



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Thursday September 10, 2020

Video Conference Call at 9:30 am

1. Call to Order- Greg Ransom
2. Pledge of Allegiance- Greg Ransom
3. Review of Meeting Materials
4. Approval of June 17, 2020 Minutes
5. Financial Report- Linda Trapani
6. Section IX Task Force- Greg Ransom
7. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives- Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
8. NYSPHSAA Office Report
9. Combining of Teams- Tim Bult and Kermit Moyer
10. Section IX Eligibility Chairperson - Greg Ransom
11. Back from the leagues - NYSPHSAA Discussion Items
12. Fall Chair Reports
 - a. Cross Country Jim Glover and Joe Cahill
 - b. Football David Coates and Tom Cassata
 - c. Girls Soccer Diane Wanser
 - d. Boys Soccer Tony Martelli and Pete Ferguson
 - e. Girls Swimming Pat Ryan
 - f. Girls Tennis Gina Imperiale
 - g. Game Day Cheerleading Kelly Hall
 - h. Field Hockey Debra Beam
 - i. Volleyball Stephen Boucher
11. Chair Reports
 - a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports Greg Warren and Suzanne Lendzian
 - b. Safety Janet Carey
 - c. Student Athlete Advisory Committee Kermit Moyer
 - d. Eligibility Fred Ahart
 - e. Officials Coordinator Dennis Burkett
 - f. Sportsmanship Adam Kless
 - g. Unified Sports Rich Silverstein
12. Adjournment of Section IX Meeting

Next Meeting Dates:

Monday, September 14, 2020 Mandated Workshop at Wallkill High School, 9:30 am

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, 9:30 am



NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting Summer Meeting Highlights

1. Dr. Robert Zayas – Executive Director
2020-2021 Interscholastic Season
NFHS Field Hockey Goggle Rule:
Current Rule states “All field players shall wear eye protection that meet the ASTM standard for field hockey at the time of manufacture”, the rule will now state that “Goggles may be worn by all field hockey players.”
2. Joe Altieri – Assistant Director
NYSPHSAA Championship Fall 2019 through Spring 2024 (attached).
3. Todd Nelson – Assistant Director
 - A. Unified Sports and Special Olympics are planning a “Re-Launch” event for the fall. The event would be a virtual event and be held for all Sections on different dates.
 - B. 2021-2022 School Enrollment Numbers
The NYSPHSAA has been informed that the final BEDS information will be available September 2020. The enrollment numbers for the 2021-2022 school year will be presented to the Executive Committee at the October Meeting. The current formula of 9th Grade and 10th Grade and an average of 9th and 10th Grades.
 - C. Sanctioning – Schools are reminded that if they do intend to travel outside of New York or Host an event that has schools from other states you will need to follow correct sanctioning procedures.
4. Sectional Concerns:
Section I – Consider approval of a change to exceeding the maximum number of contests rule. (Approved)
Section III – Use of the “COHORT” numbers for NYSPHSAA classifications.
Section VI – Sportsmanship Pledge – Inclusion of “no racial slurs”.
5. NYSED – Summer 2020 – Darryl Daily (attached)
6. NYSA – 2021 Conference, March 16-19, in Saratoga Springs, NY
7. NFHS – Coach of the Year Awards – 2019-2020
 - a. Girls Swimming and Diving Scott Warner – Valley Central High School
 - b. Girls Golf – William Earl – Monroe-Woodbury High School
8. Action Items
 - a. Consider approval to modify the NYSPHSAA Player Sportsmanship Standard. (Approved)
 - b. Consider approval to expand the current Officials/Coaches Appreciation Day to include all three seasons during the year. (Approved)
 - c. Consider approval to only present NYSPHSAA awards during NYSPHSAA State Championship award ceremonies beginning in Fall 2020. (Approved)
 - d. Consider approval of NYSPHSAA State Sport Coordinators. (Approved)
 - e. Consider approval of NYSPHSAA Officials Contract. (Approved)
 - f. Consider approval of the Albany Capital Center for Boys Volleyball and Cool Insuring Arena for Girls Volleyball. (Approved)
 - g. Consider approval to revise 4.22 (Game Clock) in the Sport of Field Hockey. (Approved)
 - h. Consider approval to allow defensive players to wear a face mask on penalty corners only (with certain protocols) in the sport of Field Hockey. (Approved)
 - i. Consider approval of a waiver of the nights rest rule and the max number of contests for JV Football players. (Approved)
 - j. Consider approval to utilize 13 Wrestling Weight classes (currently 15) beginning in the 2020-2021 season as a two year pilot. (Approved)
 - k. Consider approval of changes to the Wrestling Handbook. (Approved)

- l. Consider approval in Boys Ice Hockey for 17 Minute periods, and adjusting penalty times. (Approved)
- m. Consider approval to adopt 2 referee, 1 linesman Officiating system for all regional and state final four games in Boys Ice Hockey. (Approved)
- n. Consider approval to allow a maximum of 1 relay team per school at the NYSPHSAA B/G Indoor Track/Field State Championships. (Approved)
- o. Consider approval to amend Bowling Rules #5.01 and #5.07. (Approved)
- p. Consider approval to advance the 2020 State Tournament at large rotation to Spring 2021 season for Boys Tennis. (Approved)
- q. Consider approval to revise the baseball pitch count restrictions. (Approved)

9. Discussion Items

Fall

- i. Consideration of approval to change designation from individual to team/individual and adopt the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis State Team Championship in addition to the State (Individual) Championship format already in place to begin in Fall 2021 (Girls) and Spring 2022.
- ii. Consideration of approval to utilize NCAA Rule for two libero system in Boys Volleyball.
- iii. Consideration of approval for a waiver of Rule 9.2.4.3 in Girls and Boys Volleyball and allow players to go to the bench and switch sides. (Defeated)

Winter

- iv. Consideration of approval to add additional value parts for the uneven bars to the current NYSPHSAA Gymnastics Technical Handbook
- v. Consideration of approval to permanently adopt the 2018 pilot that established a structure, training and scoring format for the NYSPHSAA Competitive Cheerleading Championships.
- vi. Consideration of approval of modification to the scoring areas of the state scoresheet for Competitive Cheerleading.
- vii. Consideration of approval to implement the Game Day Cheer Regional Competitions in Fall of 2021 to be held during week #17 on the NYSPHSAA Calendar.
- viii. Consideration of approval to be permitted to annually approve sites to host Boys Ice Hockey regional contests.
- ix. Wrestling – Consideration of approval to implement a 2 year pilot program to change from the current At-Large Procedure for the NYSPHSAA Championship to an Automatic Qualifying Procedure effective for 2020-2021 season.
- x. Consideration of approval to require all sections to wrestling to a true second place finish in the Sectional Wrestling Championships beginning in the 2020-2021 season. (Withdrawn)

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Osborne

Section IX Secretary/Treasurer

NYSPHSAA Championships - Fall 2019 thru Spring 2024

FALL		FALL 2019	FALL 2020	FALL 2021	FALL 2022	FALL 2023
Girls Tennis	Date	November 2-4, 2019	October 29-31, 2020	October 28-30, 2021	October 27-29, 2022	October 26-28, 2023
	Site	Tri-City Tennis Club	Sportime, Schenectady	Sportime, Schenectady	Sportime, Schenectady	
B/G Cross Country	Date	November 16, 2019	November 14, 2020	November 13, 2021	November 12, 2022	November 11, 2023
	Site	Plattsburgh	Vernon Verona Sherrill HS	Chenango Valley State Park	Vernon Verona Sherrill HS	
Boys Soccer	Date	November 16-17, 2019	November 14-15, 2020	November 13-14, 2021	November 12-13, 2022	November 11-12, 2023
	Site	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School
Girls Soccer	Date	November 16-17, 2019	November 14-15, 2020	November 13-14, 2021	November 12-13, 2022	November 11-12, 2023
	Site	SUNY Cortland, TC3, Homer	SUNY Cortland, TC3, Homer	SUNY Cortland, TC3, Homer	SUNY Cortland, TC3, Homer	
Field Hockey	Date	November 16-17, 2019	November 14-15, 2020	November 13-14, 2021	November 12-13, 2022	November 11-12, 2023
	Site	Williamsville North HS	Centereach High School	Centereach High School	Centereach High School	
Girls Swimming	Date	November 22-23, 2019	November 20-21, 2020	November 19-20, 2021	November 18-19, 2022	November 17-18, 2023
	Site	Ithaca College	Ithaca College			
Boys Volleyball	Date	November 23, 2019	November 21, 2020	November 20, 2021	November 19, 2022	November 18, 2023
	Site	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany
Girls Volleyball	Date	November 23-24, 2019	November 21-22, 2020	November 20-21, 2021	November 19-20, 2022	November 18-19, 2023
	Site	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls
Football EAST	Date	November 22-23, 2019	November 27-28, 2020	November 26-27, 2021	November 25-26, 2022	November 24-25, 2023
	Site	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School		
Football WEST	Date	November 22-23, 2019	November 27-28, 2020	November 26-27, 2021	November 25-26, 2022	November 24-25, 2023
	Site	Cicero North Syracuse HS	Union Endicott HS	Cicero North Syracuse HS		
Football FINALS	Date	November 29-Dec 1, 2019	December 4-6, 2020	December 3-5, 2021	December 2-4, 2022	December 1-3, 2023
	Site	The Dome	The Dome	The Dome		
WINTER		WINTER 2020	WINTER 2021	WINTER 2022	WINTER 2023	WINTER 2024
Wrestling Dual Meet	Date	February 1, 2020	January 30, 2021	January 29, 2022	January 28, 2023	January 27, 2024
	Site	SRC Arena (Onondaga CC)	SRC Arena (Onondaga CC)	SRC Arena (Onondaga CC)	SRC Arena (Onondaga CC)	
Girls Ice Hockey	Date	February 7-8, 2020	February 12-13, 2021	Date TBA	Date TBA	
	Site	Herb Brooks Arena, Lake Placid	SUNY Potsdam or SUNY Canton	Section 1 or 2		
B/G Skiing	Date	February 24-25, 2020	February 22-23, 2021	February 28-March 1, 2022	February 27-28, 2023	February, 26-27, 2024
	Site	Bristol Mountain	Whiteface Mountain			
Rifle REGIONAL	Date	March 7, 2020	** Will not be a sponsored NYSPHSAA Regional beginning in March 2021 due to it not meeting "Emerging Sport" requirements **			
	Site	West Point				
Girls Gymnastics	Date	February 29, 2020	February 27, 2021	March 5, 2022	March 4, 2023	March 2, 2024
	Site	Cold Spring Harbor HS	Kenmore West HS	Kenmore West HS	Kenmore West HS	Kenmore West HS
Wrestling	Date	February 28-29, 2020	February 26-27, 2021	February 25-26, 2022	February 24-25, 2023	February 23-24, 2024
	Site	Times Union Center, Albany	Times Union Center, Albany			
B. Swimming & Diving	Date	March 6-7, 2020	March 5-6, 2021	March 4-5, 2022	March 3-4, 2023	March 1-2, 2024
	Site	Nassau Aquatics Center	Ithaca College	Ithaca College	Ithaca College	
B/G Bowling	Date	March 13-15, 2020	March 12-14, 2021	March 11-13, 2022	March 10-12, 2023	March 9-10, 2024
	Site	Strike N Spare Lanes	Strike N Spare Lanes	Strike N Spare Lanes	Strike N Spare Lanes	
B/G Indoor Track	Date	March 7, 2020	March 6, 2021	March 5, 2022	March 4, 2023	March 2, 2024
	Site	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex		
Competitive Cheer	Date	March 7, 2020	March 6, 2021	March 5, 2022	March 4, 2023	March 2, 2024
	Site	RIT	RIT			
Ice Hockey	Date	March 14-15, 2020	March 13-14, 2021	March 12-13, 2022	March 11-12, 2023	March 9-10, 2024
	Site	LECOM Harborcenter, Buffalo	LECOM Harborcenter, Buffalo			
Girls Basketball	Date	March 20-22, 2020	March 19-21, 2021	March 18-20, 2022	March 17-19, 2023	March 15-17, 2024
	Site	HVCC, Troy	HVCC, Troy	HVCC, Troy	**HVCC, Troy	
Boys Basketball	Date	March 20-22, 2020	March 19-21, 2021	March 18-20, 2022	March 17-19, 2023	March 15-17, 2024
	Site	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	**Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	
B/G Federation Basketball	Date	March 27-29, 2020	March 26-28, 2021	March 25-27, 2022	March 24-26, 2023	March 22-24, 2024
	Site	Fordham University	Fordham University	Fordham University	Fordham University	
SPRING		SPRING 2020	SPRING 2021	SPRING 2022	SPRING 2023	SPRING 2024
Boys Tennis	Date	June 4-6, 2020	June 3-5, 2021	June 2-4, 2022	June 1-3, 2023	May 30 - June 1, 2024
	Site	USTA National Tennis Ctr				
Boys Golf	Date	June 6-8, 2020	June 5-7, 2021	June 4-6, 2022	June 3-5, 2023	June 1-3, 2024
	Site	Mark Twain Golf Course	Mark Twain Golf Course	Mark Twain Golf Course	**Mark Twain Golf Course	
Girls Golf	Date	June 5-7, 2020	June 4-6, 2021	June 3-5, 2022	June 2-4, 2023	May 31- June 2, 2024
	Site	Deerfield Country Club	Deerfield Country Club			
B/G Outdoor Track	Date	June 12-13, 2020	June 11-12, 2021	June 10-11, 2022	June 9-10, 2023	June 7-8, 2024
	Site	Cicero-North Syracuse	Middletown High School	Cicero North Syracuse High Sch	Middletown High School	**Cicero-North Syracuse (3)
Girls Lacrosse	Date	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 10, 2020	June 9, 2021	June 8, 2022	June 7, 2023	June 5, 2024
	Site	U Albany	U Albany	U Albany	**U Albany	
Boys Lacrosse WEST	Date	June 10, 2020	June 9, 2021	June 8, 2022	June 7, 2023	June 5, 2024
	Site	SUNY Cortland	SUNY Cortland	SUNY Cortland	**SUNY Cortland	
Boys Lacrosse FINALS	Date	June 13, 2020	June 12, 2021	June 11, 2022	June 10, 2023	June 8, 2024
	Site	Hofstra University	Hofstra University	Hofstra University	**Hofstra University	
Baseball	Date	June 12-13, 2020	June 11-12, 2021	June 10-11, 2022	June 9-10, 2023	June 7-8, 2024
	Site	Binghamton	Binghamton	**Binghamton		
Softball	Date	June 13, 2020	June 12, 2021	June 11, 2022	June 10, 2023	June 8, 2024
	Site	Moriches Athletic Complex	Moriches Athletic Complex	Moriches Athletic Complex	**Moriches Athletic Complex	

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yellow box indicates will be determined at the next Executive/Central Committee meeting

** due to COVID-19 canceling these events in 2020, these sites were approved on 5/27/20 to extend hosting their respective events

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Penalty for exceeding the maximum number of contests

- ☒ Action Item
- ☐ Discussion Item
- ☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Section I Athletic Council

Todd Santabarbara, Section I 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 all team related functions and activities (including, but not limited to, practices, scrimmages, conditioning/weight training, film sessions, and games) from the date of the violation for the remainder of the season and forfeit additional regular season contests. The use of this option must be submitted to the Section Executive Director and State Executive Director in writing from the Superintendent of Schools or Headmaster self-reporting the violation prior to the next game/ contest being played."

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2020

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. Additional clarification added by Section 1 Athletic Council.

Budgetary Impact:

None

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Sectional Concern - Cohort Numbers for NYSPHSAA Classifications

- ☐ Action Item
- ☐ Discussion Item
- ☐ Informational Item
- ☒ Sectional Concern

Presenter:

Monica Tooley, Section III Executive Committee Representative
John Rathbun, Section III Executive Director

Proposal:

Consider approval to use the "COHORT" numbers for NYSPHSAA classifications.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2020

Rationale:

Presently "grade level" status is configured differently throughout the state. There is variability in the methods school districts use to determine grade level status. They could be based on the number of credits earned or could simply be based on cohort status. In addition, given the COVID-19 pandemic and the ability of parents to decline the regents examination exemption, students may end up being retained in a grade level, thereby affecting a district's BEDS numbers. Therefore, using the grade level cohort for classification would provide a uniform method of counting students.

Proposal Originated:

Section III Athletic Council

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The Section III Athletic Council would like action taken immediately.

Attachments:

None

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1. *CORONA VIRUS (COVID 19) INFORMATION

(As of 6-30-2020- Note that this information may constantly be updated and/or amended based on any new information that comes available...)

See:

- COVID 19 information: <http://www.nysed.gov/coronavirus>
- NYSED News and Notes: <http://www.nysed.gov/>
- Feeling anxiety amid a global pandemic is normal and natural for everyone. As the adults, it's critical that we take care of our own mental and physical health, and that will help us to better support our young people. NYSED has compiled numerous resources offering guidance for self-care as well as strategies for talking about COVID-19 honestly and effectively with young people.
See: [Resources for Mental Health and Talking to Young People About COVID-19](#).
- COVID 19 Continuity of Learning Information:
<http://www.nysed.gov/edtech/guidance-continuity-learning>
- Digital Content Resources: <http://www.nysed.gov/edtech/digital-content-resources>
- PBS Learning material: <https://ny.pbslearningmedia.org/subjects/health-and-physical-education/#.XpXWBqhKg2w>
- NYSAHPERD Resources:
<https://www.nysahperd.org/content/hpeathome/hpeathome.cfm>
- SHAPE Resources: : <https://www.shapeamerica.org/covid19-resources.aspx>
- SHAPE Re-entry K-12 School Considerations Information:
https://www.shapeamerica.org/advocacy/Reentry/K-12_School_Re-entry_Considerations.aspx
- CDC Re-entry information: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools-faq.html>
- Task Force Meetings: https://myemail.constantcontact.com/News---Notes---Regional-School-Reopening-Task-Force-Meetings.html?soid=1110847617454&aid=y_JeHiJ_W5A
- Required Hands Only CPR-2020 graduating seniors exempt during COVID 19 Crisis: See: [Section 100.2\(c\)\(11\) of Commissioner's Regulations Hands Only CPR requirement exemption for graduating seniors due to the COVID-19 Crisis](#)

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2. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NYSAHPERD) Conference (March 8-11, 2021) in Verona, New York- See website: <http://www.nysahperd.org/content/professional-development/nys-ahperd-conference.cfm>
- New York State Council of Administrators Conference (March 8-11, 2021) 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, Salt Lake City, Utah (April 13-17, 2021)- 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 16-19, 2021) -See website: <http://nysaaa.org/conference/conference-dates>

***NYSAAA and NYSAHPERD are both approved for CTLE credit.**

3. GOOD NEWS! NEW YORK STATE PHYSICAL EDUCATION LEARNING STANDARDS HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE NYSED BOR (March 2, 2018)

- Collaboration between NYSAHPERD and multiple stakeholders with SED.
- The NYS Physical Education Learning Standards were approved unanimously by the NYSED BOR on March 2, 2020.
- Summary of the NYS Physical Education Learning Standards (2020) revision process at the following link.
 - <http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/320p12a4.pdf>
- *See: <http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/physical-education-learning-standards>
 - NYS PHYSICAL EDUCATION LEARNING STANDARDS (2020) IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE
- *Note that we are moving forward with timeline process and activities.

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Phase I: Raise Awareness (Fall 2020-Fall 2021)

Training on the new standards; awareness of the rollout timeline; statewide collaboration with the BOCES, school districts, professional organizations, and higher education



Phase II: Build Capacity (Fall 2021-Fall 2022)

Guidance for local programs and curriculum development and additional standards resources and training



Phase III: Full Implementation (Fall 2023)

First full year of new standards implemented in the classroom

4. I CAN DO IT! A PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PROGRAM FOR K-12 STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES (2019-2020)

- The **I Can Do It!** Program (ICDI), released through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, (Administration for Community Living), in partnership with the U.S. Department of Education, is a voluntary school-based physical activity program designed to provide access, facilitate, and encourage opportunities for students with disabilities to be physically active for 60 minutes a day. This can be accomplished by accumulating the 60 minutes through physical education, adapted physical education, recess, classroom physical activity breaks, active transport to and from school, and extracurricular activities, including a variety of club and sport activities.
- For additional information, or to get started, please contact Dr. Jayne Greenberg, Program Manager, at Jayne.Greenberg@hhs.gov, or 202 768-3557.

5. RESIDENTIAL FACILITY OR HOME OPERATED OR SUPERVISED BY ANY STATE AGENCY PROGRAM PHYSICAL EDUCATION CREDIT AMENDMENT (January 2020)

- The Board of Regents adopted regulatory changes in Section 100.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of education impacting the Physical Education for a diploma and transfer credits for students earning credit in a residential facility or home operated or supervised by any state agency educational program pursuant to Sections 112 and 3202(7) of the Education Law and parts 116 and 118 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. (January 30,

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2020)

- See: <https://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/220brca3.pdf>
- Numerous meetings with leaders and staff from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), the Division of Corrections and Community Services (DOCCS), and non-secure and secure detention facilities were held.
- Concerned issues raised was the failure of school districts to award credit for schoolwork completed by students while detained, placed, or incarcerated.
- Due to the Civil Service titles and the unique needs and nature of the education programs offered by juvenile and criminal justice system facilities, students receive extensive physical education, but the classes are taught by recreational specialists, who may or may not be certified physical education teachers. When the students transfer back to high school, they find themselves severely under credited in physical education, notwithstanding the fact that they have spent hours in physical education classes in these facilities.
- Revision to §100.5(d)(5) of Commissioner's Regulations provides these students with the same exemption currently provided to students transferring from another state and students of military families, who transfer into a registered New York State high school from another state, to allow such students to be exempt from the required two units of credit requirement in physical education to meet the diploma requirements. Instead, such students shall be required to enroll in physical education courses every semester they are in a registered New York State high school and shall earn 1/4 unit of credit for each semester of physical education.
- amendment allows students who have earned the required number of credits in physical education to meet the diploma requirements but may need more than eight semesters to graduate due to other course or assessment deficiencies, to be permitted to stop enrolling in physical education courses. Students often need to return beyond their senior year to make up a failed course or attend preparatory sessions to pass failed assessments, and the current regulation requires these students to enroll in physical education courses for those semesters as well, even though they have met the required number of diploma credits for graduation. The proposed amendment will eliminate this requirement.

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6. UNIFIED SPORTS “Inclusive Athletic Activities” EXTENDED ELIGIBILITY

- See: <https://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1219p12a1.pdf>
- emergency rule will become effective December 10, 2019.
- Because “unified sports” is actually a trademarked name, the emergency rule will amend the program name to “inclusive athletic activities.” More notably, this amendment also establishes an exemption from the age and four-year limitations on participation in inclusive athletic activities. **The amendment also relieves students from the requirement of undergoing a physical evaluation that includes an assessment of physical development and maturity.**
- Under the new rule, the exemption may apply where the superintendent or chief executive officer of the school determines that: (1) the student is a *bona fide* student of the high school and has not yet graduated; (2) the student is otherwise qualified to compete; and (3) **the student underwent a health examination by the director of school services who determined that the student’s participation will not present safety or health concerns.**

7. COACHING UPDATES (Amendments due to COVID 19)

A) Amendment to the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to eligibility for participation in interschool competition and inclusive athletic activities for students who have Section 504 or ADA plans. (June 2020)

- The Board has adopted by emergency action a change to the bona fide student regulation.
- The regulation, as written, has been interpreted by schools and athletic associations, etc., as precluding consideration of a request for an accommodation on behalf of an otherwise qualified student with a disability who is not registered in the equivalent of three regular courses as a result of his or her education plan approved under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- The amendment makes it clear that the regulation should not be interpreted as barring consideration of such accommodation requests in accordance with federal law.
- See: <http://www.nysed.gov/memo/curriculum-instruction/amendment-section-1354-regulations-commissioner-education-relating>

B) COVID -19 Update: First Aid and CPR/AED Certification Flexibility for Coaches. (June 2020)

- See: <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/news/newsitem062320-1.html>

C) COVID -19 Update: Theory and Techniques of Coaching (Sport Specific) Course Internship Experience Flexibility

- See: <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/news/newsitem062320-2.html>

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D) COVID-19 Update: Professional Coaching License Amendment

➤ Background:

Section 135.4 is amended to not require temporary coaching candidates of extracurricular interscholastic sports, who held a temporary coaching certificate for the winter 2019-2020 and/or spring 2020 sports seasons, to have received an evaluation by the principal or athletic director for the winter 2019-2020 and/or spring 2020 sport seasons for professional coaching certification due to school closures during the COVID-19 crisis. Currently, these candidates are required to receive a satisfactory evaluation by the principal or athletic director for each of the preceding three years that they coached in the sport for which a professional coaching certificate is sought.

8. APPROVED COACHING COURSE LIST (Updated February 2020)

- The list was updated on February 2020.
- See: <http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/courses-accepted-coaches-first-aid-and-cpr-aed-requirement.pdf>

9. GUIDELINES FOR COACHING (Updated January 2018)

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

10. QUALITY PHYSICAL EDUCATION PLAN REMINDER

- Is your district plan current with the new NYS Physical Education Learning Standards and regulations? Is your plan frequently updated to ensure high-quality programs are being offered? Recommend updating minimum of 7 years. Important when looking for funding and support.
- If you need technical assistance or have specific questions contact Darryl Daily at darryl.daily@nysed.gov
- 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.
- See CR 135.4:
[https://govt.westlaw.com/nycrr/Document/I365bded1c22211ddb29d8bee567fca9f?viewType=FullText&originationContext=documenttoc&transitionType=CategoryPageItem&contextData=\(sc.Default\)](https://govt.westlaw.com/nycrr/Document/I365bded1c22211ddb29d8bee567fca9f?viewType=FullText&originationContext=documenttoc&transitionType=CategoryPageItem&contextData=(sc.Default))
- See: Updated NYS Physical Education Learning Standards (2020):
<http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/physical-education-learning-standards>



IMPORTANT HEALTH EDUCATION RELATED ITEMS

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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/Mentalhealtheeducation.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

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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.
- See: <https://donatelifenys.org/high-school-education/>

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 OASAS, "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.

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- 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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FOOTBALL – REVISED MODIFICATION TO PROPOSAL ON THE PARTICIPATION STANDARD AND THE REQUIRED NIGHTS REST

- ☒ Action Item
- ☐ Discussion Item
- ☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Gary Vanderzee, NYSPHSAA Football State Coordinator
Ken Stoldt, NYSPHSAA Football Section VI Coordinator
Bob Dorrance, NYSPHSAA Football Section 2 Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Football Committee is seeking approval to allow a football player to participate in both the JV and Varsity football games for his school without violating the nights rest rule and maximum number of contests. We would propose two restrictive requirements be met, (1) the player participate in 10 or less plays on one of the two contests AND (2) there be a TWO NIGHT rest period between the two contests.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2020

Rationale:

Currently, a player can play in a contest and after two-nights rest be eligible to participate in a scrimmage, limited to 90 plays and other essential modifications. With the same two night rest period, this would allow for a JV player to play up to 10 plays in the Varsity contest and then still allow him and his JV teammates to play a game under normal game conditions and rules.

The committee feels this is a safer alternative to the current rule which allows unlimited varsity plays followed by two nights rest and up to 90 plays in the JV scrimmage where the modifications doesn't address the LIVE contact.

Coaches/AD's will be required to track plays on the attached tracking sheet and submit a roster indicating which kids are JV players that may be participating in the JV contest.

The committee also feels that with the current state of declining numbers, this proposal will allow those JV players to play games, with a winner and a loser (which is what kids want to do), as opposed to a scrimmage with restrictions that don't address contact, but limit the competitive nature of the contest, as well as the opportunity for players to develop in all three phases of the game including special teams. In turn, the committee feels that this proposal may help keep younger players in the small school programs and may even help draw more young men to participate in the game of football.

GAME # **vs.**

[illegible]

NOTES: REMINDER: TOTAL PLAYS FOR A PLAYER MAY **NOT EXCEED 10 IN ORDER TO BE REMAIN ELIGIBLE FOR THE REDUCED REST EXEMPTION!!**

SIGNED: RECORDER:

HEAD COACH:

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WRESTLING - 13 NYSPHSAA Weight Classes

- ☒ Action Item
- ☐ Discussion Item
- ☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling Chairmen

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee is recommending the following weight classes for a two-year pilot program. The weight classes would be 102, 110, 118, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 160, 172, 189, 215, 285.

Effective Start Date:

2020-2021 season

Rationale:

There has been on on-going discussion and concern at the Section, State, and National level regarding the increased amount of forfeitures during dual meets. The NFHS has been asked to address the issue by discussing the number of weight classes currently in the NFHS rulebook. This past Spring the NFHS Wrestling Rules Committee did make a proposal to address the current weight classes. Unfortunately, the proposal was sent back to the NFHS Wrestling Rules Committee. Pennsylvania is proposing adjusting the current weight classes to 13 for the upcoming school year. This current proposal is following the PA changes except the bottom three weight classes. The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee was very interested in addressing the lower weight classes we currently have in NY. This is the reason for the recommendation of 102, 110, and 118. By recommending these weight classes it will provide schools with smaller rosters to compete in dual meets and bring back the competitiveness and focus of our dual meets.

This past year there was 719 athletes that certified at the 99lb weight class. Out of the 719 students 532 of those students were 7th, 8th, and 9th graders. Students in these grades typically are JV athletes in most sports. Students that do not make the starting lineup for the Varsity dual meet will have the opportunity to participate in a JV dual match or an exhibition match on the day of the Varsity match. These students will still have the ability to participate at some level of competition.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

None

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BASEBALL – ADOPTION OF PITCH COUNT MODIFICATION

- ☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Al Roy, NYSPHSAA Baseball State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee is seeking approval to adopt the following modifications to the current Pitch Count rule at the varsity level:

- March:
 - 76-85 (4 Nights Rest)
 - 46-75 (3 Nights Rest)
 - 31-45 (2 Nights Rest)
 - 1-30 (1 Nights Rest)
- April:
 - 96-105 (4 Nights Rest)
 - 66-95 (3 Nights Rest)
 - 31-65 (2 Nights Rest)
 - 1-30 (1 Nights Rest)
- May:
 - 103-125 (4 Nights Rest)
 - 72-102 (3 Nights Rest)
 - 41-71 (2 Nights Rest)
 - 1-40 (1 Nights Rest)

Effective Start Date:

2021 Season

Rationale:

The committee felt it was imperative to create a more natural transition to the current Varsity Post Season Pitch Count. Currently, the first opportunity for pitchers to reach the max pitch count of 125 is during a Sectional postseason tournament game when their team's season is on the line. By creating a transitional period during the regular season, it would take into account both the physical and mental health and well-being of pitchers by providing the opportunity to increase their workload over time up to the max pitch count of 125 in a regular season game setting.

The JV and Modified Pitch Count Rules would not be impacted if this proposal is adopted.

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BOYS AND GIRLS TENNIS– ADOPT A TEAM STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Selina DeCicco, NYSPHSAA Boys Tennis State Coordinator
Chris Horgan, NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys and Girls Tennis State Committees seek approval to adopt the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis State Team Championship in addition to the state (individual) championship format already in place. The team championship shall consist of NYSPHSAA Section Teams to compete in two separate regional division championships, Division I (school enrollment of 600 and above) and Division II (school enrollment of 599 and below). Regional champions shall qualify for the NYSPHSAA Tennis State Team Championship scheduled as a one-day championship.

The current championship format of the NYSPHSAA Boys and Girls Tennis State Championships consists of 96 individuals who are NYSPHSAA Section participants, from NYSPHSAA member schools only, who place 1st-3rd in singles or doubles including a rotation of additional participants filling the byes. This represents approximately 1.6% and 1.5% participation for girls and boys in the championship event, falling short of the minimum participation standard of 5%.

Effective Start Date:

(Fall 2021-Girls/Spring 2022-Boys) The NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis State Team Championships shall be scheduled one week following the individual state championship using the 7-year calendar (week # 17 and week # 48, respectively). The proposed schedule is as follows:

Girls: Team Regional Finals-Sat. of Week #16; Team Semis & Finals-Sat. of Week #18; *Individual Championships-Week #17

Boys: Team Regional Finals-Sat. of Week #47; Team Semis & Finals-Sat. of Week #49; *Individual Championships-Week #48

Rationale:

Establishing a NYSPHSAA Tennis State Team Championship, and keeping the individual championship, will provide equity among NYSPHSAA sports because it will increase opportunities for tennis athletes. There are more than 12,000 athletes who participate in high school tennis in NYS each year. As research shows, when linked to participation in HS sports, increased opportunities provide academic success, less discipline problems, better school attendance, and increased college scholarships with the team experience. The proposed championship would increase that experience to 4.3% for girls and 4.1% for boys teams and would more closely meet the 5% participation standard.

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The proposed team format will greatly increase the participation rates at both the state championship and sectional level and will be more equitable in providing the same opportunities to NYSPHSAA tennis student-athletes as those afforded to other NYSPHSAA student-athletes.

Currently, 35 states (out of 41 surveyed) across the country have traditional team championships with 4 of those states counting points of the individuals participating, not using a true team format.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Boys & Girls Tennis Committee joint meeting on December 9, 2019. A sub-committee was formed in April 2019 and met numerous times before both state committees met to review and vote on the proposal.

Budget Impact:

To better understand the budgetary impact of this proposal, the current state championship expenses are described below in addition to the proposed expenses for the team state championship.

Current Budget-NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Individual Tennis Championships:

- NYSPHSAA currently budgets championship items for 96 athletes at each of the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Individual Tennis Championship. Items include 96 certificates; badges & lanyards for participants, coaches, section coordinators, officials and tournament staff; 24 medal awards (1st – 8th place for Girls) and 15 medal awards (1st – 4th place for Boys and 1st place for Boys Consolation Singles and Doubles); 3 champion shirts each for Girls and Boys singles and doubles champions; sportsmanship shirts (9-Girls, 10-Boys); officiating fees; sport coordinator expenses; venue fees; tennis balls.
- NYSPHSAA Sections currently budget for sectional medals/awards for individual competition, sectional team competition (determined by section), section sport coordinator expenses for sectional and state competition, officiating at sectional events, and venue fees for sectional competition, if any.
- NYSPHSAA High Schools currently budget for regular & post season expenses of athletes and coaches which includes uniforms, equipment, league, section and state event transportation, lodging (currently \$119.00/night per person), meals, if needed for the 3-day state championship event.

Proposed Budget-(NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis Team Championships):

- The proposed Team Championship for Girls and Boys Tennis, scheduled separately, will have a budgetary impact for NYSPHSAA. NYSPHSAA will be required to budget for a final four Tennis Team Championship. Sections shall be authorized a maximum of 15 participants in Division 1 and 12 participants in Division 2 per team. Budget items in a 2-division championship: 108 certificates, badges & lanyards; additional badges & lanyards for coaches, section coordinators, officials, and other tournament staff, 54 total medal awards (1st – 2nd place), 27 champion shirts (1st place only), 2 champion boards/brackets, 8 sportsmanship shirts (1 athlete per semi-finalist team), 8 plaques (champions, finalists, semi-finalists), officiating fees, sport coordinator expenses, venue fees, tennis balls.
- NYSPHSAA Sections will have a budgetary impact for: Sectional medals/awards for teams which qualify for regional competition (as determined by section), sport coordinator expenses for sectional, regional and state competition, officiating at sectional events, sectional/regional venue fees (determined by section).

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-NYSPHSAA high schools will have a budgetary impact for teams qualifying to compete in Sectional, Regional or State Team Championship contests. This budget may include: team transportation expenses for intersectional, regional and state contests, expenses for meals and team lodging traveling to the state venue for a one-day championship (lodging is approximately \$119.00/night per person). Regions with more than two sections will be scheduled for more than one regional contest which would be scheduled during the week.

Attachments/Notes

Girls and Boys Tennis have requested a change in their designation from “individual” sport to “individual/team” sport to the Championship Philosophy Committee.

Qualifiers & Format of Team Championship:

Each section will qualify two teams, Division I (enrollment of 600 and above) and Division II (enrollment of 599 and below). Division I and Division II champions from each section shall advance to the regional championship. Regional champions shall compete in their division at the state championship. All Sectional team participants are expected to submit a Commitment to Compete document in order to compete. Each girls Division 1 regional and state team contest shall consist of 11 participants using a lineup of 3 singles/4 doubles. Each girls Division 2 regional and state team contest shall consist of 7 participants using a lineup of 3 singles/2 doubles. Each boys Division 1 regional and state team contest shall consist of 10 participants using a lineup of 4 singles/3 doubles. Each boys Division 2 regional and state team contest shall consist of 7 participants using a lineup of 3 singles/2 doubles. All lineups are based on ethical rules (no stacking) in addition to current NYSPHSAA guidelines and Friend at Court rules & regulations. Schools competing at the state team championship must submit their rosters and all results of Sectional and Regional contests to the State Coordinator before the semifinals.

Regional/Final Four Team Competition and Schedules:

Regional and State competition schedules and contests will be determined by the NYSPHSAA Tennis Committees.

For girls, Week #17 will continue to be designated for the NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis State (Individual) Championship. The Saturday of Week #18 shall be designated for the NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Team State Semis & Finals. The Saturday of Week #16 shall be designated for the NYSPHSAA Girls Team Regional Finals.

For boys, Week #48 will continue to be designated for the NYSPHSAA Boys Tennis State (Individual) Championship. The Saturday of Week #49 shall be designated for the NYSPHSAA Boys Tennis Team State Semis & Finals. The Saturday of Week #47 shall be designated for the NYSPHSAA Boys Tennis Team Regional Finals.

All Regional and State contests will be supervised by NYSPHSAA Sectional Committee member(s) and USTA officials. Changes may be necessary in case of inclement weather.

Proposed Regions for 2021-2022:

North Sections: II, III, VII*, (X**)

West Sections: V, VI

South Sections: VIII, XI

East Sections: I, IV, IX

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-Traditional Sub-Regional Rotations for Semi-Finals may be used as in other sports as Section X** does not participate in Girls/Boys Tennis while Section VII** does not participate in Girls Tennis. Committee will set up the rotations.

Venues:

Regional and Final Four venues for the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis Team State Championships will be determined by the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis Sectional Committees, respectively. The Final Four of the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis State Team Championships will be completed in two rounds for Girls and Boys Divisions 1 and 2. For Division 1, there will be a total of 42 matches in 6 contests. For Division 2, there will be a total of 30 matches in 6 contests. Semi-final round winners will advance to the finals. Rest periods for singles and doubles matches will be followed according to USTA Regulations when multiple matches are scheduled on the same day.

Scoring:

Regular Scoring (best 2 of 3 Tie-Break Sets using a 7-point Tie-Break game played when the score reaches 6-6 in any set) shall be used for each contest. The Tournament Committee may opt to use modified scoring. In case of inclement weather, a 10-point Match Tie-Break game will be played in lieu of a 3rd set. Contest winners in Division 1 shall be teams accumulating a minimum of 4 of the 7 matches while contest winners in Division 2 shall be teams accumulating a minimum of 3 of 5 matches. Order of play shall be 1st, 2nd and 3rd singles, etc. followed by 1st and 2nd doubles, etc.

Awards:

Certificates for Regionals, Semi-Finalists and Finals will be distributed. Championship t-shirts and 1st Place medals will be awarded to team champions in each division and 2nd place medals will be awarded to the finalists. Team plaques will be awarded to team champions, finalists and semi-finalists in each division. Sportsmanship shirts will be awarded to one athlete from each Regional Championship Team. NYSPHSAA will also provide State Championship Final Four Bracket Boards and Champion boards to the winners.

Equipment:

Tennis balls will be provided by NYSPHSAA for the Final Four Tennis State Team Championship in each division.

Staff/Officials:

NYSPHSAA Staff and USTA officials will be on site at the Final Four State Tennis Team Championship to oversee and officiate the event.

CAC Feedback:

See June 24th CAC Meeting Report for discussion. Vote to take place at next CAC meeting.

The Championship Philosophy Committee supported the change of designation from individual to team/individual.

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BOYS VOLLEYBALL – Allow the use of 2 Libero Players

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

John Coletta, NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball Committee is seeking approval to add a NYSPHSAA rule to the handbook under 23.08 to allow teams to use 2 liberos during a match with the following stipulations:

1. The team must designate at the beginning of the match if they are using 2 liberos. The team can only use those two designated players as liberos for the entire match. Teams will follow the NCAA rules when using one libero.
2. Only one libero can serve during the set.
3. Only one libero may be on the court at any time.
4. The libero may be designated as a captain.
5. The replacement player may replace and be replaced by either libero.
6. The acting libero can only be replaced by the player whom he replaced (for that position) or by the second libero.
7. If one libero cannot continue to play due to injury or illness the team will play the rest of the match with one libero. If the remaining libero cannot continue to play due to injury or illness the libero may be replaced.
8. If one libero is disqualified due to unsportsmanlike behavior the team will continue the set without the use of any liberos. The second libero may be used in the subsequent sets.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2020 season

Rationale:

The use of two liberos is a modification in NCAA Men's Volleyball and by USA Volleyball. The use of two liberos allows the opportunity for more players to participate during the match.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball Committee in May 2020

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The Boys Volleyball Committee voted unanimously in favor of this recommendation

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GIRLS & BOYS VOLLEYBALL – Requesting Rule 9.2.4.3 to be Waived

- ☒ Action Item
- ☐ Discussion Item
- ☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Patti Perone, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Coordinator
John Coletta, NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball State Coordinator

Proposal:

The Girls and Boys Volleyball Committees are seeking approval for Rule 9.2.4.3 to be waived.

The current rule in the NCAA rules book (pg. 36) reads:

The players then proceed in a counterclockwise direction along the sideline and directly to their new bench areas. Team members off the court change team benches immediately.

The requested change would read:

The players on the court will proceed to their current bench, collect their belongings and then proceed to their new bench areas immediately. Team members off the court change team benches immediately.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2020 season

Rationale:

To allow the players to bring their own water bottles and other personal belongings to their new bench. Currently the players on the bench gather all players' items prior to changing courts. The players on the court are (currently) required to proceed to their new bench immediately.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Volleyball Committee and Sally Wise (Official) May 2020

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The Girls and Boys Volleyball Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal during their committee video calls in May 2020

Attachments:

None

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GIRLS GYMNASTICS – Adjust Value Parts for Uneven Bars

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Marbry Gansle, NYSPHSAA Gymnastics State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Gymnastics Committee is seeking approval to add additional value parts for the Uneven Bars to the current NYSPHSAA Technical Handbook.

1. Pull over mount
2. Under Swing dismount off low bar
3. Swing ½ Turn dismount off high bar

Effective Start Date:

Winter 2020-21 season

Rationale:

The committee would like these value parts added to the Technical Handbook (official rulebook) so that the beginner gymnast can receive credit for additional value parts on the uneven bars. These skills are currently being performed with no value part credit.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Gymnastics Committee on May 8, 2020

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The Girls Gymnastics Committee voted unanimously in favor of this recommendation

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COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING – Make permanent the pilot for a structure, training and scoring of the NYSPHSAA State Championship

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Jennifer Simmons, NYSPHSAA Cheer State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee is seeking approval to permanently adopt the 2018 pilot that established a structure, training and scoring format for the NYSPHSAA State Championship.

Effective Start Date:

2020-2021 season

Rationale:

The two-year pilot proved to be successful and has helped the sport of Cheerleading progress in the right direction. This pilot provided a structure and a functioning format for the sport moving forward. It detailed format, training and scoring for the NYSPHSAA Championship in addition to providing the committee the use of Varsity Cheer as a consultant to help navigate the ever-changing rules of the Sport. Another benefit was a consistent set of trainings for both coaches and judges in the approved scoresheets used at the State competition.

Extending the pilot would allow us to continue to work in an structured environment and use our Varsity Cheer consultants for additional trainings and advice on this sport. Continuation of the pilot would also allow the Committee to work on the second portion of the pilot of Game Day Cheer in an organized fashion.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee in May 2018 and was discussed to adopt the pilot permanently at the May 2020 video meeting.

Budgetary Impact:

No change comparing the two pilot years. Currently, the budgetary impact is the continued support of the trainings which is split between all Sections. The training cost is minimal and Sections have been budgeting for that fee for the last several years.

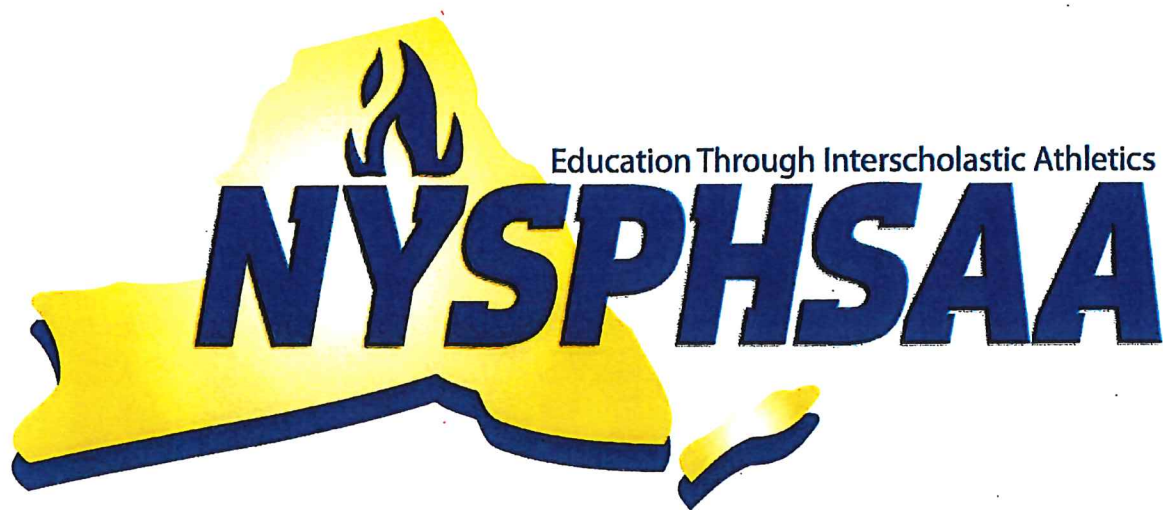
Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at its May 2020 video call. There were no concerns from the CAC.

Attachments:

Original proposal attached

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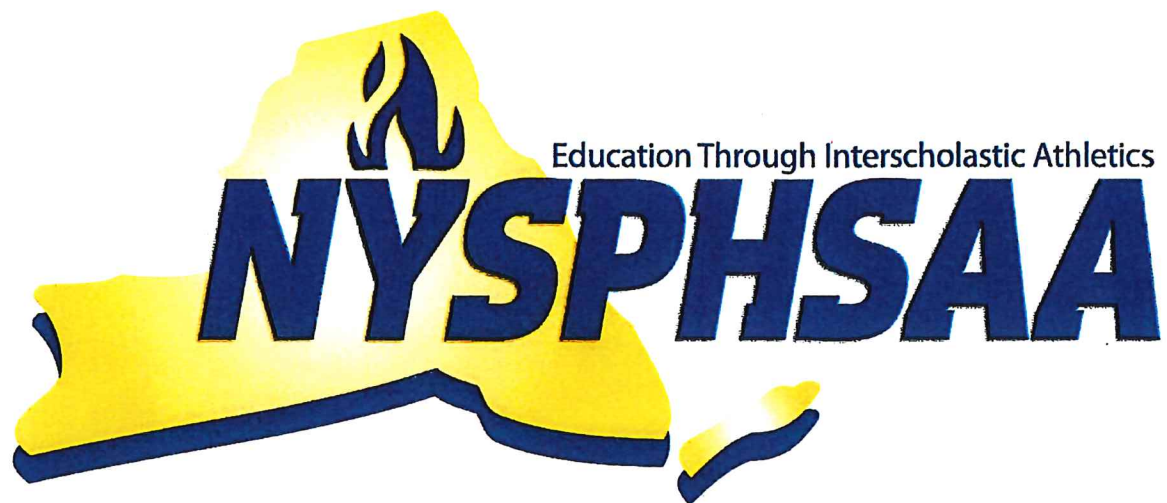


Philosophy

The Committee believes in offering a fair and equitable State Competition experience that maximizes the strengths of all student-athletes and programs regardless of the style they use.

The Committee also believes in the importance of trainings for Coaches and Judges using whatever resources are available to NYSPHSAA to better equip both entities.

The Committee believes that maintaining these guidelines for a minimum of a period of two years to be able to assess and evaluate the progress of this new Sport. * subject to NFHS Rules



Score Sheets

Proposal #1



Trainings

- Trainings for all coaches and Judges will be in the month of September
- There will be Videos that all coaches and Judges will be required to watch prior to coming to the trainings-Some from Varsity and some of our own
- There will be five dates for the Sections to use for their trainings and have been assigned as follows:
Sections 5/6 –Sept 15th...Sections 3/4/10-September 16th
Sections 1/9-September 22nd...Sections 8/11 Sept. 23rd
Sections 2/7-September 29th (arranged by Section Cheer Coor.)
Any issues, contact State Coordinator
- The trainings will be done by members of the staff of “Varsity”- they will cover educational work on progressions in stunts, pyramids, tumbling and jumps. The State Rules interpreter for Cheerleading will join the trainings and cover rules and safety
- ½ of the day will be trainings for Coaches and the other ½ will be for the judges to learn the scoring and progressions as well
- Additional trainings later in the year may be provided prior to the winter season
- The committee recommends trainings in both years of this two year proposal



NYSPHSAA State Competition

- Each Section will be allowed to send up to two representatives for each division (local Section decision)
- Each of the five divisions will complete a 2 1/2 minute routine.
- The routine will consist of two portions-a cheer portion and a music portion. A minimum of 30 seconds of cheer with no music will remain from last year, with the remainder of the time being devoted to the music portion
- After the first round of scoring, the top 5 teams advance in each division-same as it has been
- The judges panels will remain as they were in the first round, not switching-this is a change from previous years- the committee feels this will aid in consistency throughout
- Judges for the NYSPHSAA will be selected from each of the 11 Sections
- Judges will be allowed to submit applications to their Sections of interest in the NYSPHSAA Championship selecting an area(s) of expertise. -
"Cheer/Tumbling, Building/Jumps, or Safety..." ..in order to place the best judges in the appropriate positions. Sections will submit a list of judges to the NYSPHSAA Committee. The final selection of judges and positions will be up to the NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee.
- NYSPHSAA will hire Varsity "overseers" for the next two years to monitor the progress of the competition.
- An online scoring system will be used at the NYSPHSAA competition
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1F7DNXLW8uRzWe42PFfYKmypRVcCspE7DmtQdSY7KLY0/edit?usp=sharing>



Miscellaneous

- Communication is important through the process. Therefore we are stressing that all questions from your coaches regarding the process go to the Sectional Representatives. The Representatives may reach out to the appropriate person regarding the topic of the questions-Questions regarding Rules/Safety: The State Rules Interpreter for Cheerleading Rules, Casey Goll. Questions regarding scoring or progressions, contact the NYSPHSAA Coordinator who will find the answer for you. Coaches should not be addressing a judge on how they scored something. These questions should go from coaches, to the Section Representative/and or AD and we will confer with the Section Judges Association/or other resources if needed to clarify.
- Any Judges questions should be referred to the Section's rules interpreter who then can use the Rules Interpreter or The State Coordinator to get clarification.
- The use of "Varsity" is for their expertise in the Sport of Cheerleading and as a resource for NYSPHSAA to be able to move the Sport of Cheerleading in a positive direction for all student-athletes in NYS.

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Central Committee Meeting – July 29, 2020

COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING – Modify Scoring Areas on the State Scoresheet

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Jennifer Simmons, NYSPHSAA Cheer State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee is seeking approval to make slight modifications to the scoring areas of the State Scoresheet. The total points will not change however some are allocated to different areas.

Effective Start Date:

2020-2021 season

Rationale:

Two areas have been a concern and problematic from both the coaches and judges standpoint. This feedback was evaluated and addressed by simply making two slight adjustments to the scoresheet. The adjustments address jumps, which were an issue the past two years. The adjustments also address the amount of points for the cheer portion of the routine. The concern was that the cheer portion was too high and a style preference could eliminate a team if scored on the extreme. The points removed from these two areas were then placed on execution. This resulted in two positive benefits; safety surrounding stunting and proper progression of skills being highlighted; and programs would not have to have super-elite skills in order to score well.

Proposal Originated:

Based on feedback from coaches and judges, the NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee discussed this at the May 2020 video meeting.

The original proposal was a joint effort of all Sectional Cheerleading Representatives. The sub-committee of the Cheerleading Committee has been collecting feedback over the last two seasons concerning the original work. The sub-committee met with Varsity Cheer consultants, reviewed the current scoresheet, and addressed the two main areas of concern noted. The changes were presented to the entire Cheerleading Committee and subsequently supported.

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at its May 2020 video call. There were no concerns from the CAC.

Attachments:

Original and Modified proposal attached

DATE REVISED: June 17, 2020



Team Name

Judge 1 Initials

Division

Judge 2 Initials

CHEER PORTION – 25 Points	Points	Score
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Presentation of Material

Encompasses energy, facial expressions (natural), Volume, pace, and clarity of words, Use of formations for crowd. Use of motions to either: Lead the crowd response (including props) and/or create visual interest. Execution of motions including sharpness, placement, synchronization. wd coverage, Correlation of words to school's name, mascot, colors.	5	
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Difficulty

Difficulty in the practical skills for the environment	5	
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Skills

Effective use of skills to: Enhance the cheer/response and/or Create visual interest that correlates to the words.	5	
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Execution

How well the skills of the cheer are performed. Skills used are technically correct and strong, synchronization, spacing and overall skill level shown with stunts, motions, jumps, etc	10	
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MUSIC PORTION – 20 Points	Points	Score
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Standing/Running Tumbling - 10 Points

Execution	5	
Difficulty	5	

Jumps - 5 Points

Execution	5	
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Dance	5	
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Total	Possible	Score
	45	

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Full Routine – 5 Points	Points	Score
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Overall Effect	5	
Flow, transitions, entertainment, performance of skills, energy throughout the entire routine		

*Averaged with other panel for final 5 points

NYSPHSAA CHAMPIONSHIP
CHEER SCORE SHEET
(revised)
JUDGES 3/4



Team Name

Judge 3 Initials

Division

Judge 4 Initials

MUSIC PORTION - 50 Points	Points	Score
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Partner Stunts - 25 Points

Execution	15	
Difficulty	10	

Pyramids - 25 Points

Execution	15	
Difficulty	10	

Total

Possible

Score

50

Full Routine – 5 Points

Points

Score

Overall Effect

Flow, transitions, entertainment, performance of skills, energy throughout the entire routine

5

*Averaged with other panel for final 5 points



Team Name

Judge 1 Initials

Division

Judge 2 Initials

CHEER PORTION – 25 Points

Points

Score

Presentation of Material

Encompasses energy, facial expressions (natural), Volume, pace, and clarity of words, Use of formations for crowd coverage, Correlation of words to school's name, mascot, colors.	5	
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Motions

Use of motions to either: Lead the crowd response (including props) and/or create visual Interest. Execution of motions including sharpness, placement, synchronization.	5	
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Skills

Effective use of skills to: Enhance the cheer/response and/or Create visual interest that correlates to the words.	5	
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Execution

How well the skills of the cheer are performed. Skills used are technically correct and strong, synchronization, spacing and overall skill level shown with stunts, motions, jumps, etc	10	
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MUSIC PORTION – 20 Points

Points

Score

Standing/Running Tumbling - 10 Points

Execution	5	
Difficulty	5	

Dance	10	
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Total	Possible	Score
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45

Full Routine – 5 Points

Points

Score

Overall Effect

Flow, transitions, entertainment, performance of skills, energy throughout the entire routine	5	
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NYSPHSAA CHAMPIONSHIP
CHEER SCORE SHEET
JUDGES 3/4



Team Name

Judge 3 Initials

Division

Judge 4 Initials

MUSIC PORTION - 55 Points	Points	Score
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Partner Stunts - 20 Points

Execution	10	
Difficulty	10	

Pyramids - 20 Points

Execution	10	
Difficulty	10	

Jumps - 10 Points

Execution	5	
Difficulty	5	

Total	Possible	Score
	55	

Full Routine – 5 Points	Points	Score
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Overall Effect Flow, transitions, entertainment, performance of skills, energy throughout the entire routine	5	
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CHEERLEADING – Plan Game Day Cheer for Fall 2021

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Jennifer Simmons, NYSPHSAA Cheer State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee is seeking approval to implement Game Day Cheer in the fall of 2021 held during week #17 on the NYSPHSAA calendar (originally proposed to implement in fall 2020).

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2021

Rationale:

Initially, Game Day Cheer was going to be introduced at the state level in the fall of 2020. There would be regional competitions in the East and West, similar to how Competitive Cheerleading was originally introduced at the state level. Currently, Sections have the ability to run Game Day competitions on their own. However, due to the impact of COVID-19 and the uncertainty of fall sports, the committee felt it would be best if we waited another year to introduce a state progression. This would also allow for more training of coaches and judges in this area as well as provide time for programs to determine what this fall will look like.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee discussed this initially in May 2019 and was hopeful to implement in Fall 2020. But determined at the May 2020 video meeting it was necessary to delay implementation.

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at its May 2020 video call. There were no concerns from CAC.

Attachments:

None



Game-Day-Separate Proposal #2

- Game –day will be a pilot with NYSPHSAA recognizing it starting with the 2018-fall school year.
- The Competitions/exhibitions will be held in the Fall Season or Winter season
- The program will use the Varsity Brand UCA format as outlined
- The Committee proposes using trained Game Day judges for these events in year 1-inviting additional NYSPHSAA Judges association as observers (as they will not have been trained in this, this year).
- The Committee suggests that any Section wanting to host a Game Day event, will set the dates and contact their Section Representative for judges.
- Further Training of the judges of NYSPHSAA for Game-Day will be through observing the first year at events as well as training in the Summer of 2019, or when available
- The Game-Day format will follow the guidelines as set forth by Varsity Game-Day Competitions
- Fight Song music is available through varsity to use if needed

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BOYS ICE HOCKEY – COMMITTEE ANNUALLY APPROVE REGIONAL SITES

- ☐ Action Item
- ☒ Discussion Item
- ☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Scott Stuart, NYSPHSAA Boys Ice Hockey Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Ice Hockey State Committee is seeking approval to be permitted to annually approve sites to host regional contests each year. The list of proposed regional sites would be generated by the Boys Ice Hockey Committee and presented to the Executive Committee every October (following their September committee meeting) for approval.

Effective Start Date:

2020-2021 season

Rationale:

Over the past several years there has been concerns and issues raised about the selection of regional sites. Among the issues are the size of venues not being large enough to hold spectators and venues lacking key amenities necessary for hosting a regional contest that the committee feels are critical in hosting regionals. Schools from the host section would prefer to play in their home arena or rink, which is permitted for regional contests. Section Coordinators have discussed numerous specifications that are necessary and acceptable to host. Each coordinator plans to provide a list of arenas and rinks that would be suitable to host a regional contest within their section, then the committee would discuss it.

Proposal Originated:

Boys Ice Hockey Committee April 2020. The committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal.

Budgetary Impact:

It may increase rental cost to a Section if they cannot use a host school site

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

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WRESTLING – Implement Automatic Qualifier Procedure for State Tournament

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee is seeking approval of a two-year pilot program to change from the current At-Large Procedure for the NYSPHSAA Championship to an Automatic Qualifying Procedure (see attached document).

Effective Start Date:

2020-2021 Season

Rationale:

The current At-Large procedure used to complete the brackets is very cumbersome and time consuming. The process is based on student athletes obtaining championship points so that they can be invited to participate in the Wrestling Championship, if they did not win their Sectional Championship. The points are obtained by win-loss record, past Sectional and State place finishes, whom they beat during the season and where they finished during the current Sectional Championship.

The current system creates an atmosphere where wrestlers tend to “chase” points and avoid matches that may hurt them at the end of the season. The Sectional Coordinators are responsible for collecting and submitting all of this information for the wrestlers in their Sections. The Automatic Qualifier would eliminate the point system and award invitation in the State Championship based on the outcome of the Sectional Championship. Each Section would send their Section Champion to the State Tournament (no change). The rest of the bracket would be filled by the 2nd and 3rd place finishers in the Section Championship.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee April 2020

Budgetary Impact:

If the “13 weight class” proposal is approved in July, this proposal would increase the number of students participating in the State Championship to 6.3%. Currently, the participation rate is 5.3%.

If the “13 weight class” proposal is not approved in July, the Wrestling Committee has a similar proposal for using the Automatic Qualifier based on 15 weight classes. The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee voted 9-1-1 to move forward with this recommendation.

WRESTLING – Implement Automatic Qualifier Procedure for State Tournament

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Purpose: The Automatic Qualifier Procedure is used to fill-in the bracket at the Wrestling State Championship Tournament.

Eligible Wrestlers: Only wrestlers that finish 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, in their Sectional Championship are eligible to be invited to the State Wrestling Championship.

Section Champions: All Sections will have the right to send a representative in each division to the State Championship as per the NYSPHSAA Philosophy.

Section Qualifiers: Sections will be ranked in order based on Power Points. The top two Sections in each division will be able to invite the 2nd and 3rd place finisher to the State Championship. The next 5 Sections will be able to invite their 2nd place finisher to the State Championship. The remaining Sections will only bring their Sections Champion or replacement to the State Championship. See chart below:

Division 1			
S#	2019-20 # Schools	Points	Option1 # Qual
8	42	321	3
11	41	318	3
5	21	288	2
1	37	225	2
6	19	138	2
9	15	132	2
2	18	131	2
4	9	86	1
3	18	76	1
10	1	0	1
C	20	N/A	1
P	65	N/A	1
Total	306		21

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Division 2			
S#	2019-20 # Schools	Points	# of Invites
3	33	331	3
4	26	268	3
5	44	256	2
2	34	232	2
6	32	223	2
11	10	207	2
8	8	144	2
1	12	90	1
7	5	84	1
9	13	72	1
10	4	26	1
P	10	N/A	1
AIS	8	N/A	1
Total	239		22

Ranking of Sections: Sections will be ranked based on their Power Points earned over the past three State Championships. Power Points are based on the points accumulated at the State Championship by the Section Champion. By using the Section Champion this ensures that all Sections have an equal opportunity to earn Power Points. The three-year average is also used to get a more consistent total from the Section.

Replacement of Wrestlers: A wrestler must take 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in their Sectional Tournament to be eligible to qualify for the state tournament (including qualifying for any replacements). Sections that qualify three wrestlers may not send a replacement wrestler (as no 4th place sectional finishers are permitted). Sections that qualify two wrestlers may send their 3rd place finisher if either of their 1st or 2nd place finishers scratch. Sections that qualify one wrestler may replace their wrestler with the either their 2nd or 3rd place finisher. Anytime a section cannot send a wrestler they shall be replaced, by weight class, on a rotating basis with the next available section on the points chart. No replacements may be made after noon on Wednesday.

Deadline for Entries: Each Section will submit their entries into the tournament by noon on the Wednesday prior to the NYSPHSAA seeding meeting. No replacements will be allowed after the deadline.

NYSPHSAA CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Sectional Concerns (Advanced Sectional Concerns)

(A) **Section I:** Exceeding the maximum contest prescribed penalty

APPROVED W/ AMENDED LANGUAGE 32-15

Section III: Cohort numbers for classification

Section VI: Sportsmanship Pledge - Inclusion of "no racial slurs"

Handbook Committee – Pat Pizzarelli

(A) Consider approval to modify the NYSPHSAA Player Sportsmanship Standard.

APPROVED

Student-Athlete Development Committee (SADC) – Kristen Jadin

Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) – Kristen Jadin

Sportsmanship Committee – Todd Nelson & Kristen Jadin

(A) Consider approval to expand the current Officials/Coaches Appreciation Day to include all three seasons during the year.

APPROVED

Safety Committee – Todd Nelson

(A) Consider approval to amend the current NYSPHSAA Lightning and Thunder Policy. ***Request to be tabled for further discussion*

(A) Consider approval to only present NYSPHSAA awards during NYSPHSAA State Championships award ceremonies beginning in Fall 2020.

APPROVED 32-15

Dr. Robert Zayas,
NYSPHSAA Executive
Director

(A) Consider approval of waivers of the representation rule for various Sections. **None at this time*

Dr. Robert Zayas,
NYSPHSAA Executive
Director

(A) Consider approval of Friends & Neighbors and new member schools.

APPROVED

Dr. Robert Zayas,
NYSPHSAA Executive
Director

(A) Consider approval of NYSPSHAA State Sport Coordinators.

APPROVED

Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA
Assistant Director

(A) Consider approval of NYSPHSAA Officials Contracts.

APPROVED

Todd Nelson,
NYSPHSAA Assistant
Director

Sports Action/Discussion Items

FALL

(D) Consideration of approval to change designation from individual to team/individual and adopt the NYSPHSAA Girls and Boys Tennis State Team Championship *in addition to* the state (individual) championship format already in place – to begin in Fall 2021 (girls) and Spring 2022 (boys).

Girls/Boys Tennis
Committees

(D) Consideration of approval to utilize NCAA Rule for two libero system in Boys Volleyball.

Boys Volleyball
Committee

NYSPHSAA

CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING

(D) Consideration of approval for a waiver of rule 9.2.4.3 in Girls and Boys Volleyball and allow players to go to the bench and then switch sides. *Girls/Boys Volleyball Committees*
DEFEATED 12-35

(A) Consider approval of the Albany Capital Center as the host of the 2021-2023 NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball State Championships. *Boys Volleyball Committee*
APPROVED

(A) Consider approval of Cool Insuring Arena as the host of the 2021-2023 NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Championships. *Girls Volleyball Committee*
APPROVED

(A) Consider approval to revise Rule 4.22 (Game Clock) in the sport of Field Hockey. *Field Hockey Committee*
APPROVED

(A) Consider approval to allow defensive players to wear a face mask on penalty corners only (with certain protocols) in the sport of Field Hockey. *Field Hockey Committee*
APPROVED 43-4

(A) Consider approval of a waiver of the nights rest rule and the max number of contests for JV Football Players. *Football Committee*
APPROVED 36-11

WINTER

(D) Consideration of approval to add additional value parts for the Uneven Bars to the current NYSPHSAA Gymnastics Technical Handbook. *Gymnastics Committee*

(D) Consideration of approval to permanently adopt the 2018 pilot that established a structure, training and scoring format for the NYSPHSAA Competitive Cheerleading Championships. *Competitive Cheerleading Committee*

(D) Consideration of approval of modifications to the scoring areas of the State Scoresheet for Competitive Cheerleading. *Competitive Cheerleading Committee*

(D) Consideration of approval to implement Game Day Cheer Regional Competitions in the fall of 2021 to be held during week #17 on the NYSPHSAA calendar. *Competitive Cheerleading Committee*

(D) Consideration of approval to be permitted to annually approve sites to host Boys Ice Hockey regional contests. *Boys Ice Hockey Committee*

(D) Consideration of approval to implement a two-year pilot program to change from the current At-Large Procedure for the NYSPHSAA Championship to an Automatic Qualifying Procedure effective for the 2020-2021 season. *Wrestling Committee*

(D) Consideration of approval to require all sections to wrestle to a true second place finish in the Sectional Wrestling Championships beginning in the 2020-2021 season. *Wrestling Committee*
REMOVED

(A) Consider approval to utilize 13 wrestling weight classes (currently 15) beginning in the 2020-2021 season as a two-year pilot. *Wrestling Committee*
APPROVED 28-19

NYSPHSAA CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING

- (A) Consider approval of changes to wrestling handbook.

Wrestling Committee

APPROVED

- (A) Consider approval to adopt 17-minute periods (currently 15 minutes) and adjust penalty times from 1.5 minor, 4 major and 7.5 misconduct to 2-minute minor, 5-minute major and 10-minute misconducts in the sport of Boys Ice Hockey beginning in the 2020-2021 season.

*Boys Ice Hockey
Committee*

APPROVED 24-15-8

- (A) Consider approval to adopt a 2 referee, 1 linesman officiating system for all regional and State Final Four games in the sport of Boys Ice Hockey beginning in the 2020-2021 season.

*Boys Ice Hockey
Committee*

APPROVED 37-6-4

- (A) Consider approval to allow a maximum of 1 relay team per school at the NYSPHSAA B/G Indoor Track/Field State Championships.

*B/G Indoor Track &
Field Committee*

APPROVED 39-8

- (A) Consider approval to amend Bowling Rule #5.01 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook to adopt USBC Playing Rules (Chapter No. 2 "General Playing Rules" and Chapter No. 8 "Equipment Specifications" Only) and #5.07 Waivers of USBC Rules.

*B/G Bowling
Committees*

APPROVED

SPRING

- (A) Consider approval to advance the 2020 state tournament at-large rotation to the spring 2021 season for Boys Tennis.

*Boys Tennis
Committee*

APPROVED

- (A) Consider approval to revise the baseball pitch count restrictions.

Baseball Committee

APPROVED