



Section IX Athletics

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 13, 2015
Monroe-Woodbury High School at 9:30 a.m.
(New Site)

1. Call to Order: Bob Thabet
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Bob Thabet
3. Review of Meeting Materials – Jim Osborne
4. Approval of April 21, 2015 Minutes
5. Financial Report: Jim Osborne
6. Election of Officers for July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2017 – Tom Cassata
7. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives – Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
8. NYSPHSAA Report
9. Combining of Teams – Jim Osborne
10. Back from the Leagues
 - a. Boys Lacrosse classification numbers
 - b. Modified Cross Country runners wear spike shoes
 - c. Boys and Girls Soccer Exceptional Senior Game
 - d. Unified Sports discussion
 - e. Extension of ineligibility for a player or coach
 - f. Starting with 2016 season all adult base coaches in both Baseball and Softball would be required to wear a protective helmet while coaching 1st and 3rd base
11. Spring Chair Reports:

a. Baseball	T.D. Mills	e. Track & Field	Matthew Hemmer and
b. Boys Golf	Tom Howe		Natasha Kennedy
c. Boys Lacrosse	Bob Slate	f. Girls Golf	Bill Earl
d. Boys Tennis	Urvashi Gupta and	g. Girls Lacrosse	Wendy Crandall
	LuAnn McCarthy	h. Softball	Steve Boucher &
			Tom Cassata
12. Chair Reports:

a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports	Jeremy Weber & Michelle Henn
b. Safety	Janet Carey
c. Chemical Health	Marco Lanzoni
d. Officials Coordinator	Dennis Burkett
e. Eligibility	Fred Ahart
f. Sportsmanship	Glen Maisch
13. New Business
14. Old Business
15. Adjournment: Next Meeting Date: Thursday, June 11, 2015 at Apple Greens Golf Course at 8:00 a.m.
16. Executive Session Meeting



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NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting

May 1, 2015

Highlights

1. Robert Zayas - Executive Director, NYSPHSAA
Boys Lacrosse – Four Classifications
The Boys Lacrosse Committee is currently discussing the possibility of requesting 4 classifications for their Championship. MHAL and OCIAA Athletic Directors should discuss classification changes.
2. Robert Stulmaker, Assistant Director, NYSPHSAA
 - A. Scholar Athlete – The Spring 2015 deadline to apply for the Scholar-Athlete Team Award is Friday, May 15, 2015.
 - B. School of Distinction Award applications are to be completed and received by NYSPHSAA no later than June 30, 2015.
 - C. Community Service Challenge
Schools should submit their application to Section IX by May 1, 2015 with Sectional winners due to NYSPHSAA by June 1, 2015
3. Sectional Concerns: Refer to Action Items
 - A. Consider approval of a resolution to allow Greenwood Lake students the ability to transfer to Chester or Warwick Valley as a result of NYSED not approving Charter status for Tuxedo.
 - B. Consider approval of a resolution to adjust Tuxedo's BEDS number for the 2015-2016 school year.
4. NYSED Physical Education, Health Education & Athletics Update – Darryl Daily
(Report attached.)
 - A. Athletic Placement Process – Frequently Asked Questions
 - B. NYSED Physical Education, Health Education and Athletics Update
5. Championship Advisory Committee:
 - A. Requesting approval to award both the winning and losing team a plaque at Regional contests.
 - B. Football Bid Site Proposal – Syracuse Dome for the 2016-2017 and 2018 NYSPHSAA Finals at Dietz Stadium for the East Semi-Finals for 2015-2016.
 - C. Ice Hockey Bid Site Proposal
 - D. Proposed Classification Numbers
Cross-Country – Approved for 2016
Football – Tabled
Girls Volleyball – Approved for 2016

6. Safety Committee
 - A. Recommended that the reduction in the minimum number of individual practices for Football be sent back to the Sections for further discussion.
 - B. Adult Base Coaches – Baseball & Softball
Recommend starting with the 2016 season all adult coaches on the 1st and 3rd base lines are required to wear a protective hard shell helmet during the game.
7. Modified Athletics
Spring report submitted to the Athletic Council at the April 21, 2015 Section IX Meeting.
8. Sportsmanship – Todd Nelson
 - A. All member schools should complete the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Survey.
 - B. NAIA 5 star Leadership Program
The deadline for schools to submit their application for the NAIA 5 Star Leadership Program is May 30, 2015.
 - C. Stay in the Game
The NYSPHSAA office will be collecting disqualification lists from each section at the end of the spring season.
9. Renee James – NYSPHSAA Counsel
 - A. Heads Up Tackling Program
 - B. AED Placement
 - C. Athlete Gifts – Title IX Issue
10. 2015-2016 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regional (attached)
11. Added language to Sportsmanship Standard #27 (attached)
12. Modified Start Dates – Standard Calendar Weeks (attached)
13. Ice Hockey request to play a 22 game schedule
14. Boys and Girls Winter Track request for an at-large Relay Entry
15. Section VII proposal to use a 1.5 multiplier for NYSPHSAA non-public and charter schools.
16. General Action Items (attached)
17. Discussion/Information Items

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1. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Professional Development Opportunities:**
- New York State Athletic Administrators Association (NYSAAA) Leadership Training Program and Certification Program- See website:
<http://www.nysaaa.org/page.cfm?page=leadership.cfm>
- **<http://www.nysaaa.org/prof-development/certification-program>**
- New York State Athletic Administrators Association (NYSAAA) Annual Conference (March 16-18, 2016) in Saratoga Springs
<http://www.nysaaa.org/conference/program-information>
- New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NYSAPERD) Conference (November 18-21, 2015) in Verona, New York- See website:
<http://www.nysahperd.org/content/professional-development/nys-ahperd-conference.cfm>
- American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Dance and Recreation AAHPERD-Now called "SHAPE", National Conference (April 5-9, 2016) in Minneapolis, Minnesota- See website:
<http://www.aahperd.org/whatwedo/convention/>

2. ATHLETIC PLACEMENT PROCESS for INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC PROGRAMS (Formerly Selection Classification Program) (New- Fall 2015)

- Effective: Fall Season 2015
- See:
<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/documents/AthleticPlacementProcess2-11-15Revised.pdf>
- Current Selection Classification Program still in effect during Spring Season 2015. APP will take effect after that.
- Further communication to come from SED.

3. COACHES AS MANDATED REPORTERS

- On August 6, 2014, the Governor signed into law Chapter 205 of the Laws of 2014 which added a new Education Law §3036 to require all individuals currently holding or applying for a temporary coaching license or a professional coaching certificate, to complete two hours of

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training regarding the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment. Chapter 205 of the Laws of 2014 also amended the Social Services Law to expressly include coaches as mandated reporters of suspected child abuse. See: <http://www.governor.ny.gov/press/08062014-child-abuse-bill-signing>

**Note: This is not a new requirement or course for coaches to take. The law ensures that coaches are now encoded on the list as mandated reporters.*

**In addition, the Office of Child and Family services offers the course for free at:
<http://www.nysmandatedreporter.org/TrainingCourses.aspx>*

- **The Department has long recognized the vital role coaches play in the health and safety of New York State students. Therefore, to ensure that these individuals are properly trained to identify suspected child abuse or maltreatment, the Department currently administratively requires candidates for temporary coaching licenses and continuing certificates to obtain training in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment. The enactment of Chapter 205 of the Laws of 2014, and these proposed implementing regulations simply codifies existing practice by expressly requiring such vital training.**
- Information on the Child Abuse Identification Workshop can be found at <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/ca.html>
- The Office of Child and Family services offers the course for free at: <http://www.nysmandatedreporter.org/TrainingCourses.aspx>

4. DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT (Mandatory DASA 6 hour training)

- **Recent Item: Section 52.21 and Part 80 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education have been amended and a New Subpart 57-4 has been added to the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education to implement the Coursework or Training in Harassment, Bullying and Discrimination Prevention and Intervention required under the Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)**
 - a. **Required**-Schools need to create policies and guidelines to be used in school training programs to discourage the development of discrimination or harassment and to enable employees to prevent and respond to discrimination or harassment.
 - b. **Effective January 1, 2014**- School professionals applying for a certificate or license on or after January 1, 2014 complete training on the social patterns of harassment, bullying and discrimination.

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- c. **Required**-teacher and school leadership preparation programs to include **at least six hours of training** in Harassment, Bullying and Discrimination Prevention and Intervention.
- d. **A new Subpart 57-4** of the Commissioner's Regulations was added to establish standards under which the Department will approve providers of this training.
- e. See: <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/dasa-applicant.html>

5. Reminder-Concussion Courses legislation courses required for physical education teachers and coaches every 2 years:

- a. http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html
- b. Great News! The NFHS/CDC Concussion Course is now approved to be used by coaches in New York State as part of the Concussion Management and Awareness Act requirement (every 2 years).

*All NFHS course are accessed at www.nfhslearn.com. The direct link to the Concussion Course is <http://www.nfhslearn.com/electiveDetail.aspx?courseID=38000>. Note-Physical education teachers would still have to complete the **Heads Up, Concussion in Youth Sports** (every 2 years) It is available at http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html.

6. COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING RECOGNIZED AS A SPORT WITH BOTH SED AND NYSPHSAA (Effective- Winter season 2014-2015):

- a. Approved by the NYSED Board of Education at April, 2014 Board Meeting.
- b. Competitive cheerleading shall be defined by the Department as teams performing various athletic activities, including stunts, pyramids and/or tosses, jumps and tumbling, under the direct supervision of a properly certified coach. Competitive cheerleading squads may perform during school functions, as well as properly sanctioned school, sectional, state, and/or national events during a specified season.
- c. Amendments are being made to Guidelines based on CR 135.4: Coaching Requirement Guidelines-Being revised Summer 2015, Selection Classification Guidelines-Soon to be Athletic Placement Process for Interschool Athletic Programs-Fall 2015, Mixed Competition, and Sport Standards will include Competitive Cheerleading.
- d. Competitive Cheerleading Q & A memo from SED. Now available on NYSED website. See: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/toolkit.html>

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7. COACHING COURSES

- a. Please make sure your certificates are updated (Check with Darryl Daily-Associate in Physical Education if need new template)
- b. Please send in yearly evaluations to Darryl Daily at SED (Send to darryl.daily@nysed.gov)
- c. If interested in becoming a provider please contact NYSED.
- d. Working on alternative online NFHS Coaching course pathway (NYSED, NYSPHSAA and NYSA. Not replacement but, another alternative for coaches to complete the required course work. Process will be communicated soon. Should be available by Summer/Fall 2015.

8. QUALITY PHYSICAL EDUCATION PLAN REMINDER

- Is your district plan current? Is your plan frequently updated to ensure high-quality programs are being offered? Is your plan aligned with the current regulations and/or National and NYS Standards?
- If you need technical assistance or have specific questions contact Darryl Daily at ddaily@mail.nysed.gov
- Physical Education Plans must still be filed both at the local level and at the Department. Plans can be sent as a hard copy or as an e-mailed attachment to the Department. E-mail format is preferred.

9. DURATION OF COMPETITION-(Clarification and proposed amendment)

- A proposal to the Board of Regents was made 10/20/12 to amend section 135.4 © (7) (ii) (d) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, relating to the Duration Competition rule. BOE ruled in favor.
- The rule specifically says that extended eligibility for "accident or illness" and eliminates "similar" and/or "other" in the language of the regulation.
- See BOR item for details:
<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/meetings/2014/October2014/1014p12a4.pdf>

10. IMPORTANT RELATED ITEMS

- SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION-Heroine and Opioids Epidemic-Letter from DOH and SED sent out to various organizations to give schools access to resources to help address the issue. The problem of heroin and opioid abuse continues to grow at alarming rates both in New York State and throughout the nation. Please visit www.combatheroin.ny.gov to learn more about opioid and heroin abuse and the publications and resources available. Helpful Toolkit is being developed by OASAS, DOH and NYSED for schools to use in the future.
- SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION-Governor Cuomo signed bill in October 2014 to mandate CPR/AED training in schools - Currently under review at SED. Public feedback survey was sent out via list serves to constituents in late February. Currently analyzing data to be presented to be reviewed and

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presented to BOR at NYSED in April. Note: ARC and AHA recommended and/or proposed "Hands Only" CPR instruction and/or ARC Citizen CPR, AED knowledge based component, 30 minutes and no certification needed for student.

11. Questions

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April 2015

Athletic Placement Process for Interschool Athletic Programs (APP) – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

The selection classification process was first developed in the early 1970's. This process was developed to screen students to determine their readiness to compete in interscholastic athletic competition by evaluating their physical maturity, fitness and skill. The intent of the program is to provide for students in grades 7 through 12 to safely participate at an appropriate level of competition based upon readiness rather than age and grade. After several years of implementation, in the 1990's the physical fitness standards were updated. In 2005, the selection classification standards were revised again, however, the physical maturity and physical fitness standards were not updated at that time. The Department has continued to receive feedback from the medical community, athletic administrators, and district administrators requesting that the standards for the process be updated to reflect changes in research regarding physical fitness and maturity. The newly announced Athletic Placement Process for Interschool Athletic Programs (APP) was revised to address those concerns in a comprehensive manner and to update the applicable standards in accordance with Commissioner's Regulation § 135.4(c)(7)(ii)(a). Private schools and charter schools participating in interschool athletics with public schools (e.g., New York State Public High School Athletic Association, NYSPHAA; or Public School Athletic League, PSAL) should comply with the APP as a condition of participation.

1. When does the current Selection Classification Process end and when will the APP be effective?

The current Selection Classification Process, last updated in 2005, will continue to be in effect through the Spring 2015 season, and will be discontinued at the conclusion of that season. The APP will be effective beginning with the Fall 2015 season. See: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/documents/Athletic-Placement-Process.pdf>

2. What are the major changes to the process outlined in the APP guidance?

Pursuant to Commissioner's Regulation § 135.4(c)(7)(ii)(a), a school district may choose to permit students to compete at a level of competition deemed appropriate to their physiological maturity, physical fitness, and skill level in relationship to other students at the desired level of competition. However, if a district chooses to adopt such a process, the district medical director, director of physical education/athletics and

ultimately the Board of Education are responsible for implementing the APP consistent with these standards.

- A student, teacher, coach, or parent/guardian may ask the Physical Education Director and/or Athletic Director to evaluate the student for the APP. However, students will not undergo the evaluation procedures without both a request from the physical education director and/or athletic director and written permission from the parent/guardian.

A. Physical Fitness Standards

- The previous guidance included separate fitness tests for specific sports and levels of play. Beginning in the fall of 2015, the President's Physical Fitness Test will be the physical fitness standard used in the APP. See: <https://www.presidentschallenge.org/challenge/physical/benchmarks.shtml> To meet the APP physical fitness standards the student must meet the 85th percentile level of the national norm for their age in 4 out of 5 test components (see Appendix E, I, and J in the APP document). For students trying out for swimming, students may choose either the 1 mile walk/run or the 500 yard swim. (See Appendix J).

➤ *Please note: Students who desire to try out for bowling or golf teams continue to be exempt from completing the physical fitness testing components.*

- Components of the President's Physical Fitness test include the following:
 - Curl-ups for one minute (Measures strength and endurance) – Partner holds the feet, arms are crossed, elbows touch knees, then scapulas (Shoulder blades) touch floor for one curl up. Reminder-Bouncing not permitted
 - Shuttle Run (Measures speed and agility) -2 parallel lines marked 30 feet apart-Student picks up 2 blocks or similar, cross starting line. Times counted in seconds.
 - One Mile Run/Walk (Measure heart/lung endurance) -Times are recorded in minutes and seconds.
 - Pullups -Option 1 (Measures upper body strength and endurance) Can use either overhand grasp (palms facing away from the body) or (palm facing towards the body). Chin must clear the bar to count as a pullup. Reminder-Smooth motion rather than jerky or swing motion.
 - Right Angle Pushups -Option 2 (For upper body strength and endurance) Keeping knees and back straight, lower body until 90-degree angle.

Sit and Reach Testing –2 Options: 1. V-Sit Reach in inches or 2. Sit & Reach in centimeters-Legs must remain straight; fingertips of both hands should reach evenly along the measuring line. (Measures flexibility of the lower back and hamstrings).

B. Maturity Assessment

- The role of the medical director is essentially the same in the revised process, as the medical director continues to determine the physical maturity of the student. However, in the past Selection Classification Process, the Tanner scores were required scores, based exclusively on the Tanner staging of sexual development. The requirement meant the students must be at an identical level of development per the chart. This was not realistic as there is generally a range of ages playing at a high school competition level. Additionally, the Tanner scores were identical for both sexes. This did not accurately reflect the earlier age of development of adolescent females versus adolescent males, which made it more likely that a less physically mature female could be approved to play at a higher level against physically matured females, and therefore be at greater risk of injury. Therefore, the APP maturity assessment standards were revised as follows: **The medical director is instructed to take into consideration the height, weight, muscle mass, and Tanner rating as compared to the other athletes he/she would compete with.** This allows for a physician to use their professional judgment taking into account the totality of the student's overall physical development when determining whether or not the student is of a comparable or similar level of physical maturity in relation to those they wish to compete with. These changes to the Selection Classification Process were made to lessen, but not eliminate, the chances of injury for a younger student competing with older students who tend to be larger and more physically mature. This change is based on recommendations from multiple physicians and medical professionals.
- The Tanner scores on (chart H found in the APP document) are no longer required numbers, as was the case in the previous Selection Classification Process but, are **now recommended numbers** for the APP. Please note: The recommended Tanner scores are based on the average Tanner score of the average aged male or female that typically competes at those levels. Tanner scores are higher for females compared to males at the same levels, which more accurately reflects the earlier ages that females achieve physical maturity.

C. Mixed Competition

The Department has received several questions regarding how the updated APP guidance relates to the standards for mixed competition reviews. It is important to clarify that the regulations surrounding mixed competition for participation interscholastic sports pursuant to Commissioner's Regulation §135.4(c)(7)(ii)(c) remain the same. However, the physical tests to be used under that regulation will be updated and will also follow the President's Physical Fitness Test. The Mixed Competition Guidelines are currently under review at the Department and further communication will follow in the near future.

Please note: In mixed competition review, the fitness scores are not intended to be qualifying or disqualifying scores. The scores that appear in the chart are not absolute requirements for the panel. The scores only provide a reference for the panel to

consider. If the scores of the student differ from the standards, the panel should assess the significance of that difference.

For further clarification on the New York State Education Department Commissioner's Regulations for Physical Education and Athletics please contact the Office of Curriculum and Instruction at (518) 474-5922. For inquiries specific to competition governance you may wish to contact the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) at (518) 690-0771 and/or toll free at (866) 598-2816.



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To: Deans/Directors of Institutions Offering Teacher Preparation Programs
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From: Deborah A. Marriott *Deborah A. Marriott*

Subject: Fingerprinting Changes – Transition Timelines

Date: May 1, 2015

This memo is to provide detailed information on the timeline for transition to the Statewide Vendor Managed System operated by MorphoTrust. As described in the April 2, 2015 memo to the field (www.highered.nysed.gov/tsei/ospa/fieldmemos), the New York State Education Department (“NYSED”) is eliminating the use of the current NYSED managed fingerprinting process which includes all NYSED Livescan fingerprinting systems and the current “ink and roll” card submission process.

It is imperative that individuals initiating the fingerprint process in the coming months pay close attention to the timeline detailed below to maximize their chance of successfully completing the process before the cut-off date. Failure to successfully complete the fingerprint process within the prescribed timelines will necessitate the commencement of a new fingerprint application along with the payment of all applicable fees. Fees associated with incomplete fingerprint applications are not eligible for a refund and cannot be credited towards a new application.

Candidates are encouraged to submit fingerprints as early as possible and remain attentive to the process through its completion. As the cut-off deadline approaches, consideration should be given to whether it makes more sense to wait until the MorphoTrust system is operational to initiate the fingerprint process.

The timeline listed below identifies the critical transition dates:

June 26, 2015 Last day to mail fingerprint cards to NYSED for processing (rejection rates are significantly higher for “ink and roll” cards, therefore, individuals may have to submit several sets of cards to successfully complete the fingerprint process).

- July 10, 2015** Last day to submit new digital fingerprints (after this date, Livescan locations will no longer have the ability to transmit a new record)
- July 24, 2015** Last day to re-submit digital fingerprints for individuals with a rejection (after this date, Livescan locations will no longer be able to transmit any fingerprints)
- August 3, 2015** First day to have fingerprints scanned at MorphoTrust locations (<http://www.l1enrollment.com/locations/?st=ny>)

We are in the process of developing frequently asked questions (FAQ's). To assist in this process, anyone with questions about the new fingerprint process is encouraged to submit their questions to ospra@nysed.gov. This will help to ensure that the information provided addresses common issues and/or concerns.



2015-2016 NYSPHSAA Championship
PROPOSED DATES/SITES



Fall 2015

Oct 31/Nov 1-2	G Tennis	Tri City Tennis Center, Latham (2)
Nov 14	B/G Cross Country	Monroe-Woodbury High School (9)
Nov 14-15	G Soccer	SUNY Cortland, Homer HS, Tompkins Cortland CC (3)
Nov 14-15	B Soccer	Middletown HS (9)
Nov 14-15	Field Hockey	Maine Endwell HS (4)
Nov 21	B Volleyball	Suffolk County Community College (11)
Nov 21	Federation Cross Country	Bowdoin Park, Wappingers Falls (1)
Nov 21-22	G Volleyball	Glens Falls Civic Center (2)
Nov 20-21	G Swimming/Diving	Ithaca College, Ithaca (4)
Nov 20-21	Football East Semifinals	Dietz Stadium, Kingston (9)
Nov 20-21	Football West Semifinals	Cicero-No. Syracuse HS (3)
Nov 27-29	Football Finals	Carrier Dome, Syracuse (3)

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Winter 2015-2016

Feb 22-23	B/G Skiing	Whiteface/Mt. Van Hoevenburg, Lake Placid (7)
Feb 26-27	Wrestling	Times Union Center, Albany (2)
Feb 27	Girls Gymnastics	Section 2
March 4-5	Boys Swimming/Diving	Erie Community College Buffalo (6)
March 5	Boys Volleyball (Regional)	Section 3 TBA
March 5	B/G Indoor Track/Field	Cornell University (4)
March 5	Rifle (Regional)	TBA
March 5	Cheerleading	Onondaga Community College (3)
March 5-6	B/G Bowling	Section 6
March 12-13	Ice Hockey	HARBOR CENTER (6)
March 11-13	Girls Basketball	Hudson Valley Community College, Troy (2)

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March 11-13	Boys Basketball	Civic Center, Glens Falls (2)
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March 18-20	Boys/Girls Federation Basketball Tournament of Champions	Times Union Center, Albany (2)
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Spring 2016

June 1	B Lacrosse East Semis	TBA
June 1	B Lacrosse West Semis	TBA
June 2-4	B Tennis	National Tennis Center, Flushing (NYC)
June 3-4	G Lacrosse	SUNY Cortland (3)
June 4	B Lacrosse Finals	Middletown HS (9)
June 4-6	B Golf	Cornell University, Ithaca (4)
June 10-11	B/G Track & Field	Cicero-North-Syracuse HS (3)
June 11	Softball	Moreau Park, South Glens Falls (2)
June 11	Baseball	Binghamton (4)
June 10-12	G Golf	TBA
June 12	Federation Golf	Bethpage State Park, Farmingdale (8)

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ADDED LANGUAGE TO SPORTSMANSHIP STANDARD #27

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

Proposal:

To add the following language to Sportsmanship Standard # 27 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook under both coach and player. *"#4. The Section Athletic Council will have the authority to extend the period of ineligibility in those cases where the actions of the individual that was disqualified from a contest or scrimmage are warranted. The period of ineligibility cannot exceed one year from the date of the disqualification."*

Rationale:

Currently, there is no language in the Sportsmanship Standard that allows Sections to impose further penalty for a disqualified player and/or coach other than the one or two game suspension or the rest of the season for a third disqualification. The sportsmanship standard does allow a Section Athletic Council to impose a penalty for a player or coach who makes physical contact with an official.

Budget Impact:

None.

Notes:

This item will go to the Handbook Committee for their next meeting. This will be an action item at the Central Committee meeting.

Attachments:

None.



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MODIFIED START DATES – STANDARD CALENDAR WEEKS

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose – Modified Chairman

Proposal:

Consider for future approval for modified start dates to abide by the Standard Calendar of weeks:

Fall – Week #8

Winter – Week #18

Spring – Week #35

Rationale:

The week numbers correspond to the dates that are currently in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

Proposal Originated:

Modified Committee.

Budget Impact:

None.

Notes:

None.

Attachments:

NYSPHSAA Handbook.



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**PROTECTIVE HARD SHELL HELMETS ADULT
BASE COACHES (BASEBALL/SOFTBALL)**

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

Proposal:

Consider for future approval: Starting with the 2016 season all adult base coaches in both Baseball and Softball would be required to wear a hard shell protective helmet while on the first and third baselines during the game.

Rationale:

The hard shell protective helmet would provide protection to a base coach from a batted or thrown ball during the game. In the sport of baseball this helmet is required by the MLB and the NCAA.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Safety Committee.

Budget Impact:

There would be an added expense to purchase a helmet(s) for the adult base coaches.

Notes:

The Baseball Committee was in favor of this proposal as long as it was required for all coaches and that the helmets did not have to have the ear flaps on them. The Softball Committee was not in favor of this proposal. Two representatives from the Softball Committee were in favor of the proposal (7 and 11). Section 11 has had this rule in place since 2009.

Attachments:

None.

NYSPHSAA ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE
PROPOSAL FOR CONSIDERATION
MARCH 13, 2015

The sport of Ice Hockey would like to propose the following to the Executive Committee for their consideration:

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Ice Hockey would like you to consider a return to the ~~24~~ game schedule that we played for many seasons prior to the moratorium of the 2012 - 2013 season. There are a number of solid reasons for this proposal which I will detail below.

Ice Hockey is one of the only interscholastic sports that has to compete with outside interests for their players on an annual basis. We have always been in competition with Junior programs for players but with the cut in the number of games we can play we have seen the proliferation of Junior teams preying upon our players. Number of games played has been the caveat offered to these players along with the promise of greater exposure to higher levels of competition. Many of these programs have a great sales pitch and despite the enormous expense incurred by the players and their families, they have weaned off many of our top interscholastic players. Allowing us to play 4 more games would enhance our sales pitch to keep our players with our programs under the guidance of a certified coach. We feel it would raise the competitiveness of our teams and leagues and better serve the true student-athlete.

Expense is usually the first question that comes up when you discuss expanding a schedule. Ice hockey is an expensive sport and very few teams have their own ice. Therefore, most teams are renting ice at a considerable expense. When games are taken away they are replaced by practices or scrimmages. Practices and scrimmages do not generate revenue so fewer games means less revenue. There is an expense to add games but the revenue generated, in most cases, would more than offset the cost. The road team would have the expense of a bus but they would not have to pay for ice that day and would end up ahead on the ledger sheet.

Our coaches are facing a difficult challenge trying to keep their best student-athletes and leaders in their programs. These serious players are seeking other alternatives and it severely hampers our coaches in developing competitive programs. Other sports do not face these same challenges so we are asking for your consideration and support as we work to move our sport forward.

Here's the 2nd Relay proposal:

To : Championship Advisory Committee

From: Boys/Girls Indoor track/Field State Committees

The Boys and Girls Indoor Track and Field State Committees request the addition of a 2nd relay team as an added entry from each Section provided the relay team meets an established qualifying standard. Currently only the winning relay team in each of 3 events (4x200m, 4x400m, 4x800m) from a Section qualifies to enter the State championship. In an individual event, a Section may send its top 2 finishers plus a 3rd entry if the athlete meets a qualifying standard in each event.

The qualifying standard formula would be the same as for an individual event. The average of the 6th place finish time/performance over the previous 5 State Championships would determine the standard for the qualifying time for a 2nd Relay team.

We believe that many deserving and quality relays teams are not entered into the State Championship due to the one Relay Team per section. Several of the 2nd place teams from certain sections have met national standards. Other State Tournaments provide for additional entries based on a qualifying standard. They are Boys and Girls Swimming and Boys and Girls Outdoor Track. We predict that with these added entries, our competition at the State Championship will increase and the finishing times of place finishers will become faster. This will ultimately lower the qualifying time needed for a 2nd Relay Team and will reduce the actual number of entries state wide in years to come. At the same time with the added entries, the Indoor T/F State Championship will still be a meet of excellence.

We request implementation of our proposal for 2007-08.

5 Years of Performances of the 6th place finisher at the State Championships:

2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Proposed Standard for 2008
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Girls

4x200m 1:49.09 1:48.80 1:48.13 1:46.30 1:49.30 - 1:48.32

4x400m 4:06.75 4:10.17 4:09.73 4:04.81 4:07.30 - 4:07.75

4x800m 9:48.19 9:44.99 9:44.84 9:44.65 9:38.30 - 9:44.19

Boys

**New York State Public High School Athletic Association
Executive Committee Meeting
May 1, 2015**



TITLE OF PROPOSAL:

STANDARIZE CLASSICATION PROCEDURES FOR NON-PUBLIC AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

Type of Proposal: Request discussion at section level with section reports to be presented at the NYSPHSAA Central Committee meeting in July, 2015

Present by: Section VII

Presenter: Patricia Ryan-Curry

Proposal:

NYSPHSAA Non-Public and Charter Schools will be classified using a multiplier of 1.5 of their yearly BED numbers to determine annual classification in the sports deemed appropriate by the Section Classification Committee

Rationale:

Provide a consistent state-wide procedure to classify Open Enrollment Schools who have different geographical boundaries than public schools.

Provide more competitive balance for all schools participating in NYSPHSAA Individual and Team Sport Championships.

The impact of an imbalance in competition involving open enrollment schools may not appear at the section level but becomes more prevalent at NYSPHSAA post season tournaments.

Proposal Originated:

Section VII concern with the number of Open Enrollment Schools participating in and winning NYSPHSAA Championships in Class D

Sections reporting difficulties in determining appropriate classification for non-public and charter schools

Inconsistency in various procedures used across the state to determine appropriate classification for non-public and charger schools

Budget Impact:

No direct budget impact on NYSPHSAA, Sections or School Districts

Notes:

None

Attachments:

To be presented at May 1, 2015 Executive Committee Meeting

General Action Items

Approved	1. (A) Consider approval of Sections Intent to Participate in the 2015-2016 State Championships. (Pg. 49-50)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	2. (A) Consider approval of sport coordinators. (Pg. 51)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	3. (A) Consider approval of the site location for the 2016 & 2017 NYSPHSAA East Semifinal Football Championships. (Pg. 52-53)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	4. (A) Consider approval of the site location for the 2016 & 2017 NYSPHSAA West Semifinal Football Championships. (Pg. 54-56)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	5. (A) Consider approval of the site location for the 2016, 2017 & 2018 NYSPHSAA State Football Championships. (Pg. 57-58)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	6. (A) Consider approval of the site location for the 2016, 2017 & 2018 NYSPHSAA State Ice Hockey Championships. (Pg. 59-61)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	7. (A) Consider approval of Dates & Sites for 2015-2016. (Pg. 63-64)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	8. (A) Consider approval to award regional plaques to both the winning and losing teams. (Pg. 65)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	9. (A) Consider approval to limit contact in the sport of football for high school and modified football teams to no more than two "Full-Contact practices" per week during the season; with no "Full-Contact" session to exceed 90 minutes. "Full-contact" means a practice where drills or live action is conducted that involves collisions at game speed, where players execute tackles and other activity that is typical of an actual tackle football game. (Pg. 66)	Football Committee
Tabled	10. (A) Consider approval to reduce the minimum number of Football practices for the individual from 11 to 10 (scrimmage) and 15 to 14 (contest). (Pg. 67)	Football Committee
Approved	11. (A) Consider approval to increase Officials Games Fees by \$2 and mileage reimbursement by \$0.02 per mile for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years. (Pg. 68)	Bob Stulmaker, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	12. (A) Consider approval of Cross Country Classification cutoff numbers to begin with the Fall 2015 season. (Pg. 69)	Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Approved	13. (A) Consider approval of Girls Volleyball Classification cutoff numbers to begin with the Fall 2016 season. (Pg. 70)	Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Tabled	14. (A) Consider approval of Football Classification cutoff numbers to begin with the Fall 2016 season. (Pg. 71)	Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

Approved	IX- Consider approval of a resolution to allow Greenwood Lake students the ability to transfer to Chester or Warwick Valley as a result of NYSED not approving Charter status for Tuxedo and Greenwood Lake not renewing its contract with Tuxedo.
Approved	IX- Consider approval of a resolution to adjust Tuxedo's BEDS number for the 2015-2016 school year, as a result of NYSED not approving Charter status for Tuxedo and Greenwood Lake not renewing its contract with Tuxedo.
	Standing Committees
Approved	Budget/ Audit Committee – Jim Osborne (A) Consider approval of the 2015-2016 NYSPHSAA Budget. (Pg. 33)
Approved	(A) Consider approval for Sectional revenue share related to NYSPHSAA Spalding Ball adoption agreement for five years beginning with the 2016-2017 school year. (Pg. 34)
Approved	(A) Consider approval to increase Friends and Neighbors dues from \$100 to \$200 annually to begin with the 2015-2016 school year. (Pg. 35)
Approved	(A) Consider approval to increase NYS Federation registration fees from \$300 to \$500 annually to begin with the 2015-2016 school year. (Pg. 36)
Approved	(A) Consider approval to increase NYS Federation fees from \$700 to \$1000 per sport to begin with the 2016-2017 school year. (Pg. 37)
Approved	Modified Committee – James Rose (Pg. 41) (A) Consider approval to adjust the Modified Volleyball Serving Rotation. (Pg. 42)
Approved	(A) Consider approval for Modified Wrestling maximum number of points from 12 to 14. (Pg. 43)
Approved	(A) Consider approval for Modified Wrestling number of 2 point contest from 8 points to 10 pts. (Pg. 44)
Approved	(A) Consider approval to waive the NFHS regulation for soccer goalie jerseys to be numbered. (Pg. 45)
Approved	(A) Consider approval for a two-year pilot program to allow modified cross country runners to wear spikes. (Pg. 46)

Discussion/ Information Items

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| 1. (D/I) NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame Class of 2015. | <i>Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director</i> |
| 2. (D/I) Ice Hockey increase to maximum contest limitation of 22 games. (Pg. 74) | <i>NYSPHSAA Ice Hockey
Committee</i> |
| 3. (D/I) Non-public school proposal. | <i>Section VII</i> |
| 4. (D/I) Consider approval to allow sections the ability extend the period of ineligibility for a player or coach disqualified from a contest by an official. (Pg. 75) | <i>Sportsmanship Committee</i> |
| 5. (D/I) Indoor Track & Field request for the addition of a 2 nd relay team as an added entry from each Section for the State Championships. (Pg. 76-80) | <i>Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director</i> |
| 6. (D/I) Unified Basketball Rules. (Pg. 81) | <i>Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director</i> |
| 7. (D/I) NFHS Unified Sports Coaching Course. (Pg. 82) | <i>Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director</i> |
| 8. (D/I) Starting with the 2016 season all adult base coaches in both Baseball and Softball would be required to wear a hard shell protective helmet while on the first and third baselines during the game. (Pg. 83) | <i>Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director</i> |
| 9. (D/I) Consider approval for Modified sports start date to abide by the Standard Calendar weeks. (Pg. 84-86) | <i>Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director</i> |
| 10. (D/I) NYSPHSAA Transgender Guidelines. (Pg. 87-89) | <i>Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director</i> |

SECTION IX SPORTS
2015-2016 DUES

SCHOOL: _____

CLASS: _____

Girls

Basketball _____
 Bowling _____
 Cheerleading _____
 Cross Country _____
 Field Hockey _____
 Golf _____
 Gymnastics _____
 Lacrosse _____
 Skiing, Alpine _____
 Skiing, Nordic _____
 Soccer _____
 Softball _____
 Swimming _____
 Tennis _____
 Track, Indoor _____
 Track Outdoor _____
 Volleyball _____

Boys

Baseball _____
 Basketball _____
 Bowling _____
 Cross Country _____
 Football _____
 Golf _____
 Ice Hockey _____
 Lacrosse _____
 Skiing, Alpine _____
 Skiing, Nordic _____
 Soccer _____
 Swimming _____
 Tennis _____
 Track, Indoor _____
 Track, Outdoor _____
 Wrestling _____

Superintendent's Signature: _____

Athletic Director's Signature: _____

SHARE: \$225. per sport

NUMBER OF SPORTS: _____
 2015-2016 DUES: \$ _____
 2015-2016 NYSAAA DUES: \$ 150.00
 2015-2016 INSURANCE: \$ 454.00
 SUBTOTAL \$ _____

Return all forms to:
 James M. Osborne, Section IX Treasurer
 Orange-Ulster BOCES
 P.O. Box 656
 Goshen, New York 10924

FINAL EXPENSE TOTAL \$ _____

PLEASE KEEP ONE COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS; RETURN ONE COPY BY THE DUE DATE OF
 JUNE 11, 2015. THANK YOU.

Your School District will be billed.



SECTION IX ATHLETICS

Robert Thabet, Executive Director

TO: Section IX Athletic Directors, Coaches and Executive Committee

FROM: Mr. Christopher Mayo, Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator

SUBJECT: Tee Times for Section IX Outing

DATE: May 7, 2015

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DATE: Thursday, June 11, 2015
SITE: Apple Greens Golf Club
TIME: After Section IX Meeting
COST: \$25. per person – 18 holes with cart

If you are interested in participating as a single player or if you have a foursome to play everyone needs to sign up.

LAST DATE FOR SIGN-UP – JUNE 4, 2015

NAMES: (1) _____

Foursome I'll be playing with that day:

(2) _____

(3) _____

(4) _____

Please fax by June 4, 2015 to: (845)291-7306

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