

## **Important Dates**

### **CCSOA Meetings for 2026 (Manchester Country Club)**

August 26, Tuesday - 7pm - Mandatory Interpretation Meeting

September 17, Thursday - 7:00 PM

October 6, Tuesday – 7:00 PM

November 2, Monday –7:00 PM - Annual Meeting

The interpretation meeting is required by CIAC. Attending our business meetings is also a requirement. We combine our business meeting and interpretation meeting. If you miss the meeting but fulfill the interpretation meeting obligation by another means, this does not fulfill the attendance of the business meeting. CSOA has a requirement for meeting attendance, our Constitution and Bylaws allow for approved absences. I write this to encourage you to communicate in advance of an absence for approval. Please communicate with the Secretary Paul Yanosy for approved absences and consult the CCSOA Constitution and Bylaws for meeting obligations (Article VIII Section 5).

### **CIAC Fall Season** - What we know so far (about a week later than 2025):

Practice begins Aug. 24, 2026

First Games – Sep. 8, 2026

Last Games - Nov. 2, 2026

Playoffs– Nov. 4-22, 2026

## **Constitution Year**

Any proposed amendments must be received by the Secretary/Treasurer in writing or electronically by August 1st.

## **Uniforms**

I checked the Capelli website this week and our discount is still active. The link to the Capelli online store is here <https://teams.us.capellisport.com/csoa24/opt015/REFCSOA24RAI> and it is posted on our website. The first time you access the link, you will be requested to supply a password: CSOA2024. Once you get to the page, go on the left-hand side and click on "CSOA – Referee uniforms." The board requires two colors (YELLOW and PURPLE) both long and short sleeves for the 2026 fall season. The uniforms are available in Men's and Women's style and the socks have multiple sizes from S through XXXL. All uniforms are in stock and available. Individual prices may also be at a discount if you check the website.

Uniforms are also available at OSI - <https://officialsports.com/>

**RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT** – I want to thank everyone for all the effort that brought to us 13 new officials last year. Recruitment continues to be a focus this year and is a topic of conversation at every board meeting and business meeting. Please help us continue to grow and grow stronger.

### **Commissioner's Corner**

Arbiter – Now is a great time to update your profile in Arbiter. We'd ask you to provide your picture in the system so our commissioner and fellow members have a face to put with the name. Also ensure your email, cell phone and other contact information are updated so you can be contacted without delay when necessary.

Mobile App - support for the legacy Arbiter Officials App will end 1 March. After that date, the old app may no longer function as expected. If you haven't switched to the new Arbiter App yet, please do so now to ensure uninterrupted access to your schedule, assignments, and communication. Download from the App Store or Google Play.

### **Banquet Donation**

Thank you for your food and monetary donations at the banquet to support the Saint Joseph Cathedral Food Pantry. This year, through your efforts we presented a monetary donation in the amount of \$1,020. In addition to this monetary contribution, we also collected food items which were delivered to the food pantry by Yves Noiset.



That's all we have for now. If you have anything you need to discuss High School officiating related, please feel free to contact me or one of our other executive board members.