

WEEKLY WRAP UP

Make the Call

Every week, a scenario that occurred in an HSSOA game will be provided below. **Click [HERE](#) or scan the QR code** to let us know what you would have done if you were the referee. All respondents will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a special prize each week. **This week's prize is a PINK Fox 40 whistle!**



Scenario: A player entering the attacking third was tackled by a defender who committed a reckless foul. The referee stopped the clock and issued a yellow card to the player who committed the reckless foul and the player left the field with no comments. The attacking player was on the ground and the referee beckoned the trainer onto the field. While the clock was stopped and the trainer was still on the field, a defending player decided to walk up to the ball and stood 2 yards in front of it. The referee issued a yellow card to the defender for "Failing to Respect the Required Distance", all while the clock was stopped and trainer was still treating the injured player on the field.

What would YOU do in this scenario if you were the referee?

Last Week's Scenario: A player sustained a serious head injury during play with 10 seconds left in the game. The referee beckoned the athletic trainer and coach onto the field, stopped the clock, and the athletic trainer assessed the player in the center of the field. After the player was treated and the player, trainer, and coach began making their way back to the technical area, the referee restarted the game and played out the final 10 seconds while the athletic trainer, coach, and the concussed player were still on the field. When the coach approached the referee after the game about their decision, the referee responded to the coach " There was only 10 seconds left. You talk too much."

What would YOU do in this scenario if you were the referee?

From our winner last week, **Enrique Montano Jr.:** "I would allow the the coach and trainer time to exit the field safely with the injured player. Once the player is off, I would give the coach a chance to substitute if they wish to. Once the substitution is in, we can restart play. We want to make sure we play the time remaining on the clock if the injured player can be removed from the field. Also, no matter how little time is left, we want to make sure it is safe to restart. We cannot run the clock and take away 10 seconds from a match, as 10 seconds can make a big difference in a game."

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Email us photos of your crew (with names) or action shots during your HSSOA games this season for a chance to be featured in our Weekly Wrap Up!

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Referee of the Week

This week's officials of the week shout out goes to **Haniel Pineda** and **Cheyenne Schulte**.

These two officials were reported to have done so well as Assistant Referees during their competitive matches under the rain this past week. Great Job! Keep up the good work.

Important Message from D&P Committee

The HSSOA Discipline & Protest Committee had a complaint recently where a referee was alleged to have asked for more money because games ran late and the coach didn't want to shorten them.

The UIL rules concerning officials reimbursement are given in section 1204 of UIL policy: <https://www.uiltexas.org/policy/constitution/athletics/officials>

Sections (m),(n) in particular describe exactly what can be reimbursed, and section (o) makes it clear that nothing else can be. So if games run late, for example, you cannot request additional compensation.

Coming Up...

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- Field Training Session #1 - Thursday, **February 1st** 7-8:30pm **Pin Oak MS**
- Field Training Session #2 - Thursday, **February 8th** 7-8:30pm **Burroughs Park**

All first year HSSOA referees are required to attend one field training session, but the sessions are open to all referees in our chapter.