



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Monroe Woodbury Education Center 9:30 am

1. Call to Order: Greg Ransom
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Greg Ransom
3. Review of Meeting Materials:
4. Approval of April 11, 2019 Minutes:
5. Financial Report:
6. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives: Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
7. NYSPHSAA Office Report
8. Combining of Teams: Tim Bult and Kermit Moyer
9. Back from Section IX Attorney:
 - a. NFHS Media Policy with Section IX
10. Spring Chair Reports:
 - a. Baseball
 - b. Girls Golf
 - c. Boys Golf
 - d. Girls Lacrosse
 - e. Boys Lacrosse
 - f. Boys Tennis
 - g. Softball
 - h. Track & Field
11. Chair Reports:
 - a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports
 - b. Safety
 - c. Student Athlete Advisory Committee
 - d. Eligibility
 - e. Officials Coordinator
 - f. Sportsmanship
 - g. Unified Sports
12. New Business
 - a. BSN Agreement – Online Provider
 - b. Senior All Star Contest Girls Lacrosse
13. Old Business
14. Adjournment of Section IX Meeting

Michael Gillespie
William Earl
Tom Howe
Wendy Crandall
William Miller and Rich Saulino
Urvashi Gupta
Tom Cassata and Steve Boucher
Matthew Hemmer and Brian Halling

Greg Warren & Michelle Henn
Janet Carey
Kermit Moyer
Fred Ahart
Dennis Burkett
Adam Kless
Rich Silverstein

Next Meeting Date:

Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 8:00 am, Apple Greens Restaurant

SECTION IX SPORTS
2019-2020 DUES

SCHOOL: _____

CLASS: _____

Girls

Boys

Basketball _____
Bowling _____
Cheerleading (Competitive) _____
Cheerleading (Game Day) _____
Cross Country _____
Field Hockey _____
Golf _____
Gymnastics _____
Lacrosse _____
Skiing, Alpine _____
Skiing, Nordic _____
Soccer _____
Softball _____
Swimming _____
Tennis _____
Track, Indoor _____
Track, Outdoor _____
Volleyball _____
Wrestling _____

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 varsity sport

NUMBER OF SPORTS: _____
2019-2020 DUES: \$ _____
2019-2020 NYSAAA DUES: \$ 160.00
2019-2020 INSURANCE: \$ 454.00

TOTAL \$ _____

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

PLEASE KEEP ONE COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS; RETURN ONE COPY BY THE DUE DATE OF FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2019. THANK YOU.

Your School District will be billed.

Section IX Dues not paid by September 1, 2019, will incur a 10% penalty.

Section IX Dues not paid by October 1, 2019, will result in INELIGIBILITY for Section IX Tournaments of that school district's athletic teams.

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.



BSN SPORTS REWARD PROGRAM

FOR

Section IX

BSN SPORTS ("BSN") is pleased to offer **Section IX** the following **Sponsorship and BSN SPORTS REWARDS PROGRAM** for My Team Shop (MTS) purchases (net revenue) made by the Section IX members.

BSN SPORTS Agrees to the following:

- Annual Sponsorship of 1200 BSN SPORTS Phenom SS Tee with section Championship logo each year of agreement.
- My Team Shop - School Incentive Reward – When school reaches \$20,000 in My Team Shop net revenue, School receives choice of one item from Team Player Pack (See final page for options) and two co-branded banners.
- Tiered Rebate Structure based on My Team Shop net revenue made by members of Section IX.
Rebate calculated starting on July 1st – June 30th of each year of agreement. Payment to be made by August 1st of each year to Section office.
 - \$800,000 - \$1,249,999 in net revenue – 1% rebate
 - \$1,250,000 - \$1,999,999 in net revenue – 1.5% rebate
 - \$2,000,000+ in net revenue – 2% rebate
- My Team Shops products will be priced at current catalog/retail price.

Term: The duration of this agreement is three (3) years from **July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022** ("Term").

Acknowledged and Agreed to:

Section IX

BSN SPORTS

Executive Director

Vice President



NEW YORK STATE
PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
SENIOR ALL-STAR CONTEST
Application

PLEASE NOTE: PARTICIPANTS MAY ONLY BE THOSE SENIORS WHO ARE NO LONGER INVOLVED IN SECTIONALS, REGIONALS OR STATE COMPETITION. ATHLETES PARTICIPATING IN THIS CONTEST ARE NO LONGER ELIGIBLE IN THIS SPORT.

Sport or Activity Girls Varsity Lacrosse

1. Name of Contest Exceptional Senior All Star Game Date 6/4/19
2. Site of Contest Sanfordville Elementary School Warwick, NY
3. Co-sponsoring school, league or section Section IX
(for events sponsored with any outside organization, college or university)
4. School personnel responsible for contest supervision: Name Denis J. O'Connor
Address 17 Carpenter Rd. Chester, NY Zip 10918 Phone 914-213-1941
5. School personnel responsible for screening and selection of contestants: each school's Varsity coach
6. School personnel responsible for screening and selection of coaches: Warwick - Denis J. O'Connor
7. Net profit to be donated to the following charitable or educational programs: Wounded Warrior Project
8. Contestants will be insured by: Within 2019 Spring Season ☒ Own School ☐ Other (list)
Liability insurance supplied by sponsor: ☒ Section ☐ Other (list)* US Lacrosse
***Attach certificate of insurance**
9. Signature of host Athletic Administrator (if applicable): [Signature]
10. Uniforms are to be supplied by: Home School
11. Official's organization to assign contest officials: Section IX Refs - Mr. Paul Rickard
12. Within two weeks of completion of the contest, all of the following must be mailed to Secretary/Treasurer of the Section sanctioning the contest:
 1. Complete roster of participants
 2. Complete financial report
 3. Injury report
 4. Complete awards report

Completed application presented and approved by Section _____

Date _____ Section Executive Director _____

NOTE: A list of Sr. All-Star Contests approved by the Section must be emailed for recording to:
Robert Zayas, Executive Director (rzayas@nysphsaa.org)
New York State Public High School Athletic Association, Inc.

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)

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

Mid-Hudson
School Study Council
&

Mount Saint Mary College
Present:

LTC 631 Athletic
Administration:
Emergency Management of
Interscholastic Athletic
Events

LOCATION

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

Registration Deadline: May 23, 2019

June 14, 2019
8:00 AM—1:30 PM

REGISTRATION

Registration Deadline: May 23, 2019

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

PRESENTER

MIKE GULLINO

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

The NIAAA Certification Program is a voluntary professional service to athletic administrators and is based on the premises of continuing education, professional growth and program development in the vocation of interscholastic athletic administration. It recognizes and incorporates the professional development opportunities provided by the Leadership Training Institute. The attainment of professional certification demonstrates the completion of a comprehensive plan for self-improvement that will enhance the ability of the athletic administrator to better serve the school, community and profession.

The NIAAA became a member of the National Certification Commission in October 1995 in an effort to stay abreast of information pertinent to the Certification Program on a national scope. On October 26, 2001, the NIAAA Certification Program was granted "full registration" by the National Certification Commission recognizing the NIAAA Certification Program as one meeting the commissions' rigid standards of excellence. Learn more about the purpose, objectives, benefits and procedures for attaining at the NIAAA website at www.niaaa.org.

PROGRAM

LTC 631 ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF INTERSCHOOLASTIC 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.



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting Meeting Highlights Spring 2019

a. Robert Zayas - Executive Director

1. Misidentified Player appeal:

Disqualification of a player may only be challenged on the basis of misidentification. Sections may be restrictive and may not allow any appeals.

2. Health Examination Form:

NYSED corresponded with NYSPHSAA requiring "that reports of health examinations of students for schools are to be submitted on the required NYS School Health Examination form for physical examinations on or after July 1, 2018. However, for the 2018-2019 school year, we are requesting that schools accept all physical examination reports, regardless of whether the new form has been utilized. "Schools should continue to accept a physical regardless of the form it is on."

3. 2019-2020 Combined Teams Criteria:

Sports Specific classification cut off numbers will be utilized.

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.

Note: If two or more schools are located within the same physical building. 100% of their BEDS will be used if they are following the Combining of Teams process.

Beginning in 2019-2020

The percentage is dependent upon the association's "Sport Specific classification cut-off numbers"

Five Classes (100%, 100 %, 100%, 40%, 30%)

Four Classes (100%, 100%, 40%, 30%)

Three Classes (100%, 40%, 30%)

Two Divisions (100%, 40%)

Section shall determine the deadlines for schools to merge or demerge programs.

If a non-public school is part of the merger, the "merged" team may be subject to the Section's Classification of Non-Public School Committee.

If a merger is denied by the Section, schools have the ability to resubmit a merger using 100% of all schools BEDS enrollment numbers.

b. Joe Altieri, Assistant Director

Attached-NYSPHSAA Championships – Fall 2017 through Spring 2022

c. Todd Nelson, Assistant Director

Unified Sports – Age and Duration of Competition

Regulation no change in the regulation for this school year.

d. Kristen Jadin – Assistant Director

Participation Survey – Deadline to submit is Monday, May 13, 2019.

Sportsmanship Promotion – 2nd Annual NYSPHSAA Coaches Appreciation Day – Wednesday, May 15, 2019

e. NYSED Report – Darryl Daily attached

f. NYSA – 2020 Conference will be held Tuesday, March 17th through Friday, March 20, 2020.

g. 2019-2020 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals – attached

h. Standard Calendar of Weeks – 7 Year Calendar – attached

i. Standing Committee: See Report

j. Action Items: See Report

k. Discussion Items: See Report

l. Modified Report: Attached

Sectional Concerns

(A) – Consider approval of a waiver of the 7-day rule for all sports and all sections, beginning Friday, May 3, 2019 for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year. **APPROVED**

(A) – Consider approval of a reduction of contests from 6-4 in all spring sports in Section VII. **APPROVED**

(A) – Consider approval of a reduction of contests for Outdoor Track & Field from 6-5 for Section V. **APPROVED**

Ex-Officio Reports

1. Pupil Benefits – Thomas McGuire
2. New York State Education Department – Darryl Daily
3. New York State Athletic Administrators Association – Alan Mallanda

Standing Committee Reports

1. Budget/ Audit Committee – Julie Bergman
(A) Consider approval of 2019-2020 NYSPHSAA Budget. **APPROVED**
2. Championship Advisory Committee (CAC) – Greg Ransom
3. Handbook Committee – Pat Pizzarelli (Pg. 51-54)
4. Student-Athlete Development Committee (SADC) – Kristen Jadin
(D) Consideration of adding Unified Basketball and Unified Bowling as sports to the Scholar-Athlete program.
5. Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) – Kristen Jadin
6. Sportsmanship Committee – Todd Nelson & Kristen Jadin
(D) Consideration to create an Officials Appreciation Day Wednesday Of Week #13.
7. Safety Committee – Todd Nelson
8. Modified Committee – Jim Rose
(D) Consideration of approval to revise Modified Soccer rules.
(D) Consideration of approval to revise Modified Football rules.
(D) Consideration of approval to revise Modified Boys Lacrosse rules.

- (D) Consideration of approval to revise Modified Cross-Country rules.
- (D) Consideration of approval to increase the number of doubleheaders allowed in modified softball from two to three.
- (D) Consideration of approval to add to the handbook *"It is recommended that there be a minimum of six meets scheduled for modified track and field."*
- (D) Consideration of approval to reduce the minimum nights rest in boys and girls volleyball from 2 nights to 1 night.
- (D) Consideration of approval to increase the maximum number of points a student can wrestle during the week from 3 to 4.
- (D) Consideration of approval to allow more than two all-around competitors compete in a gymnastics meet.

General Action/ Discussion Items

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| 1. (A) Consider approval of Friends & Neighbors and new member schools. | APPROVED | Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director |
| 2. (A) Consider approval of Sections intent to participate in the 2019-2020 NYSPHSAA State Championships. | APPROVED | Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director |
| 3. (A) Consider approval to abide by NFHS Rules in all sports when NFHS Rules are available. | DEFEATED 12-10 | Paul Harrica, NYSPHSAA
President |
| 4. (A) Consider approval to revise the Fall, Winter & Spring sport season lengths. | APPROVED 12-10 | Sports Seasons Ad Hoc
Committee |
| 5. (A) Consider approval to revise the NYSPHSAA jewelry rule to include practice. | APPROVED | Section IX – October 16
Executive Committee
Sectional Concern |
| 6. (A) Consider approval to revise the amount allotted in the NYSPHSAA Amateur Rule to \$500. | APPROVED | Section XI – October 16
Executive Committee
Sectional Concern |
| 7. (A) Consider approval of updates to NYSPHSAA Media Policies & Procedures. | APPROVED | Chris Watson, NYSPHSAA
Director of Communications |
| 8. (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 |
| 9. (D) Consideration of approval to increase the maximum number of games/ contests with restrictions on the number of scrimmages. | | Dr. Jeff Rabey, NYSCOSS |
| 10. (D) Consideration of approval to revise the prescribed penalty for | | Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA |

exceeding the maximum number of games/ contests.

Executive Director

11. (D) Consideration of approval to permit students (grades 7, 8, 9, & 10) who are ineligible as per the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule to practice & participate at the sub-varsity level during their period of ineligibility; noncorresponding transferring students in grades 11th and 12th who are ineligible as per the Transfer Rule, would be limited to practice only.

*Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director*

12. (D) Consideration of approval to permit students who are ineligible as per the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule to practice during their period of ineligibility.

*Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director*

13. (D) Consideration of approval for NYSPHSAA Championship Operation Packets to serve as the official operation documents of the NYSPHSAA Championships.

*Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director*

APPROVED

14. (D) Consideration of approval to start a NYSPHSAA Foundation.

*Chris Joyce, NYSPHSAA
Sales & Marketing Director*

Sports Action/ Discussion Items

FALL

15. (A) Consider approval of Football 7-year regional rotation.

Football Committee

APPROVED

16. (A) Consideration of approval revise the classification cut-off numbers for the sport of Football.

Football Committee

POSTPONED

17. (A) Consider approval of Cortland or Rochester as the host of the 2020, 2021, & 2022 Girls Soccer State Championships.

*Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director*

APPROVED - CORTLAND

18. (A) Consideration of approval to revise the classification cut-off numbers for the sport of Boys Volleyball.

Boys Volleyball Committee

APPROVED

19. (A) Consider approval to revise the date of the Girls Tennis Championships to a Thursday – Saturday format.

Girls Tennis Committee

APPROVED

20. (A) Consider approval of At-Large Rotation to fill byes at Girls Tennis State Championships.

Girls Tennis Committee

APPROVED

21. (A) Consideration of approval to implement a two-year experiment for the Girls Tennis Championship format to eliminate consolations and

Girls Tennis Committee

add medal playoffs for the top 8 participants.

APPROVED

22. (D) Consideration of approval to institute a penalty for practicing on courts at the Girls Tennis Championships during the tournament. *Girls Tennis Committee*

23. (D) Consideration of approval of four quarters to serve the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship penalty for the sport of Football instead of the "next regularly scheduled game." *Football Committee*

24. (D) Consideration of approval of a policy for combined practices for the sport of Football. *Football Committee*

25. (D) Consideration of approval to revise the NCAA Volleyball warm-up procedure for regular season for the sport of Boys Volleyball. *Boys Volleyball Committee*

APPROVED

26. (D) Consideration of approval to revise pool play tie breaking procedures for the NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball Championships. *Boys Volleyball Committee*

27. (D) Consideration of approval for the Girls Volleyball Regional Rotation. *Girls Volleyball Committee*

28. (D) Consideration of approval to waive NCAA court lines for Girls and Boys Volleyball. *Girls Volleyball Committee*

APPROVED

29. (D) Consideration of approval to revise the Standard Operating Procedure to include the NCAA pre-match warmup for Girls Volleyball post season. *Girls Volleyball Committee*

APPROVED

WINTER

30. (D) Consideration of approval for Boys Swimming & Diving qualifying standards. *Boys Swimming & Diving Committee*

APPROVED

31. (D) Consideration of approval for Ice Hockey to abide by the NFHS Ice Hockey Rules for time periods (17 minutes) and penalties (2/ 5 & 10 minutes) to begin with the 2019-2020 season with a recalculation of post-season (Regionals, Semifinals and Finals) fees for Ice Hockey officials on November 1, 2019. *Ice Hockey Committee*

SPRING

32. (A) Consider approval of Girls Lacrosse 3-year regional rotation. *Girls Lacrosse Committee*

APPROVED

33. (A) Consider approval to require any officials working a Girls *Girls Lacrosse Committee*

Lacrosse Regional, Semifinal or Final to attend a transitional Clinic.

APPROVED

34. (A) Consideration of approval to revise the classification cut-off numbers for the sport of Girls Lacrosse.

Girls Lacrosse Committee

APPROVED

35. (A) Consideration of approval to revise the classification cut-off numbers for the sport of Boys Lacrosse.

Boys Lacrosse Committee

APPROVED

36. (A) Consider approval of Hofstra University as the host of the 2020, 2021, & 2022 Boys Lacrosse State Championships.

*Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director*

APPROVED

37. (A) Consider approval of University of Albany as the host of the 2020, 2021, & 2022 Boys Lacrosse East Semifinals.

*Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director*

APPROVED

38. (A) Consider approval of SUNY Cortland as the host of the 2020, 2021, & 2022 Boys Lacrosse West Semifinals.

*Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director*

APPROVED

39. (A) Consider approval to implement a Baseball post-season pitch count summary form.

Baseball Committee

APPROVED

40. (A) Consider approval of At-Large Rotation to fill byes at Boys Tennis State Championships.

Boys Tennis Committee

APPROVED

Information Items

41. (I) Approved Senior All-Star Contests & Combining of Teams.

*Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA
Executive Director*

Consultants

1. Legislative Lobbyist – Kevin Banes
2. Council of Administrators (COA) – Greg Warren
3. NYS Coaches Association – Ron Woodruff
4. NYS Council of Superintendents – Dr. Jeff Rabey

NYSPHSAA Championships - Fall 2017 thru Spring 2022

FALL		FALL 2018	FALL 2019	FALL 2020	FALL 2021	FALL 2022
Girls Tennis	Date	October 27-29, 2018	November 2-4, 2019	October 31-Nov 2, 2020	October 30-Nov 1, 2021	October 29-31, 2022
	Site	Tri-City Tennis Club	Tri-City Tennis Club	<i>*being proposed to move the above 2020-22 dates to a Thurs-Sat</i>		
B/G Cross Country	Date	November 10, 2018	November 16, 2019	November 14, 2020	November 13, 2021	November 12, 2022
	Site	Sunken Meadow State Park	Plattsburgh	Vernon Verona Sherrill HS	Chenango Valley State Park	Vernon Verona Sherrill HS
Boys Soccer	Date	November 10-11, 2018	November 16-17, 2019	November 14-15, 2020	November 13-14, 2021	November 12-13, 2022
	Site	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School		
Girls Soccer	Date	November 10-11, 2018	November 16-17, 2019	November 14-15, 2020	November 13-14, 2021	November 12-13, 2022
	Site	Cortland	Cortland	Rochester or Cortland	Rochester or Cortland	Rochester or Cortland
Field Hockey	Date	November 10-11, 2018	November 16-17, 2019	November 14-15, 2020	November 13-14, 2021	November 12-13, 2022
	Site	Williamsville North HS	Williamsville North HS	Williamsville North HS		
Girls Swimming	Date	November 16-17, 2018	November 22-23, 2019	November 20-21, 2020	November 19-20, 2021	November 18-19, 2022
	Site	Ithaca College	Ithaca College	Ithaca College		
Boys Volleyball	Date	November 17, 2018	November 23, 2019	November 21, 2020	November 20, 2021	November 19, 2022
	Site	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany		
Girls Volleyball	Date	November 17-18, 2018	November 23-24, 2019	November 21-22, 2020	November 20-21, 2021	November 19-20, 2022
	Site	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls		
Football EAST	Date	November 16-17, 2018	November 22-23, 2019	November 20-21, 2020	November 19-20, 2021	November 18-19, 2022
	Site	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	
Football WEST	Date	November 16-17, 2018	November 22-23, 2019	November 20-21, 2020	November 19-20, 2021	November 18-19, 2022
	Site	Union Endicott High School	Cicero North Syracuse HS	Union Endicott HS	Cicero North Syracuse HS	
Football FINALS	Date	November 23-24, 2018	November 29-Dec 1, 2019	November 27-29, 2020	November 26-28, 2021	November 25-27, 2022
	Site	Carrier Dome	Carrier Dome	Carrier Dome	Carrier Dome	
WINTER		WINTER 2019	WINTER 2020	WINTER 2021	WINTER 2022	WINTER 2023
Wrestling Dual Meet	Date	January 26, 2019	February 1, 2020	January 30, 2021	January 29, 2022	January 28, 2023
	Site	Onondaga CC, SRC Arena	Onondaga CC, SRC Arena			
Girls Ice Hockey	Date	February 8-9, 2019	February 14-15, 2020	Date TBA	Date TBA	
	Site	HARBORCENTER, Buffalo	Section 7	Section 10		
B/G Skiing	Date	February 25-26, 2019	February 24-25, 2020	February 22-23, 2021	February 28-March 1, 2022	February 27-28, 2023
	Site	Gore Mountain	Bristol Mountain	Whiteface Mountain		
Rifle REGIONAL	Date	March 2, 2019	March 7, 2020	Date TBA	Date TBA	
	Site					
Girls Gymnastics	Date	March 2, 2019	February 29, 2020	February 27, 2021	March 5, 2022	March 4, 2023
	Site	Cold Spring Harbor High School	Cold Spring Harbor High School			
Wrestling	Date	February 22-23, 2019	February 28-29, 2020	February 26-27, 2021	February 25-26, 2022	February 24-25, 2023
	Site	Times Union Center, Albany	Times Union Center, Albany	Times Union Center, Albany		
B. Swimming & Diving	Date	March 1-2, 2019	March 6-7, 2020	March 5-6, 2021	March 4-5, 2022	March 3-4, 2023
	Site	Nassau Aquatics Center	Nassau Aquatics Center			
B/G Bowling	Date	March 8-10, 2019	March 13-15, 2020	March 12-14, 2021	March 11-13, 2022	March 10-12, 2023
	Site	Strike N Spare Lanes, Syracuse	Strike N Spare Lanes, Syracuse			
B/G Indoor Track	Date	March 2, 2019	March 7, 2020	March 6, 2021	March 5, 2021	March 4, 2023
	Site	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex	Ocean Breeze Athletic Com	
Competitive Cheer	Date	March 2, 2019	March 7, 2020	March 6, 2021	March 5, 2022	March 4, 2023
	Site	RIT	RIT	RIT		
Ice Hockey	Date	March 9-10, 2019	March 14-15, 2020	March 13-14, 2021	March 12-13, 2022	March 11-12, 2023
	Site	HARBORCENTER, Buffalo	HARBORCENTER, Buffalo	HARBORCENTER, Buffalo		
Girls Basketball	Date	March 15-17, 2019	March 20-22, 2020	March 19-21, 2021	March 18-20, 2022	March 17-19, 2023
	Site	HVCC, Troy	HVCC, Troy	HVCC, Troy	HVCC, Troy	
Boys Basketball	Date	March 15-17, 2019	March 20-22, 2020	March 19-21, 2021	March 18-20, 2022	March 17-19, 2023
	Site	Binghamton Floyd Maines Area	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	
B/G Federation Basketball	Date	March 22-24, 2019	March 27-29, 2020	March 26-28, 2021	March 25-27, 2022	March 24-26, 2023
	Site	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Fordham University	Fordham University	Fordham University	
SPRING		SPRING 2019	SPRING 2020	SPRING 2021	SPRING 2022	SPRING 2023
Boys Tennis	Date	May 30-June 1, 2019	June 4-6, 2020	June 3-5, 2021	June 2-4, 2022	June 1-3, 2023
	Site	USTA National Tennis Center				
Boys Golf	Date	June 1-3, 2019	June 6-8, 2020	June 5-7, 2021	June 4-6, 2022	June 3-5, 2023
	Site	Cornell University				
Girls Golf	Date	May 31-June 2, 2019	June 5-7, 2020	June 4-6, 2021	June 3-5, 2022	June 2-4, 2023
	Site	Deerfield Country Club, Rochester	Deerfield Country Club, Rochester	Deerfield Country Club, Rochester		
B/G Outdoor Track	Date	June 7-8, 2019	June 12-13, 2020	June 11-12, 2021	June 10-11, 2022	June 9-10, 2023
	Site	Middletown HS	Cicero-North Syracuse (3)			
Girls Lacrosse	Date	June 7-8, 2019	June 12-13, 2020	June 11-12, 2021	June 10-11, 2022	June 9-10, 2023
	Site	SUNY Cortland	SUNY Cortland	SUNY Cortland	SUNY Cortland	
Boys Lacrosse EAST	Date	June 5, 2019	June 10, 2020	June 9, 2021	June 8, 2022	June 7, 2023
	Site	UAlbany & Adelphi	U Albany	U Albany	U Albany	
Boys Lacrosse WEST	Date	June 5, 2019	June 10, 2020	June 9, 2021	June 8, 2022	June 7, 2023
	Site	CNS & St. John Fisher	SUNY Cortland	SUNY Cortland	SUNY Cortland	
Boys Lacrosse FINALS	Date	June 8, 2019	June 13, 2020	June 12, 2021	June 11, 2022	June 10, 2023
	Site	St. John Fisher	Hofstra University	Hofstra University	Hofstra University	
Baseball	Date	June 14-15, 2019	June 12-13, 2020	June 11-12, 2021	June 10-11, 2022	June 9-10, 2023
	Site	Binghamton	Binghamton	Binghamton		
Softball	Date	June 15, 2019	June 13, 2020	June 12, 2021	June 11, 2022	June 9-10, 2023
	Site	Moreau Park, South Glens Falls	Moriches Athletic Complex	Moriches Athletic Complex	Moriches Athletic Complex	

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Red indicates recommended by NYSPHSAA & Sport Committee but not yet approved by Executive Committee
yellow box indicates they will be determined by the next Executive Committee meeting

1. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NYSAHPERD) Conference (November 20-23, 2019) in Verona, New York- See website: <http://www.nysahperd.org/content/professional-development/nys-ahperd-conference.cfm>
- NYSAHPERD is approved for CTLE credit.
- New York State Council of Administrators Conference (November 20-23, 2019) in Verona, New York-See website:

<https://www.nysahperd.org/content/professional-development/Council-of-Administrators-Annual-Conference.cfm>
- Society for Health and Physical Education of America (SHAPE), National Conference (April 9-13, 2019) in Tampa, Florida -See website:
<http://www.shapeamerica.org/>
- New York State Athletic Administrators Association (NYSAAA) Leadership Training Program and Certification Program- See website:
<http://nysaaa.org/contact-us>
- New York State Athletic Administrators Association (NYSAAA) Annual Conference 2020 SARATOGA SPRINGS – (March 17-20, 2020) -See website:
<http://nysaaa.org/conference/conference-dates>
- NYSA AAA is approved for CTLE credit.

2. NEW YORK STATE LEARNING STANDARDS REVIEW PROCESS FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION HAS BEGUN (Winter/Spring/Summer 2018)

- Collaborating with NYSAHPERD- Kicked off at SED on August 6-7, 2018. Next meeting dates scheduled: October 25, 2018, January 24-25, 2019 and April 4-5, 2019. Reviewing National and NYS Learning Standards and Outcomes for NYS. Process and review team includes multiple representatives; (SED, ELA's, BOCES, NYSAHPERD, COA, NYSBAA, NYSUT and SAANYs, K-12 and Higher Education Institutions).

3. APPROVED COACHING COURSE LIST (Updated February 2019)

- The list has been updated on February 2019.

- See: <http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/courses-accepted-coaches-first-aid-and-cpr-aed-requirement.pdf>

4. CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES UPDATED (June 2018)

- The New York State Education Department Guidelines for Concussion Management in Schools have been revised to reflect the current recommendations on managing concussions. Previous guidance was that students must be completely symptom free to return to activities. Now there is emerging research suggesting that some symptoms may be acceptable during return to activities. The updated guidelines now reflect this practice along with emphasizing that schools follow guidance of the student's health care provider on what symptoms are acceptable for return to activities.
- A gradual return to physical activity typically is done by progressing a student through levels of activity that increase in duration and/or intensity. Gradual return to activity should occur with the introduction of a new activity level every 24 hours. If any post-concussion symptoms return, the student should stop the activity and drop back to the previous level of activity. Current research suggests that some level of symptoms with activity is acceptable. Therefore, schools will need to follow provider orders on return to activities. Students should be monitored by district staff daily following each progressive level of physical activity, for any return of signs and symptoms of concussion. A gradual progression should be followed based on the private healthcare provider's or other specialist's orders and recommendations.

Please note: No such pupil shall resume athletic activity until the pupil has been symptom free for not less than twenty-four hours and has been evaluated by and received written and signed authorization from a licensed physician; and for extra class athletic activities, has received clearance from the medical director to participate in such activity. [8NYCRR 136.5 (d)]

- *Please direct questions to the Office of Student Support Services at 518-486-6090 or studentsupportservices@nysed.gov.*

5. RECENT SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES CHANGES (Effective July 1, 2018)

- Revisions to commissioner's regulations 136.1-135.3 go into effect 7/1/18.
- Grade levels for health examinations and required screenings have been revised.
- <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/documents/HealthRequirements.pdf>
- <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/documents/ReqNYSSchoolHealthExamForm.pdf>
- New guidelines are available for Health Examination, Vision Screening, Hearing Screening, and Scoliosis Screening. Due to changes in screening requirements it is important that school health personnel review the new guidelines.

Please Note- Schools districts **should** continue to accept **ANY** health exam form received as NYSED and medical providers' organizations continue to partner to revise the NYS Required Health Exam Form and develop an electronic record compatible version.

School districts **SHOULD NOT REQUIRE** health care providers to use a particular form. District should accept any health exam form received.

School districts can choose to use the **NYS Health Exam Form** currently on the NYSCSH/NYSED website. The fact that the form is not required should be communicated when it is shared.

- **NYSED will notify school districts when the new revised NYS Required Health Exam Form is ready for use and when it will be required.**
- *Questions may be directed to the Office of Student Support Services, at 518-486-6090, or studentsupportservices@nysed.gov*

6. NEW INITIATIVES TO COMBAT SUBSTANCE ABUSE AMONG SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN AND STUDENT ATHLETES

- Heroin and opioid use continues to grow at an alarming rate. Recent studies have shown that the percentages of high school students in New York State who have reported using heroin or who have injected an illegal drug have more than doubled from 2005 to 2015.



- Another recent concern with the Department of Health (DOH) is use of Fentanyl among youth.
- Education and healthcare leaders can increase awareness by talking about underage drinking, substance use disorders, addiction, warning signs, and how to access help. These materials provide guidance on how to have those conversations.
- NYSED partnered with the New York State Health Department and the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services to provide the New York State Addiction and Substance Use Disorder Educational Resource.
- A Free Flash Drive Educational Resource has been developed through the New York State Department of Health, specifically to assist you in reaching your students and their families in combating this epidemic. This tool provides readily accessible and striking sample presentations, videos and discussion guides on how to engage students that may be dealing with sports-related injuries and pain relief involving opioid prescriptions or self-treatment with opioid medications. We know how our athletes look up to physical education teachers, athletic directors and coaches to guide them, so please order a flash drive.

The New York State Addiction and Substance Use Disorder Educational Resource is available free on a flash drive that may be ordered by sending an email to: B0019W@health.ny.gov (email address contains zeros), or by mailing your request to:

PUBLICATIONS NYSDOH Distribution Center P.O. Box 343 Guilderland, New York 12084

Materials sent to addresses within New York State are provided free of charge. Quantities may be limited.

Please include the name of your school, company, or facility; physical address; name and email address of contact person; and the following description and order number: New York State Addiction and Substance Use Disorder Educational Resource - Pub.# 12029. (Flash drives cannot be mailed to post office boxes).

7. GUIDELINES FOR COACHING (Updated January 2018)

- See: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/toolkitdocs/COACHING-COURSE-GUIDELINES-FINAL-01292018.pdf>

8. QUALITY PHYSICAL EDUCATION PLAN REMINDER

- a. 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? Recommend updating minimum of 7 years. Important when looking for funding and support.
- b. If you need technical assistance or have specific questions contact Darryl Daily at darryl.daily@nysed.gov
- c. According to Commissioner's Regulation 135.4 -Physical Education Plans must 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. Amendment of Section 100.5 and Addition of Section 100.20 to the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education to Implement the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children and Provisions Relating to Transfer Credits and Diploma Requirements for Physical Education. (BOR approved November 2017))

- See: <http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/617p12d4.pdf>
- See: <http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/general-education-and-diploma-requirements>
- <http://www.nysed.gov/memo/curriculum-instruction/physical-education-regulatory-amendments>

- 5th year seniors and out of state transfer students changes

10. ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY amendments (BOR approved at June 2017 meeting)

- 13 K-8 School Districts and APP
- Duration of Competition amended (Social emotional documentation..)
- See: <http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/317p12d1.pdf>
- Riflery added to Special Tryout Processes (Similar to Golf and Bowling protocol)

11. GUIDELINES FOR SPORT STANDARDS (Amended and posted January 2017)

- See: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/documents/Guidelines-for-Sports-Standards-1-5-2017.pdf>
- Competitive Cheerleading was added to the list-January 2017.
- Note: **2 separate seasons** (fall and winter) for competitive cheerleading. 15 weeks for fall competitive cheerleading season. 22 weeks for winter competitive cheerleading season.

12. REMINDER TO ALL PHYSICAL EDUCATION DIRECTORS/ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

- Please make sure all of your coaches are certified and/or are in the process of completing their certification. Re-check to make sure they have all their requirements completed and license in hand in order to coach.



IMPORTANT HEALTH EDUCATION RELATED ITEMS

A) MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION LEGISLATION (Effective July 1, 2018)

- Mental Health Education Legislation Chapter 390 of the Laws of 2016 amending Section 804 of Article 17 and states *as of July 2018 all schools under the jurisdiction of the department will ensure their health education programs recognize the multiple dimensions of health by including mental health and the relation of physical and mental health so as to enhance student understanding, attitudes and behaviors that promote health, well-being and human dignity –* <http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/lawssrch.cgi?NVLWO>
- SED & Mental Health Association of NYS collaborated as a stakeholder task force to develop guidance resources to implement the new mental health law by July 2018.

- See link: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/health/> and <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/health/Mentalhealtheducation.html>

B) SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING GUIDELINES (BOE- Presentation May 2018)

- Introducing New Guidance and Resources for Social Emotional Learning |  BR (D) 1
- Supplemental Presentation:
-  Social Emotional Learning - Essentials for Learning, Essentials for Life

C) NEW YORK STATE COMBAT HEROIN AND PRESCRIPTION OPIOID ABUSE CAMPAIGN

- At its meeting in January 2015, the Board of Regents convened a panel to discuss combatting opioid and heroin use and abuse. Presenters shared their thoughts on prevention, warning signs, intervention, referral, treatment, recovery, and outreach.
- In 2015, New York State enacted laws allowing schools to provide and maintain opioid antagonists (naloxone) on-site, and late last year, NYSED issued guidance and information for schools regarding opioid overdose prevention programs. Additional resources to combat opioid and heroin use and abuse include:
- **Kitchen Table Toolkit**
The Kitchen Table Toolkit was developed to assist individuals (parents, spouses, siblings, teachers, coaches, counselors, probation officers, etc.) with initiating conversations about heroin and opioid abuse. Information, resources, and supports are available so no one needs to be alone in the fight to combat heroin and opioid abuse. Recognizing that addiction is not exclusive to heroin and opioids, this information may be applicable for alcohol and other drugs, also addressed in this toolkit. See page 12 for school-focused information.
- For updated Health Education Standards Supplemental Guidance Document See: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/documents/NYSED%20Heroin-Opioids%20Instructional%20Resource%20Packet6.17.pdf>

D) DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES TO EDUCATE ON NEED TO ENCOURAGE ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION

- Legislation (Summer 2016)-SED began working collaboratively with multiple organizations that promote organ and tissue donation to provide a toolkit that contains model exemplar lesson plans and best practice instructional resources on the importance and value of organ and tissue

donation. Information will be shared as it becomes available. See:
<http://alliancefordonation.org/coming-soon-new-york-state-high-school-curriculum-organ-eye-and-tissue-donation>

- Please note-APRIL is National "DONATE LIFE" month.

E) DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES FOR SEPSIS

- SED worked collaboratively with organizations that promote sepsis to provide model exemplar lesson plans and best practice instructional resources for school districts. See:
<https://rorystauntonfoundationforsepsis.org/education-modules/>

F) GAMBLING RESOURCES

- In recognition of Problem Gambling awareness Month (April), the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services released a tool kit in collaboration with the New York State Education Department (NYSED) to help identify early problem gambling habits in teens.
- According to OASIS, "The new comprehensive Toolkit can be used by school administrators, educators, pupil personnel services, parent-teacher associations, parents, and community groups to teach students and parents about preventing underage gambling."
- See: <https://www.oasas.ny.gov/gambling/SchoolDistrictResources.cfm>

G) COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS TO REQUIRE INSTRUCTION IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION ("Hands Only" CPR) AND INSTRUCTION IN THE USE OF AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (Requirement began September 2015)

- Students in senior high school shall be provided instruction in hands-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator at least once before graduation.
- See link for memo to the field:
<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/toolkitdocs/memo-CPR%20instruction%20in%20HS-%20Sept%202015.pdf>
- See link:
<https://yourethecure.org/aha/advocacy/details.aspx?BlogId=2&PostId=4139>

H) TIC AND LYME DISEASE LEGISLATION (Summer 2016)

- NYSED and Department of Conservation collaborated on instructional tools and materials for school districts to advance and promote education awareness on tick identification and protection.
- See: <http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/tick-and-tick-borne-disease>

**I) Letter to Schools from Commissioners of the New York State
Department of Health and Education Department to raise awareness and
educate on the dangers of e-cigarettes. (606 KB) - January 02, 2019**

- Evidence-based E-Cigarettes and Vaping Webinar , and an E-Cigarettes Learning Page available at the NYS Center for School Health, a contracted technical assistance resource center for the NYSED, with additionally resources located at the NYSDOH Get the Facts Website.

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**2019-2020 NYSPHSAA Championships and Regionals
Participating Sections**

CHAMPIONSHIPS	2019-2020										
Sport	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Baseball	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Basketball (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Basketball (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bowling (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bowling (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cheerleading	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cross Country (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cross Country (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Field Hockey	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X
Football	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Golf (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Golf (G)	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gymnastics (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Ice Hockey	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Lacrosse (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Lacrosse (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Skiing (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Skiing (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		
Soccer (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Soccer (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Softball	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Swimming (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Swimming (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tennis (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Tennis (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X
Track/Field (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Track/Field (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Volleyball (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			X
Volleyball (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Winter Track (B)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Winter Track (G)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Wrestling	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
REGIONALS ONLY											
Rifle			X			X	X	X		X	
Football								X			X
Volleyball (B)		X	X								
Golf (B)											
Fencing (B/G)								X			X
Ice Hockey (G)			X	X		X	X			X	

Standard Calendar of Weeks (NYSPHSAA State Championships- 7 Year Calendar) * Note: 2 Pages

Yellow BOLD denotes proposed revisions to Standard Calendar

Wk #	# of Wks	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024	Fall 2025
Fall Start Date High School (Monday)	7	N/A	8/17	8/16	8/15	8/14	8/19	8/18
Fall Start Date High School (Monday) Proposed	8	N/A	8/24	8/23	8/22	8/21	8/26	8/25
Fall Start Date Modified (Monday)	7	N/A	8/17	8/16	8/15	8/14	8/19	8/18
Fall Start Date Modified (Monday) Proposed	8	N/A	8/24	8/23	8/22	8/21	8/26	8/25
Tennis (Girls) Championships	17	11 Wks. 10	10/31-11/2	10/30-11/1	10/29-10/31	10/28-10/30	11/2-11/4	11/1-11/3
Cross Country Championships	19	13 Wks. 12	11/14	11/13	11/12	11/11	11/16	11/15
Girls/ Boys Soccer Championships	19	13 Wks. 12	11/14-11/15	11/13-11/14	11/12-11/13	11/11-11/12	11/16-11/17	11/15-11/16
Field Hockey Championships	19	13 Wks. 12	11/14-11/15	11/13-11/14	11/12-11/13	11/11-11/12	11/16-11/17	11/15-11/16
Girls Swimming & Diving Championships	20	14 Wks. 13	11/20-11/21	11/19-11/20	11/18-11/19	11/17-11/18	11/22-11/23	11/21-11/22
Boys Volleyball Championships	20	14 Wks. 13	11/21	11/20	11/19	11/18	11/23	11/22
Girls Volleyball Championships	20	14 Wks. 13	11/21-11/22	11/20-11/21	11/19-11/20	11/18-11/19	11/23-11/24	11/22-11/23
Football Semifinals	20	14 Wks. 13	11/20-11/21	11/19-11/20	11/18-11/19	11/17-11/18	11/22-11/23	11/21-11/22
Football Semifinals Proposed	21	14 Wks.	11/27-11/28	11/26-11/27	11/25-11/26	11/24-11/25	11/29-11/30	11/28-11/29
Football Championships	21	15 Wks.	11/27-11/29	11/26-11/28	11/25-11/27	11/24-11/26	11/29-12/1	11/28-11/30
Football Championships Proposed	22	15 Wks.	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	12/1-12/3	12/6-12/8	12/5-12/7
Scholar-Athlete Deadline	23	N/A	12/7	12/6	12/5	12/4	12/9	12/7
Wk #	# of Wks	Winter 2020	Winter 2021	Winter 2022	Winter 2023	Winter 2024	Winter 2025	Winter 2026
Winter Start Date High School (Monday)	19	11/11	11/9	11/8	11/7	11/6	11/11	11/10
Winter Start Date High School (Monday) Proposed	20	11/18	11/16	11/15	11/14	11/13	11/18	11/17
Winter Start Date Modified (Monday)	19	11/11	11/9	11/8	11/7	11/6	11/11	11/10
Winter Start Date Modified (Monday) Proposed	20	11/18	11/16	11/15	11/14	11/13	11/18	11/17
Wrestling Team Duals	30	12 Wks. 11	2/1	1/30	1/29	1/27	2/1	1/31
Girls/ Boys Skiing Championships	34/35	16 Wks. 15	2/24-2/25	2/22-2/23	2/28-3/1	2/27-2/28	2/24-2/25	2/23-2/24
Girls Gymnastics Championships	34/35	16 Wks. 15	2/29	2/27	3/5	3/4	3/1	2/28
Wrestling Championships	34	16 Wks. 15	2/28-2/29	2/26-2/27	2/25-2/26	2/24-2/25	2/23-2/24	2/22-2/23
Boys Swimming & Diving Championships	35	17 Wks. 16	3/6-3/7	3/5-3/6	3/4-3/5	3/3-3/4	3/1-3/2	3/6-3/7
Girls/ Boys Indoor Track Championships	35	17 Wks. 16	3/7	3/6	3/5	3/4	3/8	3/7
Competitive Cheer Championships	35	17 Wks. 16	3/7	3/6	3/5	3/4	3/8	3/7
Girls/ Boys Bowling Championships	36	18 Wks. 17	3/13-3/15	3/12-3/14	3/11-3/13	3/10-3/12	3/8-3/10	3/13-3/15
Ice Hockey Championships	36	18 Wks. 17	3/14-3/15	3/13-3/14	3/12-3/13	3/11-3/12	3/9-3/10	3/14-3/15
Scholar-Athlete Deadline	37	N/A	3/16	3/15	3/14	3/13	3/17	3/16
Girls/ Boys Basketball Championships	37	19 Wks. 18	3/20-3/22	3/19-3/21	3/18-3/20	3/17-3/19	3/21-3/23	3/20-3/22
Girls/ Boys Federation Basketball	38	20 Wks. 19	3/27-3/29	3/26-3/28	3/25-3/27	3/24-3/26	3/28-3/30	3/27-3/29
Presidents Day		17-Feb	15-Feb	21-Feb	20-Feb	19-Feb	17-Feb	16-Feb
Easter Sunday		12-Apr	4-Apr	17-Apr	9-Apr	31-Mar	20-Apr	5-Apr
Week #	# of Wks	Spring 2020	Spring 2021	Spring 2022	Spring 2023	Spring 2024	Spring 2025	Spring 2026
Spring Start Date High School (Monday)	36	N/A	3/9	3/8	3/7	3/6	3/10	3/9
Spring Start Date High School (Monday) Proposed	37	N/A	3/16	3/15	3/14	3/13	3/17	3/16
Spring Start Date Modified (Monday)	36	N/A	3/9	3/8	3/7	3/6	3/10	3/9
Spring Start Date Modified (Monday) Proposed	37	N/A	3/16	3/15	3/14	3/13	3/17	3/16
Scholar-Athlete Deadline	47	N/A	5/25	5/24	5/23	5/22	5/26	5/25
Boys Tennis Championships	48	13 Wks. 12	6/4-6/6	6/3-6/5	6/2-6/4	6/1-6/3	6/5-6/7	6/4-6/6
Girls Golf Championships	48	13 Wks. 12	6/5-6/7	6/4-6/6	6/3-6/5	6/2-6/4	6/6-6/8	6/5-6/7

Boys Golf Championships	48	13 Wks. 12	6/6-6/8	6/5-6/7	6/4-6/6	6/3-6/5	6/1-6/3	6/7-6/9	6/6-6/8
Girls Lacrosse Championships	49	14 Wks. 13	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/10-6/11	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13
Boys Lacrosse Championships	49	14 Wks. 13	6/13	6/12	6/11	6/10	6/8	6/14	6/13
Girls/ Boys Outdoor Track Championships	49	14 Wks. 13	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/10-6/11	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13
Baseball Championships	49	14 Wks. 13	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/10-6/11	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13
Softball Championships	49	14 Wks. 13	6/13	6/12	6/11	6/10	6/8	6/14	6/13
Memorial Day		25-May	31-May	30-May	29-May	27-May	26-May	25-May	



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SPORT SEASON LENGTH

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consider the following revisions to the sport season start dates and championship dates:

FALL

Start Fall sports the Monday of Week #8. Keep all Fall Championships on current week; reducing season of all sports except football by one week. Move Football Championships to Week #22, with Football Semifinals on Week #21 (Thanksgiving).

WINTER

Start Winter sports the Monday of Week #20. Keep all Winter Championship dates the same; reducing season of all sports by one week.

SPRING

Start Spring sports the Monday of Week #37. Keep all Championship dates the same; reducing season of all sports by one week. ~~except for baseball & softball; reducing season for all other sports by one week. Host the baseball & softball regional finals and semifinals on Friday/ Saturday of Week #49 and host baseball & softball championships on Saturday of Week #50.~~

Note: Sport Season Ad Hoc Committee revised the proposal at their meeting on December 14, 2018 to keep baseball and softball championships on Week #49.

Effective Start Date:

Recommended by Sports Season Ad Hoc to implement changes to calendar for 2020-2021 school year.

Rationale:

The membership has expressed concern the Fall season started too early, the Winter season was too long, and the Spring season start date was too early with baseball and softball seasons being negatively impacted by inclement weather.

Proposal Originated:

An Ad Hoc Committee was created at the May 4th Executive Committee meeting to examine the sport season start dates and championship dates. The Ad Hoc Committee met on August 16th, September 7th and December 14th.

Budgetary Impact:

None.



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JEWELRY RULE

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:
Section IX

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to revise the NYSPHSAA Jewelry Rule to include practice. Proposed revised language below in **BOLD**:

JEWELRY RULE:

No jewelry, which includes visible body piercing objects, shall be worn in a sport **(in games, contests or practice)**. Any piece of jewelry that is visible ~~at the start of or during a contest~~ is in violation of the NYSPHSAA Jewelry Rule. Religious medals must be taped to the body and under the uniform. Medical medals must be taped to the body so they are visible. Soft, pliable barrettes are permissible, body gems are not. The use of metal hair fasteners to secure hair is permissible in Girls Gymnastics. NOTE: The sports of Bowling and Golf are exempt from this rule. Wristwatches are permitted in cross country and in practice only for track and field. Hair restraints, to control a competitor's hair, are permitted in track and field and cross country. (Dec. 2010)

Effective Start Date:
August 1, 2019

Rationale:

Membership has expressed concern with the difficulty to enforce the NYSPHSAA Jewelry Rule for practice since the rule does not explicitly reference "practice."

Proposal Originated:

Sectional Concern at October 16, 2018 Executive Committee meeting.

Budget Impact:
None.

Notes:
None.

Attachments:
None.

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NYSPHSAA AMATEUR RULE TO \$500

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:
Section XI

Proposal:
Consideration to revise the amount allotted in the NYSPHSAA Amateur Rule to \$500.

Effective Start Date:
August 1, 2019.

Rationale:
Due to the increase of the fair market value of athletic equipment, supplies and awards we are requesting the amount allotted to each student-athlete to be raised from \$250 to \$500. Currently there are athletes who have had to decline receiving gear or supplies from tournaments due to the restrictions of this rule.

***Last edit to the Amateur rule was in preparation of the 2008-2009 school year.**

Proposal Originated:
Sectional Concern at October 16, 2018 Executive Committee meeting.

Budget Impact:
None.

Notes:
None.

Attachments:
None.



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UPDATES TO NYSPHSAA MEDIA POLICY AND PROCEDURES

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Chris Watson, NYSPHSAA Director of Communications

Proposal:

Seeking approval to change language in the official NYSPHSAA media policy and procedures to reflect agreement with the NFHS Network and Spectrum contracts. Seeking approval to also improve language on audio streaming rights to local outlets.

Effective Start Date:

Immediately

Rationale:

This would clarify the NFHS Network is the official video streaming partner of the NYSPHSAA, and Spectrum is the official television home of the NYSPHSAA.

We would review on a case by case basis, a local media outlet wishing to audio stream a state championship event. (Sub Regional, Regional, State Semifinal and Finals)

Proposal Originated:

After review of the current media policy and procedures the NYSPHSAA staff felt it would benefit media outlets to clarify what is permitted and what is not when it comes to audio and video streaming.

Budget Impact:

None.

Notes:

A list of changes is noted below. Access the full document here: [Media Policies & Procedures](#)

Media

~~The media outlet may not air a total of more than THREE (3) minutes of footage.~~

Television

~~Time Warner Cable Spectrum~~ is the official *Television* broadcast partner of the NYSPHSAA.

Internet

~~Time Warner Cable~~ The NFHS Network is the official *streaming* broadcast partner of the NYSPHSAA, which includes live video streaming of NYSPHSAA Championship events beginning with the conclusion of any sectional tournament.

Attachments:

None.



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APPROVED

CHAMPIONSHIP OPERATIONS PACKETS

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consideration of approval for NYSPHSAA Championship Operations Packets to serve as the official operation documents of NYSPHSAA Championships.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019.

Rationale:

Currently the NYSPHSAA staff works closely with the NYSPHSAA Sport Coordinators to develop Championship Operations Packets to inform coaches and teams of policies and procedures related to the operation of the Championship event. NYSPHSAA staff is seeking approval for these packets to serve as the official operation document of the Championship event to avoid confusion regarding the authority of such policies and procedures.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA staff.

Budgetary Impact:

None.

Notes:

Unanimous support from Championship Advisory Committee on April 3, 2019.

Unanimous support from Handbook Committee on April 3, 2019.

Example of policies and procedures included in packet:

- Warm up/ Practice policy at facility
- Food & Beverage policy of venue
- Number of athletes permitted per team
- Team drop off location at venue
- Home team information
- School gate list procedure

Attachments:

Girls Lacrosse Championship Operation Packet (Cover Page & Table of Contents)



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**FOOTBALL– ADOPT NEW 7-YEAR REGIONAL ROTATION AND
FILLING BYES WITH AT LARGE TEAM WHEN NECESSARY**

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Gary Vanderzee, NYSPHSAA Football State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Football Committee is seeking approval for a new seven (7)-year Regional Rotation and, when necessary, fill byes in Regional games with an at-large team in Class AA, A, and D. This concept is similar to the current Ice Hockey At-Large process.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019. The committee is seeking approval for both concepts for a seven (7)-year period through 2024.

Rationale:

The Regional Rotation expired in 2018 thus it is necessary to get a new seven (7)-year rotation approved. The length of the rotation is the same as the previous rotation.

With regards to the At-Large portion of this proposal, it is necessary to select an At-Large team for Regional games so Sectional Champions in Class AA, A and D do not get a BYE to the State Semifinals. Filling with an At-Large team satisfies the suggestion of the CAC for all team sports of not having BYES to State Semifinals. The At-Large teams will be selected based on an East/West Rotation.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Football Committee meeting on November 24, 2018

Budget Impact:

None.

Notes:

The Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at their November 24th meeting. The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.

Attachments:

Proposed six-year Regional Rotation and proposed At-Large rotation is attached for Class AA, A, & D.



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FOOTBALL – NEW CLASSIFICATION CUT-OFF NUMBERS
FOR THE 2020 AND 2021

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Gary VanDerzee, NYSPHSAA Football State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Football Committee is seeking approval to change the Football Classification Cut-off numbers to the following:

Class AA	1025 and up	68 schools	17.26%
Class A	630 – 1024	86 schools	21.83%
Class B	397 – 629	87 schools	22.08%
Class C	261 – 396	86 schools	21.83%
Class D	260 and below	67 schools	17.01%

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2020 for a two-year period

Rationale:

With more and more schools opting to play 8 man football the number of schools playing 11-man Class D football is shrinking. In order to balance out the remaining 11-man football schools this proposal is necessary.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Football Committee in March 2019

Budget Impact:

None

Notes:

The Football Committee voted 11-0 in favor of the proposal.
The CAC did not support the proposal, 9-2.

Current Classification Cut-offs:

Class AA	1025 and above
Class A	585 – 1024
Class B	355 – 584
Class C	230 – 354
Class D	229 and below

Attachments:

None



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GIRLS TENNIS - REVISE STATE TOURNAMENT DATES 2020-22

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Chris Horgan, NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee is seeking approval to revise its State Tournament dates to Thursday through Saturday (remaining within Week #17) beginning in 2020. The tournament was previously conducted on a Saturday through Monday.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2020

Rationale:

This would allow for more bids and more competitive bids due to clubs only needing to offer us a ½ day on a Saturday to finish our tournament as opposed to a full Saturday and Sunday of competition like it currently is set up. This would follow the same Thurs-Saturday format of the Boys Tennis State Tournament.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee on January 14, 2019.

Budget Impact:

Potentially decrease facility rental fees by not having to secure a venue the entire weekend.

Notes:

The Championships would remain on Week #17 of the NYSPHSAA Standard Calendar.
The committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal during their meeting.
The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.

Attachments:

None.



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**GIRLS TENNIS– ADOPT 9-YEAR ROTATION TO FILL BYES WITH
AT-LARGE SELECTIONS FOR 2019-27**

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Chris Horgan, NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Committee is seeking approval to adopt a nine (9) year rotation to fill the tournament byes/draw with at-large selections. It is anticipated there will be 15 additional athletes in the tournament if this proposal is approved.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019. The committee is seeking approval for a nine (9) year period.

Rationale:

Filling the byes provides equitable competition for all participants in both singles and doubles instead of some players receiving a bye and getting extra rest from that. The proposal provides the exact same number of contests for each participant which begins with two contests per day for each player. The current format provides less contests for the top two seeded singles and doubles teams.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Committee meeting on January 14, 2019

Budget Impact:

There will be an additional cost for sections/schools to cover lodging, meals and possibly transportation for the added At-Large athletes.

Notes:

The Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at their January meeting.
The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.

Attachments:

Proposed At-Large selection rotation is attached on what sections will fill the byes each year.



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GIRLS TENNIS – ELIMINATE CONSOLATION MATCHES AT STATE
TOURNAMENT, TWO-YEAR EXPERIMENT

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Chris Horgan, NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee is seeking approval to implement a two-year experiment for the Girls Tennis State Championship format to eliminate consolations and add medal playoffs for the top 8 participants.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

Approval of this proposal would allow us to recognize the top eight student-athletes in the main draw and eliminate the opportunity for an athlete to lose in the first round, then play through to earn Consolation Champion and Runner Up awards. In the current situation, an athlete who loses in the first round has the opportunity to continue to play several more matches and earn an award, while an athlete who loses in the second round is immediately eliminated.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee on January 14, 2019

Budget Impact:

The number of courts required to host the NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Championships will decrease. The number of medals purchased will increase.

Notes:

The committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal during their meeting. The CAC had no concerns with the proposal.

Attachments:

None.

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**GIRLS & BOYS VOLLEYBALL – BLANKET WAIVER FOR
COURT STRIPING**

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Patti Perone, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Coordinator
Peggy Seese, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Assistant State Coordinator
John Coletta, NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball State Coordinator

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to make a blanket waiver of NCAA Rule 1.2.2.3 of the requirement of court striping (interrupted solid line outside the court of attack line extended).

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

All courts in our schools do not have the room outside the actual court markings for this to happen, so it is consistent.

Proposal Originated:

This originated from the Girls State Volleyball Committee and member schools.

Budgetary Impact:

The cost of inserting the interrupted lines would involve both stripping of the floor and painting the lines.

Notes:

NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Volleyball State Committees support this proposal.

Attachments:

None.



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APPROVED

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL - TO MODIFY SOP TO INCLUDE THE NCAA
PRE MATCH WARM UP PROTOCOL**

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Patti Perone, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Coordinator
Peggy Seese, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Assistant Coordinator

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to modify the Girls Volleyball Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to include the NCAA Pre Match warm up protocol.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

Aligns NYS with current rule book
Increases full court time from 6 to 9 minutes
Assists Officials with sections of the rules not currently modified

Proposal Originated:

State Volleyball Committee in March 2019

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

Unanimously supported by State Volleyball Committee at its March 2019 meeting

Attachments:

Attached is a sample of the warm up protocol.



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APPROVED

BOYS SWIMMING– ADOPT QUALIFYING STANDARDS
FOR 2019-2020 SEASON

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Peter Hugo, NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving State Coordinator

Patrick Ryan, NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving Assistant State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving Committee is seeking approval of its State qualifying standards for 2019-20. This proposal is typically made in May and the committee would like to request action sooner.

EVENT	PROPOSED STANDARD
200 Medley Relay	1:40.67
200 Freestyle	1:47.60
200 Individual Medley	2:00.63
50 Freestyle	22.19
Diving	450
100 Butterfly	53.95
100 Freestyle	48.76
500 Freestyle	4:52.52
200 Freestyle Relay	1:30.12
100 Backstroke	54.82
100 Breaststroke	1:01.20
400 Freestyle Relay	3:18.87

Number of boys participating in Swimming & Diving 5,549

Number of boys participating in NYSPHSAA Championships 403

Participation Total for 2019 7.3%

**CAC standard is a 5-8% range

Effective Start Date:

2019-2020 season

Rationale:

The standards are the same as 2018-2019. No changes have been made.

Notes:

The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.



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GIRLS LACROSSE– ADOPT NEW 3-YEAR REGIONAL ROTATION

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Liz Parry, NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Committee is seeking approval for a new three-year Regional Rotation from 2020-22.

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2020

Rationale:

The Regional Rotation will expire in 2019 thus it is necessary to get a new three-year rotation approved. The length of the rotation is the same as the previous rotation.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Committee meeting on December 3, 2018.

Budget Impact:

None

Notes:

The Committee voted 10-1 (Section 11 opposed) in favor of this proposal at their December 3rd meeting. Section 11 preferred not to matchup against Section 8 in Regionals due to strength of its region.

The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.

Attachments:

Proposed three-year Regional Rotation



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**GIRLS LACROSSE– REQUIRE ALL OFFICIALS WORKING REGIONAL,
SEMIFINAL AND FINAL GAMES MUST HAVE COMPLETED A
TRANSITIONAL CLINIC**

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Liz Parry, NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse State Coordinator

Proposal:

All working officials for regional, semifinal and final games must have completed a transitional clinic.

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2019

Rationale:

Any official that has completed the transitional clinic has been trained in the three-person system we use for regional, semifinal, and final games.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Committee

Budget Impact:

None

Notes:

This has been the practice but was never official approved by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee.

Attachments:

None



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**GIRLS LACROSSE – NEW CLASSIFICATION CUT-OFF NUMBERS FOR
2020 AND 2021**

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Liz Parry, NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse State Coordinator

Proposal:

To change the Girls Lacrosse Classification Cut-off numbers to the following:

Class A	1060 and up	79 schools	25%
Class B	775 - 1059	79 schools	25%
Class C	465 - 774	81 schools	25.63%
Class D	464 and below	77 schools	24.36%

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2020 for a two-year period

Rationale:

The Committee feels balancing out the classes across the state is best for the sport of lacrosse.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

Current Classification Cut-offs:

Class A	1075 and up
Class B	790 - 1074
Class C	475 - 789
Class D	474 and below

The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.

Attachments:

None



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**BOYS LACROSSE – NEW CLASSIFICATION CUT-OFF NUMBERS
FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 SEASONS**

√ Action Item
 Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

James Amen, NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Committee is seeking to change the Boys Lacrosse Classification Cut-off numbers to the following:

Class A	1060 and up	85 schools	24.93%
Class B	765 - 1059	85 schools	24.93%
Class C	430 - 764	85 schools	25.52%
Class D	429 and below	81 schools	24.32%

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2020 for a two-year period

Rationale:

The Committee feels that balancing out the classes across the state best suits the sport of Lacrosse

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Committee in March 2019

Budget Impact:

None

Notes:

The Boys Lacrosse Committee voted 10-0-1 in favor of the proposal.
The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.

Current Classification Cut-offs:

Class A	1050 and up
Class B	750 - 1049
Class C	425 - 749
Class D	424 and below

Attachments:

None



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BASEBALL – ADOPTION OF PITCH COUNT SUMMARY FORM

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Al Roy, NYSPHSAA Baseball State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee is requesting approval to adopt a pitch count summary form. The form would include each team's pitcher names and their official pitch count from the home pitch chart. Each coach would be required to sign the document following the game. This form will be provided to the site director prior to the next game.

Effective Start Date:

2019 postseason season

Rationale:

The committee is using this form as part of its "checks and balances" so accurate pitch counts are advanced to the next rounds of competition. The form also acts as a backup so that if a home pitch chart is lost, this form will reflect the home pitch chart information.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee on January 10, 2019.

Budget Impact:

None

Notes:

The CAC supported the proposal, 8-3.

Attachments:

Pitch Count Summary Form



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**BOYS TENNIS– ADOPT 5-YEAR ROTATION TO FILL BYES WITH
AT-LARGE SELECTIONS FOR 2019-23**

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Selina DeCicco NYSPHSAA Boys Tennis State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Tennis Committee is seeking approval to adopt a five (5) year rotation to fill the tournament byes/draw with at-large selections. It is anticipated there will be six additional athletes in the tournament if this proposal is approved (2 singles, 4 doubles players).

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2019. The committee is seeking approval for a five (5) year period.

Rationale:

Filling the byes provides equitable competition for all participants in both singles and doubles instead of some players receiving a bye and getting extra rest from that. The proposal provides the exact same number of contests for each participant which begins with two contests per day for each player. The current format provides less contests for the top two seeded singles and doubles teams.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Boys Tennis Committee meeting on December 5, 2018.

Budget Impact:

There will be an additional cost for sections/schools to cover lodging, meals and possibly transportation for the six added At-Large athletes.

Notes:

The Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at their December 5th meeting. The CAC supported the proposal, 11-0.

Attachments:

Proposed At-Large selection rotation is attached on what sections will fill the byes each year.



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SCHOLAR-ATHLETE FOR UNIFIED SPORTS

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Student-Athlete Development Committee

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to add Unified Basketball and Unified Bowling as sports to the NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete Program.

Effective Start Date:

2019 – 2020 school year

Rationale:

As an official high school program of NYSPHSAA, the Unified teams should be recognized in the Scholar-Athlete program if they meet the same criteria as other interscholastic programs in the school.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Student-Athlete Development Committee

Budgetary Impact:

There will be a slight increase in the number of pins purchased by NYSPHSAA. There will be no increased cost to the Sections or schools.

Notes:

Currently, there are 165 schools playing Unified Basketball and 46 teams playing Unified Bowling. A school's School of Distinction or School of Excellence applications will not be impacted.

Attachments:

None.



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SPORTSMANSHIP – OFFICIALS APPRECIATION DAY

 Action Item
 √ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director
Kristen Jadin, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to create a NYSPHSAA Officials Appreciation Day on the Wednesday of Week #13 each year.

Effective Start Date:

2019-2020 school year

Rationale:

Officials are an important component of the interscholastic program. They have a very difficult job and are sometimes the object of abuse and ridicule. The Sportsmanship Committee would like NYSPHSAA to recognize and thank them for their efforts and dedication to our student athletes. Our member schools acknowledge the difficulty of recruiting and retaining officials.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

NYSPHSAA would use the same model as the NYSPHSAA Coaches Appreciation Day in May. Schools would be encouraged to also participate at the local level. NYSPHSAA will provide ideas schools can use at the local level.

Attachments:

None



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BOYS AND GIRLS MODIFIED SOCCER

 Action Item
 √ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

To make the following changes/additions/deletions to Boys and Girls Modified Soccer in the Handbook:

1. Under Game Rules, eliminate #2 and follow the NFHS rule and play two 40-minute halves.
2. Edit Game Rule #5 to allow one timeout per half.
3. Remove the prohibition of slide tackles, overhead scissor kicks, and flip throw-ins.
4. Modify Game Rule #12 to state “exemption from the uniform requirements of a numbered goalie jersey and white home uniforms.”

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

These recommendations are intended to play the game of soccer that is closer to the High School level.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

The uniform exemption will not force schools to number goalie jerseys or buy new home uniforms. The time increase could affect official’s contracts at the Section level.

Notes:

Sections can be more restrictive and continue to play quarters. The 4-quarter extended time period for soccer is currently 18 minute quarters which equates to 36 minute halves.

Attachments:

None



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MODIFIED FOOTBALL

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chair

Proposal:

To make the following changes/additions to Modified Football:

1. Remove the Administration and test sections of the modified handbook.
2. Game rule #2 to allow gap alignment in 4-5-6 man fronts.
3. Change the early season practice requirements to 2 days of helmets, 3 days of helmet and shoulder pads and 5 days of full equipment and full contact.
4. Remove game condition #2 under 8 man football regarding the field size.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

(1) These sections of the handbook are only in the football and boys lacrosse sections of the handbook and are not needed. (2) current rule requires players to be head up alignment. Gap alignment would move closer to what is allowed at the HS level. (3) with the change in the minimum number of practices required to 10 the current practices are broken down to 3-5-2. The Modified Committee feels that the proposed change will better prepare the players for full contact. The proposed change mirrors the HS requirement. (4) the current language follows the NFHS rule book for the size of the field. The HS rule allows the Sections/leagues to waive the NFHS rules so that schools can play on a regulation 11-man field.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

(2) the HS Football committee recommended “shade” alignment but the modified committee felt that Sections could be more restrictive. These changes move closer to the HS level.

Attachments:

None



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MODIFIED BOYS LACROSSE

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

The following changes/additions/deletions will be made to the Boys Lacrosse Section of the Modified Handbook:

1. Remove the administration section.
2. All of the bullet points under “Equipment” will be removed except the uniform and helmet regulation.
3. Change the length of quarters from 9 minutes to 10 minutes per quarter including overtime.
4. Under Game Conditions eliminate #3, #6, #7, and number #8.
5. Replace #10 with “substitutes are permitted whenever the ball goes out of bounds. Substitution during live play shall be on the fly.”
6. Edit #11, “When a goalie gets a penalty, the in-home player *may* serve the penalty.”
7. Add, “A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the period.”

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2020

Rationale:

Many of these rules are already covered in the NFHS rulebook and will move Boys Modified Lacrosse closer to the High School level.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

For the change in period lengths the Sections can be more restrictive and the recommendations is less that the 4 quarter extended play of 11 minutes per quarter.

Attachments:

None

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MODIFIED CROSS COUNTRY

 Action Item
 √ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

To consider the following changes to Modified Cross Country:

1. Decrease the nights rest from 3 nights to 2 nights.
2. Add "It is **recommended** that there be a minimum standard of 6 meets scheduled for Modified Cross Country".

Effective Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

(1) We are seeing an increase in the number of teams and competitions for Modified Cross Country. In many cases the Modified team is impacted by availability of courses and or the availability of the coaching staff, which are often shared by the upper level programs. Due to the availability issues Thursday is becoming the best date for Modified XC meets. At the same time, we are seeing an increase in the opportunities for Modified Invitationals, which are usually held on Saturday's. The current three (3) night's rest rule will not allow a runner to compete on Thursday and then again on Saturday. (2) The Modified Committee feels that this recommendation will help ensure students will get an adequate number of meets during the season. It was reported that some schools were scheduling less than six meets during the season.

Proposal Originated:

Section 2 Cross Country Committee and NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budget Impact:

None

Notes:

The Safety Committee had no issue with reducing the nights rest from 3 night to 2 nights.

Attachments:

None



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MODIFIED SOFTBALL

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

To increase the amount of doubleheaders allowed in modified softball from two to three.

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2020

Rationale:

This would allow more flexibility for rescheduled games during the Spring season.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

Will save some schools an extra trip.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None



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MODIFIED TRACK AND FIELD

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

To add to the handbook "It is recommended that there be a minimum of six meets scheduled for modified track and field."

Effective Start Date:

Spring 2020

Rationale:

To encourage schools to schedule a minimum of 6 meets for modified track and field. It was reported that some schools have less than 6 meets during the season.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

If schools chose to schedule more meets there could be an increase in cost.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None



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MODIFIED BOYS AND GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

To reduce the minimum nights rest in boys and girls volleyball from 2 nights to 1 night.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

Since Volleyball is not as strenuous as other sports the need for 2 nights rest is not necessary.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None



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MODIFIED WRESTLING

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

To increase the maximum number of points a student can wrestle during the week from 3 to 4.

Effective Start Date:

Winter 2019

Rationale:

This will allow students to wrestle more times during the week.

Proposal Originated:

Section 3 and the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

A student could attend two multi school meets during the week or an invitational and wrestle multiple times at each event.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None



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MODIFIED GYMNASTICS

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, NYSPHSAA Modified Co-Chairmen

Proposal:

To allow more than two all-around competitors compete in a meet.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

This will increase participation and follow the high school rules.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None



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APPEAL PROCEDURES & FEES

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jim Osborne, Past President, Current Chair of NYSPHSAA Appeal Panel

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to amend the NYSPHSAA appeal procedures to an increased filing fee of \$500 and require a unanimous decision by the panel to overturn a Section's decision.

Proposed **Handbook changes reflected below:**

c. An appeal from the decision of the athletic Council may be taken to the Appeal Panel of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., which shall review the evidence, may hear arguments, and shall have the power to affirm, reverse, or modify the decision of the Athletic Council. Such decisions shall not be reversed or modified unless the Appeal Panel **has unanimous agreement and** finds that:

d. An aggrieved party shall be one or more-member schools of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., and the notice of appeal shall be signed by the chief school officer of the schools involved. The aggrieved party must notify the Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., of its intention to appeal to the Appeal Panel not later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date the aggrieved party received written decision of the Athletic Council and submit a statement indicating whether the aggrieved party desires to submit its appeal in writing only or whether they desire to make oral argument by either telephone conference call or in person. A filing fee of **\$500.00** must be received from the aggrieved party prior to the appeal hearing. The Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., shall notify the parties of the date by which written presentation must be submitted and the date, place and time for any oral arguments.

f. Expenses incurred **for an in-person appeal** by the Appeal Panel members shall be shared in the following manner: One-fourth from the NYSPHSAA, Inc., one-fourth from the section involved and one-half from the appellant. Expenses include all necessary and customary travel expenses, including, but not limited to mileage, lodging and meals. ~~When telephone conference calls are requested a fee of \$300 will be paid in full by the appellant (Jan. 2012).~~

Effective Start Date:

September 1, 2019

Rationale:

The fee was last updated in January 2012.



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REINSTATEMENT OF GAMES/ CONTESTS

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Jeffrey Rabey Ph.D., NYSCOSS

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to increase the maximum number of games/contests by one, with increased restrictions on the current number of scrimmages allowed.

Effective Start Date:

2020-2021 School Year

Rationale:

In 2009 and as a result of the national financial crisis, the New York State Public High School Athletic Association attempted to assist school districts across the state in reducing their expenditures by way of decreasing the amount of contests for each sport.

"The Executive Committee has taken action to assist schools, leagues, conferences, sections and NYSPHSAA to reduce costs related to the interscholastic athletic program," NYSPHSAA Executive Director Nina Van Erk said in a press release. "The rationale supporting these incremental reductions will have a significant impact for our member schools. For example, the savings realized by schools may act to protect lower level programs such as modified from being eliminated."

Subsequently, the NYSPHAA Executive Committee supported the reduction of the maximum number of contests permitted during the regular season. Sports with 24 contests (baseball, softball, volleyball, bowling, ice hockey) were reduced to 20, sports with 20 contests (tennis, basketball, golf) were reduced to 16 and sports with 18 contests (cross country, soccer, field hockey, swimming, gymnastics, indoor track and field, skiing, lacrosse, track and field) were reduced to 16. Wrestling was reduced to 20 points. Football was reduced from 10 to 9. The 9th game was permitted, with section approval, for teams who did not qualify for sectional play. For the teams involved in the sectional tournament the maximum number of contests was 10. For the sections involved in the state championship three additional games were permitted for a total of 13 games for the season: 1 game for regionals, 1 game for semifinals, and 1 game for championships. Originally, this was to be effective for just the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years, however this practice has continued, other than for basketball, which had their games reinstated to 20 contests. In essence, a senior-three-sport student athlete, who has attended high school since a freshman and throughout these reductions, could have *lost between 16 and 48 contests*, depending on their sports of choice, during their high school athletic career.

In contrast, since 2010 NYSPHAA has added, Unified Sports, Wrestling Dual Meet Championships and Competitive Cheerleading, along with the additional classifications for lacrosse (3 to 4 classes), bowling (1 to 2 divisions) and golf (additional team championship). Furthermore, NYSPHAA has allowed for more participants at the championships in both outdoor and indoor track and field, wrestling and boys and girls swimming and diving.

After almost nine years of the contest reductions, schools simply have not realized the amount of savings that was originally advertised. Although the original concept of assisting schools was noble and served as an opportunity for districts to promote and preserve other programs, at the same time schools have added more scrimmages and tournaments, which cost as much, if not more for teams to participate.

Furthermore, and most recently, the NYSPHAA Modified Committee is close to recommending changes to the Modified program, which could include an increase in the maximum number of games for Modified sports, but not yet return the contests lost for both junior varsity and varsity levels.

Proposal Originated:

At the annual fall meeting of the NYSCOSS Athletic Committee held on Monday, September 24, 2018, the agenda item of ***“Increased Contest Opportunities”*** was discussed by the superintendent representatives in attendance, along with Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHAA’s Executive Director. As a result of the discussions, it was clearly articulated that the NYSCOSS Athletic Committee supports the conversations and processes to bring the contests back to the pre 2009-2010 school year levels.

In addition, at a subsequent meeting of the NYSCOSS Athletic Committee held on Sunday, March 3, 2019, the agenda again included the item of ***“Increased Contest Opportunities”***. After much discussion, the NYSCOSS Athletic Committee officially supported the following, ***“To be able to plan effectively for the change, support for a plus one game / contest for the 2020-21 season, with restrictions on the amount of scrimmages allowed and then re-evaluate for the 2021-2022 season.”***

It is important to point out that NYSPHAA has a supportive resource in the NYSCOSS Athletic Committee and we are always more than willing, to assist in any way that we can to promote and support these critical conversations that will ultimately support our student athletes.

Budgetary Impact:

At a minimum, district athletic budgets would be impacted for additional transportation, supervision and officiating costs.

Notes:

At the March 20, 2019 Section VI Athletic Council Meeting, Section VI overwhelmingly supported the action item to approve an increase in the maximum number of games/contests by one, with increased restrictions on the current number of scrimmages allowed and encouraged other the NYSPHAA Sections to do the same.

Attachments:

1. Letter dated September 28, 2018 from the NYSCOSS Athletic Committee Chairpersons to the NYSPHAA’s Executive Director, Dr. Robert Zayas.
2. Current NYSPHAA Sport Standards.



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PENALTY FOR EXCEEDING MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONTESTS

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consider approval to add “**Option b**” to the prescribed penalty for exceeding the maximum number of contests to the following:

“c. If an individual or team exceeds the maximum number of contests permitted, the penalty is team ineligibility from the date of violation for the rest of the season. In the sports of wrestling, cross country, indoor track & outdoor track, swimming & diving, and bowling, when an individual exceeds the maximum number of contests, only the individual would no longer be eligible for that season. When an athlete exceeds the maximum number of contests the level in which the student-athlete participated as an ineligible competitor will be affected.

Any member school that has exceeded the maximum number of contests has the option to utilize the existing penalty outlined above (c) or may elect to suspend the head coach from the date of the violation for the remainder of the season, forfeiture of additional contests and also accept a fine in the amount of \$1000 to be paid from the school district to the NYSPHSAA office prior to participation in the post season. Money will be allocated to the Student-Athlete Advisory Council.”

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019.

Rationale:

The restrictive nature of the NYSPHSAA rule to declare the entire team or the individual athlete ineligible for the remainder of the season penalizes the student-athletes and not the individual most responsible for the rule (i.e. the head coach).

Proposal Originated:

Discussion amongst Section Executive Directors and membership.

Budgetary Impact:

None.

Notes:

Handbook Committee discussed concerns at the April 3rd Handbook Committee meeting.

Attachments:

National Survey results associated with exceeding maximum number of contests.



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**INELIGIBLE STUDENTS TO PRACTICE/ PARTICIPATE
AT SUB-VARSITY**

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to permit students (grades 7, 8, 9, & 10) who are ineligible as per the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule to practice & participate at the sub-varsity level during their period of ineligibility; noncorresponding transferring students in grades 11th and 12th who are ineligible as per the Transfer Rule, would be limited to practice only.

Effective Start Date:

August 1, 2019.

Rationale:

Currently, students who are ineligible are not permitted to practice nor participate at the sub-varsity level during their period of ineligibility. If students who were ineligible as per the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule (i.e. transfer without a corresponding change of address) were allowed to practice and/or participate at the sub-varsity level, this would help the student integrate into the school setting and could reduce the number of appeals and lawsuits, while having no impact upon other school's opportunity to compete for a Section or State title.

Proposal Originated:

December 2016 Handbook Committee meeting.

Budget Impact:

None.

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Transfer Committee supported this proposal on April 1, 2019; Section 8 and 11 oppose.

The NYSPHSAA Handbook committee supported discussion on this proposal at the April 3, 2019 Handbook Committee meeting.

A proposal for "practice only" was discussed at the May 2017 Executive Committee and ultimately not approved at the July 2017 Central Committee meeting.

Attachments:

Fall 2018 National Survey data related to transfer rule.



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INELIGIBLE STUDENTS TO PRACTICE/ PARTICIPATE

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to permit students who are ineligible as per the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule to practice during their period of ineligibility.

Effective Start Date:

August 1, 2019

Rationale:

Currently, students who are ineligible are not permitted to practice during their period of ineligibility. If students who were ineligible as per the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule (i.e. transfer without a corresponding change of address) were allowed to practice, this would help the student integrate into the school setting and could reduce the number of appeals and lawsuits, while having no impact upon other school's opportunity to compete for a Section or State title.

Proposal Originated:

December 2016 Handbook Committee meeting.

Budget Impact:

None.

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Transfer Committee unanimously supported this proposal on April 1, 2019.

The NYSPHSAA Handbook committee supported discussion on this proposal at the April 3, 2019 Handbook Committee meeting.

A proposal for "practice only" was discussed at the May 2017 Executive Committee and ultimately not approved at the July 2017 Central Committee meeting.

Attachments:

National Survey Data showing 34 other states allow ineligible students to practice.



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CREATION OF A NYSPHSAA FOUNDATION

 Action Item
 √ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Chris Joyce, NYSPHSAA Director of Sales & Marketing

Proposal:

Consider approval to start a NYSPHSAA Foundation. A committee will be created by presidential appointment to discuss the formation, structure, and operation of the NYSPHSAA Foundation.

Effective Start Date:

Establish the foundation in the 2020-2021 school year and begin awarding grants in the following year.

Rationale:

Creation of a NYSPHSAA Foundation would provide our membership with additional funding opportunities.

Proposal Originated:

Exploration of a foundation or endowment fund was outlined in the 2017-2021 Strategic Plan.

Budget Impact:

NYSPHSAA would contribute one lump sum to establish the foundation fund. If managed properly, no further contributions would be required but would be permitted if deemed appropriate. Sponsors and community partners would also be leveraged for contributions. Additional spending may be done at discretion of the foundation committee.

Notes:

36 state associations responded to our survey, 15 of states currently have a foundation.

Attachments:

Survey results



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**GIRLS TENNIS– PENALTY FOR VIOLATING PRACTICE RULE AT
STATE TOURNAMENT**

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Chris Horgan, NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee is seeking approval to apply the sanction of disqualification from the state tournament to any competitor who violates the "no practice rule" at the tournament venue on any day of the state tournament competition.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

This would allow for a fair level of competition for all competitors since indoor venues do not have enough courts to accommodate practice time for all of the tournament players prior to match starting times. This would hold any violators accountable through the sanction of disqualification from the tournament, and all players will know that there is a definite consequence for violating the tournament "no practice" rule. Previously, schools were on a first come, first served basis in scheduling and paying for court time at the host venue. When the courts were all booked, it left many athletes without practice time.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Committee meeting on January 14, 2019

Budget Impact:

None.

Notes:

The Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at their January meeting.

Attachments:

None.



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**FOOTBALL – NYSPHSAA SPORTSMANSHIP RULE, SERVING 4
CONSECUTIVE QUARTERS**

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Gary Vanderzee, NYSPHSAA Football State Coordinator

Proposal:

Consideration of approval for Football players to serve the suspension for violating the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule by being ineligible to participate for 4 full consecutive quarters (players only).

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

The current penalty of the next regularly scheduled game for violation of the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule is the same for all athletes regardless of the sport and the maximum number of games allowed during the season. Football plays 7 or 8 games during the regular season. The committee feels that a 1 game suspension for a football player is more punitive as compared to all other sports.

Sports playing 20 games – 1 game suspension = 5% of max number of games allowed

Sports playing 16 games – 1 game suspension = 6 % of max number of games allowed

Sports playing 7 or 8 games (excluding Sectionals) = 12-14% of max number of games

Example:

Football player is disqualified in the 2nd quarter of game #2. The athlete would be ineligible to participate in the 3rd and 4th quarters of game #2. The athlete will also be ineligible to participate in the 1st and 2nd quarters of game #3. The athlete would be eligible for the 3rd and 4th quarter of game #3. Under the current rule the athlete would not be eligible to participate until game #4.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Football Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee voted 7-2 to support the proposal with the understanding that Sections can be more restrictive in terms of the type of penalties that will be allowed to fall under this proposal and that Sections can always increase the amount of the penalty for the player depending on the situation. The penalty for a 2nd and 3rd disqualification would remain as currently written in the handbook.



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FOOTBALL – COMBINED PRACTICE

 Action Item
√ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Gary Vanderzee, NYSPHSAA Football State Coordinator

Proposal:

Consideration of approval to establish combined practice requirements for all NYSPHSAA member schools. These requirements will include:

1. Coaches will instruct their own players.
2. "Live Contact" is permitted but not required.
3. Athletes/Teams may not participate in a combined practice until the first 5 days of practice have been completed.
4. Drills may not exceed more than seven (7) players from each team.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019

Rationale:

Many schools have moved away from scrimmaging other teams and are using combined practices to have their first team drill against another school's first team and the same for the second team. Schools with low number of participants can also benefit from using a combined practice with another school. NYSPHSAA has allowed these combined practices along as they have followed the scrimmage restrictions and practice regulations. This proposal better defines the combined practice.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Football Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

All NYSPHSAA "contact limitation" regulation will be followed starting with Day 13 of the season.

Attachments:

None



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GIRLS VOLLEYBALL– REGIONAL ROTATION FOR 2019 AND 2020

 Action Item
 √ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Patty Perone, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee is seeking approval to establish a regional rotation for Girls Volleyball for the 2019 and 2020 postseasons.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2019. The rotation would be for a 2-year period.

Rationale:

The Committee is attempting to even out the regions as best they can and to ensure a more equitable distribution of teams competing for the semi finals and finals of the NYSPHSAA Tournament.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee on March 19, 2019

Budget Impact:

With the change in regions some Sections and Schools could see an increase in travel costs.

Notes:

The committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal during their meeting.

Attachments:

1. Current breakdown of schools by Section/Class, Current regional rotation, proposed regional rotation.
2. Regional rotation games.



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ICE HOCKEY TIME PERIODS

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Scott Stuart, NYSPHSAA Boys Ice Hockey State Coordinator

Proposal:

Consideration of approval for Ice Hockey to abide by the NFHS Ice Hockey Rules for time periods (*17 minutes*) and penalties (*2/ 5 & 10 minutes*) to begin with the 2019-2020 season with a recalculation of post-season (Regionals, Semifinals and Finals) fees for Ice Hockey officials on November 1, 2019.

***Note:** A recalculation of post-season fees for ALL officials is scheduled to occur prior to the 2020-2021 school year.*

Effective Start Date:

Winter 2019.

Rationale:

In July 2017, the NYSPHSAA Central Committee approved an increase from 15-minute periods to 17-minute periods to begin with the 2018-2019 season. The proposal included the following: *“Section Official contracts may have to be adjusted due to the increase in the periods.”*

During the Fall 2018, the Ice Hockey Officials Association sought an increase in post-season fees as a result of the increased time. The NYSPHSAA Championship Advisory Committee (CAC) did not recommend any increase in post season fees, since fees are recalculated every three years. The Officials grieved the NYSPHSAA and received a favorable decision from Fact Finding for a 13% increase in post-season fees. In an effort to resolve this matter, Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director, attempted to have the post season fees recalculated in January 2019; unfortunately, the Ice Hockey Officials Association were not supportive of this proposal. As a result, the Executive Committee approved a return to 15-minute periods for the 2019 post season with the support of Dr. Zayas.

This proposal clearly states the recalculation of post-season fees for Ice Hockey prior to the 2020 post-season in recognition of the increased time from 15-minute periods to 17-minutes.

Proposal Originated:

Ice Hockey Committee in March 2017.

Budget Impact:

Section Official contracts “may” have to be adjusted as a result of the increased time (15-minutes to 17-minutes); some Sections have already adjusted their fees as a result of the increased time.

April 15, 2019

To: Modified Athletics Representatives
Section Athletic Council

From:

Re: Spring 2019 Meeting Report
NYSPHSAA Committee for Modified Athletics

The spring meeting of the NYSPHSAA Committee for Modified Athletics took place on Thursday, April 11, 2019 in Latham, New York. A synopsis of the meeting is as follows:

I. Items that went to the State Executive Committee:

A. Cross-Country

Motion:

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

The motion **passed** 16-2.

B. Football

Motion :

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

The motion **passed** 15-3.

Motion:

"The Administration and Tests portions of the modified football Game Rules and Game Conditions shall be eliminated (Reference: pages 119-122)."

The motion **passed** 17-1.

Play Between 8-Man and 11-Man Modified Football Teams

Motion:

"8-Man and 11-Man Modified Football teams may play one another using 8-Man Modified Football Rules. National Federation High School Rule #2 may be waived in this circumstance."

The motion **passed** 15-0. This new motion is being sent as an Action Item for implementation in the Fall 2019 season.

C. 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 (2) All-Around gymnasts are permitted.'"

The motion **passed** unanimously 18-0.

D. Boys' Lacrosse

Motion:

"The Administration and Equipment portions of the modified boys' lacrosse Game Rules and Game Conditions shall be eliminated, with the exception of 'Modified lacrosse players are exempt from the uniform outer clothing and helmet color regulations.'" (Reference: NYSPHSAA handbook, pages 124-125).

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 if a second goalkeeper is unavailable.
8. A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the period.

The motion was **passed** unanimously 18-0.

E, 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."

The motions **passed** 15-3. They are being sent as Action Items for implementation in the Fall 2019 season.

Motion:

"One time-out per half will be permitted for boys' and girls' soccer."

The motion **passed** 16-1-1. It is being sent as an Action Item for implementation in the Fall 2019 season.

F. Softball

Motion:

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

The motion **passed** unanimously 18-0.

G. Track and Field

Motion:

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

The motion **passed** unanimously 18-0.

H. Wrestling

Motion:

"To increase participation, Modified Wrestling Game Condition #3: 'No contestant (or team) can accumulate more than three (3) points per week.' shall be changed to 'No contestant (or team) can accumulate more than four (4) points per week.'"

The motion **passed** unanimously 18-0. It is being sent as an Action Item for implementation in the 2019-2020 winter season.

I. Modified Girls' Basketball Sport Coordinator

Motion:

"Heather Mott shall be appointed as the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee modified girls' basketball sport coordinator."

Items that went to the State Safety Committee

A. Cross Country

Motion:

"The minimum time between contests of three nights' rest for modified boys' and girls' cross country shall be reduced to two nights."

The motion **passed** 18-0. If it passes the Safety Committee, it will be sent to the Executive Committee.

B. Boys' and Girls' Volleyball

Motion:

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

The motion **passed** unanimously 18-0. If it passes the Safety Committee, it will be sent to the Executive Committee.

Both of these items were approved by the NYSPHSAA Safety Committee meeting on April 12, 2019. These items will be forwarded to the Executive Committee.

III Items which will occur before the Spring 2019 Modified Committee meeting:

- A. Distribution of an edited "Survey Monkey" for Modified Cheerleading by NYSPHSAA office, and reporting of survey results to modified cheerleading sport coordinator Alisa Pacheco.
- B. Development of the Modified Committee's Strategic Planning final document to the NYSPHSAA for their summer meeting
- C. Appropriate report presentations by spring coordinators. The following sports are scheduled for review: baseball, boys' and girls' lacrosse, softball, boys' and girls' tennis, and boys' and girls' track and field

IV Discussion Items

None at this time

V. Action Items

None at this time.

VI Information Items

- 1. The following language was removed from the handbook by the Executive Committee at their summer meeting: "*Only sneakers and shoes with molded soles or molded cleats are permitted in the Modified Program.*" But the modified section of the handbook never saw those editions. Therefore, it was clarified that the use of metal posts and spikes is permitted, except in those sports that specifically restrict their use within their sport 'Equipment' rules in the handbook.
- 2. Allowing more scrimmages in softball was withdrawn at this spring meeting. A school is limited to three interschool practice sessions/scrimmages, which, if conducted, may be held at any time after minimum practice requirements and previous to the last scheduled contest. (Reference: NYSPHSAA handbook: *Modified General Eligibility Rule #8 "Interschool Practice Sessions/Scrimmages"*).
- 3. Cheerleading. Alisa Pacheco, the modified cheering sport coordinator, is making strides towards gathering information from across the state regarding this new sport. The compiled NYSPHSAA cheerleading survey was distributed and found to be flawed; schools and coaches that do not have modified cheer teams still responded.. Alisa will re-do the survey next year to obtain more accurate data.

Competitive Cheerleading: defined as tumbling, jumping and stunting
Traditional Cheerleading: no tumbling, jumping or stunting

Rules: NFHS Spirit Rules

Game Conditions on Modified Chart:

Number of practices prior to first scrimmage: 10

Number of practices prior to first contest: 10

Maximum Number of Contests: 10

Minimum time between Contests: 2 nights

Individual Limitations per Day: 1 competition

Waiver of NFHS Spirit Rules: None

Game Rules

1. NFHS Spirit Rules

2. Follow NYSPHSAA HS Cheer Rules, with these limitations:

3. All extended full twisting stunts must land on two legs

4. Cannot spin more than one full rotation to extended position.

5. No basket tosses. Power Pops are allowed.

6. Preps are required to have a spot for all released skills in pyramids.

4. Gymnastics. Modified gymnastics coordinator Janice Trudeau noted that is very significant that the latest 6th Edition of the NYSPHSAA Technical Handbook for Girls Gymnastics will be the first to include modified rules. The Modified Sports Standards chart will now list this resource under the Rules column, and schools will be encouraged to purchase it from the NYSPHSAA website for modified coaches.

5. The association has been looking at the starting dates and lengths of the sport seasons starting in Fall 2020. It is probable that the high schools will start the fall season at Week 8, the winter season at Week 20, and the spring season at Week 36. Each section will have to decide when it will start their modified seasons, especially those sections that start their modified fall season at the same time as their high school season, and those sections that have four modified seasons per year.

6. Currently, on the Modified Sport Standards Chart, there are minimum number of practices specified before scrimmages and games, and for individuals and teams. These will no longer exist. As of Fall 2020, six (6) practices will be required for the individual and most team sports, and ten (10) will be required for the sports of baseball, football, gymnastics, and wrestling.

7. Currently, modified football game conditions specify and limit the content of the first ten days of practice:

-**Three (3) days** -non-contact conditioning with helmet & face mask, dental guard, t-shirt and shorts, socks, shoes, elbow and knee pads only

-**Five (5) days**-addition of shoulder pads, use of blocking dummies and sleds, teaching and training devices, no scrimmages or live contact drills

-**Two (2) days** – contact permitted with full protective equipment and use of training devices. As of Fall 2019, a proposal to use a **2-3-5 design** instead is recommended.

8. Heather Mott (South Seneca HS) was appointed as the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee girls' basketball sport coordinator."
9. We are in need of a new boys' and girls' tennis sport coordinator for the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee. If you would consider taking on this role, please let us know. Your participation would be appreciated.

VII. NYSPHSAA Modified Committee 2019-2020 Meeting Dates

Fall 2019	September 20, 2019	9:30 AM	NYSPHSAA Office
Spring 2020	March 27, 2020	9:30 AM	NYSPHSAA Office

If you wish to have us bring items from our section to the NYSPHSAA meetings for consideration, please speak up at our local meetings, or put your thoughts in writing for discussion. Contact your modified state and local sectional representatives and sport coordinators if you have suggestions, concerns or good ideas. Change starts at the local level; we encourage and welcome your input and participation.