



## SOUTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

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**To:** Marty Conner, Sr., Principal – South Pointe High School  
**From:** Jerome Singleton, Commissioner  
**Subject:** Time of scheduled appearance before Executive Committee  
**Date:** January 10, 2020

You are scheduled to appear before the Executive Committee on January 15, 2020, to present your case for sanction relief. The meeting will be held at the South Carolina High School League Office, 121 Westpark Boulevard, Columbia, South Carolina. Your scheduled appearance time is 8:30 a.m.

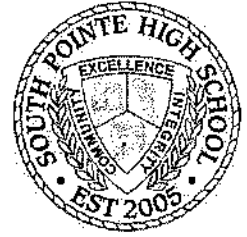
**Please refer to page 1 of the League's By-Laws for the procedures to be used when making appeals to the Executive Committee.** You are to forward copies of your request brief to members of the Executive Committee. Each committee person must receive a complete copy of all pertinent information prior to the meeting. You will have 10 minutes to make your presentation to the Committee.

**Date:** January 15, 2020  
**Time:** 8:30 a.m.  
**Site:** South Carolina High School League  
121 Westpark Boulevard  
Columbia, South Carolina

# South Pointe High School

*"Engage, Empower, Inspire Every Student Every Day for Successful Futures"*

Principal, Dr. Marty S. Conner, Sr.



Dear Mr. Singleton,

We received the notice informing us of the SCHSL's decision regarding our self-reporting of the girls' soccer team's violation of open/closed season practice.

We fully accept the SCHSL's decision to limit the team to one practice, inability to host any events, and the \$500.00 fine. However, we would like to appeal the inability to participate in the post season.

The girls' soccer coach received clear notice from the athletic director that he could not train soccer players during closed season. The soccer coach acted independently and in isolation from the directive that was provided to him. Due to the coaches' actions, he was relieved of his duties as South Pointe High School's girls' soccer coach immediately following the investigation and findings.

We strongly believe the actions of the coach does not represent our soccer program, athletic department, or school. We believe our actions to terminate the coach due to his independent actions, will ensure our soccer team can move forward positively and without any further league violation(s). We further believe the acceptance of our appeal will not allow our players to pay the cost of a decision made independent from them and limited their ability to compete beyond the regular season.

Please advise if any further information is needed.

Regards,

*M Conner*

Marty S. Conner, Sr.  
Principal



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**TO:** Marty Conner, South Pointe High School  
**FROM:** Skip Lax, Associate Commissioner - SCHSL  
**DATE:** November 18, 2019

The Executive Committee has instructed the League Office to be very consistent in the enforcement of rules and regulations. The "Guidelines for Disciplines" are on page 19 of the Rules & Regulations section of the League Handbook.

In accordance with these instructions, your school is being fined **\$500.00** for the following reason(s):

- ☐ Necessary paperwork missing prior to participation
- ☐ Submission of ineligible student(s) on Certificate of Eligibility
- ☐ Permitting an ineligible student to participate
- ☐ Unsportsmanlike conduct by player, coach, school or spectators
- ☐ Participation prior to submission of the Certificate of Eligibility
- ☐ Participation in a contest prior to filing Transfer Form
- ☒ Violation of open/closed season practice schedule (7 days)

*\*The girls' soccer program will be placed on probation for one year effective October 25, 2019. The program will not be able to begin it's first day of practice until February 6, 2020. They will be limited to one scrimmage, cannot host any events and cannot participate in the post season. In addition, the school will be fined \$500.00*

If you should have any questions, please contact this office. Payment of the fine, or a written request for an appeal to the Executive Committee, must be received in this office within fifteen days of receipt of this correspondence.

\*Failure to pay a fine within 60 days – additional \$50.00 will be added.

**NOTE: THE LEAGUE DOES NOT ACCEPT PERSONAL CHECKS FOR FINES OR LATE FEES. PLEASE SEND CHECK/MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO:  
SC HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE**

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Principal, Dr. Marty S. Conner, Sr.



October 24, 2019

Dear Skip Lax,

This letter is written to bring to your attention an investigation that was conducted and finalized yesterday. The investigation revealed a SCHSL violation of South Pointe High's soccer team. The investigation revealed the varsity girls' soccer coach, Javier Marin, was involved in multiple off-campus practices during closed season with SPHS girls' soccer players. The confirmed unauthorized practice dates include 8/19, 8/26, 9/6, 9/16, 9/23, 10/11, and 10/14. The investigation is on-going to confirm all the facts of the violation to include the name of the four players involved.

Lastly, we are in the process of finalizing disciplinary actions to be taken against the coach, which may include termination.

If you have any questions, concerns, or further clarification, please feel free to contact me.

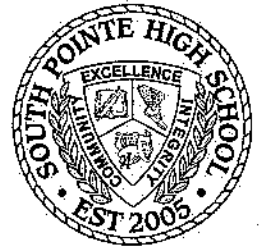
Sincerely,

Marty S. Conner, Sr.  
Principal

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January 10, 2020

Dear Mr. Singleton, We received the notice informing us of the SCHSL's decision regarding our self-reporting of the JV football team's violation. We fully accept responsibility and the SCHSL's decision to forfeit the game played on November 4, 2019 and the fine. However, we would like to appeal the \$4,000.00 fine. Though we take full responsibility for the violation, we would like to respectfully request a reduction in the fine.

Due to our immediate actions to implement athletic procedures and safeguards to ensure the miscommunication of the rule from AD to coach does not occur in the future when similar circumstances are presented, we ask the executive committee to please consider our actions to self-report, acknowledge and take accountability for our actions, and implement corrective actions; and grant a reduction in the fine.

Please know the violation of the rule does not represent our football program, athletic department, or school. We believe our internal actions to make corrections, have allowed our athletic department to make positive improvements due to the violation.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Please advise if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

*Marty S. Conner, Sr.*

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**TO:** Marty Conner, Principal – Southpointe High School

**FROM:** Skip Lax, Associate Commissioner - SCHSL

**DATE:** November 18, 2019

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In accordance with these instructions, your school is being fined <sup>(\$500 per student)</sup> **\$4,000.00** for the following reason(s):

- ☐ Necessary paperwork missing prior to participation
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- ☒ Permitting ineligible students (8) to participate
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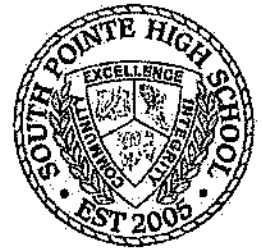
*\*In addition, the school must forfeit the J.V. game played on 11/4/19 and notify the opponent.*

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November 7, 2019

Dear Skip Lax,

This letter is written to self-report a possible SCHSL violation of the Junior Varsity Football Team. Due to a change in the Thursday, October 31, 2019 JV football game vs. York HS to Monday, November 4, 2019, the athletic director understood we would not be in violation if eight JV football players played on Friday, November 1, 2019 in the varsity game and play again Monday, November 4, 2019 in a October 31, 2019 make-up JV game. The game was changed from Thursday, October 31, 2019 to November 4, 2019 against York HS due to inclement weather. The athletic director did not properly communicate to the coach the SCHSL regulation. It was mistaken that since the JV players did not play the same week as Friday's game, they could play Monday, November 4, 2019 because it was the following week.

We understand the League will conduct its' investigation and determine any possible violations. In the meantime, we would like written feedback prior to our 7:30 p.m. playoff game on Friday, November 8, 2019 to confirm the eight players are eligible to play in the November 8, 2019 playoff game against Greer HS.

If you have any questions, concerns, or further clarification, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Marty S. Conner, Sr.  
Principal