

NCHSAA Football State Championships return to Wallace Wade Stadium in 2017



CHAPEL HILL – The North Carolina High School Athletic Association is pleased to announce a partnership with the Triangle Sports Commission (TSC) that will bring two NCHSAA Football State Championship Games to Durham and Wallace Wade Stadium on the campus of Duke University.

The Football Championships return to Wallace Wade Stadium for the first time since 2006 and will return the schedule of competition for the event to four sites with two games each. The other venues will remain as Carter-Finley Stadium in Raleigh, Kenan Stadium in Chapel Hill and BB&T Field in Winston-Salem. The 104th edition of the NCHSAA Football Championships are scheduled for December 9th.

NCHSAA Commissioner Que Tucker said, “When we were approached by the Triangle Sports Commission about the possibility of playing State Championship Games at the newly renovated Wallace Wade Stadium, we were eager to see if an arrangement could be worked out. After touring the facility and seeing the many upgrades and improvements Duke has made since 2006, the decision to again include Durham and Duke in the championship schedule was an easy one. Knowing the the partnership and support available from the Triangle Sports Commission helped solidify that decision!”

Triangle Sports Commission CEO, Hill Carrow, is excited about the partnership and said, "The Triangle Sports Commission is thrilled with the NCHSAA's selection of Duke University for its high school football championships. Duke University has done an amazing job upgrading all their football and athletic department facilities, and the NCSHAA's championship teams are going to enjoy competing in essentially a brand new venue. We are proud to be partnering with Duke as local hosts and look forward to an outstanding event in December."

About the Triangle Sports Commission: The Triangle Sports Commission is the sports commission for the Triangle region of North Carolina consisting of Wake, Durham, and Orange Counties. A long-time Community Olympic Partner of the U.S. Olympic Committee, the TSC focuses on the hosting of Olympic and amateur sports events and activities that help develop athletes, promote the region, and foster positive branding and economic impacts for the Raleigh-Durham market. The TSC successfully recruited USA Baseball’s headquarters to Durham and their national training complex to Cary. The TSC has served as host organization for the U.S. Olympic Trials – Table Tennis, Collegiate Rugby National Championships, ACC Baseball Championships, and the world’s first-ever Rugby 7’s Olympic Qualification Tournament, among others. For more information on the TSC, visit www.trianglesportscommission.com.

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