To All Officials:

Welcome to the New Season.

#### Contract/Dues

The link is below for the Independent Contractor Agreement and GSOA dues, which are \$75.00 for the 2025-2026 season. After you complete your information and payment info the contract will appear and you will click "I Consent" after reading it. I will be notified when this is completed. If you want to mail in your contract and dues, the address is GSOA, 100 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 406, Waco, TX 76701. You will need to print the Agreement and send it in with payment. The link, agreement, and this letter will also be listed on www.gsoa.org under Information in the next few days.

Dues/Contract Link: <a href="https://pci.jotform.com/form/252245744480155">https://pci.jotform.com/form/252245744480155</a>

## **Zoom Calls:**

We will be conducting meetings via Zoom in October. Dates are TBD. Everyone is expected to participate and attend these Zoom Calls.

# **Scrimmages:**

We will be assigning scrimmages in October and our expectations are that you will work them when assigned. This will help you apply the new rules and changes for the upcoming season. If you close out every date in October so that you don't have to work scrimmages, expect a call from Tony. So far, I have a men's scrimmage on 10/11 in Ft. Worth, a women's scrimmage on 10/18 in Arlington maybe. There will be others, I just don't have the dates yet.

### Videos:

We will be sending out teaching videos for the upcoming season as they become available. Please make sure you watch these. These videos will be done through the RefQuest website. Any clips you send to us for review or that you want to contribute to the group to learn from should be uploaded to the RefQuest website. More information will be sent regarding RefQuest in the coming weeks.

### RefQuest

We will be using RefQuest to assign all of our games. If you are new, you should have received an email from RQ to set up your profile. Main things I need in your RQ Profile: cell phone #, correct address (where we will be assigning you from) and a picture, coaches need this for evaluations as well as we need it to help us learn who everyone is. Many schools will be making payments through RQ so make sure you have the financial section of your profile set up with your banking information. Some schools will also make direct deposit payments directly to you as well. There's a section to complete a W-9 in RQ. Please do that now. It will speed up the process of you getting paid, if I don't have to track you down during the season to get this taken care of.

## **ArbiterPay**

Some schools will also be using ArbiterPay to make payment to officials, so please make sure you have that set up prior to the season as well.

#### **GSOA Website:**

# www.gsoa.org

Please check www.gsoa.org on a regular basis. The 2025-2026 information will be updated as we get it. We will let you know when it has been completed. Currently the 2024-2025 information is still up there.

### Misc. Information

If you are new to our staff and either yourself or a family member works at or attended (in the last 10 years) any school that we may assign for, please let me know now, prior to assignments being made. You are not allowed to work for schools you have a connection with. If you have a question about a school, just ask me.

Any time an email is sent out that asks for and/or requires a response, please do so in a timely manner. Be professional regarding this and in all your dealings with GSOA and we will do the same for you. I will respond to each of your emails, so if you do not receive a response from me within 24 hours (except weekends), that usually means that I did not receive your email. Please keep this in mind.

We need each of you to start reviewing the rules and mechanics changes as they are made available. There are several changes on both the men's and women's sides.

Thank you.

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