



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Thursday, September 8, 2022

In Person @ Orange Ulster BOCES

Emanuel Axelrod Building

Special Education Auditorium

9:30 am

1. Call to Order- Greg Ransom
2. Review of Meeting Materials
3. Approval of June 15, 2022, Minutes
4. Financial Report- Linda Trapani
5. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives- Roberta Greene and Jim Wolfe
6. NYSPHSAA Office Report – Dr. Robert Zayas
7. Combining of Teams- Tim Bult and Dominic Zarrella
8. Fall Chair Reports:
 - a. Volleyball Steve Boucher
 - b. Football Dave Coates/ Tom Casatta
 - c. Cross-Country Jim Glover/Joe Cahill
 - d. Cheerleading Kelly Hall
 - e. Girls Swimming Chris Sammons
 - f. Field Hockey Deb Beam
 - g. Girls Tennis Urvashi Gupta
 - h. Boys Soccer Pete Ferguson/ Tony Martelli
 - i. Girls Soccer Diane Wanser
9. Chair Reports
 - a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports Greg Warren and Suzanne Lendzian
 - b. Safety Janet Carey
 - c. Student Athlete Advisory Committee Suzanne Lendzian
 - d. Eligibility Tom Cassata
 - e. Officials Coordinator Dennis Burkett
 - f. Sportsmanship Adam Kless
 - g. Unified Sports Rich Silverstein
10. Old Business
Chairpersons for Girls Lacrosse, Softball, and Ice Hockey
11. New Business
NIL Legal Workshop
12. Adjournment of Section IX Meeting

Next Meeting Date:

Tuesday, October 4, 2022, Zoom Meeting, 9:30 am

Athletic Director Mandated Workshop – Monday, September 12, 2022, Otterkill Country Club –
Breakfast @ 8:30 am and Workshop begins @ 9:30 am

10:09 AM

09/01/22

Section IX Athletic Council, Inc.
Reconciliation Summary
Orange County Trust Company, Period Ending 08/31/2022

	<u>Aug 31, 22</u>
Beginning Balance	171,789.29
Cleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 23 items	-21,432.51
Deposits and Credits - 27 items	127,753.43
Total Cleared Transactions	<u>106,320.92</u>
Cleared Balance	<u><u>278,110.21</u></u>
Uncleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 19 items	-12,362.37
Deposits and Credits - 5 items	5,418.77
Total Uncleared Transactions	<u>-6,943.60</u>
Register Balance as of 08/31/2022	<u><u>271,166.61</u></u>
New Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 1 item	-141.88
Deposits and Credits - 2 items	834.15
Total New Transactions	<u>692.27</u>
Ending Balance	<u><u>271,858.88</u></u>



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August 10, 2022

Section IX Athletic Council, Inc.
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ATT: Linda Trapani

Re: Our File No. 3006

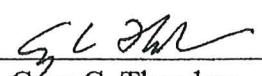
Dear Linda:

We have reviewed a sample of your records for the year ended June 30, 2022. As part of our review, we selected a sample of paid bills, canceled checks and bank statements and compared them to the check register and to QuickBooks. We did not notice any discrepancies. We also reviewed a sample of the deposit slips, receipt documents and bank statements and traced them to the check register and to QuickBooks. We did not notice any discrepancies. All of the information that we reviewed was organized and in good order. Based upon our review, we are happy to report that the books and records of the organization are in good shape and we recommend that all current procedures being used by the organization stay in place. Our firm has many not-for-profit clients. Your record keeping system, as compared to other organizations your size is excellent.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

NUGENT & HAEUSSLER, P.C.



Gary C. Theodore

GCT:sb



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NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting Highlights

1. Dr. Robert Zayas – Executive Director
 - a. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion National Book Study
The NFHS will launch a first-ever national book study in the Fall of 2022 in support of its focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion. The NYSPHSAA staff and interested Section Executive Directors will be invited to participate.
 - b. NFHS Football Tackling Course
The NFHS and the National Football League have teamed up to produce a new free “Football Tackling Course” for the NFHS Learning Center, designed to assist interscholastic coaches in teaching, evaluating, and programming proper tackling techniques.
 - c. Girls Lacrosse Headgear
The NFHS Lacrosse Committee is interested in gathering more detailed information. The NYSPHSAA Safety Committee will examine this topic at their Fall 2022 Meeting and the NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Committee will discuss this topic at their next Committee Meeting on December 5, 2022.
 - d. Lacrosse Possession Clock
The NFHS Lacrosse Committee is currently discussing the potential implementation of a possession clock in the sport of Boys and Girls Lacrosse. NYSPHSAA may seek permission from the NFHS to conduct a possession clock experiment for the 2024 season.
 - e. 2024-2025 Calendar
NYSPHSAA continues to abide by the standard calendar of dates. The Membership should be aware of the following notable dates during the 2024-2025 school year:
 - i. Football start date (Saturday, Week #7) – August 24
 - ii. Fall Sports start date (Monday, Week #8) – August 26
 - iii. Thanksgiving (Thursday) - November 28
 - iv. Football Championships – December 6-8
 - v. Winter start date (Monday, Week #20) – November 18
 - vi. Spring start date (Monday, Week #37) – March 17
 - vii. Spring 2025 Championships (Week #49) – Championships conclude on June 14
 - viii. (Outdoor Track, Softball, Basketball, Boys & Girls Lacrosse)Attached is the Standard Calendar of Weeks – 7-Year Calendar – Fall of 2022-2028
2. Joe Altieri – Assistant Director
 - a. A reminder, the UTR mandate begins for Girls Tennis this Fall 2022. It began for Boys in Spring 2022. The mandate is for athletes to claim their profile prior to the season and schools to report results in a timely manner on the UTR website.
 - b. 100th Anniversary
At the July 2023 Summer Meeting, NYSPHSAA will celebrate its 100th Anniversary.



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- c. NYSPHSAA Championships – 5-Year Calendar – Fall 2022 – Spring 2027 and 2022-2023 NYSPHSAA Championship Dates and Sites Document attached.
- 3. Todd Nelson – Assistant Director
 - a. School Enrollment Numbers and Classification Cut-off Numbers Document attached.
 - b. Dominic Murray Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act
This law is like the requirements for the NYS Concussion Management Law. Please use the link below to obtain the following sample information from SED. SED link: <https://www.p12.ny.sed.gov/sss/schoolhealth/schoolhealthservices>
 - c. Girls Flag Football
It will be considered an emerging sport for 2023. NYSPHSAA will form a Girls Flag Football Committee with representatives from all participating Sections. This Committee will be responsible to review the current rules being used during the Pilot Program and make any recommended changes or amendments to the Rules. The Committee will also review all NYSPHSAA Rules and Regulations and make recommendations on any additions (night's rest, max number of games, minimum number of practices, etc.) to the Executive Committee. They will also discuss and recommend any future post-season competition at the Regional or State level. The NYSPHSAA staff will be asking each participating Section to forward a representative to meet in September/October 2022.
- 4. Chris Watson – Director of Communications
 - a. Overtime Sports/Captains Club
The latest edition of Overtime Sports was released recently featuring Tampa Bay Rays' strength and conditioning Coach, Joey Greany. Joey is a Valley Central graduate (Section IX). Check out the story on the NYSPHSAA YouTube page.
- 5. SED 2022 Updates for Physical & Health Education
 - a. Information was emailed to Athletic Directors. NYS Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (NYS AHPERD) Conference will be held on November 16-19, 2022, in Verona, NY.
- 6. Sectional Concerns
 - a. Section II – Consider approval of the addition to the NYSPHSAA Combining of Teams Rule. See attached.
- 7. Sportsmanship Meeting Report
 - a. The Sportsmanship Committee is recommending NYSPHSAA establish a Spectator Expectation Statement to be included in the Handbook.
 - b. The Sportsmanship Committee is recommending adding a Spectator Sportsmanship Regulation to the NYSPHSAA Handbook. This regulation would treat spectators that are removed from a contest in a similar manner as coaches and athletes.



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- c. NYSPHSAA Serious Complaint Form
The Sportsmanship Committee supports the idea that officials and schools could file a serious complaint form directly to NYSPHSAA staff and allow NYSPHSAA staff to work with the Sections to address these concerns.
- 8. Discussion Items for the Section and the Leagues (attached)
 - a. Sportsmanship: NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Spectator Expectation
 - b. Sportsmanship: NYSPHSAA Spectator Sportsmanship Regulation
 - c. Unified Sports: Waiver of the NYSPHSAA Representation Rule
 - d. Unified Sports: Mandate the NFHS Coaching Unified Sports Course
 - e. League Placement of Section VI Charter Schools
 - f. Cheerleading: Establish an NYSPHSAA Game Day State Championship
 - g. Boys Soccer: Increase Allowable Yellow Cards in the Post-Season
 - h. Wrestling: Extension of the Pilot Weight Classes
 - i. Softball: Request to Extend the Softball State Championship to Two (2) Days
 - j. Championship Advisory Committee: Addition of Officials at Individual Wrestling Championship

Respectfully submitted,

James Osborne
Section IX Secretary



As of July 28, 2022

NYSPHSAA Central Committee Meeting Recap

Last NYSPHSAA Meeting: July 26-27, 2022 (Central Committee)

Next NYSPHSAA Meeting: October 19, 2022 (Executive Committee)

July 26-27, 2022 Central Committee Approved Items:

Passed (A) Consider approval of a change in the submission of the Football Officials for the NYSPHSAA Semifinals & Finals.

Passed (A) Consider approval of a one-year pilot program to use the standby official at the semifinal and final games as an on-field working official in the sport of Football.

Passed (A) Consider approval to add voting members to the NYSPHSAA Safety Committee.

Passed (A) Consider approval of a NYSPHSAA Tornado Policy.

Passed (A) Consider approval of John Doerner as the Swimming & Diving Coordinator.

Passed (A) Consider approval of the NYSPHSAA Strategic Plan (2022-2027).

Passed (A) Consider approval to add the following positions, as voting members, on the NYSPHSAA Budget/Audit committee - Two outside CPA Representatives with not-for-profit experience and one School Business Official.

Passed (A) Consider approval for the following sports to begin competition in six classifications starting in the 2023-2024 school year: Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Baseball, Softball, and Girls Volleyball.

Passed (A) Consider approval of Friend & Neighbor and new member schools.

Passed (A) Consider approval of State Sport Coordinators for a five-year term.

Passed (A) Consider approval to abide by the national governing body (i.e., NFHS, NCAA, USA Softball, USTA, USAG, etc.) Jewelry rule for all sports.

Passed (A) Consider approval to change overtime procedures in regular and post season in the sport of Girls Soccer.

Passed (A) Consider approval of the NFHS rules for 8-man football with waivers and NYSPHSAA specific rules.

Passed (A) Consider approval of revised classification cut off numbers in the sport of Football. (*Tabled at May 4th Executive Committee meeting*)

Passed (A) Consider approval to implement a new championship format for Boys and Girls Tennis, which eliminates consolations and adds medal playoffs for the top 8 participants.

Passed (A) Consider approval to revise the NYSPHSAA Handbook under Ice Hockey 13.08 Post Season Overtime.

Passed (A) Consider approval of a change in the NYSPHSAA Handbook under Boys Ice Hockey 13.08 #10 to read, "A maximum of TWO minutes warm-up per substitute goaltender per game shall be required."

Passed (A) Consider approval to revise the Gymnastics Technical Handbook related to wearing of spandex/lycra pants.

Passed (A) Consider approval of scoring changes in the Gymnastics Technical Handbook.

July 26-27, 2022 Central Committee Defeated Items:

Defeated Consider approval of no longer differentiating between 7-10 grade students and 11-12 grade students when determining the eligibility of non-corresponding transfer students. (*Tabled at May 4th Executive Committee meeting*)

Defeated Consider approval to use enrollments of grades 9, 10, and 11 for the NYSPHSAA Classifications for the following school year, revising the submission process and timeline.

Defeated Consider approval of a waiver of the 7-Day Rule for the first two weeks of the Fall 2022 in the sport of football.

July 26-27, 2022 Central Committee Discussion Items:

(D) Consider approval of the addition of Wrestling officials at the NYSPHSAA Individual Championships.

(D) Consider approval to add Spectator Sportsmanship expectations to the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule.

(D) Consider approval to add a Spectator Sportsmanship Regulation to the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule.

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(D) Consider approval to require Unified coaches to take the NFHS Coaching Unified Sports Course.

(D) Consider the league placement of Section VI Charter Schools.

(D) Consider approval to establish a Game Day Cheerleading Championships in the Fall 2023.

(D) Consider approval to increase the allowable yellow cards in the Boys Soccer post season.

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October 19, 2022 Executive Committee Action Items:

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7/6/2022

Standard Calendar of Weeks (NYSPHSAA State Championships- 7 Year Calendar)

	Wk #	# of Wks	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024	Fall 2025	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Fall 2028
NYSPHSAA Football Championship Sections Start Date (Sat)	7	N/A	8/20	8/19	8/24	8/23	8/22	8/21	8/19
Fall Start Date High School & Modified (Monday)	8	N/A	8/22	8/21	8/26	8/25	8/24	8/23	8/21
Tennis Team Championships (Girls)	18	11 Wks.	11/4	11/3	11/8	11/7	11/6	11/5	11/3
GameDay Cheer Regional	17	10 Wks.	10/29	10/28	11/2	11/3	10/31	10/30	10/28
Tennis Singles & Doubles Championships (Girls)	17	10 Wks.	10/27-10/29	10/26-10/28	10/31-11/2	11/1-11/3	10/29-10/31	10/28-10/30	10/26-10/28
Cross Country Championships (Girls/ Boys)	19	12 Wks.	11/12	11/11	11/16	11/15	11/14	11/13	11/11
Soccer Championships (Girls/ Boys)	19	12 Wks.	11/12-11/13	11/11-11/12	11/16-11/17	11/15-11/16	11/14-11/15	11/13-11/14	11/11-11/12
Field Hockey Championships	19	12 Wks.	11/12-11/13	11/11-11/12	11/16-11/17	11/15-11/16	11/14-11/15	11/13-11/14	11/11-11/12
Swimming & Diving Championships (Girls)	20	13 Wks.	11/18-11/19	11/17-11/18	11/22-11/23	11/21-11/22	11/20-11/21	11/19-11/20	11/17-11/18
Volleyball Championships (Boys)	20	13 Wks.	11/19	11/18	11/23	11/22	11/21	11/20	11/18
Volleyball Championships (Girls)	20	13 Wks.	11/19-11/20	11/18-11/19	11/23-11/24	11/22-11/23	11/21-11/22	11/20-11/21	11/18-11/19
Football Championships	21	14 Wks.	11/25-11/26	11/24-11/26	11/29-11/30	11/28-11/29	11/27-11/28	11/26-11/27	11/24-11/25
Football Semifinals	22	15 Wks.	12/2-12/4	12/1-12/3	12/6-12/8	12/5-12/7	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/1-12/3
Scholar-Athlete Deadline- Fall	23	N/A	12/5	12/4	12/9	12/8	12/7	12/6	12/4

	Wk #	# of Wks	Winter 2022-23	Winter 2023-24	Winter 2024-25	Winter 2025-26	Winter 2026-27	Winter 2027-28	Winter 2028-29
Winter Start Date High School & Modified (Monday)	20	N/A	11/14/2022	11/13/2023	11/18/2024	11/17/2025	11/16/2026	11/15/2027	11/13/2023
Wrestling Team Duals	30	11 Wks.	1/28	1/27	2/1	1/31	1/30	1/29	1/27
Ice Hockey Regional (Girls)	32	13 Wks.	2/17-2/18	2/16-2/17	2/21-2/22	2/20-2/21	2/19-2/20	2/18-2/19	2/16-2/17
Skiing Championships (Girls/ Boys)	34/35	15 Wks.	2/27-2/28	2/26-2/27	2/24-2/25	2/23-2/24	2/22-2/23	2/22-2/23	2/20-2/21
Gymnastics Championships	34/35	15 Wks.	3/4	3/2	3/1	2/28	2/27	2/27	2/26-2/27
Wrestling Championships	34	15 Wks.	2/24-2/25	2/23-2/24	2/28-3/1	2/27-2/28	2/26-2/27	2/25-2/26	2/23-2/24
Swimming & Diving Championships (Boys)	35	16 Wks.	3/3-3/4	3/1-3/2	3/7-3/8	3/6-3/7	3/5-3/6	3/4-3/5	3/2-3/2
Indoor Track Championships	35	16 Wks.	3/4	3/2	3/8	3/7	3/6	3/4	3/3
Competitive Cheer Championships	35	16 Wks.	3/4	3/2	3/8	3/7	3/6	3/4	3/3
Bowling Championships (Girls/ Boys)	36	17 Wks.	3/10-3/12	3/8-3/10	3/14-3/16	3/13-3/15	3/12-3/14	3/10-3/12	3/9-3/11
Ice Hockey Championships (Boys)	36	17 Wks.	3/11-3/12	3/9-3/10	3/15-3/16	3/14-3/15	3/13-3/14	3/11-3/12	3/10-3/11
Scholar-Athlete Deadline- Winter	37	N/A	3/13	3/11	3/17	3/16	3/15	3/13	3/12
Basketball Championships (Girls/ Boys)	37	18 Wks.	3/17-3/19	3/15-3/17	3/21-3/23	3/20-3/22	3/19-3/21	3/17-3/19	3/16-3/18
Federation Basketball (Girls/ Boys)	38	19 Wks.	3/24-3/26	3/22-3/24	3/28-3/30	3/27-3/29	3/26-3/28	3/24-3/26	3/23-3/25
Presidents Day			20-Feb	19-Feb	17-Feb	16-Feb	15-Feb	21-Feb	19-Feb
Easter Sunday			9-Apr	31-Mar	20-Apr	5-Apr	28-Mar	14-Apr	1-Apr

	Week #	# of Wks	Spring 2023	Spring 2024	Spring 2025	Spring 2026	Spring 2027	Spring 2028	Spring 2029
Spring Start Date High School & Modified (Monday)	37	N/A	3/13	3/11	3/17	3/16	3/15	3/13	3/12
Scholar-Athlete Deadline- Spring	47	N/A	5/22	5/20	5/26	5/25	5/24	5/22	5/21
Tennis Singles & Doubles Championships (Boys)	48	12 Wks.	6/1-6/3	5/30-6/1	6/5-6/7	6/4-6/6	6/3-6/5	6/1-6/3	5/31-6/2
Golf Championships (Girls)	48	12 Wks.	6/4-6/5	6/2-6/3	6/8-6/9	6/7-6/8	6/6-6/7	6/4-6/5	6/3-6/4
Boys Golf Championships (Boys)	48	12 Wks.	6/4-6/5	6/2-6/3	6/8-6/9	6/7-6/8	6/6-6/7	6/4-6/5	6/3-6/4
Lacrosse Semifinals (Boys)	29	13 Wks.	6/7	6/5	6/11	6/10	6/9	6/7	6/6
Tennis Team Championships (Boys)	49	13 Wks.	6/9	6/7	6/13	6/12	6/11	6/9	6/8
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Outdoor Track Championships (Girls/ Boys)	49	13 Wks.	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/9-6/10	6/8-6/9
Baseball Championships	49	13 Wks.	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/9-6/10	6/8-6/9
Lacrosse Championships (Boys)	49	13 Wks.	6/10	6/8	6/14	6/13	6/12	6/10	6/9
Softball Championships	49	13 Wks.	6/10	6/8	6/14	6/13	6/12	6/10	6/9
Memorial Day			29-May	27-May	26-May	25-May	31-May	29-May	28-May

NYSPPHSA Championships - 5-YEAR CALENDAR - Fall 2022 thru Spring 2027

FALL		FALL 2022	FALL 2023	FALL 2024	FALL 2025	FALL 2026
Girls Tennis	Date	October 27-29, 2022	October 26-28, 2023	October 31-November 2, 2024	November 1-3, 2025	October 29-31, 2026
	Site	Sportime, Schenectady	**Sportime, Schenectady			
Cheer (Game Day-EAST)	Date	October 29, 2022	October 28, 2023	November 2, 2024	TBA	TBA
	Site	Arlington High School (option)	Arlington High School (option)			
Cheer (Game Day-WEST)	Date	October 29, 2022	October 28, 2023	November 2, 2024	TBA	TBA
	Site	Visions FCU Veterans Mem Arena	Visions FCU Veterans Mem Arena			
Girls Tennis (Team)	Date	November 4, 2022	November 3, 2023	November 8, 2024	November 7, 2025	November 6, 2026
	Site	USTA National Tennis Center	USTA National Tennis Center			
B/G Cross Country	Date	November 12, 2022	November 11, 2023	November 16, 2024	November 15, 2025	November 14, 2026
	Site	Vernon Verona Sherrill HS	**Vernon Verona Sherrill HS			
Boys Soccer	Date	November 12-13, 2022	November 11-12, 2023	November 16-17, 2024	November 15-16, 2025	November 14-15, 2026
	Site	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	**Middletown High School		
Girls Soccer	Date	November 12-13, 2022	November 11-12, 2023	November 16-17, 2024	November 15-16, 2025	November 14-15, 2026
	Site	SUNY Cortland, TC3, Homer	**SUNY Cortland, TC3, Homer			
Field Hockey	Date	November 12-13, 2022	November 11-12, 2023	November 16-17, 2024	November 15-16, 2025	November 14-15, 2026
	Site	Centereach High School	**Centereach High School			
Girls Swimming & Diving	Date	November 18-19, 2022	November 17-18, 2023	November 22-23, 2024	November 21-22, 2025	November 20-21, 2026
	Site	Webster Aquatic Center	Webster Aquatic Center	Webster Aquatic Center		
Boys Volleyball	Date	November 19, 2022	November 18, 2023	November 23, 2024	November 22, 2025	November 21, 2026
	Site	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany	Capital Center, Albany		
Girls Volleyball	Date	November 19-20, 2022	November 18-19, 2023	November 23-24, 2024	November 22-23, 2025	November 21-22, 2026
	Site	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls		
Football EAST	Date	November 25-26, 2022	November 24-25, 2023	November 29-30, 2024	November 28-29, 2025	November 27-28, 2026
	Site	**Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	Middletown High School	
Football WEST	Date	November 25-26, 2022	November 24-25, 2023	November 29-30, 2024	November 28-29, 2025	November 27-28, 2026
	Site	**Union Endicott High School	Cicero North Syracuse HS	Vestal High School	Cicero North Syracuse HS	
Football FINALS	Date	December 2-4, 2022	December 1-3, 2023	December 6-8, 2024	December 5-7, 2025	December 4-6, 2026
	Site	**The JMA Wireless Dome	The JMA Wireless Dome	The JMA Wireless Dome	The JMA Wireless Dome	
WINTER		WINTER 2023	WINTER 2024	WINTER 2025	WINTER 2026	WINTER 2027
Wrestling Dual Meet	Date	January 28, 2023	January 27, 2024	February 1, 2025	January 31, 2026	January 30, 2027
	Site	SRC Arena at Onondaga CC	**SRC Arena at Onondaga CC			
Girls Ice Hockey	Date	February 17-18, 2023	February 9-10, 2024	February 14-15, 2026	February 13-14, 2026	TBA
	Site	NEXUS Center, Utica				
Wrestling	Date	February 24-25, 2023	February 23-24, 2024	February 28 - March 1, 2025	February 27-28, 2026	February 26-27, 2027
	Site	MVP Arena, Albany	MVP Arena, Albany	MVP Arena, Albany		
B/G Skiing	Date	February 27-28, 2023	February 26-27, 2024	February 24-25, 2025	February 23-24, 2026	February 22-23, 2027
	Site	Bristol Mtn/Harriett Hollister	Whiteface Mtn/Mt. Vanhoebenber			
Boys Swimming & Diving	Date	March 3-4, 2023	March 1-2, 2024	March 7-8, 2025	March 6-7, 2026	March 5-6, 2027
	Site	Ithaca College	**Ithaca College			
Competitive Cheer	Date	March 4, 2023	March 2, 2024	March 8, 2025	March 7, 2026	March 6, 2027
	Site	Visions FCU Veterans Mem Arena	Visions FCU Veterans Mem Arena	Visions FCU Veterans Mem Arena		
Girls Gymnastics	Date	March 4, 2023	March 2, 2024	March 1, 2025	February 28, 2026	February 27, 2027
	Site	Kenmore West HS	Kenmore West HS	**Kenmore West HS		
B/G Indoor Track	Date	March 4, 2023	March 2, 2024	March 8, 2025	March 7, 2026	March 6, 2027
	Site	**Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex				
B/G Bowling	Date	March 10-12, 2023	March 8-10, 2024	March 14-16, 2025	March 13-15, 2026	March 12-14, 2027
	Site	Strike N Spare Lanes	**Strike N Spare Lanes			
Ice Hockey	Date	March 11-12, 2023	March 9-10, 2024	March 15-16, 2025	March 14-15, 2026	March 13-14, 2027
	Site	LECOM Harborcenter	LECOM Harborcenter			
Girls Basketball	Date	March 17-19, 2023	March 15-17, 2024	March 21-23, 2025	March 20-22, 2026	March 19-21, 2027
	Site	**Hudson Valley CC	**Hudson Valley CC			
Boys Basketball	Date	March 17-19, 2023	March 15-17, 2024	March 21-23, 2025	March 20-22, 2026	March 19-21, 2027
	Site	**Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls	**Cool Insuring Arena, G. Falls			
B/G Federation Basketball	Date	March 24-26, 2023	March 22-24, 2024	March 28-30, 2025	March 27-29, 2026	March 26-28, 2027
	Site	TBA	TBA			
SPRING		SPRING 2023	SPRING 2024	SPRING 2025	SPRING 2026	SPRING 2027
Boys Tennis	Date	June 1-3, 2023	May 30 - June 1, 2024	June 5-7, 2025	June 4-6, 2026	June 3-5, 2027
	Site					
Boys Golf	Date	June 4-5, 2023	June 2-3, 2024	June 8-9, 2025	June 7-8, 2026	June 6-7, 2027
	Site	**Mark Twain Golf Course	**Mark Twain Golf Course			
Girls Golf	Date	June 4-5, 2023	June 2-3, 2024	June 8-9, 2025	June 7-8, 2026	June 6-7, 2027
	Site	Edison Club	Edison Club			
Boys Lacrosse EAST	Date	June 7, 2023	June 5, 2024	June 11, 2025	June 10, 2026	June 9, 2027
	Site	**U Albany	**U Albany			
Boys Lacrosse WEST	Date	June 7, 2023	June 5, 2024	June 11, 2025	June 10, 2026	June 9, 2027
	Site	**SUNY Cortland	**SUNY Cortland			
Boys Lacrosse FINALS	Date	June 10, 2023	June 8, 2024	June 14, 2025	June 13, 2026	June 12, 2027
	Site	**Hofstra University	**Hofstra University			
Boys Tennis (Team)	Date	June 9, 2023	June 7, 2024	**June 13, 2025	June 12, 2026	June 11, 2027
	Site	USTA National Tennis Center	USTA National Tennis Center			
Girls Lacrosse	Date	June 9-10, 2023	June 7-8, 2024	June 13-14, 2025	June 12-13, 2026	June 11-12, 2027
	Site	**SUNY Cortland	**SUNY Cortland			
B/G Outdoor Track	Date	June 9-10, 2023	June 7-8, 2024	June 13-14, 2025	June 12-13, 2026	June 11-12, 2027
	Site	Middletown High School	**Cicero-North Syracuse	**Middletown High School		
Baseball	Date	June 9-10, 2023	June 7-8, 2024	June 13-14, 2025	June 12-13, 2026	June 11-12, 2027
	Site	**Binghamton				
Softball	Date	June 10, 2023	June 8, 2024	June 14, 2025	June 13, 2026	June 12, 2027
	Site	**Moriches Athletic Complex	**Moriches Athletic Complex			

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yellow box indicates RECOMMENDED and will be voted on at the next Executive/Central Committee meeting

** due to COVID-19 canceling these events, an additional year was granted by the Executive Committee to host these events again



**2022-2023 NYSPHSAA
Championship Dates & Sites**



Fall 2022

Oct 27-29	Girls Tennis Individual	Sportime, Schenectady (2)
October 29	Game Day Cheer East	Arlington High School, Arlington (I)
October 29	Game Day Cheer West	Visions FCU Memorial Arena, Binghamton (IV)
November 4	Girls Tennis Team	USTA National Tennis Center, Flushing
Nov 12	B/G Cross Country	Vernon-Verona-Sherrill HS, Vernon (III)
Nov 12-13	Girls Soccer	Various Sites in Cortland (III)
Nov 12-13	Boys Soccer	Middletown High School, Middletown (IX)
Nov 12-13	Field Hockey	Centereach High School, Centereach (XI)
Nov 18	Federation Cross Country	Bowdoin Park, Wappingers Falls (I) (Tentative)
Nov 19	Boys Volleyball	Capital Center, Albany (2)
Nov 19-20	Girls Volleyball	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls (2)
Nov 18-19	Girls Swimming & Diving	Webster Aquatic Center, Webster (V)
Nov 25-26	Football East Semifinals	Middletown High School, Middletown (IX)
Nov 25-26	Football West Semifinals	Union Endicott High School, Endicott (IV)
Dec 2-4	Football Finals	The JMA Wireless Dome, Syracuse (III)

Winter 2023

Jan 28	Wrestling Dual Meet	SRC Arena at Onondaga CC, Syracuse (III)
February 17-18	Girls Ice Hockey	Nexus Center, Utica (III)
Feb 24-25	Wrestling Individual	MVP Arena, Albany (2)
Feb 27-28	B/G Skiing	Bristol Mountain & Harriett Hollister (V)
March 3-4	Boys Swimming & Diving	Ithaca College, Ithaca (IV)
March 4	Girls Gymnastics	Kenmore West High School, Buffalo (VI)
March 4	B/G Indoor Track & Field	Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex, Staten Island
March 4	Competitive Cheer	Visions FCU Memorial Arena, Binghamton (IV)
March 10-12	B/G Bowling	AMF Strike-N-Spare Lanes, Syracuse (III)
March 11-12	Boys Ice Hockey	LECOM Harborcenter, Buffalo (VI)
March 17-19	Girls Basketball	Hudson Valley Community College, Troy (2)
March 17-19	Boys Basketball	Cool Insuring Arena, Glens Falls (2)
March 24-26	B/G Federation Basketball Tournament of Champions	Site TBA

Spring 2023

June (date TBA)	Federation Golf Championships	TBA
June 1-3	Boys Tennis Individual	USTA National Tennis Center, Flushing
June 3-5	Girls Golf	Edison Club, Rexford (2)
June 3-5	Boys Golf	Mark Twain Golf Course, Elmira (IV)
June 7	Boys Lacrosse East Semis	University at Albany, Albany (2)
June 7	Boys Lacrosse West Semis	SUNY Cortland, Cortland (III)
June 9	Boys Tennis Team	USTA National Tennis Center, Flushing
June 9-10	B/G Track & Field	Middletown High School, Middletown (IX)
June 9-10	Baseball	Various Sites in Binghamton (IV)
June 9-10	Girls Lacrosse	SUNY Cortland, Cortland (III)
June 10	Boys Lacrosse Finals	Hofstra University, Hempstead (VIII)
June 10	Softball	Moriches Athletic Complex, Brookhaven (XI)

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Todd Nelson
Assistant Director

School Enrollment Numbers and Classification Cut-Off Numbers:

Each October, the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approves the school enrollment numbers and classification cut-off numbers for non-variation sports (Boys and Girls Soccer, Boys and Girl Basketball, Baseball, Softball). **Note:** Because Girls Volleyball will be using a sixth classification starting with the 2023 Fall season, they need their school enrollment numbers and classification cut-off numbers approved in October 2022.

See attached document for a detailed description of the process used.

*** Dominic Murray Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act:**

The Dominic Murray Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act, Chapter 500 of the Laws of 2021, and Commissioner's regulation §136.9 are effective July 1, 2022. The Act was written to ensure that schools, students, and parents are provided with critical, lifesaving information on sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) risks, signs, and symptoms, to ensure students at risk are evaluated prior to participation in athletics, and that SCA is immediately recognized and treated to prevent death. The Act requires:

- The Commissioner of Health to develop information, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Education, relating to pupils exhibiting signs or symptoms of pending or increased risk of sudden cardiac arrest.
- Directs the Commissioner of Education to post the information on the Department's website.
- All schools must include such information¹ in any permission form, consent form, or similar document that may be required for a student's participation in interscholastic athletics or reference how to obtain such information from the Department and Department of Health's websites, or on the school's website, if one exists.
- The Commissioner of Education to promulgate regulations requiring that any student displaying signs or symptoms of pending or increased risk of sudden cardiac arrest shall be immediately removed from athletic activities, and shall not resume athletic activity until he or she has been evaluated by and received written and signed authorization from a licensed physician; and retain the authorization on file in the student's permanent health record.

This law is like the requirements for the NYS Concussion Management Law. Please use the link below to obtain the following sample information from SED:

- The Dominic Murray Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Memo
- Sample Parent/Guardian Letter for Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) Prevention
- Interval Health History for Athletics

SED Link: <https://www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/schoolhealth/schoolhealthservices/>

NYSPHSAA would also encourage all coaches to take the NFHS Sudden Cardiac Syndrome Course. This is a free course on the www.nfhslearn.com website.

Process for School Enrollment Numbers and Classification Cut-Off Numbers

VARIATION SPORTS:

In accordance with the NYSPHSAA Handbook (Classification Variations): *"All Variation Sports will present changes to the Championship Advisory Committee (CAC) prior to proposing changes to classification cut-off numbers to the Executive Committee at the May meeting. Approved changes will not go into effect the following school year."*

NON-VARIATION SPORTS:

Each October, the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approves the school enrollment numbers and classification cut-off numbers for non-variation sports (Boys and Girls Soccer, Boys and Girl Basketball, Baseball, Softball).

Note: Because Girls Volleyball will be using a sixth classification starting with the 2023 Fall season, they need their school enrollment numbers and classification cut-off numbers approved in October 2022.

The formula used to establish the classification cut-off numbers for non-variation sports will be 75 on the top (Class AAA) and 100 bottom (Class D) and equally divided the middle.

The following timeline will be used each year:

August:

- Sections will submit a current list of all teams (schools) participating in non-variation sports (*and Girls Volleyball for Fall 2022*).
- The Section submitted list will include all current/planned merged teams (schools) and the current/planned reclassification of any non-public & charter schools.

September:

- The NYSPHSAA staff will receive the final BEDS numbers from NYSED.
- A report for the following school enrollment numbers will be created and shared with all Section Executive Directors for review.
- The NYSPHSAA staff will also prepare a report for the classification cut-off numbers for non-variation sports (*and Girls Volleyball for Fall 2022*).
- The approved formula used to determine the classification cut-off will be a minimum of 75 in the highest classification (Class AAA), a minimum of 100 in the lowest classification (Class D) and equally divide the remaining classifications (Girls Volleyball – variation 60/80).
- The classifications will take into account all merged teams and reclassifications of any non-public schools.
- Reclassified non-public & charter schools will be listed at the top of the classification.

October:

- The school enrollments numbers and the classification cut-off numbers for non-variation sports (*and Girls Volleyball for Fall 2022*) will be presented to the Executive Committee for approval.
- Once school enrollment numbers and classification cut-off numbers are approved, they will be final and can only be changed due to a clerical error.
- If a non-public or charter school is moved up or down in classification, following the Executive Committee's October approval, the classification cut-off numbers will not be adjusted nor will any other school's placement be impacted (i.e., non-public school's basketball team is moved from Class AA to Class AAA in December; this will result in 76 teams in Class AAA).

- If a merger is approved following the Executive Committee's October approval, the classification cut-off numbers will not be adjusted nor will any other school's placement be impacted (i.e., two Class D schools merge in Boys Basketball in December and become a Class C Boys Basketball school; this will result in 98 schools in Class D Boys Basketball).

Section 2 of The NYSPHSAA, Inc Sectional Concern & Proposal Form



☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter: Matt Ronca & Elise Britt- Male & Female Representatives

Proposal: Rule Change – NYSPHSAA Combining of Teams Rule

6. The 13 public school districts in the State that operate to serve students in grades K-8 only, may merge to form multiple “modified” teams. If the K-8 student who participates at the modified level, transfers to a different school with which the K-8 district contracts, the student would be subject to the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule.

Rationale: The above language would meet the needs of the K-8 Modified student-athletes and would follow the existing concept from the NYSED regulations.

Proposal Originated: Discussions from a K-8 Public school which is a full member of both Section 2 & The NYSPHSAA. Currently they are limited to one approved merger at the modified level, resulting in one opportunity.

Budget Impact: No budgetary impact to the Section or the NYSPHSAA

Notes:

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Sportsmanship: NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Spectator Expectation

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

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Liaison

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee is recommending adding the following NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Spectator Expectation Statement to the Handbook.

"Officials, just like student athletes and coaches, are critical to interscholastic sports programs. Without officials, NYSPHSAA and its member schools would not be able to provide interscholastic sports in the manner that is desired and expected by student athletes, coaches, and parents. Spectators are expected to Be Loud, Be Proud, and Be Positive." Negative comments and inappropriate behaviors by spectators are required to be addressed by all and any school supervisors and administrators, as a member of NYSPHSAA. Spectators may be prohibited from attending current and future interscholastic contests based on their behavior."

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2022

Rationale:

NYSPHSAA member schools have witnessed an increase in negative behavior by spectators at interscholastic contest at all levels. This behavior is having a negative impact on students, coaches, administrators, and officials. NYSPHSAA does not currently have a Spectator Expectation statement in the NYSPHSAA handbook. This statement sets the expectations for all NYSPHSAA member schools.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee

Budgetary Impact:

Schools may have to increase supervision staff at all interscholastic contests.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

DATE REVISED: June 17, 2022

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Sportsmanship: NYSPHSAA Spectator Sportsmanship Regulation

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

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Liaison

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee is recommending adding the following NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Spectator Regulations to the Handbook.

"Any negative, inappropriate, derogatory comments or actions that brings direct attention to a supervisor or school administrator by a spectator or group of spectators are required to be addressed by the host school, Sectional or NYSPHSAA representative in the following non-sequential order depending on the comments or behavior:

- First warning – Directing the spectator or group of spectators to refrain from any negative comments or actions.
- Second warning – A personal discussion with the spectators or group of spectators on the above NYSPHSAA expectations and reminding the spectators or group of spectators of the next step, removal of the game or event, will be utilized if the behavior continues.
- Removal from the contest – The spectator or group of spectators will be directed to leave the facility for the remainder of the game or event. If spectators or group of spectators refuse to leave the game or event, play will be stopped until they vacate the premise.

Penalty for being removed from a game or event: Any spectator removed from a game or event will have a minimum penalty of completing the NFHS Parent Credential course or a one game suspension before they are allowed to attend any interscholastic event, home or away. Once the course is completed the spectator will provide a certificate of completion to the athletic department office. Schools are required to communicate with the offending spectator on the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Spectator Expectations.

- Depending on the severity of the behavior/comments or future disqualifications by the offending spectator NYSPHSAA and the Section may get directly involved in the situation.

Note: A school may take any or all these actions during or after an interscholastic contest.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2022

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Rationale:

NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee believes the time has come to hold our spectators to the same expectations that our coaches and student athletes are held to during an interscholastic contest. If our spectators cannot meet these expectations, then just like our coaches and student athletes they will face a similar consequence to their behaviors and comments. NYSPHSAA schools have a requirement to address these types of behaviors as members of our association.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee

Budgetary Impact:

Schools may have to increase supervision staff at all interscholastic contests.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

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Unified Sports: Waiver of the NYSPHSAA Representation Rule

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Unified Liaison

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Unified Committee is recommending with Section approval waiving the NYSPHSAA Representation Rule letter (e) for a one-year pilot period.

Effective Start Date:

2022-2023 School year

Rationale:

We currently have over three hundred schools participating in Unified Basketball and over 150 schools participating in Unified Bowling. Several schools are finding it difficult to recruit partners to be part of the Unified team, especially unified basketball. Schools are reporting that students that have participated in the winter basketball program are interested but the Representation Regulation is preventing them from participating. If this rule were waived these students could be beneficial to the program and team by participating. There is a concern that participation could provide an unfair advantage to a team. For this reason, the committee is asking for a one-year pilot period to examine the extent of any unfair advantage.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Unified Sports Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

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Unified Sports: Mandate the NFHS Coaching Unified Sports Course

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Unified Liaison

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Unified Committee is recommending all Unified Sports Coaches take the NFHS Coaching Unified Sports course within the next two years. Coaches would only need to take the course one time to meet this requirement.

Effective Start Date:

2022-2023 School year

Rationale:

Coaching student athletes in Unified Sports requires a particularly good understanding of the diverse make-up of the team and the teams they will be competing against. The NFHS course provides a particularly good outline of the goals and objectives of Unified Sports and provides the coach with a great starting point. Many of our coaches have already completed the course, on their own, and the Unified Committee feels that all coaches and teams would benefit from taking the course.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Unified Sports Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None – the course is free and can be completed on the coaches own period.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

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League Placement of Section VI Charter Schools

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Discussion pertaining to the league placement of Section VI Charter Schools. Action is needed at October 2022 Executive Committee meeting.

Effective Start Date:

N/A

Rationale:

The NYSPHSAA Constitution states:

"ARTICLE VI

League and Section Organization

1. A school may join with other schools to form a league for the purpose of providing interschool athletic competition among schools of comparable size, similar interests, and within reasonable distance of each other. Leagues so formed shall be organized and affairs conducted in accordance with the rules of the section and of the association. If the section athletic council is unable to provide for league affiliation, they shall refer the problem to the NYSPHSAA, Inc. Executive Committee within 30 days for action."

Proposal Originated:

Section VI

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Executive Committee will need to render a decision at the October 19, 2022 Executive Committee meeting.

Attachments:

Request from Section VI

From: [DiFilippo, Mark](#)
To: [Robert Zavas](#)
Cc: [Brett Banker](#); [Rabey](#); [Fadelev, Beth](#)
Subject: Charter Schools
Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2022 9:57:56 AM

Robert,

Please let this email serve as Section VI's official request for NYSPHSAA to place our 5 Charter Schools (Health Science, WNY Maritime, Global Concepts, Buffalo Academy of Science, and Tapestry) within one of the 5 leagues. These charter schools have been participating in Section VI since the 2009-10 school year as independents. They have tried to individually get into leagues which has been unsuccessful. They recently have requested that Section VI place them into a league since they were unsuccessful in trying to secure spots in our local leagues. President Banker formed a Charter School Placement committee back in October, with hopes that they would have a recommendation at our January Athletic Council meeting. The original request was to have the 5 charter schools in a league for the 2022-23 school year. At the January meeting the committee could not reach consensus as to their placement and asked for more time to work on it.

We continue to try to work things out locally but we still do not have consensus on their placement, therefore we are asking you to place these schools for the 2023-24 school year. Our chair, Dr. Rabey continues to work with the charters and the leagues to fill their schedules for the 2022-23 season but it is evident we need to have some sort of closure for this for the 2023-24 season.

I will have Beth from my office forward you all the information from Dr. Rabey's committee. In addition, I am more than happy to discuss with you, any other info requested.

Thank you.

Mark DiFilippo, CAA
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CHEERLEADING: Establish a NYSPHSAA Game Day State Championship

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Jennifer Simmons, NYSPHSAA Cheerleading State Chair

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee is seeking approval for a NYSPHSAA Game Day State Championship in the Fall of 2023.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2023. This event would continue to take place on week #17—the same weekend as the Game Day Regional Invitational tournament sponsored by NYSPHSAA—or week #18 depending on venue availability.

Rationale:

NYSPHSAA has conducted Game Day Regional Invitationals in the Fall of 2021 and will do so in the Fall of 2022. NYSPHSAA member schools will meet the NYSPHSAA Championship Philosophy criteria of 4 teams in 6 Sections prior to the 2023 season.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee at their May 2022 meeting

Budgetary Impact:

There will lodging, meal and transportation costs typical with travel to any state championship.

Notes:

The Cheerleading State Committee unanimously voted in favor of this proposal at its May 2022 meeting.

Currently, the invitationals are held in 4 classes (A, B, C and D). The Cheerleading Committee will make a recommendation on the number of classes and the classification cut-off numbers based on the number of teams competing in Game Day in the Fall of 2023.

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

No concerns at this time.

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BOYS SOCCER – INCREASE ALLOWABLE YELLOW CARDS IN THE POSTSEASON

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Mike Andrew, NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Chair

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee is seeking approval to increase the allowable yellow cards received by an individual in the post season before a one-game suspension is imposed. Presently a player must sit out a one game suspension upon receiving a third yellow card in postseason matches. The committee is seeking to change from three (3) to five (5) in the Yellow Card Accumulation Policy that presently exists for the soccer post season.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2022

Rationale:

Coordinators have pointed out that in some Sections, and in some classifications, across the State teams may play as many as eight games to reach the Semifinals. Receiving a third card has required that a player sit out either the semifinal or final game of the State Championship. The committee believes this is a harsh punishment at that stage of the tournament. For clarification, the post season begins with the first game of sectionals.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee on April 5, 2022

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee voted 11-0 to support this request.

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

CAC had no concerns at this time.

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Wrestling: Extension of the Pilot Weight Classes

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling Chairmen

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee is recommending continuing the 2-year pilot program for wrestling weight classes for the 2022-2023 season.

Effective Start Date:

Winter 2022-23 season

Rationale:

Due to the cancellation of post season championships in 2020-2021 (year 1) the wrestling committee would like to use the current weight classes for two complete years before considering which NFHS weight classes to recommend in the future.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

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SOFTBALL - Request to Extend the Softball State Championships to Two Days

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Jim Wright, NYSPHSAA Softball State Chair

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Softball Committee is requesting approval to extend the Softball State Championship to two days starting in Spring 2023.

Effective Start Date:

June 2023

Rationale:

Quality of play and safety are focuses on why this event needs to be extended to two days. Although it is not the same length of a baseball game, high temperatures in June are likely thus creating heat issues for players participating in two games on one day. There have been state tournaments in recent years where the heat and humidity have caused teams with one pitcher to tire much sooner in the second game in addition to position players like catchers risking hydration issues. Additionally, often times games go extra innings in the state tournament due to outstanding pitching, case in point in 2019 when a semifinal game went 19 innings. In 2022, a Class B semifinal went to extra innings and the winning team was scheduled to play immediately after. They were offered a 30-minute break but declined and subsequently were beaten 14-2 in the final.

Although pitch count is not a factor in softball, quality of play is important in the state championship which would be significantly better if teams played one game per day and also enjoyed the experience of a two-day state tournament much like baseball and nearly all other NYSPHSAA team championships.

Transitioning to a 6th classification also prompts softball to explore a two-day event to ease the state tournament schedule. Fields at the current hosting facility are available for more games but the number of games for six classes would go from 15 games to 18 games and its more manageable for a two-day event to play 12 semifinals on day one and 6 finals to be played on day two. Keep in mind, most teams are coming in for a Friday afternoon practice already.

Proposal Originated:

At the June 2020 NYSPHSAA Softball Committee meeting a discussion and straw poll took place.

Budgetary Impact:

There will be a financial impact for schools who would have to travel in one night earlier (Thursday night) however the tournament will start on Friday afternoon of day one so teams would have time to travel in for their games. In 2022, NYSPHSAA began offering optional practices for teams and 19 out of 20 teams opted to use the practice time. NYSPHSAA would also endure only additional expenses (and

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revenues) for awards and umpires for a two-day tournament since the Town of Brookhaven (current host) will take on added costs and the section has volunteers to work an extra day. In a two-day format, the finals would be played with two games at a time—10 am, 12 pm, and 2 pm allowing schools to get on the road much sooner than they would in a one-day tournament.

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Softball Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal at their June 21, 2022 meeting.

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

No concerns at this time.

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CHAMPIONSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Addition of Officials at Individual Wrestling Championship

☐ Action Item
☒ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling Chair

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Championship Advisory Committee is seeking approval to change the NYSPHSAA Fees and Policies Document of having 30 officials plus 2 alternates at the same cost of 28 officials and 2 alternates for the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Individual Tournament.

Effective Start Date:

Winter 2022-23 season

Rationale:

During the 2021-22 Individual Wrestling Championship two mats and 70 wrestlers were added to the championship. Those changes resulted in an increase of 136 bouts in the tournament. Both alternate officials were utilized during the tournament for a total of 28 officials. CAC is requesting to add 30 officials and 2 alternates to the NYSPHSAA Fees and Policies Document for the Individual Wrestling tournament. CAC is proposing to have 30 working officials plus 2 alternates at the same cost as 28 working officials and 2 alternates. The current fee for a working official is \$602. The officials have agreed to lower the fee to \$565 per official to have 30 working officials. There would be no increased cost for NYSPHSAA for having 30 working officials as opposed to 28 working officials.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee at the May 2022 meeting

Budgetary Impact:

The proposal will increase the fee by \$565 (due to two ½ fees for alternates).

Notes:

The Wrestling Committee voted unanimously in favor of supporting this proposal at its May 2022 meeting.

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

CAC voted 10-0 in favor of this proposal.

DATE REVISED: June 23, 2022

Jewelry Rule:

The NYSPHSAA Central Committee voted to abide by the national governing body (i.e., NFHS, NCAA, USA Softball, USTA, USAG, etc.) jewelry rule. With this action, students will be permitted to wear jewelry while participating in cross country (NFHS), volleyball (NCAA - stud earrings), swimming & diving (NFHS), indoor/ outdoor track & field (NFHS), gymnastics (USAG – stud earrings), tennis (USTA), baseball (NFHS) and softball (USA Softball). This rule change will be addressed during the Fall Athletic Director Eligibility workshops.

2022-23 Combining of Teams

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>HOST SCHOOL</u>	<u>COMB SCHOOL #1</u>	<u>RECO</u>	<u>RATIONALE</u>	<u>IS #</u>	<u>Year</u>
Football - 11man	Modified A	Chester	Tuxedo/Seward	Yes	Seward -10/Tux-3	Team	Fall 2022
Football - 11man	Varsity	Chester	Tuxedo/Seward	Yes	Seward -10/Tux-3	Team	Fall 2022

OCIAA Approve	7/18/22	online vote
MHAL Approve	7/20/22	online vote
S9 Approval	8/16/22	online vote

Football - 8man	Modified A	Pine Plains	Rhinebeck	Yes	Pine Plains -12/Rhine-4	Team	Fall 2022
Football - 8man	Varsity	Pine Plains	Rhinebeck	Yes	Pine Plains -16/Rhine-5	Team	Fall 2022
Field Hockey	Modified	Pine Plains	Rhinebeck	Yes	Pine Plains -7/Rhine-0	Team	Fall 2022
Field Hockey	Varsity	Pine Plains	Rhinebeck	Yes	Pine Plains -12/Rhine-0	Team	Fall 2022

**** NOTE - Kingston COT with The Mount Academy for Unified Bowling (winter) and Unified Basketball (spring) teams.**

OCIAA Approve	8/17/22	online vote
MHAL Approve	8/16/22	online vote
S9 Approval	8/20/22	online vote

** Field Hockey	Modified	Taconic Hills	Webutuck	Yes	Taconic Hills-8/Web-1	Team	Fall 2022
Girls Soccer	Modified	SS Seward	Chester	Yes	Seward-8/Chester-3	Team	Fall 2022

OCIAA Approve	** 8/31/2022
MHAL Approve	** 9/29/2022
S9 Approval	

2022 COVID PROCEDURES

Football

Rational – Teams should not be negatively impacted with regard to record or seeding due to a COVID related case of another school.

- All Section 9 football rosters for varsity and JV teams must be submitted to the league office and football committee prior to the first scrimmage or week 0 game. Officials will not be assigned to work any scrimmages and/or games of teams that do not submit initial 2022 rosters.

Football COVID Amendment to COVID Game Chart and 2021 COVID Procedures

All regular season contests must be played on the Friday, Saturday, or Sunday of the originally scheduled week. If mutually agreed upon, the game can be played on Monday.

If a school has a confirmed COVID positive that could potentially impact a regular season contest, every effort should be made to play the contest on its originally scheduled date.

Once a school is made aware of a COVID positive, they must notify their opponent and the Section 9 Executive Director immediately. A final decision as to whether they will play or reschedule must occur within 24 hours of notification.

The following variables will be considered by the Section 9 Executive Director when determining if the contest can be played on the scheduled date. If the team does not meet these, or similar, criteria the game will be played as previously scheduled.

- Has the COVID related issue reduced the roster size below the *minimum number of required athletes needed to compete (in accordance with NFHS and/or NYSPHSAA rules) for the sport of football?
- Has the school exhausted all eligible JV player call ups to complete the game on its originally scheduled date?

**According to the NYSPHSAA Handbook, Football Rule 10.08, "Interschool contacts (both scrimmages and contests) in football shall be permitted only in those schools which have an adequate number of students on the squad who are physically fit, eligible and prepared for each game as follows: Eleven (11) man football – sixteen (16) or more Eight (8) man football - twelve (12) or more..."*

If a contest must be rescheduled, due to COVID, and the two teams cannot mutually agree on a date and time (*within the permissible days*), the default arrangements will be **Sunday at 2:00pm** (*pending official availability*).

Forfeiture

If a school cannot meet their obligation to participate, a forfeit WIN will be awarded to their opponent. All forfeits must be reported by the forfeiting team's AD, in writing, to the Section 9 office and opposing school's AD.

The forfeit will be recorded in the final standings and will be calculated according to the aggregate total points scored average of their Classification/Division games in Section 9 with a maximum of 29 points and awarded at the end of the regular season. Section 9 will award the forfeiting team a 0-21 loss.

Note:

- Forfeits count as a contest for the purpose of meeting the Representation Rule.
- Forfeits count toward the maximum number of allowable games.
- Only contests on the original 2022 schedule will count toward postseason qualifying and seeding.

Tie Breaking Criteria

Per the Section 9 Football Handbook, in the event of a tie, the following criteria will be used to determine class/division champions for sectional representation. Once the class/division champion is determined, the tie breaking process will be reinitiated:

- 1) Head to Head competition in class/division
- 2) Point differential of teams involved in the tie. Maximum point differential is 21 points per game. Apply negative point differential against the tied teams only (the team closest to zero is the champion).
- 3) Cumulative Negative Points in Division/Classification games lost – differential is -21
- 4) Cumulative Positive Points in Division/Classification games won – positive point differential is +29
- 5) Blind Draw

GIRLS SOCCER SEPTEMBER 2022

1. Class A schools need a coach to join our soccer committee. These schools do not have a coach representative on our committee. This committee is responsible for choosing all-star teams, seeding of the sectional tournament, and the organization of the senior games. Please encourage your coaches to join.

2. The seeding meeting will take place October 19th at 7 PM. All seeding information should be submitted at 10 AM on the 19th, or before this date to the seeding representatives. (All this information is in the handbook.) There will be a few schools playing games on the 19th. Their information still needs to be submitted by 10 AM. Coaches are to call in the results of these games immediately following the game.

Play-In games if needed, could start as early as Oct. 21st but certainly by Oct. 22nd.

3. Dates for Post Season Play. (This information is in the Handbook.)

MIDDLETOWN

10/24 CLASS D 5PM Boys, 7:30 PM Girls

10/25 CLASS C 5PM Girls, 7:30 PM Boys

10/26 CLASS AA 5PM Girls, 7:30 Boys

10/27 CLASS A 5 PM Boys, 7:30 Girls

10/29 CLASS B 12:00 PM Girls, 2:30 Boys

REGIONAL GAMES IN SECTION 9

BEACON

11/5 Boys CLASS C AND CLASS D Times TBA

NEWBURGH FREE ACADEMY

11/5 Girls CLASS C AND CLASS D Times TBA

4. As always please call me if you have questions.
Thank you Diane Wanser, 845-239-1097, wand9@hvc.rr.com

Section IX Game Day Cheer - Fall 2022

1. Divisions will be staying the same for this upcoming season. Girls Lacrosse numbers will be used.

DIVISIONS (based on school size)

Division A - 1060 +

Division B - 775 - 1059

Division C - 465 - 774

Division D - 464 and below

2. We are looking for schools to host Game Day invitationals. Minisink HS will be hosting in October.

3. There will be a regional competition on Saturday, October 29, 2022. The same locations will be used. Teams can choose to attend either location.

- East regional - Arlington HS
- West regional - Visions Veterans Memorial Arena in Binghamton

4. Sectionals will be held at James I. O'Neill HS on Sunday, November 6, 2022.

5. The cheerleading executive committee is looking into possibly moving up the timeline for a state competition in Game Day Cheer. It is scheduled to happen in Fall 2024, but they are looking to move it up to Fall 2023.

- 6 sections with 4 teams competing are needed to move forward.
- Right now there are at least 4 sections meeting those requirements.

6. In the near future, there will be a Game Day cheer promotional video to get more schools interested in participating in the Game Day division.

Target Audience

Athletic Administrators
Varsity Coaches
Principals
Guidance Counselors
College Personnel
Club Coaches
Booster Club Personnel
Other Interested Parties

AGENDA

8:00 AM

- ♦ Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM

- ♦ Welcome & Introductions
⇒ Robbie Greene—MHSSC Executive Director
⇒ Drew Brown—MSMC Director of Athletics
♦ Program Purpose & Goals

October 3, 2022

8:00AM—12:00PM

8:45 AM

- ♦ Program Begins

11:00AM

- ♦ Question & Answer Opportunity
♦ Luncheon Served

Mid-Hudson School Study Council
330 Powell Avenue
Newburgh, NY 12550

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Roberta Greene Executive Director
Lynne Cruger Assistant to the Director

Mid-Hudson

School Study Council
&

Mount Saint Mary College
Athletic Department

Name, Image & Likeness (NIL)

Workshop for

Athletic Administrators
and Coaches

October 3, 2022

8:00AM—12:00PM

Mount Saint Mary College
Hudson Hall Auditorium

GPS—330 Powell Ave.
Newburgh, NY 12550

Sponsored by the Mid-Hudson
School Study Council and Hosted by
Mount Saint Mary College Athletic
Department

REGISTRATION

\$50 Per Person for MHSSC Member Districts, BOCES & Colleges

\$75 Per Person for non-MHSSC Member Districts & Colleges

Registration Deadline is Monday, September 19, 2022

**To register, send an email to:
Lynne.cruger@msmc.edu
or**

**call the Mid-Hudson School
Study Council Office at:
845-569-3660.**

**In the email, please provide
Lynne with your district or institution name and the names of all attending. Please also include a PO number when registering.**

PRESENTERS

From the Law Firm Thomas, Drohan, Waxman, Petigrow & Mayle:

Thank you to presenters Pam Bass and Neelanjan Choudhury

Pam Bass

In addition to her work with collective bargaining, employee discipline and policy formulation, Ms. Bass has an extensive background in NCAA athletics. She has served as D1 Head and Assistant Women's Basketball coach, has extensive experience in NCAA compliance and has served on university and athletic conference committees related to leadership, gender equity and diversity.

Neelanjan Choudhury

Since beginning at the firm, Neel has been involved in matters concerning special education, public works contracts, school construction disputes, employment discrimination, tax certiorari claims, student discipline and other litigation issues. Mr. Choudhury has also presented on numerous related topics affecting school districts, including anti-discrimination and liability.

PROGRAM

Show me the Money—Name, Image, and Likeness: The New Reality for College and High School Athletes in New York

Name, Image, and Likeness ("NIL"), which many believe has led to the decline of amateurism in college athletics, is now permissible under the New York State Public High School Athletic Association ("NYSPHSAA") Amateur Rule.

This in-depth presentation will discuss and compare the NIL rules currently in place under the National Collegiate Athletic Association ("NCAA") and the NYSPHSAA.

Attendees will explore:

- ◇ How NIL's may impact and challenge athletic directors and coaches;
- ◇ The role coaches may (or may not) play in NIL deals;
- ◇ What information should be shared with student-athletes and their parents;
- ◇ Whether student-athletes may have an "agent", attorney, and/or financial advisor to assist in arranging and managing NIL deals;
- ◇ Recommendations for a student-athlete handbook, including but not limited to moral clauses and disclosure requirements;
- ◇ Addressing NIL rules with booster clubs or collectives;
- ◇ Addressing NIL within the academic institution;
- ◇ Policies regarding intellectual property including mascots, logos, etc.; and
- ◇ Civil Rights and NIL deals.

The session will conclude with a variety of hypothetical scenarios that each athletic director or coach may face in the new NIL landscape.



Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

Section IX

Meeting Dates/Sites

2022-2023

Thursday, September 8, 2022	Orange-Ulster BOCES (In-Person)	9:30 AM
Monday, September 12, 2022	Otterkill Golf Club (In-Person) 100 Otter Road Campbell Hall, NY 10916 MANDATED WORKSHOP	8:30 AM
Tuesday, October 4, 2022	Zoom Meeting	9:30 AM
Tuesday, November 1, 2022	Zoom Meeting	9:30 AM
Wednesday, January 4, 2023	Orange-Ulster BOCES (In-Person)	9:30 AM
Tuesday, March 14, 2023	Zoom Meeting	9:30 AM
Tuesday, April 11, 2023	Zoom Meeting	9:30 AM
Tuesday, May 9, 2023	Zoom Meeting	9:30 AM
Thursday, June 15, 2023	TBA (In-Person)	8:00 AM

NYSPHSAA Meetings

October 19, 2022

February 1, 2023

May 3, 2023

July 25-26, 2023

Section IX Start Dates

Football – Saturday, August 20, 2022

All Other Fall Sports – Monday, August 22, 2022

All Winter Sports – Monday, November 14, 2022

All Spring Sports – Monday, March 13, 2023

P.O. Box 656
Goshen, NY 10924

MONTHLY MILEAGE REPORT

NAME(Print): _____

ADDRESS: _____

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Reimbursement for tolls (Receipts must be attached)

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Signature of Claimant: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Section IX Treasurer: _____

Date: _____

7/18/2022