

GET YOUR FRIENDS,
VIDEO CAMERAS,
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THE
IHSA STUDENT
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2025

Student Section and Spirit Showdown

Deadline for video submission is January 29, 2025

SHOWCASE YOUR:

- ➔ STUDENT SECTION • SCHOOL SPIRIT ←
- ➔ COMMUNITY SERVICE ←

You will be competing against high schools throughout Illinois,
so show us what makes **YOUR** school stand out!

11th Annual IHSA Student Section and Spirit Showdown

Presented by the IHSA Student Advisory Committee

The IHSA **Student Section and Spirit Showdown** was created by the IHSA Student Advisory Committee (SAC) for schools to show how their students support their teams during competitions as well as promote positivity and service within their school and community!

VIDEO CONTENT & LENGTH

Submit a 90-second to 3-minute video showcasing your:

1. Student Sections
2. School Spirit
3. Community Service

ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Create a video showcasing the content listed in the section above and upload it to YouTube with the title: *2025 IHSA SSS Showdown: School Name*. Include your high school's name in the video description and the submitter's name. The deadline is Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 11:59 pm.
2. A school administrator must approve the video and email the YouTube link to dle@ihsa.org.

JUDGING CRITERIA

80% - Student Section

- Sportsmanship (positive cheers, chants, and behavior toward opponents)
- Creativity (themes, activities)
- Organization (cheering in unison, overall student participation)
- Attendance at multiple events and various sports/activities

10% - School Spirit (examples: singing the school song, decorating the school, Homecoming festivities, school traditions, etc.)

10% - Community Service (examples: extending a helping hand, community service, organizing a community activity, a simple act of kindness, etc.)

**Show us how you demonstrate the [Do What's Right! Expectations](#). Negative cheers or unsportsmanlike behaviors will result in disqualification.

JUDGING PROCESS AND RECOGNITION

The IHSA Student Advisory Committee will evaluate all entries according to the judging criteria. The top 4 schools in Class 1A/2A and top 4 schools in Class 3A/4A will be determined, and the IHSA Official Representatives will be contacted. Finalists will be invited to bring 8 representatives to attend the IHSA Girls Basketball State Finals on Saturday, March 8, 2025, when the winning schools will be announced at halftime of the Class 2A Championship Game.

TIMELINE

Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 11:59 pm CST – video submission deadline

Sunday, February 2, 2025 – The IHSA Student Advisory Committee will evaluate the videos.

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 – The finalists in Class 1A/2A and Class 3A/4A will be announced.

Saturday, March 8, 2025 – The winning schools will be announced and presented with a banner.