

Newsletter July 2021

Lots of information here, please review the entire newsletter

Final ALR Meeting

The second and final ALR meeting is this Wednesday, July 14th at 6:30PM. For returning members, attendance at an ALR is required. If you missed the one on June 24th and are unable to attend on the 14th, please contact your ALR after Wednesday. You will need to send an overview/notes of the presentation to your ALR to receive credit and be eligible for assignments.

TASO Educational Clinic Requirement

All officials must complete the Educational Clinic Requirement prior to officiating a match. This can be accomplished by attending: the State Meeting, a Regional Clinic or the Online Clinic. The Online Clinic is set to be available for completion on 7/16.

Regional Clinic Registration

If you plan to attend a Regional Clinic, such as the one in San Antonio this coming weekend, you must register online in order to avoid a late fee for walk-up registration. You must register by the Thursday prior to any Regional Clinic.

Mentors

This is a general call for those who might be able to assist by being a mentor this season. There is a \$25 reward available for those who successfully mentor a new member. If you are interested, please contact Roni Downey and plan to attend the Mentor Meeting this Thursday at 6:30PM via Webex.

Trainer

Due to current health conditions, Christle has had to step away from her duties as Chapter Trainer. Rhiannon Stracener is now the contact for all Trainer-related information. Any new member evaluations should be sent to her. Any questions concerning rules can be sent to her as well. Her email is r.stracener@utexas.edu.

Return to Normal

Per NFHS direction, we will return to conducting a coin flip in front of the table prior to the match, with the winner choosing to serve or receive. We will also return to switching sides between sets. It is possible that some districts may still have their own Covid-related policies. We will update you with that information at the August 4th meeting, if necessary.

Budget guidelines for 2021

The budget has been posted to the forms section in Arbiter. Please reach out to your ALR or any board member with questions.

Scrimmages

All officials should ensure their time gets recorded with the scrimmage leader to ensure proper credit is received.

Self Assign is now available for scrimmages. Please sign up where it is convenient for you. Know that changes may be needed to balance assignments and ensure coverage.

Friday scrimmages are all during the day. Even if you can't attend a full session, even a few hours is helpful. Contact Janiece if you can help out but not work a full session.

Please do not wear your TASO uniform.

October Assignments

Some assignments into the season as far out as October have been published. If you received one, remember, they still need to be accepted within 10 days of when they were published.

Rules and Case Books

The 2021 Rules and Case Books will be available soon. A notice will be sent as soon as they are available with details on where you can collect them.

TASO Rules Test

The TASO Rules test is set to go live on 7/12 and will be accessed by logging in at TASO.org and accessing the Members Portal

Elections

At the end of the season, we will have elections for the following positions: President(Kevin), Treasurer(Bonnie), ALR #1(Rhiannon) and ALR #3(Chez). If you have an interest in running and have questions about responsibilities, please reach out to any board member. Nominations will open with the meeting in September.

Year-End Meeting

The Year-End Meeting on November 3rd has been updated to an in-person meeting at the Austin Police Union Hall. More details to come.