FOOTBALL

The 2015 NSAA Football Playoffs began on Thursday, October 29 for Classes D1 and D2. Thirty-two teams qualified for the playoffs in D1 and D2. Second-round games were scheduled for Wednesday, November 4. Playoff rounds for D1 and D2 continued with the quarterfinals on November 10. D1 and D2 semifinals were on Monday, November 16. Classes A, B, C1 and C2 qualified 16 for the playoffs and played their first-round games on October 30 and their second-round games on November 6. Class A, B, C1 and C2 semifinals were played on November 13. Championship finals for all classes were held at Memorial Stadium in Lincoln for the 20th consecutive year. Classes D1, D2 and B played their championship finals on November 23, while C1, C2 and A played November 24. Paid attendance for state finals: 18,638.

Class A was made up of the 28 largest schools playing football. The top three teams in the four districts and the next four teams with the highest wild-card point average advanced to the playoffs. The next 32 largest schools were Class B. The eight district champions and the next eight teams with the highest wild-card point average made the playoffs. The next 47 schools were Class C1. The remaining schools playing 11-man football (48) were Class C2. Classes D1 and D2 consisted of all schools playing 8-man football. There were 54 in D1 and 54 in D2. Five schools playing eight-man were above the playoff eligibility enrollment

limit. In Classes C1 and C2 the eight district champions and the next 8 teams with the highest wild-card point average qualified for the playoffs. In Classes D1 and D2 the 10 district champions and the next 22 teams with the highest wild-

card point average qualified for the playoffs.

2015 Football Results

CLASS A

First Round

Bellevue West 55, Lincoln North Star 7 Norfolk 12, Millard South 10 Millard North 37, Kearney 21 Omaha Central 21, North Platte 7 Omaha North 35, Grand Island 17 Omaha Westside 28, Papillion-La Vista 27 Papillion-La Vista South 56, Creighton Preparatory 21 Millard West 62, Lincoln Northeast 14

Ouarterfinals

Bellevue West 40, Norfolk 7 Millard North 37, Omaha Central 0 Omaha North 31, Omaha Westside 28 (OT) Millard West 35, Papillion-La Vista South 0

Semifinals

Millard North 35, Bellevue West 34, (OT) Millard West 42, Omaha North 10

Championship Final

Millard North 21, Millard West 14 *Championship Coach: Fred Petito*

CLASS B

First Round

Aurora 54, Alliance 13 Gretna 42, Scottsbluff 28 McCook 14, Beatrice 8 Plattsmouth 47, Bennington 0 Elkhorn South 70, Sidney 20 York 35, Omaha Roncalli Catholic 7 Lincoln Pius X 14, Northwest 0 Omaha Skutt Catholic 50, Waverly 3

Ouarterfinals

Aurora 15, Gretna 13 McCook 26, Plattsmouth 6 Elkhorn South 10, York 7 Omaha Skutt Catholic 17, Lincoln Pius X 0

Semifinals

Aurora 21, McCook 14 Elkhorn South 28, Omaha Skutt Catholic 24

Championship Final

Elkhorn South 32, Aurora 21 *Championship Coach: Guy Rosenberg*

<u>CLASS C1</u>

First Round

Columbus Scotus 62, O'Neill 14 Ashland-Greenwood 42, Chase County 14 Central City 30, Broken Bow 7 Wilber-Clatonia 9, Boone Central/Newman Grove 6 Boys Town 14, Syracuse 13 Holdrege 28, Wahoo 14 Bishop Neumann 26, Ogallala 17 Norfolk Catholic 42, Falls City 0

Ouarterfinals

Columbus Scotus 36, Ashland-Greenwood 7 Wilber-Clatonia 41, Central City 34 Boys Town 34, Holdrege 20 Norfolk Catholic 42, Bishop Neumann 21

Semifinals

Columbus Scotus 42, Wilber-Clatonia 7 Norfolk Catholic 48, Boys Town 14

Championship Final

Columbus Scotus 32, Norfolk Catholic 27 *Championship Coach: Tyler Linder*

2015 Football Results (continued)

CLASS C2

First Round

Battle Creek 53, Elmwood-Murdock 0
Doniphan-Trumbull 21, West Holt 0
Oakland-Craig 40, Omaha Brownell-Talbot 7
Gibbon 33, Bridgeport 8
Aquinas Catholic 48, Archbishop Bergan 0
Sutton 18, North Platte St. Patrick's 15

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Yutan 20, Crofton 7

Hastings St. Cecilia 48, Tri County 6

Quarterfinals

Battle Creek 49, Doniphan-Trumbull 7 Oakland-Craig 27, Gibbon 7 Aquinas Catholic 55, Sutton 16 Hastings St. Cecilia 27, Yutan 12

Semifinals

Oakland-Craig 27, Battle Creek 14 Aquinas Catholic 51, Hastings St. Cecilia 7

Championship Final

Aquinas Catholic 36, Oakland-Craig 7 *Championship Coach: Ron Mimick*

CLASS D1

First Round

BDS 52, Cross County 22
Neligh-Oakdale 75, Pender 32
Bloomfield 80, Lourdes Central Catholic 48
Guardian Angels Central Catholic 76, Mead 12
East Butler 50, Heartland 43
High Plains Community 84, Howells-Dodge 40
Clarkson/Leigh 52, Diller-Odell 26
Creighton 66, Fullerton 0
Amherst 65, Sutherland 8
Ansley-Litchfield 48, Arapahoe 20
Blue Hill 54, Elm Creek 26
Burwell 59, Boyd County 26
Hemingford 48, South Loup 7
Elgin Public/Pope John 52, Axtell 28

Clearwater/Orchard 42, Dundy County-Stratton 18

Perkins County 60, Twin Loup 14

Second Round

BDS 42, Neligh-Oakdale 7 Guardian Angels Central Catholic 74, Bloomfield 6 High Plains Community 66, East Butler 28 Creighton 52, Clarkson/Leigh 12 Amherst 63, Ansley-Litchfield 44 Burwell 43, Blue Hill 40 Elgin Public/Pope John 34, Hemingford 6 Clearwater/Orchard 38, Perkins County 36

Quarterfinals

BDS 36, Guardian Angels Central Catholic 16 Creighton 72, High Plains Community 32 Burwell 64, Amherst 41 Clearwater/Orchard 42, Elgin Public/Pope John 28

Semifinals

BDS 46, Creighton 28 Burwell 40, Clearwater/Orchard 6

Championship Final

BDS 44. Burwell 30

Championship Coach: Mark Rotter/Chris Ardissono

CLASS D2

First Round

CWC 60, Wallace 6 Bertrand 48, Brady 22 Mullen 50, Stuart 40

Anselmo-Merna 80, Eustis-Farnam 28 Sandhills/Thedford 69, Pleasanton 16

Maxwell 40, Southwest 32 Crawford 28, Alma 16 Garden County 74, Leyton 32

Humphrey St. Francis 68, St. Mary's 22

Osceola 72, Osmond 42

Randolph 76, Johnson-Brock 33

Falls City Sacred Heart 52, Emerson-Hubbard 18

Wynot 66, Palmer 20

Lawrence-Nelson 38, Lyons-Decatur Northeast 22

Kenesaw 81, Giltner 6 Exeter-Milligan 42, Sterling 6

Second Round

CWC 54, Bertrand 18
Anselmo-Merna 58, Mullen 24
Sandhills/Thedford 62, Maxwell 27
Garden County 50, Crawford 14
Humphrey St. Francis 52, Osceola 14
Falls City Sacred Heart 34, Randolph 26
Wynot 38, Lawrence-Nelson 0
Exeter-Milligan 48, Kenesaw 32

Quarterfinals

CWC 56, Anselmo-Merna 24 Sandhills/Thedford 49, Garden County 14 Humphrey St. Francis 46, Falls City Sacred Heart 14 Wynot 62, Exeter-Milligan 32

Semifinals

CWC 52, Sandhills/Thedford 15 Humphrey St. Francis 40, Wynot 12

Championship Final

Humphrey St. Francis 22, CWC 20 *Championship Coach: Eric Kessler*