



HS Playoff Divisions

While registration remains open so that we can welcome new players at any time during the season, it has stabilized enough that we were able to pull the data and determine where the teams fall for the playoffs.

Rugby Ohio first determines if a team is Single School or Competitive Club. A team is Single School if at least 18 players attend the same school and 85% overall come from that same school. Those teams who do not qualify as Single School are Competitive Club.

For girls, we have both of those divisions, along with the new Flex Division. You can see where teams fall in the graphic below.



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

SINGLE SCHOOL	Brunswick Valkyries Highland Lady Buzzards Hudson Rugby Medina Rugby Mentor Girls Saint Joseph Academy Watkins Warriors
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CLUB	Cincinnati Walnut Hills John Marshall Perry Panther Perrysburg RFC
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FLEX	Amherst Rugby Dayton Gems Dublin Girls Shaker Heights Toledo Penguins
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For boys, we have sufficient teams in Single School and Competitive Club to divide those each into two divisions, D1 and D2. To make that classification, the male enrollment of all schools a club pulls from is calculated, using data from the Ohio Department of Education. Those with the largest potential player pools are D1 and those with smaller pools are D2. These four divisions are in addition to our traditional Super D1, JV and JV-B teams.



HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

SUPER	SUPER D1	SUPER JV	SUPER JV-B
	Archbishop Moeller	Archbishop	Archbishop
	St Edward	Moeller	Moeller
	St Ignatius	St Edward	St Edward
	St Xavier	St Ignatius	St Ignatius
		St Xavier	St Xavier

SINGLE SCHOOL	D1	D2
	Avon Lake	Brunswick
	Chaney	Lake Catholic
	Dublin	Mad Anthony
	Findlay	Perry Panthers
	Hudson	Shaker Heights
	Medina	Toledo/Woodward
	Mentor	Watkins Warriors
	Withrow	

CLUB	D1	D2
	Hilliard	Dover
	Northern Force	Highland
	Olentangy	Perrysburg
	Walnut Hills	St Charles
		Walsh Jesuit

Seedings are based on results from assigned league games and teams receive secondary points based on the success of opponents they face. This model was taken from OHSA. All teams make the playoffs. The Flex League teams will participate in an end of season festival at the finals on June 4th.

We'll post seedings to a news story on the website. Please remember that these early seedings are difficult because all teams haven't played the same number of league games at this early stage of the season.

Flex Division

A common challenge some teams face each year is meeting the deadlines for Rugby Ohio's traditional competitive schedule. Some teams don't have reliable access to players in the off-season. Some teams just can't start as early as needed. Rather than having those teams fold, and those players not having access to a team close to their home or school, Rugby Ohio worked with 5 teams to begin the Flex Division. Games started a few weeks later than the single school and club

RUGBY OHIO FLEX DIVISION



games. All teams come together to play on game days. The first two weeks of games have been 7s matches. They are transitioning to include 15s play in Week 3.

Thank you to Mary Wunderle for the Flex designs and thanks to everyone who worked to help come up with new ideas to keep these players able to play rugby this spring!

Reminder



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This is a game

The coaches are volunteers

The referees are human

This is not the World Cup

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