



IHSA FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS & TENT CITY

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WELCOME TO CHAMPAIGN COUNTY!

Visit Champaign County would like to congratulate you on a great football season and welcome you to our community for the **2018 IHSA State Football Championships at Memorial Stadium in Champaign on November 23–24.**

We have assigned a community host to each of the final sixteen teams who will be in touch shortly. This person is your contact within our community throughout your stay in Champaign-Urbana. Your host will be available to answer any questions you may have regarding hotels, food, area attractions, directions, etc., and will meet your bus on game day to make sure your team is ready to go!

Feel free to call your host should you have any community questions. Note that questions regarding the football games, game day procedures and scheduling should be referred to IHSA.

The Champaign Police Department is partnering with us to offer a police escort for the team bus. You will soon receive a call from our police department to make arrangements for this escort. This escort, complete with sirens blaring, will lead the team bus from the interstate to Memorial Stadium. Before you arrive at the stadium, the escort will drive by Tent City, where many of your fans will be ready to wave and cheer as you pass.

Don't forget your team souvenirs! Your community host will ensure the delivery of complimentary rally towels to your Principal or Athletic Director.

DIRECTIONS TO TENT CITY

Tent City is located at the southwest corner of First St. and Kirby Ave., directly southwest of Memorial Stadium. Single-session parking is available in General Public Parking in lot 32 for \$5 per vehicle and \$10 for RV's & Buses.



WEST OF MEMORIAL STADIUM



One of the great traditions of the IHSA state finals is the popular Tent City, hosted by the Visit Champaign County. Tent City opens at 7:00 a.m. and features a tent for each individual school to host a pre-game and post-game tailgate party. Be sure to decorate your tent to show your school spirit! Please remember, **no alcohol is permitted in any area of Tent City per IHSA rules.**

See enclosed flyer for complete details on what is available in your team tent, the entertainment tent and the School Spirit Award.

COOKING TEAM

You are welcome to bring grills/cookers to prepare food for your team if you do not plan on ordering food to be delivered to your tent. Contact Visit Champaign County for recommended caterers. No grills or fires are allowed in the tents; all grills must be set up outside for safety. Electricity wattage is limited so please limit the use of electric appliances inside the tent. **There is a 2 crock pot limit unless generators are being used.**

There are two complimentary parking passes for each team, provided by your Community Host, for your "Cooking Team" to arrive early, set up the grill next to your tent and start tailgating!

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