown Cardinal Mooney, 63
7. Mogadore, 58
- tie-8. Delphos St. John's, 54
- tie-8. Columbus St. Francis DeSales, 54
10. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, 49
- tie-11. Versailles, 45
- tie-11. Ironton, 45
13. St. Henry, 44
14. Cleveland Benedictine, 43

OHSAA PLAYOFF WINNING PERCENTAGE (updated Nov. 27, 2017)

(minimum 50 playoff games)

1. Maria Stein Marion Local, 71-10, .877
2. Delphos St. John's, 54-12, .818
3. Cleveland St. Ignatius, 72-17, .809
4. Coldwater, 71-17, .807
5. St. Henry, 44-10, .815
6. Versailles, 45-12, .790
7. Columbus Bishop Hartley, 40-12, .769
8. Cleveland Benedictine, 43-14, .754
9. Youngstown Cardinal Mooney, 63-21, .750
10. Newark Catholic, 72-26, .735
11. Steubenville, 65-24, .730
12. Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary, 43-16, .729

OHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Cleveland St. Ignatius, 11
- T-2. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, 9
- T-2. Maria Stein Marion Local, 9
- T-4. Newark Catholic, 8
- T-4. Youngstown Cardinal Mooney, 8
6. Cleveland Benedictine, 7
- T-7. Coldwater, 6
- T-7. Delphos St. John's, 6
- T-7. St. Henry, 6
- T-7. Versailles, 6
- T-7. Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary, 6

OHSAA STATE RUNNERS-UP

- T-1. Ironton, 6
- T-1. Newark Catholic, 6
- T-1. Coldwater, 6
- T-3. Mogadore, 5
- T-3. Columbus St. Francis DeSales, 5
- T-6. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, 4

OHSAA Playoff Notes

Most OHSAA State Semifinal Appearances (including 2017 semifinals)

1. Newark Catholic, 25
- 2.. Steubenville, 18
- T-3. Mogadore, 17
- T-3. Youngstown Cardinal Mooney, 17
- T-5. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, 16
- T-5. Maria Stein Marion Local, 16
7. Cleveland St. Ignatius, 15
8. Coldwater, 14
9. Delphos St. John's, 13
- T-10. Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary, 12
- T-10. Versailles, 12
- T-11. Cleveland Benedictine, 11
- T-11. Ironton, 11

Fewest OHSAA Playoff Wins With a State Title

(Entering 2017 playoffs)

- 3 – Parma Heights Holy Name (3-2 all-time, won 1975 title)
- 3 – Garfield Heights Trinity (3-5 all-time won 1980 title)
- 3 – Norwalk (3-2 all-time, won 1974 title)
- 4 – Galion (4-6 all-time, won 1985 title)
- 4 – Warren Western Reserve (4-3 all-time, won 1972 title)
- 5 – Fairfield (5-5 all-time, won 1986 title)
- 6 – Fort Recovery (6-1 all-time, won 2015 state title)
- 6 – Brecksville-Broadview Heights (6-8 all-time, won 1983 title)
- 6 – Brookfield (6-4 all-time, won 1978 title)
- 6 – Lima Senior (6-6 all-time, won 1996 title)
- 6 – Lisbon David Anderson (6-4 all-time, won 1995 title)
- 6 – Loveland (6-3 all-time, won 2013 title)
- 7 – six schools (Beloit West Branch, Carey, Cincinnati Purcell Marian, Crooksville, Nelsonville-York and Wauseon)

Most OHSAA Playoff Wins Without a State Title

(Entering the 2017 playoffs)

- 29 – Shadyside
- 28 – Massillon Washington
- 28 – Pickerington Central
- 26 – Mentor
- 26 – Newark Licking Valley
- 23 – Solon
- 24 – Huber Heights Wayne
- 21 – Cleveland Glenville
- 20 – Uniontown Lake
- 20 – Danville
- 18 – Bellaire
- 18 – Chagrin Falls
- 18 – Sidney Lehman Catholic
- 17 – Dublin Coffman
- 17 – Findlay Liberty-Benton
- 17 – Huron
- 17 – Toledo Whitmer

Most Recent Schools to Win State Title in First Year in Playoffs

- Dublin Scioto - 1995
- Wauseon - 1993
- Cleveland St. Ignatius - 1988
- Akron Buchtel - 1987
- Cincinnati Purcell Marian - 1986
- Galion - 1985

Most OHSAA State Championship Game Appearances

(Entering 2017 playoffs)

1. Newark Catholic, 14
- T-2. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller, 13
- T-2. Cleveland St. Ignatius, 13
- T-4. Coldwater, 12
- T-4. Youngstown Cardinal Mooney, 12
6. Maria Stein Marion Local, 11
7. Versailles, 9
- T-8. Cleveland Benedictine, 8
- T-8. Columbus St. Francis DeSales, 8
- T-8. Ironton, 8
- T-8. St. Henry, 8

Most-Used Playoff Host Sites in Ohio

Entering the 2017 playoffs

Dayton Welcome Stadium	163
Massillon Paul Brown Tiger Stadium	145
Canton Fawcett Stadium	134
Lima Stadium	91
Akron Rubber Bowl	86
Baldwin Wallace George Finnie Stadium	80
Parma Byers Field	79
Findlay Donnell Stadium	76
Ohio Stadium	68
Mansfield Senior Arlin Field	66
Zanesville Sulsberger Memorial Stadium	65
Troy Memorial Stadium	58

Largest High School Stadiums in Ohio

Based on site information provided by each school

Massillon Paul Brown Tiger Stadium	13,000
Dayton Welcome Stadium	12,000
Mansfield Arlin Field	12,000
Parma Byers Field	11,200
Troy Memorial Stadium	10,500
The Pit - Cincinnati Elder	10,000
Hilliard Darby Stadium	10,000
Austintown Fitch Greenwood Chevrolet Falcon Stadium	9,209
Steubenville Harding Stadium	9,106
Brunswick AutoMart Stadium	9,000
Middletown Cris Carter Field at Barnitz Stadium	9,000
Piqua Alexander Stadium, Purk Field	9,000
Warren Mollenkopf Stadium	9,000
Euclid Sparky DiBiasi Stadium	8,500
Upper Arlington Marv Moorhead Stadium	8,500
Ashtabula Lakeside Field	8,000
Centerville Stadium	8,000
Cincinnati Lockland Stadium	8,000
Grove City Tom Rutan Stadium	8,000
Linden McKinley Memorial Stadium	8,000
Niles McKinley Bo Rein Stadium	8,000
Lakewood First Federal Lakewood Stadium	7,500
Sidney Memorial Stadium	7,500
Portsmouth Clark Athletic Complex	7,300

Coaches to Lead Multiple Teams to Football State Championship Games

Tom Lombardo - Mentor Lake Catholic (won 2001 D3) and Lakewood St. Edward (won 2015 D1)

John Gibbons - Mentor Lake Catholic (won 1991 and 1992 D3) and Lakewood St. Edward (runner-up 2003 D1)

Thom McDaniels - Canton McKinley (runner-up 1985 D1, won 1997 D1) and Warren G. Harding (runner-up 2002)

Ed Glass - Warren G. Harding (won 1974 Class AAA) and North Canton Hoover (runner-up 1984 D1)

Schools to Play in Consecutive Football State Championship Games in Different Divisions

Cleveland Benedictine: 1980 (Div. III, W) and 1981 (Div. II, W)

Cincinnati Academy of Physical Education: 1985 (Div. IV, W) and 1986 (Div. III, W)

Cincinnati Academy of Physical Education: 1991 (Div. III, L) and 1992 (Div. IV, W)

Versailles: 1993 (Div. IV, W), 1994 (Div. V, W), 1995 (Div. IV, W) and 1996 (Div. V, L)

Columbus Bishop Watterson: 2001 (Div. II, L) and 2002 (Div. III, W)

Kenton: 2002 (Div. IV, W) and 2003 (Div. III, L)

Maria Stein Marion Local: 2006 (Div. VI, W) and 2007 (Div. V, W)

Maria Stein Marion Local: 2012 (Div. VI, W) and 2013 (Div. VII, W)

Maria Stein Marion Local: 2014 (Div. VII, W) and 2015 (Div. VI, L)

Schools to Win Football and Boys Basketball State Championships in the Same School Year

1972-73 Marion Pleasant

1990-91 St. Henry

1996-97 Cleveland Benedictine

Schools to Win Football and Boys Basketball State Championships in the same Calendar Year

St. Henry in 1990, Football (14-0) and Basketball (25-1)

Cleveland St. Ignatius in 2001, Football (11-4) and Basketball (25-2)

St. Henry in 2004, Football (14-1) and Basketball (22-5)

Lakewood St. Edward in 2014, Boys Basketball (26-2) and Football (13-2)

Schools That Have Won Football and Baseball State Championships in the Same School Year

1973-74 Middletown Bishop Fenwick

1987-88 Newark Catholic

1988-89 Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary

1990-91 Hamilton Badin

1993-94 Steubenville Catholic Central

2001-02 Cleveland St. Ignatius

2012-13 Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller

2013-14 Coldwater

Schools That Have Won Football and Boys Soccer State Championships in the Same School Year

1997 Columbus St. Francis DeSales

2008 Cleveland St. Ignatius

2011 Cleveland St. Ignatius

State Champions by Regional Seed Since the OHSAA Expansion to Eight Qualifiers Per Region in 1999

Entering 2017 Playoffs

- No. 1 Seeds: 47
- No. 2 Seeds: 25
- No. 3 Seeds: 17
- No. 4 Seeds: 5
- No. 5 Seeds: 7
- No. 6 Seeds: 2
- No. 7 Seeds: 2 (Cle. St. Ignatius in 2001 & Piqua in 2006)
- No. 8 Seeds: 1 (St. Henry in 2004)

Best Records that Didn't Qualify for the Playoffs

Shown with division, region, record and regional computer rating finish

2017

Trenton Edgewood 8-2 (Div. II, Region 8, finished 9th)
Ashville Teays Valley 8-2 (Div. II, Region 8, finished 10th)
Chagrin Falls Kenston 8-2 (Div. III, Region 9, finished 9th)
Akron Coventry 8-2 (Div. III, Region 9, finished 12th)
The Plains Athens 8-2 (Div. III, Region 11, 12th)
Oberlin Firelands 8-2 (Div. IV, Region 14, 9th)
Urichsville Claymont 8-2 (Div. IV, Region 15, 9th)
Cincinnati Aiken 8-2 (Div. IV, Region 16, 11th)
Cincinnati Summit Country Day 8-2 (Div. V, Region 20, 10th)
McDonald 8-2 (Div. VI, Region 21, 10th)
West Liberty-Salem 8-2 (Div. VI, Region 24, 10th)
West Unity Hilltop 8-2 (Div. VII, Region 26, 9th)

2016

Dresden Tri-Valley 9-1 (Div. II, Region 7, finished 9th)
Upper Arlington 8-2 (Div. I, Region 3, finished 9th)
Akron Ellet 8-2 (Div. II, Region 5, finished 10th)
Wooster 8-2 (Div. II, Region 7, finished 10th)
Toledo Woodward 8-2 (Div. III, Region 10, finished 9th)
Norwood 8-2 (Div. III, Region 12, finished 10th)
Cincinnati Mariemont 8-2 (Div. IV, Region 16, finished 10th)

2015

Logan 8-2 (Div. II, Region 5, finished 10th)
Akron Buchtel 8-2 (Div. III, Region 7, finished 9th)
Cleveland John Hay (Div. III, Region 8, finished 9th)
Zanesville Maysville (Div. IV, Region 13, finished 10th)
Total number of teams to win 7 or more games and miss the playoffs: 39

2014

Shown with division, region, record and regional computer rating finish
Div. VI Region 20 Gibsonburg 9-1 (10th)
Number of 8-2 teams to miss the playoffs: 14
Number of 7-3 teams to miss the playoffs: 23
Number of 7-2 teams to miss the playoffs: 1

2013

Shown with division, region, record and regional computer rating finish
Div. II Region 4 Toledo Bowsher 8-2 (11th)
Div. II Region 5 Lewis Center Olentangy 8-2 (11th)
Div. III Region 7 Norton 8-2 (12th)
Div. III Region 10 New Richmond 9-1 (9th)
Div. IV Region 11 Fairview Park Fairview 8-2 (10th)

Last undefeated team to miss the playoffs: Newcomerstown in 2001

OHSAA STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS BY CONFERENCE

Note: Schools are listed by current conference, in alphabetical order.

Akron City Series: Akron Buchtel (2) TOTAL: 2
All-American Conference: Poland Seminary (1) TOTAL: 1
Blanchard Valley Conference: Dola Hardin Northern (1), McComb (1) TOTAL: 2
Central Catholic League: Columbus Bishop Hartley (4), Columbus Bishop Ready (1), Columbus Bishop Watterson (2), Columbus St. Francis DeSales (3) TOTAL: 10
Chagrin Valley Conference: Aurora (1), Kirtland (3) TOTAL: 4
Cincinnati Hills League: Cincinnati Wyoming (1) TOTAL: 1
Columbus City League: Columbus Brookhaven (1) TOTAL: 1
Eastern Cincinnati Conference: Loveland (1) TOTAL: 1
Federal League: Canton McKinley (3) TOTAL: 3
Firelands Conference: Norwalk St. Paul (1) TOTAL: 1
Fort Ancient Valley Conference: Cincinnati Anderson (1), Cincinnati Winton Woods (1) TOTAL: 2
Greater Catholic League: Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller (9), Cincinnati Elder (2), Cincinnati Purcell Marian (1), Cincinnati St. Xavier (3), Dayton Chaminade Julianne (1), Hamilton Badin (1), Kettering Archbishop Alter (2), Middletown Bishop Fenwick (2), Cincinnati La Salle (3) TOTAL: 24
Greater Miami Conference: Cincinnati Colerain (1), Cincinnati Princeton (3), Fairfield (1) TOTAL: 5
Greater Western Ohio Conference: Lebanon (1), Piqua (1), Trotwood-Madison (1) TOTAL: 3
Inter Tri-County League: Lisbon David Anderson (1) TOTAL: 1
Lake Erie League: Maple Heights (1), Warren G. Harding (2) TOTAL: 3
Licking County League: Newark Catholic (8) TOTAL: 8
Mid-Ohio Athletic Conference: Marion Pleasant (3) TOTAL: 3
Mid-State League: Amanda-Clearcreek (2), Gahanna Columbus Academy (2), West Jefferson (2) TOTAL: 6
Midland Athletic League: Carey (1), Tiffin Calvert (2) TOTAL: 3
Midwest Athletic Conference: Coldwater (6), Delphos St. John's (6), Fort Recovery (1), Maria Stein Marion Local (9), Minster (2), St. Henry (6), Versailles (6*) TOTAL: 36*
* Only one of Versailles' state championships came while in the MAC
Muskingum Valley League: Crooksville (1) TOTAL: 1
North Coast League: Akron Archbishop Hoban (2), Bedford St. Peter Chanel (1), Cleveland Benedictine (7), Cuyahoga Falls Walsh Jesuit (1), Garfield Heights Trinity (1), Mentor Lake Catholic (3), Parma Heights Holy Name (1), Warren John F. Kennedy (1) TOTAL: 17
North Central Conference: Galion (1) TOTAL: 1
Northeastern Buckeye Conference: Beloit West Branch (1) TOTAL: 1
Northern Buckeye Conference: Fostoria (2) TOTAL: 2
Northern Lakes League: Sylvania Southview (1) TOTAL: 1
Northern Ohio League: Norwalk (1) TOTAL: 1
Northwest Conference: Columbus Grove (1) TOTAL: 1
Northwest Ohio Athletic League: Archbold (1), Hamler Patrick Henry (1), Liberty Center (1), Wauseon (1) TOTAL: 4
Ohio Capital Conference: Dublin Scioto (1), Hilliard Davidson (2), Sunbury Big Walnut (1), Upper Arlington (1) TOTAL: 5
Ohio Cardinal Conference: Orrville (1) TOTAL: 1
Ohio Valley Athletic Conference: Steubenville (3), Steubenville Catholic Central (1) TOTAL: 4
Portage Trail Conference: Mogadore (3) TOTAL: 3
Premier Athletic Conference: Chardon (1) TOTAL: 1
Sandusky Bay Conference: Clyde (1), Sandusky Perkins (1) TOTAL: 2
SOUTH CENTRAL OHIO LEAGUE: Clarksville Clinton-Massie (2) TOTAL: 2
Southern Ohio Conference: Wheelersburg (1) TOTAL: 1
Southwestern Buckeye League: Germantown Valley View (3) TOTAL: 3
Southwestern Conference: Avon Lake (1), Brecksville-Broadview Heights (1), Olmsted Falls (1) TOTAL: 3
Steel Valley Conference: Youngstown Ursuline (4) TOTAL: 4
Three Rivers Athletic Conference: Lima Senior (1), Toledo Central Catholic (3), Toledo St. Francis deSales (2) TOTAL: 6
Tri-Valley Conference: Nelsonville-York (1) TOTAL: 1
Wayne county athletic league: Creston Norwayne (1) Total: 1
Western Buckeye League: Defiance (1), Kenton (2), St. Marys Memorial (3) TOTAL: 6
West Shore Conference: Elyria Catholic (3) TOTAL: 3

INDEPENDENTS:

Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary (6), Brookfield (1), Canton Central Catholic (3), Cleveland St. Ignatius (11), Cleveland St. Joseph (1), Ironton (2), Lakewood St. Edward (3), Louisville St. Thomas Aquinas (1), Youngstown Cardinal Mooney (8) TOTAL: 35

Cincinnati Academy of Physical Education (3, defunct)
Warren Western Reserve (1, no longer an OHSAA member school)

TOTAL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS: 236

Skyview Networks to Provide Satellite Distribution of OHSAA Radio Network Football Championship Broadcasts

Satellite provider for Ohio's pro teams to distribute OHSAA football finals from Canton Nov. 30, Dec. 1-2

COLUMBUS, Ohio – Skyview Networks, the radio broadcast satellite provider for Ohio's professional sports teams including the Cavs, Blue Jackets, Reds, Indians, Bengals and Browns, will once again distribute the OHSAA Radio Network broad-casts of the 2017 football state championship games. The football championship broadcasts, which had 46 affiliates last year, return to Canton Nov. 30, Dec. 1 & 2.

"Skyview Networks is pleased to partner with the OHSAA Radio Network to deliver state championship broadcasts to its affiliates," said Matt Stys, Vice President of Business Development for Skyview Networks. "The football state championships in Ohio are a prestigious event and we are proud to add that to our client base, which includes hundreds of college and professional teams, many of which are in Ohio. The OHSAA Radio Network continues to grow every year and we look forward to being a part of that growth and service."

Specializing in news and sports programming, Skyview Networks was formed in 1995 to provide broadcast services in the form of distribution, automation, and inventory management, as well as content for the radio industry. Combining cutting-edge technology, extensive resources and unmatched industry expertise, Skyview Networks is the partner of choice for advertisers, radio stations and sports organizations throughout North America.

Skyview Networks is already the satellite provider of the aforementioned professional teams in Ohio along with ABC News Radio and ABC Sports Radio, meaning that most stations in Ohio already have Skyview Networks receivers and can automate the broadcasts.

The OHSAA Radio Network, which has been carried by 76 stations across Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky, was created in 2010 to provide exceptional radio broadcasts of selected OHSAA state tournaments and partner with local affiliates to carry those broadcasts, along with public service announcements and promotional messages. Stations that carry broadcasts receive discounts or waivers for the rights fees they would normally pay to broadcast OHSAA regional and state tournaments.

Playoff Preview Show

The OHSAA Radio Network will produce and distribute a football playoff preview show on Wednesday, Nov. 1. The 55 minute show will include two local breaks and will go around the state to preview each division. A link to the show will be emailed to stations for download.

Playoff Games on TV

Spectrum is the official television partner of the OHSAA and will televise several playoff games every weekend. Spectrum will announce its playoff selections by noon on Mondays. Spectrum's coverage of those games is exclusive and some games will be shown live. Spectrum will televise the state championship games live Nov. 30, Dec. 1 and 2. During the playoffs, other telecasts can begin at 11:30 p.m. Friday night.

Championships on the OHSAA Radio Network

Now in its eighth year, the OHSAA Radio Network will broadcast the football state championship games. Stations that commit to carry at least two state championship game broadcasts from the network will have their rights fees waived throughout the playoffs. The championship games will be available from Skyview Satellite and online. Please contact Tim Stried for details.

Playoff Preview Show November 1

The OHSAA Radio Network distributed a 55-minute playoff preview show on Wednesday, Nov. 1. The show includes two local breaks and will break down each division, with pairings and analysis.

OHSAA Football Postseason History

Years	Divisions	Regions/ Division	Qualifiers/ Region	Qualifiers/ Division	Total Qualifiers	Playing Schools*
1972-79	3	4	1	4	12	715
1980-84	5	4	2	8	40	720
1985-93	5	4	4	16	80	719
1994-98	6	4	4	16	96	703
1999-2012	6	4	8	32	192	709
2013-	7	2 Div. I 4 Div. II-VII	16 Div. I 8 Div. II-VII	32	224	714

* Number at beginning of expansion

Other Historical Resources Available on the Football Page at OHSAA.org

Past Tournament Results

All-Time State Championship Results

All-Time State Football Tournament Database

All-Time AP Poll Champions & All-Ohio Teams

OHSAA Football State Record Book

Looking Back at the OHSAA Football Championships

Early Ohio High School State Football Champions Compiled

General Media Notes for Fall 2017

For Immediate Release – October 2, 2017

Contact – Tim Stried, Director of Communications, tstried@ohsaa.org

MEDIA ADVISORY: OHSAA Fall Tournaments Information

OHSAA News and Media Center: <http://ohsaa.org/news-media>

Your source for state tournament media credentials, press releases, feature story links, photography regulations, OHSAA Radio Network information, media regulations, tournament broadcast rates, record books, historical information and much more.

Credentials for Sectional, District and Regional Tournament Contests

Please contact the site manager regarding credential requests for OHSAA sectional, district and regional tournament contests. Contact information can be found on the respective sport page at [OHSAA.org](http://ohsaa.org) and on the brackets for team sports.

OHSAA Fall Sports State Tournaments

Media Information and Credentials: <http://ohsaa.org/news/credentials>
No Registration Application Required For:

- Division II & III Golf – Oct. 13 & 14 at OSU Scarlet (BD3) and Gray (GD2) Golf Courses and NorthStar Golf Club (BD2), Sunbury
- Division I Golf – Oct. 20 & 21 at OSU Scarlet (BD1) and Gray (GD1) Golf Courses
- Girls Tennis – Oct. 20 & 21 at Lindner Family Tennis Center in Mason (indoor facilities TBA if raining)
- Field Hockey – Nov. 3 & 4 at Upper Arlington High School

Registration Application (see credentials link above) Required For:

- Cross Country – Nov. 4 at National Trail Raceway in Hebron (application deadline is Tues., Oct. 31 at 6 p.m.)
- Volleyball – Nov. 9-11 at Wright State University's Nutter Center (application deadline is Tues., Nov. 7 at noon)
- Soccer Finals – Nov. 10 (girls) & 11 (boys) at MAPFRE Stadium, Columbus (application deadline is Thurs., Nov. 9 at noon)

Football – Nov. 30, Dec. 1-2 at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium, Canton

- Application deadline: Tues., Nov. 28 at noon
- Radio stations: Learn more about the OHSAA Radio Network's coverage of the football state championships (see additional note below). Affiliates can have waived broadcast fees throughout the playoffs by carrying two or more state championship broadcasts.

Regional and State Tournament Pairings

The OHSAA will post golf state tournament qualifiers as soon as district tournaments are complete and state qualifiers have been determined. Please see the golf page at [OHSAA.org](http://ohsaa.org). The OHSAA will post girls tennis state tournament brackets on Monday, Oct. 16, on the tennis page at [OHSAA.org](http://ohsaa.org). Regional tournament pairings in soccer and volleyball will be announced on Sunday, Oct. 29. The football playoff qualifiers will also be announced on Sunday, Oct. 29.

Spectrum Sports is the Official Television Partner of the OHSAA

Spectrum Sports will provide exclusive television and/or online streaming play-by-play coverage of the OHSAA fall sports state championships in field hockey, soccer, volleyball and football on channel 1311HD/311 across Ohio as well as on channel 510 in the formerly Insight portions of the Columbus area. Contests not televised by Spectrum are available for other stations to provide tape-delay telecasts/webcasts. Rights fees apply. Contact Tim Stried for details.

OHSAA Radio Network Set for Football State Championships

The OHSAA Radio Network will broadcast all seven football state championship games. There is no charge for stations to carry network broadcasts and affiliates can have waived broadcast fees throughout the football playoffs by carrying two or more state championship games from the network. Program logs are created for each game so local stations can insert their own inventory if they desire (24 local avails per game). The network broadcasts are available through Skyview Satellite and an online stream. Contact Tim Stried or visit <http://www.ohsaa.org/news/radio>

Updated Information Posted Weekly on Sport Pages at www.OHSAA.org

Each sport page at www.OHSAA.org contains information such as state polls, tournament information, brackets (for team sports), state tournament coverage, sport-specific releases, regulations, state tournament histories and state record books.

Feature Stories Request

Media are asked to email Tim Stried links to their feature stories about sportsmanship or overcoming adversity for posting on the OHSAA's website and social media platforms and elsewhere.

Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association

- Click here for more information: <http://www.ohsaa.org/news/OPSWA>
- January 2017 Memo: <http://bit.ly/2k0eZiY>
- April 19 Awards Release: <http://bit.ly/2pnkenS>

Other Links:

- OHSAA Radio Network: <http://www.ohsaa.org/news/radio>
- Ohio Broadcasters Hold Meeting at OHSAA: <http://bit.ly/2kX4MRW>
- Working with the Media Brochure: <http://www.ohsaa.org/Portals/0/News/Media/WorkingwithMedia.pdf>
- OHSAA Magazine: <http://ohsaa.org/magazine>
- OHSAA Monday Minute: <http://www.ohsaa.org/School-Resources/MondayMinute>

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Division I State Championship Game

School	Record	Region	Region Rank	Years In Tournament	Last Appearance	Playoff Record	State Semifinal Appearances	State Champs (Last)
Mentor (AP #6)	13-1	1	3	17th	2015	30-16	5	0
Pickerington Central (AP #8)	13-1	3	3	18th	2016	32-17	6	0

Division I Regional Quarterfinal Results

Centerville 35, Hilliard Darby 0
 Cin. Colerain 45, Cin. Moeller 0
 Cin. St. Xavier 40, Fairfield 12
 Cin. Sycamore 41, Milford 35, OT
 Cle. St. Ignatius 24, Massillon Perry 7
 Euclid 49, Massillon Jackson 29
 Gahanna Lincoln 38, Lewis Center Olentangy Orange 37, OT
 Hilliard Bradley 49, Kettering Fairmont 14
 Lakewood St. Edward 37, Can. McKinley 21
 Lewis Center Olentangy 28, Dublin Coffman 24
 Mason 26, Cin. West Clermont 0
 Mentor 49, Stow-Munroe Falls 17
 Pickerington Cent. 41, Clayton Northmont 21
 Pickerington N. 41, Huber Hts. Wayne 20
 Powell Olentangy Liberty 35, Dublin Jerome 0
 Tol. Whitmer 31, Lorain 28

Division I Regional Semifinal Results

Cin. Colerain 49, Mason 21
 Cin. St. Xavier 37, Cin. Sycamore 7
 Cle. St. Ignatius 45, Euclid 22
 Mentor 21, Lakewood St. Edward 13
 Pickerington Cent. 42, Hilliard Bradley 31
 Pickerington N. 42, Centerville 12
 Powell Olentangy Liberty 17, Gahanna Lincoln 14
 Tol. Whitmer 32, Lewis Center Olentangy 29

Division I Regional Final Results

Cin. Colerain 21, Cin. St. Xavier 14
 Mentor 23, Cle. St. Ignatius 21
 Pickerington Cent. 31, Pickerington N. 14
 Powell Olentangy Liberty 34, Tol. Whitmer 7

Division I State Semifinal Results

Mentor 27, Powell Olentangy Liberty 21
 Pickerington Cent. 41, Cin. Colerain 28

Noting Mentor

Noting Mentor (by John Kampf, Willoughby News-Herald)

- Coach Steve Trivisonno is in his 21st year at Mentor and has a 186-65 record (.744).
- This year's 13 wins ties the school record for most wins in a season.
- Quarterback Tadas Tatarunas has thrown for 8,484 yards and 76 touchdowns in his career. The only person in program history who has had more is Mitch Trubisky (9,126 yards passing, 92 touchdowns). Tatarunas has only one scholarship offer - Robert Morris - and has been offered a preferred walk-on opportunity at Ohio State.
- The only two players on the team with big-time Division I scholarship offers are offensive tackle Ryan Jacoby and defensive tackle Noah Potter. Both are juniors.
- Junior OT Ryan Jacoby (6-5, 260) has offers from Oregon, West Virginia, Virginia, Cincinnati, Bowling Green, Toledo, Iowa State and Akron. He did not start playing football until seventh grade. Until then, he was a hockey player.
- Junior DT Noah Potter (6-5, 250) has offers from Ohio State, Penn State, Michigan State, Minnesota, North Carolina, North Carolina State, Oregon, Iowa State, Duke, Cincinnati, Bowling Green, Boston College and Kent State. Potter's brother, Micah, is a 6-foot-10 forward for the Ohio State basketball team.
- Senior running back Eli McDougal did not play football his sophomore and junior seasons because of concussion issues, but this year as a senior he has run 109 times for 1,062 yards (9.7 average) and 11 touchdowns.

Additional Notes on Mentor (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Mentor is looking for its first football state title in school history after three runner-up finishes to Hilliard Davidson in 2006, Cin. St. Xavier in 2007 and Cin. Archbishop Moeller in 2013.
- The Cardinals avenged their only loss of the regular season with a 23-21 win over AP #1 Cle. St. Ignatius in the regional final. St. Ignatius defeated Mentor 41-31 in Week 2.

Noting Pickerington Central

Noting Pickerington Central (by Steve Blackledge, Columbus Dispatch)

- Pickerington Central has a pair of Michigan State commits with DB Xavier Henderson and TE/OLB Trenton Gillison. Tigers coach Jay Sharrett referred to Henderson as "possibly the best high school player I have coached in 30 years."
- Central senior linebacker Grey Brancifort is the program's all-time leader in tackles, having led the team each of the last three years. ... I can give you updated stats on Monday, but
- Sophomore quarterback Demeatric Crenshaw rushed for three touchdowns in a regional final win over Pickerington North and four touchdowns in the state semifinal win over Cincinnati Colerain.

Additional Notes on Pickerington Central (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Pickerington Central is looking to win its first football state title in school history after two run-ner-up finishes to Piqua in 2006 (Div. II) and Cle. St. Ignatius in 2011 (Div. I).
- Pickerington Central's only loss of the regular season came at home in Week 3 to Div. III state finalist and AP #1 Trotwood-Madison by a score of 28-19.

Division II State Championship Game

School	Record	Region	Region Rank	Years In Tournament	Last Appearance	Playoff Record	State Semifinal Appearances	State Champs (Last)
Akron Archbishop Hoban (AP #5)	13-1	5	1	13th	2016	28-10	5	2 (2016)
Cincinnati Winton Woods (AP #2)	13-1	8	2	10th	2013	14-8	2	1 (2009)

Division II Regional Quarterfinal Results

Akr. Hoban 56, Mayfield 27
 Ashland 48, Cols. Mifflin 47, OT
 Avon 28, Tol. St. John's 12
 Barberton 36, Cle. Benedictine 6
 Bedford 30, Eastlake N. 22
 Cin. Anderson 33, Troy 0
 Cin. La Salle 47, Harrison 10
 Cin. Winton Woods 61, Chillicothe 27
 Cols. Walnut Ridge 27, Canal Winchester 14
 Hudson 24, Lyndhurst Brush 20
 Massillon Washington 28, Youngs. Boardman 23
 Medina Highland 21, Whitehouse Anthony Wayne 14
 New Albany 42, Whitehall-Yearling 35
 Olmsted Falls 26, Grafton Midview 23
 Sidney 46, Day. Belmont 33
 Wadsworth 61, Sylvania Northview 42

Division II Regional Semifinal Results

Akr. Hoban 49, Lyndhurst Brush 0
 Avon 28, Medina Highland 10
 Barberton 35, Bedford 0
 Cin. La Salle 41, Sidney 6
 Cin. Winton Woods 52, Cin. Anderson 21
 Massillon Washington 28, Ashland 7
 New Albany 30, Cols. Walnut Ridge 6
 Olmsted Falls 21, Wadsworth 20

Division II Regional Final Results

Akr. Hoban 42, Barberton 13
 Avon 55, Olmsted Falls 14
 Cin. Winton Woods 16, Cin. La Salle 14
 Massillon Washington 24, New Albany 6

Division II State Semifinal Results

Akr. Hoban 30, Avon 6
 Cin. Winton Woods 56, Massillon Washington 21

Noting Hoban

Noting Akron Archbishop Hoban (by Michael Beaven, Akron Beacon Journal)

- Akron Archbishop Hoban is in the state championship game for the third year in a row. The 2015 and 2016 teams won Division III state titles and both squads finished with a 14-1 overall record. A win in Thursday's Division II final would give the Knights three state titles in a row and another 14-1 season.

- Hoban's lone loss this season was to Cleveland St. Ignatius in Week 1. St. Ignatius was a Div. I regional finalist.
- Hoban earned regular season wins over five playoff teams – Youngstown Cardinal Mooney, Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary, Parma Padua Franciscan, Chardon Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin and Cleveland Benedictine, tied with Maria Stein Marion Local for the most of any state finalist.
- This is Hoban's seventh football season with 10 or more wins.
- Hoban has five players who have orally committed to play college football on scholarship at a Division I school: Sr. WR/DB Garrett Houser (Navy); Sr. DE Daeshon Martin (Cincinnati); Sr. DB/WR Nate Bauer (Toledo); Sr. OL R.J. Kelly (Akron); Jr. OL Nolan Rumler (Michigan)

Noting Winton Woods

Noting Cincinnati Winton Woods (by Mike Dyer, WCPO.com)

- Winton Woods head coach Andre Parker was the defensive coordinator for the Warriors when it won the Div. II state title in 2009. Parker was named the Winton Woods head coach in 2010 after former head coach Troy Everhart left to take a position at the University of Cincinnati.
- Winton Woods scored eight unanswered touchdowns in the 56-21 win over Massillon Washington in the state semifinal. Winton Woods trailed 21-0 before the rally.
- Winton Woods defeated GCL South teams three times this season including La Salle twice and Moeller. The Warriors narrowly lost to Elder 35-34 in overtime in October.
- Winton Woods is appearing in the state final for the first time since 2009 – when the Warriors won the Division II state title. This is the second state finals appearance in program history. Winton Woods defeated Maple Heights 42-12 in the 2009 Division II state final at Massillon Paul Brown Tiger Stadium.
- Senior quarterback Kenny Mayberry is a three-year starter who missed the last six games of his junior season due to an ACL tear. He has several Division II scholarship offers.
- Senior linebacker Christopher Oats (6-4, 220) is one of Ohio's top players in the 2018 class. He is a three-year starter and team captain. He has offers from Ohio State, Michigan State, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Georgia, Louisville, Miami (Fla.), Michigan, UC, West Virginia and several others.
- Junior WR/KR Rae'Quan Prince is a two-year starter and has Mid-American Conference offers and is being recruited by Univ. of Cincinnati and Kentucky.
- Senior cornerback Quinn Smith is a three-year starter and has allowed only 11 completions.
- Sophomore running back Miyan Williams is one of the state's top players in the 2020 class. He had 1,220 yards rushing and 15 touchdowns in the regular season. Through two playoff games, he had eight rushing touchdowns including five against Chillicothe in the first round. He averaged over 160 yards against three GCL South opponents (La Salle, Elder and Moeller) in the regular season. He has offers from Kentucky and Toledo and is being recruited by Univ. of Cincinnati, Ohio State and Oklahoma.
- Senior Cornell Beachem has made several big plays this postseason, including two long punt returns against Massillon Washington. He had a 42-yard punt return for a touchdown before halftime last Friday night. He later added two other touchdowns. He had a 95-yard touchdown on a punt return against Cin. Anderson in the regional semifinal.
- Junior kicker Yeri Velasquez kicked a 31-yard field goal with one second left to lift the Warriors over three-time reigning Div. II state champion La Salle 16-14 in the regional final.
- Winton Woods started the season 7-0 – the best start since the Warriors were 7-0-1 in 1992. Forest Park High School and Greenhills High School merged in 1992 to form Winton Woods.

Division III State Championship Game

School	Record	Region	Region Rank	Years In Tournament	Last Appearance	Playoff Record	State Semifinal Appearances	State Champs (Last)
Dresden Tri-Valley	12-1	11	5	10th	2015	11-9	1	0
Trotwood-Madison (AP #1)	13-0	12	1	13th	2016	35-11	9	1 (2011)

Division III Regional Quarterfinal Results

Akr. SVSM 27, Peninsula Woodridge 17
 Bay Village Bay 28, Mansfield Sr. 18
 Bellefontaine 55, Granville 28
 Canfield 23, Aurora 0
 Clyde 35, Sandusky 0
 Cols. Hartley 62, New Philadelphia 21
 Cols. Independence 32, Jackson 7
 Day. Chaminade Julienne 49, Kettering Alter 28
 Day. Dunbar 28, Goshen 27
 Dresden Tri-Valley 27, Cols. Marion-Franklin 18
 NDCL 38, Alliance 14
 New Richmond 17, Franklin 10
 Parma Padua 48, Hunting Valley University 41
 Tallmadge 27, Medina Buckeye 14
 Tol. Cent. Cath. 28, Cle. Glenville 0
 Trotwood-Madison 48, Elida 7

Division III Regional Semifinal Results

Akr. SVSM 28, Tallmadge 7
 Bay Village Bay 21, Parma Padua 7
 Canfield 22, NDCL 7
 Cols. Hartley 44, Cols. Independence 14
 Day. Chaminade Julienne 26, New Richmond 21
 Dresden Tri-Valley 36, Bellefontaine 30, OT
 Tol. Cent. Cath. 45, Clyde 27
 Trotwood-Madison 64, Day. Dunbar 26

Division III Regional Semifinal Results

Akr. SVSM 13, Canfield 10
 Dresden Tri-Valley 13, Cols. Hartley 9
 Tol. Cent. Cath. 35, Bay Village Bay 0
 Trotwood-Madison 44, Day. Chaminade Julienne 14

Division III Regional Semifinal Results

Dresden Tri-Valley 24, Akr. SVSM 6
 Trotwood-Madison 16, Tol. Cent. Cath. 7

Noting Tri-Valley

Noting Dresden Tri-Valley (by Sam Blackburn, Zanesville Times Recorder)

- Tri-Valley won its first regional title in school history in 2017 after reaching the playoffs nine previous times. All have come in the last 11 years under head coach Justin Buttermore.
- The Scotties trailed in each of their first three playoff wins (against Cols. Marion-Franklin, Bellefontaine and Cols. Bishop Hartley).
- Senior quarterback Andrew Newsom was voted AP East District Offensive Player of the Year after passing for 1,616 yards with 24 TDs and rushing for 754 yards & 15 TDs in the regular season.
- Linebacker Nathan Lawler was voted AP East District Defensive Player of the Year, despite playing the entire season with a dislocated shoulder. He had a team-high 74 tackles (7 went for losses).
- Tri-Valley is the first Muskingum Valley League team to reach the state championship game since Thornville Sheridan in 1987. Crooksville has the league's only state title (1977) in the playoff era. Three MVL teams (Tri-Valley, New Concord John Glenn and Duncan Falls Philo) reached the regional finals this season for the first time in league history.
- Tri-Valley is the first school from Muskingum County to reach the state finals. New Concord John Glenn, also an MVL member, reached its first final four since 1980 last week. The Scotties topped them, 20-13, in the regular season.
- Tri-Valley has 20 seniors who are a combined 22-2 the last two years. They missed the playoffs for the first time in eight years in 2016, despite a 9-1 record.

Additional Notes on Dresden Tri-Valley (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- The Scotties are making their first state championship game appearance in school history. For perspective, the Scotties' last two playoff wins came over opponents (Cols. Bishop Hartley & Akron SVSM) with a combined 13 state championship game appearances and 10 state titles.
- Tri-Valley is the only team remaining in any division that did not start the playoffs with a home game in Week 11 and is one of only two teams not ranked in the final AP poll to make the state finals.

Noting Trotwood-Madison

Noting Trotwood-Madison (by Marc Pendleton, Dayton Daily News)

- The Rams have played in an unprecedented eight consecutive state semifinals.
- Trotwood (14-0) is seeking to duplicate the 2011 Rams that went 15-0 and won a Div. II state championship, the program's only championship. It's the second-straight season Trotwood will play for a Div. III state title. The Rams' battle cry has been "Finish" ever since they were overwhelmed 30-0 by Akron Archbishop Hoban in last year's title game.
- The Rams dodged playoff rival Toledo Central Catholic 16-7 in a state semi at Piqua. That was the fourth-straight state semifinal between the two teams, with TCC winning in 2014 & '15 and Trotwood the last two years. Their playoff rivalry began when TCC defeated Trotwood to win the 2012 D-II state title.
- This will be Trotwood's sixth appearance in a state title game, all but one since 2002. The Rams played in four consecutive Week 15 games from 2010-13. That run came under then-head coach Maurice Douglass, a Trotwood grad and defensive back who played in the NFL for 11 seasons, mostly with the Bears.
- Jeff Graham, another longtime NFL veteran receiver who also starred at Ohio State University, inherited the Rams' head coaching job when Douglass left for Springfield three seasons ago. Trotwood has maintained that lofty state-power status under Graham, a Kettering Archbishop Alter grad.
- In the Ram's backfield is prolific senior Ra'veion Hargrove. He set a Dayton-area all-time, single-season rushing record of 3,039 yards as a sophomore in 2015. That was the state's No. 7 all-time best single-season mark. He enters the state title game against Dresden Tri-Valley with 2,127 yards rushing and 33 touchdowns this season.
- Hargrove also will rank among the state's all-time rushing and TD career leaders. He surpassed 7,000 career rushing yards last week vs. TCC and now has 7,022 career yards and 98 TDs for his stellar career. He de-committed from Bowling Green State University earlier this month and remains uncommitted.

Additional Notes on Trotwood-Madison (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- The Rams' 16-7 win over Tol. Central Catholic in the state semifinal was one of only three total games this season where Trotwood's opponent has come within 10 points of them.
- Trotwood defeated Div. I state finalist Pickerington Central 28-19 on the road in Week 3.
- The Rams have scored 692 points through 14 games this season, which puts them 11th on the all-time points scored list with the state title game still to be played.

Division IV State Championship Game

School	Record	Region	Region Rank	Years In Tournament	Last Appearance	Playoff Record	State Semifinal Appearances	State Champs (Last)
Steubenville (AP #1)	14-0	13	1	30th	2016	65-26	18	3 (2006)
Clarksville Clinton-Massie (AP #7)	13-1	16	4	17th	2016	31-14	4	2 (2013)

Division IV Regional Quarterfinal Results

Archbold 23, Lewistown Indian Lake 14
 Bellevue 34, Orange 6
 Bellville Clear Fork 44, Lorain Clearview 0
 Cin. Indian Hill 47, Cin. Taft 22
 Cin. Wyoming 10, London 7
 Clarksville Clinton-Massie 17, Plain City Jonathan Alder 7
 Germantown Valley View 42, Waverly 0
 Girard 33, Cortland Lakeview 31
 Gnadenhutten Indian Valley 50, Byesville Meadowbrook 22
 New Concord John Glenn 48, Bloom-Carroll 21
 Newark Licking Valley 42, Chillicothe Unioto 0
 Perry 38, Struthers 8
 Philo 31, St. Clairsville 13
 Shelby 50, Wauseon 13
 St. Marys Memorial 48, Sparta Highland 8
 Steubenville 49, Salem 14
 Youngs. Mooney 13, Poland Seminary 7

Division IV Regional Semifinal Results

Bellevue 21, Bellville Clear Fork 13
 Cin. Wyoming 25, Cin. Indian Hill 0
 Clarksville Clinton-Massie 28, Germantown Valley View 20
 New Concord John Glenn 33, Newark Licking Valley 27
 Perry 50, Girard 21
 Philo 34, Gnadenhutten Indian Valley 6
 Shelby 47, St. Marys Memorial 7
 Steubenville 19, Youngs. Mooney 14

Division IV Regional Final Results

Clarksville Clinton-Massie 28, Cin. Wyoming 7
 New Concord John Glenn 38, Philo 7
 Shelby 42, Bellevue 21
 Steubenville 33, Perry 21

Division IV State Semifinal Results

Clarksville Clinton-Massie 28, New Concord John Glenn 21
 Steubenville 35, Shelby 22

Noting Steubenville

Noting Steubenville (by Ed Looman, Steubenville Herald-Star)

- Steubenville defeated state title foe Clarksville Clinton-Massie 37-18 at home in Week 2 of the 2015 season, which snapped a 38-game regular season win streak for Clinton-Massie.
- In the first half of its state semifinal game, Steubenville gave up 206 yards (74 rushing & 132 passing) to Shelby, but then held the Whippets to zero points and just 92 total yards in the second half.

Additional Notes on Steubenville (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Steubenville is making its ninth state championship game appearances and has won three titles, the last coming in 2006 (Div. III).
- Steubenville is the two-time defending runner-up in Division IV, with both losses coming by a total of just six points to Cols. Bishop Hartley, who played in Div. III this year.

Noting Clinton-Massie

Noting Clarksville Clinton-Massie (by Mark Huber, Wilmington News Journal)

- Dan McSurley has been the head coach at Clinton-Massie for 22 years and has an overall record of 207-56.
- Clinton-Massie is in the playoffs for the 16th straight season. They are 168-22 during that run, including 139-16 in the last 12 seasons. Clinton-Massie won back-to-back Div. IV state titles in 2012 and 2013.
- In a day and age when football has become such a passing game, Clinton-Massie sticks with what has worked for 22 years. The Falcons have run the ball 618 times this year while attempting just 41 passes. Clinton-Massie has gained 4,279 yards on the ground, averaging 6.9 yards per carry.
- When the Falcons do throw the football, however, they have been ultra successful. Corey Stulz is the only player who has attempted a pass this season, completing 21 of 41 passes for 718 yards. Of his 21 completions, 18 have gone to Luke Richardson. Of Richardson's 18 receptions, 12 have been for touchdowns.
- Trey Uetrecht is one of the starting linebackers for Clinton-Massie this season. He watched from the stands back in 2012 as his brother Tyler quarterbacked Clinton-Massie to its first state championship.
- Clinton-Massie and Steubenville have met one time prior to Saturday's state title game. In 2015, Clinton-Massie made the trip to Steubenville to play the Big Red. The Falcons lost the game 37-18. Three players - Trey Uetrecht, Weston Trampler, Luke Richardson - played against Steubenville and are still on the team.

Additional Notes on Clarksville Clinton-Massie (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Clinton-Massie's only loss of the regular season came in a 33-31 defeat to Goshen in Week 8. Goshen made the playoffs as a No. 4 seed in Div. III, Region 12 this season.

Division V State Championship Game

School	Record	Region	Region Rank	Years In Tournament	Last Appearance	Playoff Record	State Semifinal Appearances	State Champs (Last)
Pemberville Eastwood (AP #1)	14-0	18	1	11th	2016	11-10	1	0
Wheelersburg (AP #3)	14-0	19	1	29th	2016	34-27	7	1 (1989)

Division V Regional Quarterfinal Results

Akr. Manchester 38, Navarre Fairless 12
 Canfield S. Range 28, Columbiana Crestview 14
 Cin. Hills Christian Academy 47, Jamestown Greenview 24
 Gahanna Cols. Academy 13, Belmont Union Local 6
 Johnstown-Monroe 35, Oak Hill 0
 Marion Pleasant 48, Genoa Area 21
 Middletown Madison Senior 14, Anna 10
 Pemberville Eastwood 48, Swanton 0
 Portsmouth W. 10, Martins Ferry 6
 Portsmouth W. 10, Martins Ferry 6
 Reading 27, Casstown Miami E. 25
 Sullivan Black River 44, Gates Mills Gilmour 13
 Tontogany Otsego 38, Milan Edison 14
 W. Jefferson 48, Bethel-Tate 18
 Wheelersburg 34, Cols. Ready 0
 Wickliffe 25, Orwell Grand Valley 22

Division V Regional Semifinal Results

Canfield S. Range 34, Akr. Manchester 14
 Johnstown-Monroe 35, Portsmouth W. 6
 Marion Pleasant 28, Archbold 24
 Middletown Madison Senior 35, Cin. Hills Christian Academy 27
 Pemberville Eastwood 41, Tontogany Otsego 14
 Sullivan Black River 44, Wickliffe 6
 W. Jefferson 35, Reading 28
 Wheelersburg 35, Gahanna Cols. Academy 16

Division V Regional Final Results

Canfield S. Range 40, Sullivan Black River 16
 Middletown Madison Senior 42, W. Jefferson 7
 Pemberville Eastwood 35, Marion Pleasant 0
 Wheelersburg 34, Johnstown-Monroe 7

Division V State Semifinal Results

Pemberville Eastwood 21, Canfield S. Range 7
 Wheelersburg 15, Middletown Madison Senior 10

Noting Eastwood

Noting Pemberville Eastwood (by Steve Junga, Toledo Blade)

- Craig Rutherford is in his first year as head coach, taking over for his father, Jerry Rutherford, who coached Eastwood for the previous 35 years (227-140 career record). Jerry passed on to Craig returning starters at 17 of 22 positions, mostly seniors, from a 10-2, league-championship team from 2016. Craig and two of his brothers all played for their dad at Eastwood.

Noting Pemberville Eastwood (by Thomas Schmeltz, Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune)

- Head coach Craig Rutherford played 4 years at Eastwood, graduating in 2006, then went on to play for 4 years at Bowling Green State University. He was the defensive coordinator for his father from 2010-2016. Eric Rutherford, Jerry's middle son, is also on the staff.
- This season, Eastwood has set school records in: Wins (14), rushing attempts (695), rushing yards (4,433). The Eagles have also tied a school record with 80 offensive touchdowns.
- Sophomore running back Jaden Rayford has run for 2,072 yards and 34 touchdowns. His 35 touchdowns (1 receiving) are a school record. Previous record was 34 set by Jeremy Foster in 2007.

Additional Notes on Pemberville Eastwood (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Pemberville Eastwood is making its first state championship game appearance in school history. The Eagles won the school's first regional title when they defeated Marion Pleasant 35-0.
- The Eagles have held playoff opponents to an average of only 5.25 points per game and have pitched two shutouts. During the regular season, the Eagles gave up an average of only 9.5 points per game.

Noting Wheelersburg

Noting Wheelersburg (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Wheelersburg is making its second football state championship game appearance in school history. The Pirates won the 1989 Div. IV state title over Warren John F. Kennedy.
- Wheelersburg is scoring an average of just under 41 points per game this season. The Pirates were held to just 15 points in their 15-10 state semifinal win over Middletown Madison, the first time Wheelersburg was held under 34 points in a game all season.
- The Pirates are allowing an average of only 8.14 points per game this season and no opponent has scored more than 20 points in any game.

Division VI State Championship Game

School	Record	Region	Region Rank	Years In Tournament	Last Appearance	Playoff Record	State Semifinal Appearances	State Champs (Last)
Kirtland (AP #2)	14-0	21	3	13th	2016	33-9	6	3 (2015)
Maria Stein Marion Local (AP #1)	14-0	24	2	20th	2016	71-10	16	9 (2016)

Division VI Regional Quarterfinal Results

Beverly Ft. Frye 6, Galion Northmor 0
 Carey 7, Bucyrus Wynford 2
 Coal Grove Dawson-Bryant 7, Sarahsville Shenandoah 6
 Coldwater 42, Tipp City Bethel 7
 Creston Norwayne 22, Berlin Center Western Reserve 13
 Findlay Liberty-Benton 49, Ada 18
 Hicksville 35, Gibsonburg 8
 Jeromesville Hillsdale 28, Attica Seneca E. 7
 Kirtland 40, Youngs. Liberty 13
 Lima Cent. Cath. 45, Day. Christian 7
 Maria Stein Marion Local 27, Ft. Recovery 0
 Mogadore 39, E. Palestine 20
 Nelsonville-York 34, Shadyside 0
 Rootstown 34, Columbiana 0
 Southeastern 44, Steubenville Cath. Cent. 40
 Spencerville 34, Mechanicsburg 0

Division VI Regional Semifinal Results

Coal Grove Dawson-Bryant 46, Southeastern 22
 Coldwater 24, Lima Cent. Cath. 17
 Findlay Liberty-Benton 60, Hicksville 7
 Jeromesville Hillsdale 41, Carey 0
 Kirtland 34, Mogadore 28
 Maria Stein Marion Local 35, Spencerville 0
 Nelsonville-York 26, Beverly Ft. Frye 20, OT
 Rootstown 35, Creston Norwayne 6

Division VI Regional Final Results

Findlay Liberty-Benton 37, Jeromesville Hillsdale 17
 Kirtland 17, Rootstown 7
 Maria Stein Marion Local 33, Coldwater 0
 Nelsonville-York 28, Coal Grove Dawson-Bryant 7

Division VI State Semifinal Results

Kirtland 44, Nelsonville-York 0
 Maria Stein Marion Local 31, Findlay Liberty-Benton 13

Noting Kirtland

Noting Kirtland (by John Kampf, Willoughby News-Herald)

This is Kirtland's sixth championship game in the last 7 years.

- Beat Coldwater, 28-7 in 2011 (Div. V)
- Lost to Coldwater, 10-9 in 2012 (Div. V)
- Beat Haviland Wayne Trace, 44-16 in 2013 (Div. VI)
- Lost to Minster, 46-42 in 2014 (Div. VI)
- Beat Maria Stein Marion Local, 22-20 in 2015 (Div. VI)

- In his 12th year at Kirtland, Coach Tiger LaVerde's career record is 144-16 (.900). Seven of LaVerde's 16 career losses came in the playoffs. Under LaVerde, Kirtland is 33-7 (.825) in playoff games.

- All-district linebacker Ethan Jernejcic is first-cousin to Chicago Bears quarterback (and former Mentor quarterback) Mitchell Trubisky

- Kirtland has had at least one 1,000-yard rusher ever year since 2010, including two this year – juniors Joey Torok (1,404) and Jake Neibecker (1,452).

- The quarterback-center duo—Sr. QB Dylan Fulco and Jr. C Austin Fulco—are brothers.

- The OHSAA's enrollment figure for Kirtland is 152 boys – 77 of them are on Kirtland's football roster.

Additional Notes on Kirtland (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Kirtland defeated Div. VII state finalist and 2016 Div. VI runner-up Cuyahoga Heights 42-35 in Week 9.

Noting Marion Local

Noting Maria Stein Marion Local (by Gary Rasberry, Celina Daily Standard)

- The Flyers, who entered the season needing to fill many spots in the lineup, have not missed a beat in extending their winning streak to 26 straight games.
- Senior OT/DT John Dirksen has verbally committed to Notre Dame and has come back strong after breaking his leg in a 2016 regular season game vs. Coldwater. To help with getting ready for football this season, Dirksen joined the Marion Local track team for the first time and earned All-Ohio honors with a seventh-place finish in the discus.
- The Flyers started the postseason with three straight shutouts over Fort Recovery (27-0), Spencerville (35-0) and Coldwater (33-0). Flyers coach Tim Goodwin has a deal to treat his team to donuts for every shutout they deliver. The Flyers have shut out five teams this season.

Additional Notes on Maria Stein Marion Local (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Maria Stein Marion Local is the defending Div. VI state champion and has won state titles in five of the last six years. The only title game loss in that span came at the hands of this year's opponent, Kirtland, in 2015.

- The Flyers defeated five playoff teams during their regular season campaign, tied with Akron Archbishop Hoban (Div. II) for the most of any state finalist in all divisions. Those five wins came against: Day. Chaminade Julianne (35-7 in Week 1); Coldwater (13-7 in Week 3); Minster (21-7 in Week 4); Anna (32-7 in Week 6); Fort Recovery (21-10 in Week 8).

Division VII State Semifinals

School	Record	Region	Region Rank	Years In Tournament	Last Appearance	Playoff Record	State Semifinal Appearances	State Champs (Last)
Cuyahoga Heights (AP #5)	11-1	25	2	20th	2016	23-19	3	0
Minster	9-4	28	4	16th	2016	28-13	5	2 (2014)

Division VII Regional Quarterfinal Results

Convoy Crestview 63, Ansonia 22
 Cuyahoga Hts. 40, Warren JFK 12
 Dalton 60, Vienna Mathews 13
 Danville 35, Zanesville Rosecrans 14
 Delphos St. John's 48, DeGraff Riverside 21
 E. Can. 37, Youngs. Valley Christian 7
 Glouster Trimble 20, Lucas 19
 Hannibal River 39, Canal Winchester Harvest Prep 34
 McComb 21, Leipsic 0
 Minster 40, Ft. Loramie 24
 Norwalk St. Paul 52, Haviland Wayne Trace 13
 Pandora-Gilboa 19, Sycamore Mohawk 15
 Portsmouth Sciotoville 16, Waterford 8
 Sidney Lehman 46, Lima Perry 6
 Tiffin Calvert 50, Edgerton 43
 Windham 32, Lisbon David Anderson 13

Division VII Regional Semifinal Results

Cuyahoga Hts. 46, E. Can. 14
 Dalton 41, Windham 13
 Danville 27, Glouster Trimble 10
 Delphos St. John's 14, Sidney Lehman 7
 Hannibal River 59, Portsmouth Sciotoville 8
 Minster 35, Convoy Crestview 32
 Norwalk St. Paul 45, Tiffin Calvert 7
 Pandora-Gilboa 28, McComb 9

Division VII Regional Final Results

Danville 29, Hannibal River 28
 Cuyahoga Hts. 42, Dalton 41
 Minster 20, Delphos St. John's 0
 Norwalk St. Paul 49, Pandora-Gilboa 7

Division VII State Semifinal Results

Cuyahoga Hts. 38, Danville 8
 Minster 40, Norwalk St. Paul 7

Noting Cuyahoga Heights

Noting Cuyahoga Heights (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Cuyahoga Heights is returning to the state finals after a runner-up finish to Maria Stein Marion Local in the 2016 Div. VI title game. This is the Redskins' second trip to the state football finals in school history.
- The Redskins knocked off defending Div. VII state champion Warren John F. Kennedy 40-12 in the first round of the playoffs.
- The Redskins' only loss of the season came at the hands of Div. VI state finalist Kirtland by a score of 42-35 in Week 9.

Noting Minster

Noting Minster (by Gary Rasberry, Celina Daily Standard)

- The Wildcats were 3-4 at one point before winning the final three games to not only clinch a playoff spot but also to earn a home game in the playoffs. After two close games in the playoffs, Minster shut out Delphos St. John's before knocking off the top-ranked team in Division VII Norwalk St. Paul 40-7 in the state semifinal.
- Quarterback Jared Huelsman broke the school record for single-season rushing in the state semifinal with 277 yards and five touchdowns, bringing his season totals to 1,616 yards and 23 touchdowns. Huelsman has also thrown for 1,951 yards and 16 touchdowns.
- Utility back Isaac Schmiesing has been an all-around weapon for Minster this season. Schmiesing is second on the team in rushing with 793 yards, third in receiving with 388 receiving yards and a team-high 39 receptions and is the team's place kicker with one field goal and 33-of-46 on point-after attempts. Schmiesing also has 69 tackles and two interceptions this season.

Additional Notes on Minster (by Eli Burris, OHSAA Communications)

- Minster is returning to the Div. VII state championship game for the third time in four years. The Wildcats were the 2014 state champions and 2016 runner-up to Warren John F. Kennedy.
- Minster is the only state finalist with more than one loss. All four losses came in a row during MAC play from Weeks 4 through 7. Three of those four MAC teams made the Div. VI playoffs (Marion Local, Ft. Recovery, & Coldwater) with the fourth (St. Henry) missing out by just one spot.