

FOOTBALL

The 2017 NSAA Football Playoffs began on Thursday, October 26 for Classes D1 and D2. Thirty-two teams qualified for the playoffs in D1 and D2. Second-round games were scheduled for Wednesday, November 1. Playoff rounds for D1 and D2 continued with the quarterfinals on November 7. D1 and D2 semifinals were on Monday, November 13. Classes A, B, C1 and C2 qualified 16 for the playoffs and played their first-round games on October 27 and their second-round games on November 3. Class A, B, C1 and C2 semifinals were played on November 10. Championship finals for all classes were held at Memorial Stadium in Lincoln for the 22nd consecutive year. Classes D1, D2 and B played their championship finals on November 20, while C1, C2 and A played November 21. Attendance for state finals: 16,896.

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 43 schools were Class C1. The remaining schools playing 11-man football (44) were Class C2. Classes D1 and D2 consisted of all schools playing 8-man football. There were 53 in D1 and 54 in D2. Seven schools playing eight-man were above the play-off eligibility enrollment limit. In Classes C1 and C2 the eight district champions and the next eight teams with the highest wild-card point average qualified for the playoffs. In Classes D1 and D2 the ten district champions and the next 22 teams with the highest wild-card point average qualified for the playoffs.

2017 Football Results

CLASS A

First Round

Kearney 45, Norfolk 0
Omaha Westside 43, Lincoln Pius X, 39
Creighton Preparatory School 20, Grand Island 17
Bellevue West 41, Lincoln Southwest 21
Omaha North 47, Fremont 7
Millard South 21, Lincoln High 19
Omaha Burke 43, Millard North 21
Millard West 20, Papillion-La Vista South 6

Quarterfinals

Kearney 33, Omaha Westside 17
Creighton Preparatory School 25, Bellevue West 16
Omaha North 49, Millard South 0
Omaha Burke 43, Millard West 37

Semifinals

Kearney 25, Creighton Preparatory School 23
Omaha North 29, Omaha Burke 28

Championship Final

Omaha North 27, Kearney 20

Championship Coach: Larry Martin-Omaha North

CLASS B

First Round

Gretna 45, Plattsmouth 0
Northwest 48, Columbus 41
McCook 34, Waverly 23
Omaha Skutt Catholic 23, Aurora 0
York 37, Omaha Roncalli Catholic 24
Scottsbluff 49, Blair 27
Elkhorn 35, Beatrice 7
Elkhorn South 42, Omaha Gross Catholic 7

Quarterfinals

Gretna 39, Northwest 19
Omaha Skutt Catholic 30, McCook 14
York 35, Scottsbluff 20
Elkhorn South 38, Elkhorn 13

Semifinals

Omaha Skutt Catholic 10, Gretna 9
York 14, Elkhorn South 0

Championship Final

York 31, Omaha Skutt Catholic 0

Championship Coach: Glen Snodgrass-York

CLASS C1

First Round

Norfolk Catholic 20, Bishop Neumann 7
Aquinas Catholic 42, Gothenburg 6
Wayne 30, Chadron 28
Wahoo 42, Kearney Catholic 28
Boys Town 30, Lincoln Christian 22
Boone Central/Newman Grove 40, Auburn 3
West Point-Beemer 35, Columbus Lakeview 14
Pierce 36, Fairbury 32

Quarterfinals

Norfolk Catholic 21, Aquinas Catholic 17
Wahoo 42, Wayne 8
Boone Central/Newman Grove 19, Boys Town 9
Pierce 54, West Point-Beemer 34

Semifinals

Norfolk Catholic 14, Wahoo 0
Boone Central/Newman Grove 42, Pierce 25

Championship Final

Norfolk Catholic 35, Boone Central/Newman Grove 0

Championship Coach: Jeff Bellar-Norfolk Catholic

2017 Football Results (continued)

CLASS C2

First Round

Ponca 44, Doniphan-Trumbull 7
Battle Creek 20, Wilber-Clatonia 0
Yutan 25, Oakland-Craig 0
Valentine 19, Sutton 16
Arcadia-Loup City 28, Hershey 0
Lincoln Lutheran 35, North Platte St. Patrick's 0
Central City 27, Hartington Cedar Catholic 26
Centennial 28, Logan View 13

Quarterfinals

Battle Creek 24, Ponca 20
Yutan 20, Valentine 7
Lincoln Lutheran 21, Arcadia-Loup City 12
Centennial 26, Central City 16

Semifinals

Yutan 21, Battle Creek 7
Centennial 33, Lincoln Lutheran 20

Championship Final

Yutan 27, Centennial 6

Championship Coach: Dan Krajicek-Yutan

CLASS D1

First Round

Creighton 70, McCool Junction 0
Plainview 46, Diller-Odell 30
East Butler 52, Hartington-Newcastle 20
Nebraska Lutheran 68, Thayer Central 16
Pender 52, Guardian Angels Central Catholic 50
Johnson-Brock 24, Heartland 6
Lourdes Central Catholic 48, Neligh-Oakdale 20
Howells-Dodge 46, Clarkson/Leigh 0
West Holt 55, Boyd County 8
Perkins County 44, Clarwater-Orchard 28
Hemingford 22, Overton 14
Medicine Valley 42, Cambridge 20
South Loup 48, Dundy County-Stratton 22
Elm Creek 14, Burwell 12
CWCE (Chambers/Wheeler Central/Ewing) 72, Palmer 12
Kenesaw 57, Southwest 0

Second Round

Creighton 58, Plainview 0
East Butler 46, Nebraska Lutheran 32
Johnson-Brock 66, Pender 22
Howells-Dodge 54, Lourdes Central Catholic 32
Perkins County 32, West Holt 27
Medicine Valley 60, Hemingford 22
South Loup 36, Elm Creek 22
CWCE (Chambers/Wheeler Central/Ewing) 27, Kenesaw 7

Quarterfinals

East Butler 40, Creighton 28
Howells-Dodge 54, Johnson-Brock 42
Medicine Valley 48, Perkins County 26
South Loup 54, CWCE (Chambers/Wheeler Central/
Ewing) 15

Semifinals

East Butler 22, Howells-Dodge 12
South Loup 34, Medicine Valley 14

Championship Final

East Butler 36, South Loup 14

Championship Coach: Shawn Biltoft-East Butler

CLASS D2

First Round

Mullen 66, Stuart 6
Giltner 58, Arapahoe 50 (OT)
Lawrence-Nelson 54, Crawford 12
Garden County 56, Wallace 0
Twin Loup 55, Pleasanton 8
Paxton 38, Sandhills/Thedford 18
North Central 44, Wauneta-Palisade 6
Blue Hill 60, Central Valley 18
Bloomfield 76, Exeter-Milligan 6
Randolph 20, Meridian 16
Humphrey St. Francis 36, Osmond 0
Falls City Sacred Heart 48, Parkview Christian 22
Friend 52, Allen 12
Wynot 50, Wausa 20
Fullerton 30, Osceola 24
BDS (Bruning-Davenport/Shickley) 60, Pawnee City 16

Second Round

Mullen 53, Giltner 8
Lawrence-Nelson 26, Garden County 14
Twin Loup 51, Paxton 6
Blue Hill 49, North Central 20
Bloomfield 48, Randolph 8
Falls City Sacred Heart 34, Humphrey St. Francis 30
Wynot 34, Friend 10
BDS (Bruning-Davenport/Shickley) 50, Fullerton 16

Quarterfinals

Mullen 36, Lawrence-Nelson 18
Blue Hill 37, Twin Loup 34
Falls City Sacred Heart 15, Bloomfield 14
BDS (Bruning-Davenport/Shickley) 58, Wynot 40

Semifinals

Blue Hill 42, Mullen 30
BDS (Bruning-Davenport/Shickley) 50, Falls City Sacred
Heart 16

Championship Final

BDS (Bruning-Davenport/Shickley) 58, Blue Hill 23

**Championship Coach: Mark Rotter, Chris Ardisson-
BDS (Bruning-Davenport/Shickley)**