

**TENNESSEE SECONDARY SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
2022-2023 Bowling State Championships**

Host: Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) located in Hermitage, Tennessee

Tentative Dates: **3 consecutive dates between**
 January 18-22, 2022
 January 17-21, 2023

Competition dates later in the week are preferred. The bowling facility must be reserved exclusively for TSSAA during the hours of this competition. Schedules can be discussed that allow for the facility to reopen to the public each evening at the conclusion of the day's competition.

Organizational Profile: The TSSAA was founded in 1925 as a voluntary, non-profit, self-supported organization to administer the junior and senior high school athletic programs in the state of Tennessee. TSSAA currently serves over 430 member high schools and 400 TMSAA member middle schools.

Event Profile: The TSSAA Bowling State Championships are the culmination of the high school bowling season for both boys' and girls' bowling teams and individual bowlers of member schools across the state of Tennessee. Member schools are divided into two classifications of play (Division I and Division II), and compete for three days for both team and individual titles. These championships bring together student-athletes, coaches, fans, parents, and other spectators from all over Tennessee.

Attendee Profile:

- Division I - Approximately 50 girls' & 50 boys' individual qualifiers, 8 girls' & 8 boys' qualifying teams
- Division II - 24 girls' & 24 boys' individual qualifiers, 8 girls' & 8 boys' qualifying teams
- Families and classmates of the participating student-athletes
- TSSAA Staff and Event Staff

Facility Requirements:

Bowling Alley –

- Minimum of 48 bowling lanes preferred, with ability to put down custom oil patterns
- Seating/viewing areas for spectators
- Office space and storage area for TSSAA officials and medical staff; a copy machine should be available for use
- Designated media area with internet access and the capacity to accommodate up to 15 working media

- Concessions/Dining facilities on-site to accommodate players, coaches, spectators, media, officials, and staff - alcohol cannot be sold during the championships
- Restroom facilities for all in attendance
- Designated seating areas for spectators is preferred

Parking – there should be adequate and safe parking for team buses, spectator vehicles, media, and VIPs

Hotel Requirements: There must be adequate hotel availability in the area to accommodate student-athletes and their coaches, parents, and fans that may be traveling from other areas of the state. If located outside of the Middle Tennessee area, additional hotel room nights should be provided to house up to eight TSSAA staff members during the tournament.

<p>Host Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Facility maintenance and set-up -Oil patterns -Facility management -Placement of TSSAA signage -Ticket sellers and ticket takers -Concessions -Custodial clean-up 	<p>TSSAA Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Team hosting -Officials' coordination -Media coordination -Credential printing and distribution -Ticket printing -Trophies and awards -Tournament operation -On-site signage and marketing
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Corporate sponsors - Seeking community and corporate involvement is encouraged. However, NO on-site signage, video/scoreboard ads, PA announcements, booth displays, or giveaways will be allowed due to existing contracts between the TSSAA and its corporate sponsors. Any community sponsors must be approved by the TSSAA Marketing Director, Courtney Brunetz.

Note: The TSSAA reserves the right to all souvenir and soft goods sales due to existing contracts.

Financial Agreement: It shall be the decision of the bidding organization as to whether they include a financial aspect/agreement in their bid, and if so, what that amount shall be. Previous agreements have had TSSAA retaining gate receipts while paying a flat rate for use of the facility. TSSAA retains the right to establish ticket prices.

Recent Sites:

2002-2021: Smyrna Bowling Center, Smyrna

Recent Paid Attendance (for 3 days of competition):

2021: no spectators due to COVID-19
 2020: 1539
 2019: 1509
 2018: 1341

Bids Due:	May 26, 2021 by 12pm CDT
Board Decision:	June 8, 2021
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