



Coaches:

INFORMATION IN THIS EMAIL IS FOR BOTH COACHES, PLAYERS AND FAMILIES. PLEASE FORWARD TO ALL YOUR FOLKS.

Congratulations on your playoff victory and your qualification for the final four in the YSF State Championship weekend event. This season there are 29 unique clubs that will be represented at the YSF State Championship event. The spread and diversity of teams in the final four is inspiring. **Please read every part of this email** as it provides you with critical information needed for the upcoming weekend event on May 1st and 2nd, 2021.

1. The YSF has a State Championship website where all information is now provided <http://youthspringfootball.com/state-championships/>
2. YSF has contracted with a media production company out of New York to handle all media activities for this event. Call them for all details on Live Streaming, Game films, Action photography etc. Contact Jeff at 506-403-2050. <https://varsitymedia.net/>
3. Schedule of game times is attached for both days "2021 State Flyer". PLEASE PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR GAME TIMES FOR BOTH DAYS. Teams will be given little latitude if they are late, and this could be very costly to your playoff hopes should you be late for a game start.
4. All teams and fans should plan on buying a two-day pass as all teams will be playing 2 games regardless. Ticket pricing is on the attached "2021 State Flyer".
5. All teams will play 2 games regardless of win or lose. The 2 East teams and 2 West teams play each other on Saturday May 1st, and the winners advance to the State Championship game on Sunday May 2nd, 2021 and the losers will also play on Sunday 2nd, 2021 in the 3rd and 4th place game.
6. All teams will receive a team trophy that relates to their final four finish. Player State runners up and 3rd and 4th place players will receive a custom YSF State Championship medal, State Champion players will receive a State player trophy.
7. Team arrival times for games on Saturday should be the same as a regular season games i.e. ONE (1) hour prior to your game. 3rd and 4th place finishes should arrive ONE (1) hour prior to their games on Sunday May 1st. **VERY IMPORTANT** - State Championship contending teams should arrive TWO (2) hours prior their game time, they will typically be moved to the back of the entrance tunnels 30 minutes before their game starts..
8. Gate entrance pricing is on the attached "2021 State Flyer". Players and coaches for **competing teams only** will be provided with player armbands for entry. Armbands should remain on entrants' arms for both days to allow for re-entry. Lost armbands will result in the individual paying the gate fees. Fans will also be provided with fan armbands.
9. Teams that win their conference game on Saturday and therefore will be advancing to the State Championship games, **MUST PLAN ON STAYING FOR 30 MINUTES AFTER THEIR GAME**. The YSF production company Varsity Media will be filming and editing a professionally engineered hype video, with ALL players from each of the winning teams immediately after their conference game victory to be shown on the jumbotron before the state game. Filming will take approximately 30-45 minutes in the two tents positioned in the end zone of the stadium field.

YSF has negotiated and contributed a portion towards the cost of this video production, making the video cost to each team only \$250 (per team), in return teams will receive as many copies of the video download for all their players and coaches for this one price. Average team size is approx. 16 players making the cost per player about \$15 each for a terrific keepsake of their experience. Teams should make plans to collect this fee from all their players/parents **PRIOR** to filming in order to get this preferred price. Purchases of this video after filming will not have the YSF negotiated pricing and contribution and therefore be \$600 per film to purchase. Please make efforts now have this fee in advance of your team being filmed.

10. YSF has arranged for an "on-field" color commentary announcer to add some extra fun to the state championship games. While this announcer will stay out of the way and not distract you or your teams, we would like him to have a variety of interactions in and around your teams to allow for some added interest to the state game. Please be cooperative with this announcer. In addition YSF also has a highlevel wide range camera, AND an on field camera. Coaches should make sure their players are aware of these folks and do not interfere with their efforts or electronics.
11. All games both conference and state are available for live streaming. A one-time purchase of the streaming ticket will give you all games for that day. Contact Jeff at 506-403-2050 for instructions and purchase. <https://varsitymedia.net/>
12. The state championship game films will be available for purchase both in pre-order and/or at the field. Contact Jeff at 506-403-2050. <https://varsitymedia.net/>
13. Action photography - If one of your parents' wishes to book the Action Photographer to follow your child and take a variety of action shots, this service is available for purchase. Contact Jeff at 506-403-2050 to pre-order. <https://varsitymedia.net/>
14. YSF has negotiated a block of rooms at 2 hotels in the Disney area that can be purchased. The room block will end on April 23rd, 2021. These are on a first come first serve basis. Parents should go to <http://youthspringfootball.com/state-championships/> for information and links to these room blocks.
15. A map of the Austin Tindall Sports Complex fields is available at the <http://youthspringfootball.com/state-championships/> website.
16. WEST coast teams are on the sidelines closest to the stadium seating. The East coast teams are on the sideline closest to the stage. Review the brackets online for who is East and West in the four D1 age divisions.
17. CHAIN CREW - The WEST coast teams are responsible for the chain crews for the state championship games. ALL THESE TEAMS MUST have their preassigned chain gangs ready at the beginning of the game. For the Saturday Conference games and 3rd and 4th place games we will simply find volunteers like we normally do on game days.
18. The conference fields will have designated parent sideline banners for each field. PARENTS MUST STAND BACK DURING GAMES. Any parent advancing onto a game field may result in the disqualification of that team from contention. SPEAK TO YOUR PARENTS AND INFORM THEM OF THIS RULE.
19. COACHES BADGES ** Very Important ** YSF regular season coach badges **DO NOT** work for the State Championships. Each team will be issued with their own **NEW** state badges. Teams are provided with the following badges:
 - a. 6 badges per team for all coaches/team parents. These 6 badges provide for free entry
 - b. Single teams get 2 badges for Presidents/Administrators of the organizations, Clubs with multiple teams in the final four get 2 badges per team to a maximum of 5 total. These badges provide for free entry.

- c. 2 badges for water boys/girls. These badges DO NOT provide free entry , they are just for stadium field entry

Coaches from other age teams (who did not advance) may be moved to your team as long as you do not exceed the numbers of badges allowed detailed above. All requested coaches MUST have been certified through the League Magic system with background checks, and **clear pictures** in the league magic system. Please add all coaches to your teams so that State badges can be created using your league magic software and the pictures inside that team's coaches.

MAKE SURE ALL YOUR BADGES FOR YOUR FINAL FOUR TEAMS ARE IN YOUR TEAM CONSOLE BY WEDNESDAY APRIL 22nd, 2021. (Use the "existing coaches" button to transfer coaches from other teams to your state event team. **It is simple if you do not comply with these rules by the DEADLINE and do not put your pictures and coaches into your winning teams in League Magic, you will NOT have coach's badges at the gate and then your coaches will be paying at the gate. PERIOD!! - NO LATE BADGES** Your packet containing armbands for your players and coaches/admin badges will be available for collection at the coach tent in the front entrance of the stadium.

20. The spelling of your player and coach names that are in your League Magic rosters will be what we use to post onto the jumbotron when your players run through the tunnel. CHECK YOUR PLAYERS NAME SPELLING NOW TO AVOID EMBARRASEMENT FROM THE PARENTS. Email sandy@youthspringfootball.com for all corrections
21. Players and coaches will run out of the tunnel for the State Championship games in the stadium as a team. Each team will be provided with two "wire pull smoke fireworks" (Red and Blue). Please designate two responsible players in advance on your teams who will run with these fireworks. They are not dangerous but do require a person to be sensible with them. YSF staff will be at the back of the tunnel staging to manage this process.
22. The head coaches of each team will be provided with the YSF memento coin toss medal. Please remember to collect these from your referees.
23. Due to the corona situation, teams are required to provide for their own water and ice for their coaches and players.
24. There will be the usual 3 referees for the conference and 3rd/4th place games. The State Championship games will have 4 referees and a certified clock operator, with game time clock on the stadium jumbotron.
25. The trophy stage will be outside of the stadium field. Coaches and teams should move quickly to the trophy stage after their game has ended.

Thank you and good luck!

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