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# High school football teams learn sectional matchups Indianapolis Colts have been the presenting sponsor since 2009

Three-hundred twelve (312) teams learned their sectional opponents today via live stream at IHSAAtv.org and the state-wide IHSAA Champions Radio Network.

The 52nd Annual IHSAA Football State Tournament **presented by** the Indianapolis Colts is set to begin Oct. 25 with first round games in Classes 4A, 3A, 2A and 1A. Classes 6A and 5A have that week off. Sectional semifinal games will be played on Nov. 1, sectional championship games on Nov. 8, regionals on Nov. 15, semi-states on Nov. 22 and the state championship games on Nov. 29-30.

The 12 teams earning a berth in the state finals will play on Thanksgiving weekend in Lucas Oil Stadium, home of the NFL's Indianapolis Colts, the state tournament's presenting sponsor since 2009.



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Here is a look at when games will be played each week by class:

	Oct. 25	Nov. 1	Nov. 8	Nov. 15	Nov. 22	Nov. 29	Nov. 30
6A	Week off	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	State	
5A	Week off	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States		State
4A	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	State	
3A	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States		State
2A	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	State	
1 <b>A</b>	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States		State

#### About the Draw

To conduct the random drawing for the football state tournament, the IHSAA places ping-pong balls representing each school in each sectional into a lottery-style air mix machine. A fan in the bottom of the machine blows the balls around the inside of the transparent container and air then forces each ball up through a tube in random order. For example, the first ball retrieved from the machine will be the visiting team in game one with the second ball representing the home team in game one. The third ball to come out is the visitor in game two and the fourth ball the home team in game two. That same method is followed through all 48 sectionals. In seven-team sectionals, the seventh team drawn receives the bye and an automatic road game in the semifinal round.

**Schools Entered:** 311 schools. 305 games will be played over the six-week tournament.

**By Class:** 32 in 6A: 32 in 5A; 62 in 4A; 62 in 3A; 62 in 2A; 62 in 1A.

# Schools Playing Up due to Tournament Success Factor

Adams Central (2A, Sectional 35).

East Central (5A, Sectional 14).

Fort Wayne Bishop Luers (3A, Sectional, 28).

Fort Wayne Snider (6A, Sectional 2).

Indianapolis Bishop Chatard (4A, Sectional 22).

Indianapolis Cathedral (6A, Sectional 6; has 4A enrollment).

Indianapolis Lutheran (2A, Sectional 37). Lafayette Central Catholic (2A, Sectional 34).

# **Most State Championships**

- 17: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard.
- 14: Indianapolis Cathedral.
- 12: Fort Wayne Bishop Luers.
- 10: Ben Davis, Roncalli.
- 9: Carmel, Sheridan, Warren Central.
- 8: Lafayette Central Catholic.
- 5: Center Grove, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Indianapolis Cardinal Ritter, Penn.

#### **All-Time Consecutive Tournament Victories**

- 32: Indianapolis Cathedral, 2010-15.
- 26: Fort Wayne Bishop Luers, 2009-13; Warren Central, 2003-07.
- 25: Lafavette Central Catholic, 2009-13.
- 23: Roncalli, 2002-05; Sheridan, 2005-08.
- 22: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard, 2001-04; Penn, 1995-98.
- 21: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard, 2010-13.
- 20: Western Boone (2018-21).

#### **Active Consecutive Tournament Win Streaks**

- 17: Indianapolis Lutheran (dates back to 2021).
- 12: East Central, Indianapolis Bishop Chatard.
- 6: Fort Wayne Bishop Luers.
- 5: Ben Davis, Fort Wayne Snider.

#### **Defending Sectional Champions**

- **6A:** Ben Davis, Center Grove, Crown Point, Hamilton Southeastern, Indianapolis Cathedral, Penn, Warren Central, Westfield.
- **5A:** Bloomington South, Decatur Central, Evansville North, Fort Wayne Snider, Merrillville, Mishawaka, Valparaiso, Whiteland.
- **4A:** East Central, Evansville Memorial, Leo, Mississinewa, Mooresville, New Palestine, New Prairie, NorthWood.
- **3A:** Batesville, Delta, Gibson Southern, Heritage Hills, Indianapolis Bishop Chatard, Knox, Tri-West Hendricks, West Lafayette.
- **2A:** Bluffton, Eastern Hancock, Fort Wayne Bishop Luers, Lafayette Central Catholic, LaVille, North Posey, Southmont, Triton Central.
- **1A:** Adams Central, Carroll (Flora), Indianapolis Lutheran, North Decatur, North Judson-San Pierre, Park Tudor, Providence, Sheridan.

# Active Sectional Championship Streaks (three or more years)

- 13: Center Grove.
- 6: Valparaiso.
- 5: Indianapolis Cathedral, Lafayette Central Catholic, Merrillville, Triton Central.
- 4: Westfield.
- 3: Adams Central, Bloomington South, Carroll (Flora), East Central, Evansville Memorial, Indianapolis Lutheran, New Palestine, New Prairie, North Judson-San Pierre.

# Most Consecutive Sectional Championships 19 by Hobart, 1979-97.

#### Top 10 All-Time Sectional Championships

- 32: Carmel.
- 31: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard.
- 29: Fort Wayne Snider.
- 28: Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger.
- 27: Fort Wayne Bishop Luers, Indianapolis Cathedral.
- 26: Ben Davis, Penn.
- 24: Adams Central, Evansville Mater Dei.

#### Sectionals

Class 6A-5A: Nov. 1, 8, 2024.

Class 4A-1A: Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 8, 2024.

Times: 7 pm local time or as determined by host school.

Admission: \$7 per person. Children age 5 and younger admitted free.

#### **Determining Home Team**

First Round: The second-named team in the blind draw is host school unless the two teams agree to switch the site.

Semifinals: The team without a home game will host. Exception: The bye team will always be the visitor. If both teams were hosts or both were visitors, the second-named team in the quarter bracket will host. In 6A & 5A, in the four team sectionals, the second-named team will host.

Championships: Host team will be the team that has played the most away games. If both teams have played the same number of away games, the bottom bracket team shall host.

#### Class 6A (32 schools)

Dates: Nov. 1, 8

# Sectional 1 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Portage at Crown Point.

G2: Lake Central at Penn.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 2 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Fort Wayne Snider at Elkhart.

G2: Carroll (Fort Wayne) at Fort Wayne Northrop.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 3 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Carmel at Zionsville.

G2: Harrison (West Lafavette) at Westfield.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 4 (4 teams)

**Semifinals** 

G1: Fishers at Noblesville.

G2: Hamilton Southeastern at Homestead.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

# Sectional 5 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Brownsburg at Avon.

G2: Ben Davis at Pike.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

# Sectional 6 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: North Central (Indianapolis) at Indianapolis Cathedral.

G2: Lawrence North at Lawrence Central.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 7 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Perry Meridian at Southport.

G2: Warren Central at Indianapolis Arsenal Technical.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 8 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Franklin Central at Columbus North.

G2: Center Grove at Jeffersonville.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

# Class 5A (32 schools)

Dates: Nov. 1, 8

#### Sectional 9 (4 teams)

**Semifinals** 

G1: Hammond Morton at Munster.

G2: Hammond Central at Merrillville.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 10 (4 teams)

**Semifinals** 

G1: Michigan City at Chesterton.

G2: LaPorte at Valparaiso.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

# Sectional 11 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Goshen at Warsaw Community.

G2: Concord at Fort Wayne North Side.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 12 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Lafavette Jefferson at South Bend Adams.

G2: McCutcheon at Kokomo.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

# Sectional 13 (4 teams)

**Semifinals** 

G1: Whiteland Community at Decatur Central.

G2: Anderson at Plainfield.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 14 (4 teams)

**Semifinals** 

G1: Franklin Community at Columbus East.

G2: East Central at Seymour.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 15 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Bloomington South at Terre Haute South Vigo.

G2: Bloomington North at Terre Haute North Vigo.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Sectional 16 (4 teams)

**Semifinals** 

G1: New Albany at Evansville North.

G2: Castle at Floyd Central.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

#### Class 4A (62 Schools)

Dates: Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 8

# Sectional 17 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Hanover Central at East Chicago Central.

G2: Highland at Kankakee Valley.

G3: Gary West Side at New Prairie.

G4: Hobart at Lowell.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 18 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Wawasee at Plymouth.

G2: Mishawaka at Northridge.

G3: South Bend Saint Joseph at South Bend Riley.

G4: South Bend Washington at NorthWood.

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 19 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Fort Wayne South Side at East Noble.

G2: Leo at DeKalb.

G3: Columbia City at Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger.

G4: New Haven at Fort Wayne Wayne.

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 20 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Frankfort at Huntington North.

G2: Muncie Central at Logansport.

G3: Culver Academies at Lebanon.

 $\underline{Semifinals}$ 

G4: Marion at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

# Sectional 21 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Beech Grove at Greenfield-Central.

G2: New Castle at Pendleton Heights.

G3: Yorktown at Richmond.

G4: Mt. Vernon (Fortville) at New Palestine.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 22 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Indianapolis Shortridge at Mooresville.

G2: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard at Indianapolis Crispus Attucks.

G3: Northview at Roncalli.

G4: Danville Community at Brebeuf Jesuit.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 23 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Silver Creek at Connersville.

G2: Charlestown at Martinsville.

G3: Jennings County at Bedford North Lawrence.

G4: Shelbyville at Greenwood Community.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 24 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Washington at Boonville.

G2: Jasper at Evansville Harrison.

G3: Evansville Central at Evansville Reitz.

Semifinals

G4: Evansville Bosse at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

#### Class 3A (62 Schools)

Dates: Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 8

# Sectional 25 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Glenn at Jimtown.

G2: Calumet at Mishawaka Marian.

G3: Knox at River Forest.

G4: Hammond Bishop Noll at Griffith.

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 26 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Lakeland at Garrett.

G2: Woodlan at Tippecanoe Valley.

G3: West Noble at Angola.

G4: Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran at Fairfield.

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 27 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Frankton at West Lafayette.

G2: Benton Central at Northwestern.

G3: Western at Twin Lakes.

G4: Peru at Maconaquah.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 28 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Norwell at Fort Wayne Bishop Luers.

G2: Jay County at Bellmont.

G3: Heritage at Delta.

G4: Oak Hill at Mississinewa.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 29 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Hamilton Heights at Speedway.

G2: West Vigo at Guerin Catholic.

G3: Cascade at Crawfordsville.

G4: Tri-West Hendricks at Indianapolis George Washington.

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 30 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Rushville Consolidated at Franklin County.

G2: Purdue Polytechnic-Downtown at Greensburg.

G3: South Dearborn at Lawrenceburg.

Semifinals

G4: Batesville at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

# Sectional 31 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Scottsburg at Owen Valley.

G2: North Harrison at Corydon Central.

G3: Edgewood at Indian Creek.

Semifinals

G4: Madison Consolidated at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

# Sectional 32 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Evansville Memorial at Evansville Mater Dei.

G2: Mt. Vernon at Southridge.

G3: Vincennes Lincoln at Princeton Community.

G4: Heritage Hills at Gibson Southern.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Class 2A (62 Schools)

Dates: Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 8

#### Sectional 33 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Bremen at Lake Station Edison.

G2: Whiting at Andrean.

G3: Wheeler at Boone Grove.

Semifinals

G4: Rensselaer Central at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

#### Sectional 34 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Western Boone at North Putnam.

G2: Lafavette Central Catholic at Delphi Community.

G3: North Montgomery at Southmont.

G4: Seeger at Lewis Cass.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 35 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Churubusco at Manchester.

G2: Adams Central at Bluffton.

G3: Eastside at Whitko.

G4: Prairie Heights at Central Noble.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 36 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Alexandria Monroe at Wabash.

G2: Eastbrook at Tipton.

G3: Elwood Community at Rochester Community.

G4: Blackford at Eastern (Greentown).

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 37 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Indianapolis Scecina at Monrovia.

G2: Indianapolis Cardinal Ritter at Park Tudor.

G3: Heritage Christian at Indianapolis Lutheran.

Semifinals

G4: Covenant Christian at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

#### Sectional 38 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Lapel at Northeastern.

G2: Eastern Hancock at Centerville.

G3: Triton Central at Union County.

G4: Shenandoah at Winchester Community.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 39 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Greencastle at Pike Central.

G2: Mitchell at Brown County.

G3: North Posey at South Vermillion.

G4: Sullivan at Linton-Stockton.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 40 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Brownstown Central at Switzerland County.

G2: Eastern (Pekin) at Paoli.

G3: Tell City at Crawford County.

G4: Clarksville at Salem.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Class 1A (62 Schools)

Dates: Oct. 25; Nov. 1, 8

# Sectional 41 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: South Newton at North Judson-San Pierre.

G2: South Central (Union Mills) at Culver

Community.

G3: Bowman at North Newton.

G4: West Central at LaVille.

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 42 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Pioneer at Caston.

G2: Carroll (Flora) at Frontier.

G3: North White at Tri-County.

G4: Taylor at Winamac Community.

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 43 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Southwood at Triton.

G2: Fort Wayne Blackhawk Christian at North Miami.

G3: Fremont at Northfield.

Semifinals

G4: Southern Wells at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

#### Sectional 44 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Tri at Wes-Del.

G2: Union City at South Adams.

G3: Monroe Central at Madison-Grant.

G4: Cambridge City Lincoln at Hagerstown.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 45 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Covington at Attica.

G2: Fountain Central at South Putnam.

G3: Parke Heritage at Riverton Parke.

G4: North Vermillion at North Central

(Farmersburg).

**Semifinals** 

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Sectional 46 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Tri-Central at Tindley.

G2: Sheridan at Clinton Central.

G3: Clinton Prairie at Irvington.

<u>Semifinals</u>

G4: Cloverdale at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

# Sectional 47 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: Milan at Knightstown.

G2: West Washington at South Decatur.

G3: Eastern Greene at Greenwood Christian.

G4: North Decatur at Edinburgh.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

#### Sectional 48 (8 teams)

First Round

G1: North Knox at North Daviess.

G2: Perry Central at Tecumseh.

G3: Providence at Springs Valley.

G4: South Spencer at Forest Park.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G7: G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

# Regionals

Date: Friday, November 15, 2024.

Times: 7 pm local time or as determined by host school.

Admission: \$10 per person. Children age 5 and younger admitted free.

#### **Determining Home Team**

Classes 2A, 4A & 6A

Sectional final game non-host, if applicable, or <u>odd</u> sectional number.

Classes 1A, 3A & 5A

Sectional final game non-host, if applicable, or even sectional number.

#### **Semi-States**

Date: Friday, November 22, 2024.

Time: 7 pm local time or as determined by host school.

Admission: \$12 per person. Children age 5 and younger admitted free.

#### **Determining Home Team**

Classes 2A, 4A & 6A

\*Regional non-host, if applicable, or lower sectional number (i.e., Sect. 1 is lower than Sect. 2). Classes 1A, 3A & 5A

\*Regional non-host, if applicable, or higher sectional number (i.e., Sect. 2 is higher than Sect. 1).

\*If regional winner has not hosted either sectional final or regional, that school will be the designated host.

#### **State Finals**

Dates: November 29-30, 2024.

Site: Lucas Oil Stadium, 500 S. Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis.

Tickets: \$15 per person per day. Children age 5 and younger admitted free. All seats are general admission.

#### Friday, Nov. 29

11 am ET | Class 2A State Championship 3 pm ET | Class 4A State Championship

7 pm ET | Class 6A State Championship

#### Saturday, Nov. 30

11 am ET | Class 1A State Championship 3 pm ET | Class 3A State Championship 7 pm ET | Class 5A State Championship

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#### About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)

The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association's mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its 409 member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private – pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association's tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 24 sports, 11 for girls, 11 for boys and two co-ed (unified flag football and track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.