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## MSHSAA ADVERTISES FOR STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP HOST PROPOSALS

COLUMBIA – The Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) Board of Directors have resolved to request proposals from event venues desiring to serve as the host of future MSHSAA Baseball State Championships.

MSHSAA is accepting venue proposals for the school years 2026-2027 through 2030-2031. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2024, at 1 p.m. Proposals will be accepted for individual or multiple years within the five-year span. MSHSAA encourages long-term commitments but will evaluate all submissions, regardless of duration.

"Baseball is one of the cornerstones of high school sports in Missouri, and we look forward to finding a venue that shares our vision for providing a first-class experience for student-athletes, coaches and fans," MSHSAA Executive Director Dr. Jennifer Rukstad said. "Our state championships are an important celebration of talent and dedication, and we're excited to partner with a venue that will help create lasting memories."

Documents and materials for each championship request for proposal (RFP) can be obtained by contacting MSHSAA's Chief Financial/Operating Officer, Craig Long, or MSHSAA's Assistant Executive Director, Daryl Bradley, by mail inquiry to 1 North Keene St., Columbia, Mo. 65201, by phone at (573) 875-4880 or by email at <u>email@mshsaa.org</u>.

The MSHSAA Baseball State Championships have been hosted at the Ozark Mountain Sports Complex since 2021 and will continue at this venue through the 2025-26 season.

Our MSHSAA championships generate significant tourism and economic benefit for our hosting communities. We respectfully ask you to share this information within your communities.

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