

OHSAA All-Time State Football Tournament Participation

Archbold(14) – 2020, 2019, 2017, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2007, 2002, 1990, 1989, 1988 (1st), 1987, 1982, (2nd), 1980

Bryan(5) – 2020, 2018, 2013, 2012, 2009

Delta(9) – 2020, 2015, 2014, 2006, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000

Metamora Evergreen(2) – 2020, 1984

Liberty Center(20) – 2020, 2019, 2018, 2016, 2012, 2011, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998 (2nd), 1997 (1st), 1993 (2nd), 1992, 1991, 1980

Montpelier(3) – 2020, 1993, 1992, 1973 (2nd)

Patrick Henry(19) – 2020, 2019, 2018, 2016, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005 (1st), 2004, 2003, 2002, 2000, 1997, 1996, 1977

Swanton(5) – 2020, 2017, 2016, 2015, 1995

Wauseon(9) – 2020, 2019, 2017, 2015, 2014, 2013, 1999, 1994, 1993 (1st)

OHSAA Playoff Procedures

The OHSAA established the football playoff system in 1971 and began with the 1972 season. From 1972-1979, the OHSAA used the established three classes, AAA, AA and A, based on enrollment of schools, with the playoff involving each of four regional champions in each class, or 12 teams. In 1980, the OHSAA recognized five divisions, and the playoff involved the top two teams in each region, or 40 teams. In 1985, participation increased to the top four teams in each region and involved 80 teams. In 1994, the OHSAA set a sixth division, and 96 teams were involved. A revision in 1999 increased the involvement to the top eight teams in each region, or 192 teams participating. A seventh division was added beginning in 2013; therefore, 224 teams now participate in the playoffs. The top ranked teams in each region have hosted the first week of the playoffs since the 1999 revision.

Beginning in 2021, the playoffs will expand to 12 teams per region, with the top 4 seeds getting a bye into the second round of the playoffs.

In 2020, due to Covid-19 and a shortened season, all OHSAA teams could opt into the playoffs, with coaches voting to determine seeds and brackets. Better seeds will host the opening weeks of the playoffs.

NWOAL 2020 Football Playoffs

Division IV

Sat. Oct 17. #6 Wauseon to host winner of #11 Clyde vs. #22 Sheffield-Brookside

Sat. Oct 10, #14 Bryan to host #19 Lorain Clearview

Division V

Sat. Oct 10, #22 Swanton @ #11 Lima Bath

Division VII

Sat. Oct 17, #1 Archbold to host winner of #16 Gibsonburg vs. #17 Wayne Trace

Sat. Oct 10, #7 Liberty Center to host #26 New London

Sat. Oct 10, #18 Delta @ #15 Attica Seneca East

Sat. Oct 10, #24 Evergreen @ #9 Ashland Crestview

Division VII

Fri. Oct 9, #11 Patrick Henry to host #22 Vanlue

NWOAL All-Time Football Playoff Records

Archbold (18-12)

State Champs 1988

State Runners-Up 1982

Semi-Finalists 1980, 1987, 1990

1980

Bucyrus Wynford 10-0

Cincinnati Mariemont 7-35

1982

Rossford 31-6

Wellington 17-0

West Jefferson 0-6

1987

Tontogany Otsego 21-7

Huron 3-0 (OT)

Gates Mills Hawken 14-21

1988

Fremont St. Joseph CC 42-8

Monroeville 37-24

Minster 20-0

Mogadore 42-14

1989

Versailles 12-33

1990

Ayersville 23-13

Minster 34-7

Sandusky St. Marys CC 0-14

2002

Ottawa-Glandorf 20-6

Delta 16-13

Kenton 0-52

2007

Findlay Liberty-Benton 13-45

2008

Liberty Center 26-6

Findlay Liberty-Benton 10-42

2010

Northwood 49-0

Lima CC 14-35

2012

Columbia Station Columbia 34-39

2017

Lewistown Indian Lake 23-14

Marion Pleasant 24-28

2019

Coldwater 27-21

Liberty Center 31-30

Anna 7-42

2020

Winner of Gibsonburg-Wayne Trace

Bryan (3-4)

2009

Col. St. Francis De Sales 21-45

2012

Columbus Watterson 41-24

Napoleon 20-21

2013

Genoa 43-36

Caledonia River Valley 49-19

Kenton 43-46

2018

Bellville Clear Fork 6-20

2020

Lorain Clearview

Delta (6-8)

Semi-Finalist 2003

2000

Sandusky Perkins 6-50

2001

Castalia Margaretta 14-34

2002

Rossford 14-6

Archbold 13-16

2003

Huron 31-28

Urbana 28-20

Coldwater 16-14

Versailles 7-28

2004

Urbana 56-20

Coldwater 35-41 (2OT)

2006

Bedford Chanel 7-16

2014

Findlay Liberty-Benton 0-28

2015

Bucyrus Wynford 21-15

Van Buren 28-29

2020

Attica Seneca East

Evergreen (0-1)

1984

Collins Western Reserve 13-14

2020

Ashland Crestview

Liberty Center (29-18)

State Champs 1997

State Runners-Up 1993, 1998
Semi-Finalists 1992, 1999, 2000

1980

Tiffin Calvert 19-40

1991

Marion Elgin 43-18

Springfield Catholic 28-30 (OT)

1992

Columbus Grove 7-6

Fremont St. Joseph CC 30-8

St. Henry 6-28

1993

McComb 45-23

Crestline 42-19

Sidney Lehman Catholic 34-7

Steubenville Catholic 14-17 (OT)

1997

Marion Pleasant 21-19

Patrick Henry 40-14

Applecreek Waynedale 44-8

Amanda-Clearcreek 49-8

1998

Bluffton 14-7

Applecreek Waynedale 13-7

Warren Kennedy 43-0

Versailles 7-28

1999

Sherwood Fairview 43-21

Columbus Grove 35-28

Sycamore Mohawk 49-28

St. Henry 28-35

2000

Patrick Henry 40-7

Delphos Jefferson 22-20

Marion Pleasant 28-21

Bedford Chanel 30-31

2001

Ashland Crestview 22-20

Sherwood Fairview 13-12

Marion Pleasant 0-24

2004

Sherwood Fairview 47-28

Bluffton 27-0

Patrick Henry 27-41

2005

Sandusky St. Marys CC 12-29

2006

Bascom Hopewell-Loudon 22-42

2007

Patrick Henry 6-50

2008

Archbold 6-26

2011

Carey 28-0

Patrick Henry 7-21

2012

Findlay Liberty-Benton 7-16

2016

N. Robinson Colonel Crawford 28-20

Patrick Henry 3-21

2018

Casstown Miami East 24-21

Oak Harbor 14-0

Genoa 43-40

Orrville 7-38

2019

Harrod Allen East 43-12

Archbold 30-31

2020

New London

Montpelier (2-3)

State Runners-Up 1973

1973

Newark Catholic 19-8

Middletown Fenwick 7-27

1992

Elyria Catholic 7-8

1993

Tontogany Otsego 27-14

Huron 6-13

Patrick Henry (30-17)

State Champs 2005

Semi-Finalists 2004, 2007, 2009

1977

Ashtabula St. Johns 7-21

1996

Elmore Woodmore 27-45

1997

Columbus Grove 28-14

Liberty Center 14-40

2000

Liberty Center 7-40

2002

Delphos St. Johns 7-40

2003

Findlay Liberty-Benton 20-13

Lorain Clearview 51-24

Delphos St. Johns 7-41

2004

Defiance Tinora 42-13

Findlay Liberty-Benton 45-32
Liberty Center 41-27
St. Henry 0-13
2005
Bloomdale Elmwood 34-31
Haviland Wayne Trace 41-6
Bucyrus Wynford 56-35
North Lima S. Range 48-28
Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy 42-30
2006
Sherwood Fairview 49-52
2007
Liberty Center 50-6
Lima CC 34-14
Findlay Liberty-Benton 44-27
Marion Local 20-42
2008
Ashland Crestview 38-7
Bucyrus Wynford 21-0
Findlay Liberty-Benton 0-28
2009
Northwood 41-14
Jeromesville Hillsdale 42-19
Defiance Tinora 28-21
Coldwater 24-35
2010
Columbia Station Columbia 35-12
Jeromesville Hillsdale 41-48
2011
Northwood 49-28
Liberty Center 21-7
Hicksville 7-34
2012
Northwood 20-19
Columbia Station Columbia 56-16
Findlay Liberty-Benton 21-22
2016
Defiance Tinora 39-0
Liberty Center 21-3
Ayersville 21-19
Marion Local 7-36
2018
McComb 21-45
2019
Arlington 28-16
Norwalk St. Paul 42-14

Leipsic 27-13
Marion Local 7-40
2020
Vanlue

Swanton (2-4)
1995
Versailles 20-21
2015
Apple Creek Waynedale 38-28
Milan Edison 15-17
2016
W. Salem Northwestern 40-29
Creston Norwayne 21-28
2017
Pemberville Eastwood 0-48
2020
Lima Bath

Wauseon (8-7)
State Champs 1993
1993
Bay Village 42-30
Wooster Triway 31-19
Youngstown Ursuline 13-7
Ironton 13-10
1994
New London 24-6
Orrville 14-21 (OT)
1999
Oak Harbor 13-24
2013
Wooster Triway 21-26
2014
Genoa 9-7
Bellevue 34-12
Kenton 14-38
2015
Bellevue 0-18
2017
Shelby 13-50
2019
Bellevue 41-18
Ottawa-Glandorf 14-21
2020
Winner of Clyde-Brookside