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IHSAA Football State Tournament mapped for high school teams

Post-season anticipation began tonight as 314 teams learned their sectional opponents via live webstream at IHSAAtv.org and the IHSAA Champions Radio Network.

The 49th Annual IHSAA Football State Tournament **presented by the Indianapolis Colts** is set to begin Oct. 22 with first round games in all classes except 6A which has the week off. Sectional semifinal games will be played on Oct. 29, sectional championship games on Nov. 5, regionals on Nov. 12, semi-states on Nov. 19 and the state championship games on Nov. 26-27.

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. The playing schedule will be announced following semi-state play.



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

	Oct. 22	Oct. 29	Nov. 5	Nov. 12	Nov. 19	Nov. 26	Nov. 27
6A	Week off	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	TBA	TBA
5A	One game in Sectionals 10, 12, 13, 16; All others week off	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	TBA	TBA
4A	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	TBA	TBA
3A	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	TBA	TBA
2A	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	TBA	TBA
1A	Sectional 1st Rd.	Sectional Semis	Sectional Finals	Regionals	Semi-States	TBA	TBA

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 the case of five-team sectionals in Class 5A, the first two teams drawn will play the opening weekend of the tournament with the fifth team drawn receiving the bye and an automatic road game in the semifinal round against the opening game winner. The third and fourth teams drawn will**

play in the other semifinal game. In seven-team sectionals, the seventh team drawn receives the bye and an automatic road game in the semifinal round.

Schools Entered: 314 schools. 308 games will be played over the six-week tournament.

Schools Entered for First Time (2)

Hammond Central (Class 5A, Sectional 9).

Christel House (Class 3A, Sectional 29).

Schools Playing Up One Class due to Tournament Success Factor

Indianapolis Bishop Chatard (Class 4A, Sectional 22).

Western Boone (Class 3A, Sectional 28).

Lafayette Central Catholic (Class 2A, Sectional 37).

Schools Remaining in Higher Class due to Tournament Success Factor

Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger (Class 5A, Sectional 11).

Indianapolis Cathedral (Class 5A, Sectional 13).

New Palestine (Class 5A, Sectional 14).

Evansville Memorial (Class 4A, Sectional 24).

Southridge (Class 3A, Sectional 32).

Pioneer (Class 2A, Sectional 34).

Most State Championships

15: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard.

13: Indianapolis Cathedral.

11: Fort Wayne Bishop Luers.

10: Roncalli.

9: Ben Davis, Carmel, Sheridan, Warren Central.

8: Lafayette Central Catholic.

5: 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: Lafayette 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.

Active Consecutive Tournament Win Streaks

18: Western Boone.

12: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard.

6: Covenant Christian (Indianapolis), Roncalli,

5: Center Grove, Indianapolis Cathedral.

Defending Sectional Champions

6A: Ben Davis, Carmel, Center Grove, Elkhart, Homestead, Merrillville, Warren Central, Westfield.

5A: Castle, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jeffersonville, Mishawaka, Valparaiso, Whiteland Community, Zionsville.

4A: East Noble, Evansville Central, Hobart, Logansport, Marion, Mooresville, Mt. Vernon (Fortville), Roncalli.

3A: Calumet, Danville, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Indianapolis Bishop Chatard, Lawrenceburg, Mishawaka Marian, Southridge, Sullivan.

2A: Andreon, Evansville Mater Dei, Fort Wayne Bishop Luers, Heritage Christian, Pioneer, Tipton, Triton Central, Western Boone.

A: Covenant Christian (Indianapolis), Lafayette Central Catholic, North Decatur, South Adams, South Putnam, Southwood, West Washington, Winamac.

Active Sectional Championship Streaks (three or more years)

10: Center Grove.

8: Carmel.

6: Mishawaka Marian.

4: Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Indianapolis Bishop Chatard, Western Boone.

3: Mishawaka, Mooresville, Valparaiso, Warren Central.

Most Consecutive Sectional Championships

19 by Hobart, 1979-97.

Top 10 All-Time Sectional Championships

32: Carmel.

29: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard.

27: Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Fort Wayne Snider.

25: Fort Wayne Bishop Luers.

24: Ben Davis, Indianapolis Cathedral, Penn.

22: Evansville Mater Dei, Hobart, Jimtown.



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Sectionals

Class 6A: Oct. 29; Nov. 5, 2021.

Class 5A-1A: Oct. 22, 29; Nov. 5, 2021.

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

Admission: \$6 per person.

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 (30 schools)

Dates: Oct. 29; Nov. 5

Sectional 1 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Crown Point at Merrillville.

G2: Lafayette Jefferson at Lake Central.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 2 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Portage at Chesterton.

G2: Penn at Elkhart.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 3 (3 teams)

Semifinal

G1: Homestead at Carroll (Fort Wayne).

Championship

G2: Warsaw Community at G1 winner.

Sectional 4 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Westfield at Noblesville.

G2: Fishers at Hamilton Southeastern.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 5 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Carmel at Avon.

G2: Brownsburg at Pike.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 6 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Southport at Ben Davis.

G2: Perry Meridian at Indianapolis Arsenal Technical.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 7 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: North Central (Indianapolis) at Lawrence North.

G2: Warren Central at Lawrence Central.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 8 (3 teams)

Semifinal

G1: Center Grove at Franklin Central.

Championship

G2: Columbus North at G1 winner.

Class 5A (37 schools)
Dates: Oct. 22, 29; Nov. 5

Sectional 9 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Munster at Hammond Central.

G2: Hammond Morton at Valparaiso.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 10 (6 teams)

First Round

G1: South Bend Adams at Goshen. **Oct. 22**

G2: LaPorte at Concord. **Oct. 22**

Semifinals

G3: Michigan City at G1 winner. **Oct. 29**

G4: Mishawaka at G2 winner. **Oct. 29**

Championship

G5: G3 winner vs. G4 winner. **Nov. 5**

Sectional 11 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Fort Wayne Northrop at Fort Wayne Snider.

G2: Fort Wayne North Side at Fort Wayne Bishop
Dwenger.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 12 (5 teams)

First Round

G1: McCutcheon at Zionsville. **Oct. 22**

Semifinals

G2: Anderson at Kokomo. **Oct. 29**

G3: Harrison (West Lafayette) at G1 winner. **Oct. 29**

Championship

G4: G2 winner vs. G3 winner. **Nov. 5**

Sectional 13 (5 teams)

First Round

G1: Terre Haute North Vigo at Indianapolis Cathedral.

Oct. 22

Semifinals

G2: Decatur Central at Terre Haute South Vigo. **Oct. 29**

G3: Plainfield at G1 winner. **Oct. 29**

Championship

G4: G2 winner vs. G3 winner. **Nov. 5**

Sectional 14 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Columbus East at Whiteland Community.

G2: Franklin Community at New Palestine.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 15 (4 teams)

Semifinals

G1: Bloomington South at Castle.

G2: Evansville North at Bloomington North.

Championship

G3: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

Sectional 16 (5 teams)

First Round

G1: Jeffersonville at Floyd Central. **Oct. 22**

Semifinals

G2: Seymour at Bedford North Lawrence. **Oct. 29**

G3: New Albany at G1 winner. **Oct. 29**

Championship

G4: G2 winner vs. G3 winner. **Nov. 5**

Class 4A (61 Schools)

Dates: Oct. 22, 29; Nov. 5

Sectional 17 (6 teams)

First Round

G1: Lowell at Highland.

G2: Griffith at Hobart.

Semifinals

G3: Gary West Side at G1 winner.

G4: East Chicago Central at G2 winner.

Championship

G5: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Sectional 18 (8 teams)

G1: South Bend Riley at Kankakee Valley.

G2: South Bend St. Joseph at Logansport.

G3: Plymouth at New Prairie.

G4: Culver Academies at South Bend Clay.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 19 (8 teams)

G1: DeKalb at Wawasee.

G2: Leo at East Noble.

G3: Northridge at NorthWood.

G4: Angola at Columbia City.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 20 (8 teams)

G1: Marion at Fort Wayne Wayne.

G2: Fort Wayne South Side at Delta.

G3: Jay County at Mississinewa.

G4: New Haven at Huntington North.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 21 (8 teams)

G1: Richmond at Shelbyville.

G2: Muncie Central at Connersville.

G3: Pendleton Heights at Mt. Vernon (Fortville).

G4: Greenfield-Central at New Castle.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 22 (8 teams)

G1: Indianapolis Bishop Chatard at Frankfort.

G2: Indianapolis Crispus Attucks at Indianapolis Shortridge.

G3: Beech Grove at Lebanon.

G4: Roncalli at Western.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 23 (8 teams)

G1: South Dearborn at Madison Consolidated.

G2: Martinsville at Silver Creek.

G3: Mooresville at Jennings County.

G4: Greenwood Community at East Central.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 24 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Evansville Memorial at Evansville Harrison.

G2: Evansville Reitz at Boonville

G3: Northview at Jasper.

Semifinals

G4: Evansville Central at G1 winner.

G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

Class 3A (62 Schools)
Dates: Oct. 22, 29; Nov. 5

Sectional 25 (6 teams)

First Round

G1: Twin Lakes at Hanover Central.

G2: Calumet at Knox.

Semifinals

G3: Benton Central at G1 winner.

G4: River Forest at G2 winner.

Championship

G5: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Sectional 26 (8 teams)

G1: Lakeland at Glenn.

G2: West Noble at Jimtown.

G3: Mishawaka Marian at South Bend Washington.

G4: Tippecanoe Valley at Garrett.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 27 (8 teams)

G1: Norwell at Maconaquah.

G2: Northwestern at Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran.

G3: Oak Hill at Belmont.

G4: Heritage at Peru.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 28 (8 teams)

G1: West Lafayette at Brebeuf Jesuit.

G2: Yorktown at North Montgomery.

G3: Hamilton Heights at Guerin Catholic.

G4: Crawfordsville at Western Boone.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 29 (8 teams)

G1: Indianapolis Cardinal Ritter at Christel House.

G2: West Vigo at Tri-West Hendricks.

G3: Greencastle at Danville Community.

G4: Indian Creek at Indianapolis Washington.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 30 (8 teams)

G1: Vincennes Lincoln at Princeton Community.

G2: Edgewood at Washington.

G3: Brown County at Pike Central.

G4: Sullivan at Owen Valley.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 31 (8 teams)

G1: Scottsburg at Brownstown Central.

G2: Rushville Consolidated at Batesville.

G3: Greensburg at Charlestown.

G4: Franklin County at Lawrenceburg.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 32 (8 teams)

G1: North Harrison at Heritage Hills.

G2: Corydon Central at Evansville Bosse.

G3: Salem at Southridge.

G4: Gibson Southern at Mt. Vernon.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.

G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Class 2A (63 Schools)

Dates: Oct. 22, 29; Nov. 5

Sectional 33 (8 teams)

G1: North Newton at Rensselaer Central.
G2: Wheeler at Andean.
G3: Hammond Bishop Noll at Boone Grove.
G4: Whiting at Bowman Academy.
Semifinals
G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.
Championship
G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 34 (8 teams)

G1: Lewis Cass at Delphi Community.
G2: Wabash at Pioneer.
G3: Bremen at Manchester.
G4: LaVille at Rochester Community.
Semifinals
G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.
Championship
G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 35 (8 teams)

G1: Bluffton at Eastside.
G2: Whitko at Central Noble.
G3: Fairfield at Fort Wayne Bishop Luers.
G4: Prairie Heights at Woodlan.
Semifinals
G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.
Championship
G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 36 (8 teams)

G1: Eastern (Greentown) at Eastbrook.
G2: Lapel at Frankton.
G3: Blackford at Tipton.
G4: Alexandria Monroe at Elwood Community.
Semifinals
G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.
Championship
G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 37 (8 teams)

G1: South Vermillion at Lafayette Central Catholic.
G2: Southmont at Cascade.
G3: Monrovia at North Putnam.
G4: Speedway at Seeger.
Semifinals
G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.
Championship
G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 38 (7 teams)

First Round
G1: Heritage Christian at Indianapolis Scecina.
G2: Centerville at Eastern Hancock.
G3: Northeastern at Winchester Community.
Semifinals
G4: Shenandoah at G1 winner.
G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.
Championship
G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

Sectional 39 (8 teams)

G1: Providence at Switzerland County.
G2: Union County at Paoli.
G3: Triton Central at Eastern (Pekin).
G4: Mitchell at Clarksville.
Semifinals
G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.
Championship
G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 40 (8 teams)

G1: North Posey at Crawford County.
G2: South Spencer at North Knox.
G3: Linton-Stockton at Tell City.
G4: Forest Park at Evansville Mater Dei.
Semifinals
G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.
Championship
G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Class A (61 Schools)
Dates: Oct. 22, 29; Nov. 5

Sectional 41 (8 teams)

G1: Caston at South Central (Union Mills).
G2: South Newton at Culver Community.
G3: Winamac Community at West Central.
G4: Lake Station Edison at North Judson-San Pierre.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 42 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Clinton Prairie at Clinton Central.
G2: Traders Point Christian at North White.
G3: Frontier at Carroll (Flora).

Semifinals

G4: Tri-County at G1 winner.
G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

Sectional 43 (8 teams)

G1: Monroe Central at Wes-Del.
G2: South Adams at Madison-Grant.
G3: Southern Wells at Taylor.
G4: Union City at Tri-Central.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 44 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Northfield at Fremont.
G2: North Miami at Southwood.
G3: Adams Central at Churubusco.

Semifinals

G4: Triton at G1 winner.
G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

Sectional 45 (8 teams)

G1: Parke Heritage at Attica.
G2: North Vermillion at South Putnam.
G3: Fountain Central at Covington.
G4: Riverton Parke at Cloverdale.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 46 (7 teams)

First Round

G1: Indiana Deaf at Covenant Christian (Indianapolis).
G2: Park Tudor at Sheridan.
G3: Edinburgh at Indianapolis Lutheran.

Semifinals

G4: Tindley at G1 winner.
G5: G2 winner vs. G3 winner.

Championship

G6: G4 winner vs. G5 winner.

Sectional 47 (8 teams)

G1: Oldenburg Academy at Milan.
G2: North Decatur at South Decatur.
G3: Hagerstown at Tri.
G4: Knightstown at Cambridge City Lincoln.

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Sectional 48 (8 teams)

G1: Springs Valley at North Daviess.
G2: Rock Creek at West Washington.
G3: Eastern Greene at Tecumseh.
G4: Perry Central at North Central (Farmersburg).

Semifinals

G5: G1 winner vs. G2 winner.
G6: G3 winner vs. G4 winner.

Championship

G5 winner vs. G6 winner.

Regionals

Date: Friday, November 12, 2021.

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

Admission: \$8 per person.

Determining Home Team

Classes A, 3A & 5A

Sectional final game non-host, if applicable, or higher sectional # (i.e., Sect. 2 is higher than Sect. 1).

Classes 2A, 4A & 6A

Sectional final game non-host, if applicable, or lower sectional # (i.e., Sect. 1 is lower than Sect. 2).

Semi-States

Date: Friday, November 19, 2021.

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

Admission: \$10 per person.

Determining Home Team

Classes A, 3A & 5A

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

Classes 2A, 4A & 6A

*Regional non-host, if applicable, or higher sectional # (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 26-27, 2021.

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

Tickets: \$15.00 per day. All seats are general admission. Children aged 5 and younger are admitted at no charge.

Friday, Nov. 26, 2021

Class TBA State Championship | Time TBA

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Saturday, Nov. 27, 2021

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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 407-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 22 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and two co-ed (unified flag football and unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.