



Mission

The Mission of the Kansas Sports Officials Association is to provide a path for excellence in officiating for our members. We will recruit, train, evaluate and network to provide our customers with the best officiating experience for their leagues and student-athletes.

<https://www.ksoasports.org>

Member Benefits

- **In-Season Evaluations:** Each sport-specific committee develops a team of evaluators and criteria by which members will be evaluated. Receiving feedback during and directly after a contest is one of the most effective educational tools for an official of any experience level. These evaluations are made available to local assignors (that are members of KSOA) to assist them in developing the officials working in their respective leagues.
- **HUDL Game Film:** More and more schools are using HUDL, a web-based platform of storing and sharing game footage. KSOA basketball & football members receive free access to the HUDL platform where they can watch their games to identify areas of improvement.
- **RefQuest Plus:** RefQuest Plus is a collaborative educational tool centered around video clips. KSOA baseball, basketball, soccer & softball members receive RQ+ accounts to engage with training clips and various “you make the call” exercises.
- **Free Admission to Regular Season High School Contests:** By showing your KSOA membership card at the gate, individuals can attend regular season high school contests (in your registered sport) free of charge. Officials interested in moving up and working better games are encouraged to watch and learn from senior level officials, joining the crews for pregame, halftime and postgame discussions.
- **Network of Officials:** KSOA, the largest local officials’ association in the state of Kansas, connects officials of all ages, experience levels and professional skills outside of the game by hosting multiple social events throughout the year, including sport/season-specific and annual socials. We believe participating in this large network of sports officials is a vital piece of helping everyone on their pathway to excellence in officiating.
- **Suppliers/Business Partner Discounts:** Members receive discounts on items & services purchased through Precision Officials, Tickets for Less, Cliff Keen, The Soccer Referee Shop, Honig’s and KC Chiro. We are continually evaluating partnerships to bring “best in class” services to our membership.
- **Camp/Clinic Discounts:** Call the Game and KSOA work hand in hand together to provide training and professional development opportunities for area officials to improve their craft, especially in the off-season. KSOA Members receive first crack in scheduling of these opportunities and can participate at a significantly discounted rate, often with no out-of-pocket cost at all.
- **NASO Insurance:** The National Association of Sports Officials (NASO) is a nationwide organization helping to pave the way in our industry. NASO also provides critical legal and insurance protection for member sports officials. KSOA highly recommends each official be a member of NASO. To support this position, KSOA members are eligible to receive a \$35 discount from NASO’s individual membership fee.
- **Individual Sport Support:** KSOA conducts test reviews for KSHSAA-administered tests, providing specific rule & case book references to our member officials. KSOA also provides up to two make-up opportunities for KSHSAA Area Supervisor Meetings, helping ensure as many of our members are post-season eligible in their respective sports as possible.