



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Orange-Ulster BOCES 9:30 am

1. Call to Order: Greg Ransom
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Greg Ransom
3. Review of Meeting Materials:
4. Approval of March 12, 2019 Minutes:
5. Financial Report:
6. NFHS Network: Kiki Enderle
7. LTC Course 631- Roberta Greene
8. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives: Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
9. NYSPHSAA Office Report- Robert Zayas
10. Combining of Teams: Tim Bult and Kermit Moyer
11. Back from the Leagues:
 - a. COT recommendation "The sport of wrestling requires representation in at least eight (8) weight classes to win a match."
 - b. Softball 12 Run Rule for Modified/JV/Varsity for League play and the Section Tournament
 - c. Section IX Positions for 2019-2020 starting July 1, 2019
 - i. Executive Director / Assistant Treasurer-Secretary Greg Ransom
 - ii. MHAL Coordinator/Officials Coordinator Dennis Burkett
 - iii. Eligibility Chairperson Fred Ahart
 - iv. Secretary/Treasurer James Osborne
 - d. NFHS Media Policy with Section IX
12. Spring Chair Reports:
 - a. Baseball Michael Gillespie
 - b. Girls Golf William Earl
 - c. Boys Golf Tom Howe
 - d. Girls Lacrosse Wendy Crandall
 - e. Boys Lacrosse William Miller and Rich Saulino
 - f. Boys Tennis Urvashi Gupta
 - g. Softball Tom Cassata and Steve Boucher
 - h. Track & Field Matthew Hemmer and Brian Halling
13. Chair Reports:
 - a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports Greg Warren & Michelle Henn
 - b. Safety Janet Carey
 - c. Student Athlete Advisory Committee Kermit Moyer
 - d. Eligibility Fred Ahart
 - e. Officials Coordinator Dennis Burkett
 - f. Sportsmanship Adam Kless
 - g. Unified Sports Rich Silverstein
14. New Business
 - a. Boys Lacrosse- Senior All Star Contest
 - b. Modified Sports – Action Items
 - c. BSN Agreement- Online Provider
 - d. Section IX Girls Wrestling Chairperson
15. Old Business
 - a. Section IX 2nd Vice President – OCIAA Position
16. Adjournment of Section IX Meeting
17. Section IX Superintendant Representatives meeting with the NFHS Network

Next Meeting Date:

Thursday, May 23, 2019 at the Monroe Woodbury Education Center

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Web site: <http://www.sectionixathletics.org>



School Broadcast Program
2 Unit Pixellot Proposal
SECTION IX - NY

Please provide PlayOn! Sports with the following:

A signed Participation Agreement for the Pixellot unit(s)

NO COST

2 Pixellot Units (outdoor venue and indoor venue)

Delivery and Pricing:

- Pricing for equipment and software valid through **May 31, 2019**
- Price of unit does not include installation
- Delivery in 4 - 6 weeks after school submits required venue information (questions and pictures)

Each Pixellot system will include:



- Pixellot camera head with multiple fixed camera array
- Video Processing Unit (VPU) – includes software for recording, encoding, and streaming video
- Automated scoring integration device – incorporates scoreboard into video graphics
- Accessories kit: standard mounting hardware, cables and connectors

System operating requirements:

- Must maintain an open, hardline **Internet** connection to the Video Processing Unit
- Video Processing Computer must be within **200 feet** of the Pixellot camera installation

NFHS Network Subscriptions (Revenue sharing will begin Year 4 of the agreement)

Monthly Pass revenue will be shared as follows:

School receives 10% of Net Revenue from all Monthly Passes (\$9.95) sold

Annual Pass revenue will be shared as follows:

School sets the selling price of the pass and keeps 100% of the difference between the selling price and the \$50 base wholesale price

Seasonal Pass revenue will be shared as follows:

School sets the selling price of the pass and keeps 100% of the difference between the selling price and the \$25 base wholesale price



Scheduling and broadcasting on the NFHS Network:

- School **required to send all athletic schedules** in Excel spreadsheet format to schedules@nfhsnetwork.com

To help with the installation, please send the following information:

Note: Pixellot camera unit will be installed in an elevated location to provide an unobstructed, panoramic view of the court/field

- Stand on the court/field and take pictures of the area where the Pixellot camera unit will be installed
- Stand near the area in which the Pixellot unit will be installed and take pictures of the court or field
- Take a picture of where the VPU will be located in relation to the camera
- Provide approximate height at which the Pixellot unit will be installed and the type of structure it will be mounted on (block wall, column, metal beam, etc.)
- There must be access to hardline **Internet** and **power** at the location of the VPU

**MHSSC
Staff Development
Workshop for Athletic
Administrators
Sections I & IX**

June 14, 2019
8:00 AM to 1:30 PM
Mount Saint Mary College
Hudson Hall
Auditorium

Cost for Program, Materials &
Refreshments is \$175.00 per person

(MHSSC member and non-member
rates are the same for this workshop)

Registration Deadline: May 23, 2019

AGENDA

8:00 am
Registration Opens
"Healthy Start" Breakfast

8:30 am
Welcome & Introductions

8:45 am
Program Begins

1:00 pm
Program Concludes followed by
Deli Luncheon

LOCATION

Mount Saint Mary College
Hudson Hall Auditorium
330 Powell Ave.
Newburgh, NY 12550

Mid-Hudson
School Study Council
&
Mount Saint Mary College
Present:

**LTC 631 Athletic
Administration:
Emergency Management of
Interscholastic Athletic
Events**

June 14, 2019
8:00 AM—1:30 PM

REGISTRATION

Registration Deadline: May 23, 2019

PRESENTER

MIKE GULINO

PROGRAM

Name of DISTRICT and/or ORGANIZATION:

NAME(S) of PERSON(S) ATTENDING:

TO REGISTER:

Fax registration form to:
MHSSC 845-569-3662

OR

Scan and e-mail registration form to:
lynne.cruger@MSMC.edu

OR

Mail to registration form to:
Mid-Hudson School Study Council
330 Powell Avenue
Newburgh, NY 12550

District Check Payable to "MHSSC"
Or

Include District PO/Invoice Number on
Registration Form

LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSES (LTC) ARE PART OF THE NIAAA CERTIFIED ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATOR PROGRAM (National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association)

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LTC 631 ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC EVENTS

This course will provide an overview of how to mitigate/prevent, prepare for and manage emergencies during interscholastic athletic events. The course will highlight venue and event safety, security and emergency management issues. The course will provide guidelines for creating an emergency team, assessing the venues for risks and needs, developing and implementing emergency management plans and debriefing after an incident. Participants will receive a workbook along with the training and a certificate of completion. For those athletic administrators working on receiving their national certification, this course can count toward the course requirements for that certification.

The NYSPHSAA Executive Committee voted at their May 2018 Executive Committee meeting to endorse LTC COURSE 631 as a recommended course for all NYS Athletic Administrators.

General Action/ Discussion Items

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| 1. (A) Consider approval of Sections intent to participate in the 2019-2020 NYSPHSAA State Championships. | Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director |
| 2. (A) Consider approval to abide by NFHS Rules in all sports when NFHS Rules are available. | Paul Harrica, NYSPHSAA
President |
| 3. (A) Consider approval to revise the Fall, Winter & Spring Sport Season lengths. | Sports Seasons Ad Hoc
Committee |
| 4. (A) Consider approval to revise the NYSPHSAA jewelry rule to Include practice. | Section IX – October 16
Executive Committee
Sectional Concern |
| 5. (A) Consider approval to revise the amount allotted in the NYSPHSAA Amateur Rule to \$500. | Section XI – October 16
Executive Committee
Sectional Concern |
| 6. (A) Consider approval of updates to NYSPHSAA Media Policies & Procedures. | Chris Watson, NYSPHSAA
Director of Communications |
| 7. (D) Consideration of approval to amend the NYSPHSAA appeal procedures for an increased fee and unanimous decision by the panel. | Jim Osborne, NYSPHSAA
Immediate Past President |
| 8. (D) Consideration of approval to increase the maximum number of games/ contests to the number prior to the 2009 fiscal reductions. | Dr. Jeff Rabey,
NYSCOSS |
| 9. (D) Consideration of approval to revise the prescribed penalty for exceeding the maximum number of games/ contests.
<i>* Handbook Committee will address in April</i> | Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director |
| 10. (D) Consideration of approval for a student's one game suspension to be served from the point of disqualification and not the next regularly scheduled contest.
<i>* Handbook Committee will address in April</i> | Section III – February 1
Executive Committee
Sectional Concern |

Sports Action/ Discussion Items

FALL

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| 11. (A) Consider approval of Football 7-year regional rotation. | Football Committee |
| 12. (A) Consider of approval of to revise the date of the Girls Tennis Championships to a Thursday – Saturday format. <i>* CAC will address in April</i> | Girls Tennis Committee |
| 13. (A) Consider approval to revise the format of the Girls Tennis Championships to fill byes at the State Championships.
<i>* CAC will address in April</i> | Girls Tennis Committee |
| 14. (A) Consider approval to implement a two-year experiment for the Girls Tennis Championship format to eliminate consolations and add medal playoffs for the top 8 participants. <i>* CAC will address in April</i> | Girls Tennis Committee |
| 15. (D) Consideration of approval to host an Eight-Man Football State Championship in conjunction with the NYSPHSAA State Championships beginning in November 2019. <i>* CAC will address in April</i> | Section III – February 1
Executive Committee
Sectional Concern |
| 16. (D) Consideration of Boys Swimming & Diving qualifying standards.
<i>* CAC will address in April</i> | Boys Swimming & Diving
Committee |

WINTER

No proposals for action or discussion at this time

SPRING

17. (A) Consider approval of Girls Lacrosse 3-year regional rotation. *Girls Lacrosse Committee*
18. (A) Consider approval to require any officials working a Girls Lacrosse Regional, Semifinal or Final to attend a transitional Clinic. *Girls Lacrosse Committee*
19. (A) Consider approval to implement a baseball post-season pitch count summary form. *Baseball Committee*
20. (A) Consider approval of format for Boys Tennis to fill byes at State Championships. * CAC will address in April *Boys Tennis Committee*
21. (D) Metal cleat proposal to be formulated by Softball Committee. *Softball Committee*
* CAC will address in April

Information Items

22. (I) Approved Senior All-Star Contests & Combining of Teams. *Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director*
23. (I) NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame Class of 2019 *Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director*

2019-20 COT Recommendations

Modified Baseball	Kingston	Mount Academy	combine	Team Spt	<u>Spring 2019</u>
Modified Baseball	Rhinebeck	Red Hook	combine	Team Spt	<u>Spring 2019</u>
JV Baseball	Rhinebeck	Coleman Catholic	combine	Team Spt	<u>Spring 2019</u>

Boys V. Alpine Ski	Tri-Valley	Fallsburg	combine	4	Winter 19-20
Girls V. Alpine Ski	Fallsburg	Tri-Valley	combine	4	Winter 19-20

JV & Varsity B. Soccer	Chester	Tuxedo	combine	Team Spt	Fall 2019
JV & Varsity G. Soccer	Chester	Tuxedo	combine	Team Spt	Fall 2019
JV & Varsity Football	Chester	Tuxedo	combine	Team Spt	Fall 2019
JV & B. Basketball	Chester	Tuxedo	combine	Team Spt	Winter 19-20
JV & G. Basketball	Chester	Tuxedo	combine	Team Spt	Winter 19-20
JV & Varsity Baseball	Chester	Tuxedo	combine	Team Spt	Spring 2020
JV & Varsity Softball	Chester	Tuxedo	combine	Team Spt	Spring 2020

NOTE - League approved the request by Spackenkill to merge with Beacon and swim girls and boys in Section 1 for the 2019-20 season.- requires Lea

S9 approval

OCIAA Approve 3/19/19
MHAL Approve 3/20/19
S9 Approval ??

Explanation of Determination of approval for combining schools:

For individual sports (with the exception of boys' & girls' tennis) requests for combining of teams will be supported by the *Combining of Teams Committee* if each of the schools applying does not have enough players to prevent that school from being mathematically eliminated from a potential win of the overall contest. These numbers are determined by the rules of the specific sport.

In team sports, combining of teams applications will be supported by the *Combining of Teams Committee* if one team has an insufficient number of students-athletes to participate in a team contest. Absent extenuating circumstances, the Section IX Combining of Teams Committee has an expectation of a demonstration of progress toward the establishment of an independent team.

● NYSPHSAA identifies Individual and Team sports as follows:

Team Sports: Baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball and volleyball.

S9 Individual Sports: Bowling(3), cross-country(5), g. golf(4), b. golf(5), gymnastics(5), alpine skiing(4), nordic skiing(4), swimming(7), outdoor track(4), winter track(7) and ****wrestling(8)** and **tennis*.

**Tennis* is treated as a team sport for the purpose of committee recommendation, based on the fact that only one contest can be completed each day.

**** The sport of wrestling requires representation in at least eight (8) weight classes to win a match. Initial COT approval may be granted prior to the season, but final approval is contingent upon the actual weights of wrestlers during the S9 weight certification process.**

* Five sport classification numbers *

AA – 965 and up	A – 500-964	B – 270-499	C – 150-269	D – 149 and below
Class AA – 100%	Class A – 100%	Class B – 100%	Class C – 40%	Class D – 30%.

- Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year: The graduated scale is used for up to 3 "team" mergers and mergers with 4 or more "teams" take 100% of their BEDS; ONLY in team sports

NFHS Network: Policy on Streaming via Social Media Platforms

The ability of fans or news media companies streaming events through new streaming technologies is becoming more of an issue around the country and is only going to increase. These platforms include but are not limited to Facebook Live, Instagram Live, and Periscope.

When fans broadcast events via social media or alternative streaming platforms the Network is adversely affected financially. The people watching the illegal stream are the fans most likely to be interested in buying a pass to watch the event and therefore the Network suffers a reduction in subscription sales.

We expect credentialed news organizations to know and follow policies, but fans are a different story. We assume that the majority of fans using these streaming technologies are unaware of the rights they are infringing upon. **Therefore, we have outlined a strategy for States that focuses on building awareness to protect the rights of the NFHS Network.**

While States have limitations in what they can enforce during an event, here are the four recommended courses of action to educate schools and fans:

1. Update media policies
2. Add updated rules to website
3. Disseminate information to participating schools, host sites, and media outlets
4. Notify fans and attendees through in venue messaging

Association Media Policies

States should update published media policies with language that makes schools, fans, and other media outlets aware of the rules.

*The NFHS Network is the exclusive broadcast rights holder of this postseason event. Any individual streaming a game is strictly prohibited and in direct violation of the **SECTION IX's** agreements with the NFHS Network. Any violation of NFHS's exclusive broadcast rights may result in disciplinary action by the **SECTION IX** or legal action by the NFHS Network.*

Association Website Posting

Since it is unlikely that a fan would ever read the media policy in the by-laws, States should also put messaging on the pages on their website where parents and fans would go to find the event information (i.e. event page or tournament page). This will ensure that interested parties are aware of the rules ahead of the event.

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Pre-Event Communication

States should notify schools ahead of time through information packets they send out to participating teams as well as host sites. This is the most effective way to ensure all participating schools are made aware of the rules. The same messaging needs to be sent to anyone who has been granted a media pass for the event.

*The NFHS Network is the exclusive broadcast rights holder of this postseason event. Streaming all – or any part of – the game is strictly prohibited and in direct violation of **SECTION IX's** contracts with the NFHS Network. Please notify your fans and parents of this policy, and encourage fans who can't attend to visit NFHSnetwork.com to watch the game live.*

In Venue Announcements

PA announcements will need to be implemented during the events. Multiple times. Physical signs with similar messaging would be ideal where it is feasible.

I. Action Items:

A. Baseball:

Motion:

"Modified baseball players shall be allowed to use shoes with metal cleats."

B. Cross-Country:

Motion:

"It is recommended that there be a minimum standard of six meets scheduled for modified cross-country."

C. Football:

Motion:

"The 11-Man Football Game Rule #2 shall be edited to allow gap alignment in the 4-man, 5-man, and 6-man front."

D. Gymnastics:

Motion:

"Gymnastics Game Rule #2 shall be edited to read 'Modified gymnasts shall be permitted to enter more than three (3) slots per meet. More than two All Around gymnasts are permitted.'."

E. Boys' Lacrosse:

Motion:

"The following boys' modified boys' lacrosse Game Rules and Conditions changes will be made."

Under 'Equipment' Changes are in *italics*.

- *Players shall wear all protective equipment.*
- Properly fitted equipment of good quality is mandatory for safe participation in lacrosse.
- The essential protective equipment must include a lacrosse helmet with a face mask, lacrosse arm guards, lacrosse shoulder pads, lacrosse gloves and a mouthpiece. Goalies must wear a chest protector and throat protection and shoulder pads. *Shoulder pads and arm guards are optional.*
- **ELIMINATE:** *Face masks must have center bar and no rule restriction on length of stick if between 40-72" – already in NFHS rulebook*

- **KEEP:** Modified lacrosse players are exempt from the uniform outer clothing and helmet color regulations

Under Game Rules

1. The length of quarters, including a fifth quarter, shall be 10 minutes.
2. In the event of a tie, there shall be one 4-minute sudden victory overtime.
3. A one-arm swing with a crosse, whether contact is made or not, shall be considered a personal foul--slashing. This includes the over-the-head check.
4. There shall be no such thing as a "brush" in the modified program. Contact between the crosse and helmet is a personal foul.
5. In a five-period lacrosse game, the "mercy rule" shall be in effect at the end of the third period of play.
6. Substitutes are permitted whenever the ball goes out of bounds. Substitution during live play shall be on the fly.
7. When a goalie gets a penalty, the in-home player may serve the penalty.
1. A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the period.

F. Boys' and Girls' Soccer:

Motions:

"There will be two 40-minute halves in modified boys' and girls' soccer."

"The sliding tackle, overhead scissors kick, and flip throw-in is permitted in modified boys' and girls' soccer."

"Modified boys' and girls' soccer is exempt from the uniform requirements of the numbered goalie jersey and white home uniforms."

G. Softball:

Motions:

"More scrimmages are permitted in modified softball".

"The number of doubleheaders permitted in modified softball shall be increased from two(2) to three (3)."

H. Track & Field:

Motion:

"It is recommended that there be a minimum standard of six meets scheduled for modified track and field."

I. Boys' and Girls' Volleyball:

Motion:

"The following modified boys' and girls' volleyball Game Rules and Conditions changes will be made."

With Section/league approval...

1. The number of points in each game of the modified match shall be consistent.
2. Either 20 or 25, but not less than 20 points per game may be used.
3. Two tosses will be permitted per turn of service.
4. The service line may be moved up into the court, at a distance not to exceed two meters from the regulation service line.
5. The use of the three-game match, rather than the five-game match may be used.
6. The libero player may be used at the modified level.
7. The minimum net height shall be seven feet for boys and girls.
8. The volleyball rotation may be adjusted so that when a modified player successfully serves five (5) consecutive serves that are not returned, the team rotates to its next server.

Motion:

"The minimum time between contests of two nights rest for modified boys' and girls' volleyball shall be reduced to one night."

NYSPPHSAA

THUNDER & LIGHTNING POLICY

(Effective 10/25/04)
(Revised October 20, 2008)

Applies to regular season through NYSPPHSAA Finals:

1) Thunder and lightning necessitates that contests be suspended. The occurrence of thunder and/or lightning is not subject to interpretation or discussion - thunder is thunder, lightning is lightning.

a) With your site administrator, set up a plan for shelter prior to the start of any contest.

2) When thunder is heard and/or when lightning is seen, the following procedures should be adhered to:

a) Suspend play and direct participants to go to shelter, a building normally occupied by the public or if a building is unavailable, participants should go inside a vehicle with a solid metal top (e.g. bus, van, car).

b) Do not permit people to stand under or near a tree; and have all stay away from poles, antennas, towers and underground watering systems.

c) After thunder and/or lightning have left the area, wait 30 minutes after the last boom is heard or strike is seen before resuming play or competition.

***The umpires/officials should be reminded of this rule prior to a game if inclement weather is forecasted. If the Umpires/Officials do not stop the contest when thunder is heard or if lightning is spotted, coaches should conference together with the officials and take appropriate measures.**



HEAT INDEX PROCEDURES

Administration of Heat Index Procedures:

- Feels Like Temperature (Heat index) or THI using a Wet Bulb indicator on the field will be checked 1 hour before the contest/practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 80 degrees (Fahrenheit) or higher.
- Download WeatherBug app to your phone or log into www.weatherbug.com. Schools may also use a Wet Bulb indicator on the field that will be used.
- Enter zip code or city and state in the location section of the app or on-line or determine the THI by using a Wet Bulb indicator.
- If the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or the Wet Bulb Indicator is 90 degrees or above, the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or Wet Bulb indicator at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or Wet Bulb indicator is 96 degrees (Fahrenheit) or more, the contest will be suspended.

Please refer to the following chart to take the appropriate actions:

	Feels Like Temp(Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator under 79 degrees	Full activity. No restrictions
R E C O M M E N D E D	Heat Index Caution: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator 80 degrees to 85 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session.
	Heat Index Watch: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator 86 degrees to 90 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when Feels Like temp is lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time).
	Heat Index Warning: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb Indicator 91 degrees to 95 degrees	Provide ample water and water breaks every 15 minutes. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when Feels Like temp is much lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time). Light weight and loose fitting clothes should be worn. For Practices only Football Helmets should be worn. No other protective equipment should be worn.
REQUIRED	Heat Index Alert: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator 96 degrees or greater	No outside activity, practice or contest, should be held. Inside activity should only be held if air conditioned.

Approved May 1, 2010
Updated July 27, 2016