



# Section IX Athletics

Gregory Ransom, Executive Director

## Section IX Athletic Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Video Conference Call at 9:30 am

1. Call to Order- Greg Ransom
2. Review of Meeting Materials
3. Approval of October 4, 2022 Minutes
4. Financial Report- Linda Trapani
5. Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Suzanne Lendzian
  - a. Adah Spain – James I. O'Neill High School
  - b. Craig Costa – Tri-Valley High School
6. Section IX NYSPHSAA Representatives- Roberta Greene and David Coates  
DISCUSSION ITEMS:
  - a. New York State Ticket Transparency Law – Information
  - b. 2023-2024 Membership Dues
  - c. Removing the NYSPHSAA Note Under Mixed Competition
  - d. Modified: Changing Soccer Mouth Guard Requirement to Recommended
  - e. Modified: Increasing Max Number of Events for Track & Field
  - f. Football: Amend Guidelines for Combined Practices for 11-Man
  - g. Boys Wrestling: NFHS 1.5% Weight Loss Plan
  - h. Boys Wrestling: Eliminate the NYSPHSAA Honor Weigh-In
  - i. Boys Wrestling: 2023-2024 Weight Classes
  - j. Boys Wrestling: Division Cut-Off Numbers
7. NYSPHSAA Office Report – Dr. Robert Zayas
8. Combining of Teams- Tim Bult and Dominic Zarrella
9. Fall Chair Reports:
  - a. Volleyball
  - b. Football
  - c. Cross-Country
  - d. Cheerleading (Game Day)
  - e. Girls Swimming
  - f. Field Hockey
  - g. Girls Tennis
  - h. Boys Soccer
  - i. Girls Soccer
10. Winter Chair Reports:
  - a. Boys Basketball
  - b. Girls Basketball
  - c. Boys Bowling
  - d. Girls Bowling
  - e. Boys Swimming
  - f. Winter Track
  - g. Boys Wrestling
  - h. Girls Wrestling
  - i. Nordic Skiing
  - j. Alpine Skiing
  - k. Cheerleading (Competitive)
  - l. Gymnastics
11. Chair Reports:
  - a. Girls & Boys Modified Sports
  - b. Safety
  - c. Student Athlete Advisory Committee
  - d. Eligibility
  - e. Officials Coordinator
  - f. Sportsmanship
  - g. Unified Sports
  - h. Girls Flag Football

Steve Boucher  
Dave Coates / Tom Casatta  
Jim Glover / Joe Cahill  
Kelly Hall  
Chris Sammons  
Deb Beam  
Urvashi Gupta  
Pete Ferguson / Tony Martelli  
Diane Wanser

Rob Gravelle  
Steve Boucher  
Chris Vero  
Sean Collins  
Scott Warner  
Mike White  
Jeff Culty  
Tom Cunningham  
Ann Gregory  
Janet Carey  
Patti Archiere  
Nicole Calderone

Greg Warren / Suzanne Lendzian  
Janet Carey  
Suzanne Lendzian  
Tom Cassata  
Dennis Burkett  
Adam Kless  
Rich Silverstein  
Rich Silverstein / Greg Sirico

12. Old Business
13. New Business
  - a. Section IX Budget 2023-2024
14. Adjournment of Section IX Meeting

**Next Meeting Date:**

Wednesday, January 4, 2023

In-person, 9:30 am, Orange-Ulster BOCES



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## Financial Report November 1, 2022

### Orange County Trust Company

Period Ending: October 30, 2022

Beginning Balance:

October 1, 2022: \$304,584.78

Ending Balance:

October 30, 2022: \$296,509.26



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2023-2024

## Proposed Budget

### EXPENDITURES:

#### SALARIES:

		SPORT	BOYS	GIRLS
Section IX Executive Director	\$ 43,465.00	Baseball	\$ 8,400.00	
Section IX Officials Negotiator /	\$ 60,829.00	Basketball	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
MHAL Coordinator		Bowling	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Section IX Secretary/Asst. Treasurer	\$ 36,479.00	Cheerleading (Competitive)		\$ 3,000.00
Section IX Treasurer/Asst. Secretary	\$ 21,425.00	Cheerleading (Game Day)		\$ 3,000.00
Section IX Eligibility Chairperson	\$ 6,333.00	Cross Country	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Social Security/Comp/Unemployment	\$ 11,000.00	Field Hockey		\$ 3,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 179,531.00</b>	Football	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
		Golf	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Office Equipment & Supplies	\$ 14,048.00	Gymnastics		\$ 3,000.00
Catering	\$ 3,000.00	Ice Hockey	\$ 3,000.00	
Travel/Conference	\$ 7,000.00	Lacrosse	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Membership	\$ 2,000.00	Modified Sports	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Audit	\$ 6,000.00	Softball		\$ 8,400.00
Awards	\$ 35,000.00	Skiing Alpine	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Paychex Services	\$ 2,000.00	Skiing Nordic	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Unified Sports	\$ 3,000.00			
Legal Fees	\$ 6,000.00	Soccer	\$ 10,800.00	\$ 10,800.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 78,048.00</b>	Swimming	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
		Tennis	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Boys Sport Programs	\$ 140,700.00	Track & Field	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Girls Sport Programs	\$ 124,500.00	Winter Track	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Insurance	\$ 19,976.00	Wrestling	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
NYSAAA/NJAAA Dues	\$ 7,040.00	Volleyball		\$ 10,800.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>292,216.00</b>	NYSPPHSA Track	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
<b>Expenditure Total</b>	<b>\$ 549,795.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 140,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 124,500.00</b>

### INCOME:

Section IX Dues \$260. (per varsity team) x 901 teams	\$ 234,260.00
Section IX Gate Revenue, Spalding Contract, and Sponsors	\$ 288,519.00
Section IX Insurance per school fee \$454. x 44 schools	\$ 19,976.00
NYSAAA-NIAAA Dues per school \$160. x 44 schools	\$ 7,040.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 549,795.00</b>

### Section IX

	2013-2014		2014-2015		2015-2016		2016-2017		2017-2018	
Dues Charge per varsity team	\$315.00	-1.3%	\$250.00	-20%	\$225.00	-10%	\$225.00	0.0%	\$225.00	0.0%
Insurance Charge per District	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%
NYSAAA-NIAA Dues Charge per District	\$150.00	0.0%	\$150.00	0.0%	\$150.00	0.0%	\$150.00	0.0%	\$150.00	0.0%
	2018-2019		2019-2020		2020-2021		2021-2022		2022-2023	
Dues Charge per varsity team	\$225.00	0.0%	\$225.00	0.0%	\$225.00	0.0%	\$200.00	-11.0%	\$225.00	+11.0%
Insurance Charge per District	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%	\$454.00	0.0%
NYSAAA-NIAA Dues Charge per District	\$150.00	0.0%	\$160.00	9.3%	\$160.00	0.0%	\$160.00	0.0%	\$160.00	0.0%
	2023-2024									
Dues Charge per varsity team	\$260.00	+15%								
Insurance Charge per District	\$454.00	0.0%								
NYSAAA-NIAA Dues Charge per District	\$150.00	0.0%								





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## NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting Highlights

1. Dr. Robert Zayas – Executive Director
  - a. The NYSPHSAA Championships will continue to only offer digital tickets (GoFan).
  - b. Future Official Start Dates:
    - 2022-2023
      - i. Winter – Monday, November 14, 2022 (Week #20)
      - ii. Spring – Monday, March 13, 2023 (Week #37)
    - 2023-2024
      - iii. Fall Football – Saturday, August 19, 2023 (Week #7)
      - iv. Fall – Monday, August 21, 2023 (Week #8)
      - v. Winter – Monday, November 13, 2023 (Week #20)
      - vi. Spring – Monday, March 11, 2023 (Week #37)
    - 2024-2025
      - vii. Fall Football – Saturday, August 24, 2024 (Week #7)
      - viii. Fall – Monday, August 26, 2024 (Week #8)
      - ix. Winter – Monday, November 18, 2024 (Week #20)
      - x. Spring – Monday, March 17, 2025 (Week #37)
2. Joe Altieri – Assistant Director
  - a. Championship Dates and Sites 2022-2023 enclosed.
3. Todd Nelson – Assistant Director
  - a. NFHS Coaching Awards – Congratulations to Section IX Coaches who will be considered for NFHS Section and National Awards:
    - i. Boys Cross Country – Dave Feuer (Cornwall HS)
    - ii. Spirit/Cheerleading – Patti Archiere (Minisink Valley HS)
4. Kristen Jadin – Assistant Director
  - a. Spalding Ball Contract – NYSPHSAA is in the second year of the three-year extension. The current agreement ends June 30, 2024. NYSPHSAA will begin the RFP timeline.
  - b. NYSPHSAA Student Leadership Conference – Thursday, March 30, 2023. Location and further information to follow.
  - c. Scholar-Athlete submission on the NYSPHSAA website – Fall Scholar-Athlete opens Monday, October 24, 2022.
    - i. The Fall deadline is December 5, 2022 (Week #23).
    - ii. The Winter deadline is March 13, 2023 (Week #37).
    - iii. The Spring deadline is May 22, 2023 (Week #47).
  - d. Community Service Challenge – deadline for the Fall is November 7, 2022.
5. Chris Watson – Director of Communications
  - a. Bad Bench Behavior – The NFHS is launching a campaign aimed at poor spectator behavior at sporting events. NYSPHSAA will promote and participate. NYSPHSAA has a toolkit that could be shared with school districts. Contact Chris for details.



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6. Chris Joyce – Director of Foundation and Marketing  
For information purposes, NYS Ticket Transparency Law (enclosed).
7. NYSAAA Tentative Conference Schedule (enclosed)
8. NYS Council of Administrators – Annual Conference
9. Section Concerns:
  - a. Section VIII request to move Boys Volleyball to the Spring
10. Membership Dues – 2023-2024 (enclosed)
11. NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee Report (enclosed)
12. NYSPHSAA Safety Meeting Report (enclosed)
13. Modified Committee Report
  - a. Changing Soccer Mouth Guard Requirement to Recommendation
  - b. Increasing Max Number of Events for Track & Field
14. Football – Amend Guidelines for Combined Practices for 11-Man (enclosed)
15. Boys Wrestling – NFHS 1.5% Weight Loss Plan (enclosed)
16. Boys Wrestling – Eliminate the NYSPHSAA Honor Weigh-In (enclosed)
17. Boys Wrestling – 2023-2024 Weight Class (enclosed)
18. Boys Wrestling – Division Cut-Off Numbers (enclosed)
19. Girls Flag Football – High School Sport Standards (enclosed)
20. Girls Flag Football – NFHS/NYSPHSAA Playing Rules
21. Girls Flag Football – Establish a State Championship in 2024

Respectfully submitted,

James Osborne  
Section IX Secretary

**NYSPPHSAA  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**



**Embassy Suites – Saratoga Springs  
86 Congress Street  
Saratoga Springs, NY  
518.290.9090**

**Wednesday, October 19, 2022**

Section III – Girls Wrestling Pound Allowance, Cheerleading  
Classifications

**(A)** Motion to allow a pound allowance for NYSPHSAA Dual Meet  
Championships if there is a participant that competes the previous day.  
**CARRIED (18-4)**

Championship Advisory Committee (CAC) – Greg Ransom

**(A)** Consider approval of the addition of Wrestling officials at the  
NYSPHSAA Individual Championships. **CARRIED**

Sportsmanship Committee – Todd Nelson & Kristen Jadin

**(A)** Consider approval to add Spectator Sportsmanship expectations to  
the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule. **CARRIED**

**(A)** Consider approval to add a Spectator Sportsmanship Regulation to  
the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule. **TABLED**

**(A)** Consider approval of a one-year waiver (pilot) of the NYSPHSAA  
Representation Rule for Unified sports. **CARRIED (19-3)**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

**(A)** Consider approval to require Unified coaches to take the NFHS  
Coaching Unified Sports Course. **CARRIED (14-8)**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

**(A)** Consider approval of waivers of the Representation Rule for  
various sections. **CARRIED**

*Dr. Robert Zayas,  
NYSPHSAA Executive  
Director*

# NYSPHSAA

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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

*Dr. Robert Zayas,  
NYSPHSAA Executive  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of 2023-2024 school enrollment numbers. **CARRIED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of Boys Soccer Classification Cut-off numbers for six classes. **TABLED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of Girls Soccer Classification Cut-off numbers for six classes. **TABLED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of Boys Basketball Classification Cut-off numbers for six classes. **TABLED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of Girls Basketball Classification Cut-off numbers for six classes. **TABLED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of Baseball Classification Cut-off numbers for six classes. **TABLED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of Softball Classification Cut-off numbers for six classes. **TABLED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

(A) Consider approval of Girls Volleyball Classification Cut-off numbers for six classes. **TABLED**

*Todd Nelson,  
NYSPHSAA Assistant  
Director*

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

*Cheerleading  
Committee*

(A) Consider approval to increase the allowable yellow cards in the Boys Soccer post season. **DEFEATED (5-17)**

*Boys Soccer  
Committee*



# NYSPPHSAA

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

- (A) Consider approval of Queensbury High School (2024 & 2026) and Letchworth State Park (2025) as the hosts of the NYSPHSAA Cross Country Championships. **CARRIED (21-1)** *B/G Cross Country Committees*
- (A) Consider approval for a member of the Board approved coaching staff be required to attend the pregame conference with the captains and the officials. **CARRIED** *Boys Basketball Committee*
- (A) Consider approval to continue having the shot clock reset to 20 seconds, in predefined situations, when the shot clock is below 20 seconds. **\*Request immediate action CARRIED** *Boys Basketball Committee*
- (A) Consider approval to continue having the official count the 10-seconds required to get the ball over half court. **CARRIED** **\*Request immediate action** *Boys Basketball Committee*
- (A) Consider approval to require all coaches use the Track Wrestling Weigh-In sheet to enter all weigh-ins for dual meets and tournaments. **CARRIED** *Boys Wrestling Committee*
- (A) Consider approval to extend the current weight class system (13 weight classes) for the 2022-2023 school year in the sport of Wrestling. **CARRIED** *Boys Wrestling Committee*
- (A) Consider approval of using the NFHS 12 female weight classes along with a NYSPHSAA weight class of 94lbs in Girls Wrestling. **CARRIED** *Girls Wrestling Committee*
- (A) Consider approval of a 2-year waiver for the maximum number of tournaments (6) by a wrestler for female only tournaments. **CARRIED** *Girls Wrestling Committee*
- (A) Consider approval of a 2-year waiver of the NYSPHSAA Representation Rule from 6 to 3 for girls wrestling (post season only). **CARRIED** *Girls Wrestling Committee*
- (A) Consider approval of NYSPHSAA hosting a Girls Only Wrestling Invitational Tournament during the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years. **CARRIED** *Girls Wrestling Committee*
- (A) Consider approval of a Two-Day tournament in the sport of Softball to be implemented at the 2023 state championships. **CARRIED** *Softball Committee*

# **NYSPHSAA**

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**(D)** Consider approval of removing the NYSPHSAA Note under the Mixed Competition portion of the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

Modified Committee – Jim Rose

**(D)** Consider approval to change mouthguard requirement for soccer goalies to a recommendation.

**(D)** Consider approval to increase the maximum number of events for Modified Track & Field to 4, providing one of the 4 is a relay and eliminate the distance restrictions in the Modified Track and Field regulation.

**(D)** Consider approval of an amendment to the Combined Practice Guidelines for 11-Man Football.

*Football Committee*

**(D)** Consider approval to follow the NFHS 1.5% weight loss plan, beginning in the 2023-2024 season.

*Boys Wrestling Committee*

**(D)** Consider approval to eliminate the NYSPHSAA honor weigh-in beginning in the 2023-2024 season.

*Boys Wrestling Committee*

**(D)** Consider approval to use the NFHS weight classes plus a NYSPHSAA lower weight, beginning in the 2023-2024 season.

*Boys Wrestling Committee*

**(D)** Consider approval of Boys Wrestling becoming a variation sport with Division cut-off numbers being 600 and above for Division 1 and 599 and below being Division 2.

*Boys Wrestling Committee*

**(D)** Consider approval of following High school sports standards for Girls Flag Football.

*Girls Flag Football Committee*

**(D)** Consider approval of following the NFHS Football playing rules along with the NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Rules.

*Girls Flag Football Committee*

**(D)** Consider approval of NYSPHSAA offering a State Championship in the sport of Girls Flag Football starting in the Spring of 2024.

*Girls Flag Football Committee*



**2022-2023 NYSPPHSAA**  
**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 27	Girls Wrestling (Individual)	SRC Arena at Onondaga CC, Syracuse (III) (TENTATIVE)
Jan 28	Boys Wrestling Dual Meet	SRC Arena at Onondaga CC, Syracuse (III)
February 17-18	Girls Ice Hockey	Nexus Center, Utica (III)
Feb 24-25	Boys 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	TBA
June 1-3	Boys Tennis (Individual)	USTA National Tennis Center, Flushing
June 4-5	Girls Golf	Edison Club, Rexford (2)
June 4-5	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)



# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



*Executive Committee Meeting – October 19, 2022*

## NEW YORK STATE TICKET TRANSPARENCY LAW

☐ Action Item  
☐ Discussion Item  
☒ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Chris Joyce, Director of Foundation and Marketing

### **Effective Start Date:**

August 29, 2022

### **Details:**

New York State passed a law this summer that applies to electronic tickets for any events held in New York. The law requires sellers to show the total cost of the ticket prior to being selected for purchase, inclusive of all fees. Fee disclosure cannot be misleading or presented in a manner that may misrepresent the final cost to the purchaser (e.g. larger font, bold type, etc). Sellers cannot increase the price at any point in the purchasing process except the addition of a delivery fee if a non-electronic delivery method is selected. Electronic delivery of tickets must be free. Penalties include a fine ranging from \$250-\$500 at state's discretion. The law also permits individuals that suffer a violation to bring private action and to recover actual damages or \$50, whichever is greater, plus attorney fees.

### **NYSPHSAA Membership Impact:**

The law is primarily targeted at large resellers and distributors (e.g. Ticketmaster, StubHub) but it applies to GoFan and any other digital ticket seller as well. GoFan is currently in the process of re-tooling their purchase process to be in compliance, but it will likely not be ready in time for fall events. Traditionally, our tickets sold online pass the fee along to the purchaser. Until the GoFan update is complete, we will be including the fee in our ticket price and absorbing the fee ourselves.

Example: Tickets to a NYSPHSAA championship event are \$10 plus \$1.50 fee from GoFan. Tickets will now be listed as \$11.50 and GoFan will retain the \$1.50 before transferring the proceeds to NYSPHSAA. Messaging will be added to the NYSPHSAA ticketing page to explain the change in the displayed price from last year so purchasers understand NYSPHSAA has not raised ticket prices.

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None

### **Attachments:**

None



**New York State Athletic Administrators' Association, Inc.**  
**2023 Tentative Conference Program Schedule**  
**"Be The Leader"**

**Monday – March 13, 2023**

**Phila/Gallery**

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Pre-conference Move In & Set Up - Phila
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Registration Materials & Packets – Phila
4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	<b>LTI Workshops-Virtual</b>
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Planning Team/ Exec. Board Dinner

**Tuesday – March 14, 2023**

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Executive Board Meeting</b> – Board Room
12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	LTC - Bdwy. 1
12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	LTC - Bdwy. 2
12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	LTC - Bdwy. 3
12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	LTC - Bdwy. 4
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Conference Registration
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<b>Chapter Representatives/Committee Chairs Meeting</b> – Alabama/Travers
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<b>NYSAAA Representative Board Meeting</b> – Alabama/Travers
4:15 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.	<b>First Time Attendees &amp; New AD's Orientation Meeting</b> – TBD
6:00 pm – 7:30 p.m.	<b>CONFERENCE WELCOME &amp; FIRST GENERAL SESSION</b> – Jeremy Boone, Founder – Winning Leader – Saratoga Ballroom

**Wednesday – March 15, 2023**

8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	<b>Hall of Fame Committee Meeting</b> – Board Room
8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Conference Registration
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	<b>Veteran AD's Reception/Meeting</b> – Whitney
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<b>WORKSHOP SESSION A</b> – NYSPHSAA Staff – Get to Know Staff & Programs - Broadway 1-4
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	NYS Council of Administrators Meeting - Alabama
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<b>NYSPHSAA Executive Directors Meeting - Travers</b>
10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.	CAA Test Review Workshop – Whitney
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<b>WORKSHOP SESSION B</b> - (check your program) - Broadway 1-4
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<b>HOF &amp; WOH RECEPTION AND PHOTOS</b> for Inductees & Family – High Rock
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Dave Martens Awards Luncheon & Alan Mallanda Hall of Fame Induction - Saratoga Ballroom
2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	<b>SECOND GENERAL SESSION</b> - Phil Rison, CMAA, Executive Director, NIAAA - Saratoga Ballroom
4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b>WORKSHOP SESSION C</b> (check your program) - Broadway 1-4
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	"Sparky" Rector Drop-In Center – Exhibit Hall
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<b>EXHIBIT HALL FESTIVAL</b> - Opening Hospitality Reception – Food/Refreshments – Festival Gifts; Visit Exhibitors – Drawings 7:00 p.m., Door Prizes (City Center)

**Thursday – March 16, 2023**

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<b>Mentoring Program Culminating Meeting</b> – High Rock
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibit Hall Open</b> (City Center) – Pick up Conference Gift
	<b>Visit the Exhibitors For Coffee</b> – Drawing #2 – 9:15 a.m.
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Larry "Sparky" Rector Materials & Drop-In Center - Exhibit Hall
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	CAA EXAM - Whitney
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	<b>EXHIBIT HALL BRUNCH</b>
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>NYSPHSAA Section Executive Directors Meeting</b> – Travers
11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>LAST CALL - Visit the Exhibitors</b> – Drawing #3 – 11:15 a.m.
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Past Presidents Lunch Meeting</b> - by invitation – High Rock
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<b>THIRD GENERAL SESSION</b> – Mark Leinweaver, MLB Agent/Educator - Saratoga Ballroom
2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	<b>WORKSHOP SESSION D</b> (check your program) - Broadway 1-4
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	<b>WORKSHOP SESSION E</b> (check your program) – Broadway 1-4
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	NYSPHSAA Student Athlete Development Committee – Board Room
4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	Award Recipient Photo Session – High Rock
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	President's Reception (by invitation only) – Alabama/Travers
6:15 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.	Roy O'Neill Conference Awards Banquet – Saratoga Ballroom

**Friday – March 17, 2023**

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<b>ALL CONFERENCE BREAKFAST</b> - Saratoga Ballroom
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<b>FOURTH GENERAL SESSION</b> – Dr. Robert Zayas, CAA, Executive Director, NYSPHSAA – Association Updates, Perspectives, Q & A
10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<b>NYSAAA Annual Meeting</b> – Annual Meeting; Wrap Up & Re-cap; Acknowledgements; <b>Chapter Door Prizes &amp; Raffle Drawings</b> - Saratoga Ballroom
11:30 a.m.	Conference Adjourns
11:30 a.m.	2024 Conference Planners Meeting Tentative– Saratoga Ballroom





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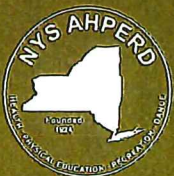
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The Council of Administrators annual state conference will be held Wednesday November 16-Friday November 18 at the Turning Stone Resort and Conference Center. Most sessions will be held in the Golf Club House.

Presentations include: Keynote speaker Rich Johns - The five keys to Effective Leadership, Educator Self Care (Michelle Mitchell), Development of the Physical Education Handbook (Jim Rose), Having that Difficult Conversation (Rod Mergardt), Understanding What School Health Education is all about (Lori Reichel), Development Program for Directors (Greg Warren/Jim Wright), Time Management (Tilsa Gonzalez/ Jim Rose), Comprehensive Sexuality Education Policies - Why They Matter (Anne Garno), Essentials for New Directors (Charlie Gonsalves), Aspiring ADs (Greg Warren), and Making your Physical Education Curriculum Come Alive with CAGD2 (Dr. Sue Baldwin). There will also be two sessions of round table discussions, a luncheon/session with the Higher Education section, a social, and the Anne Mackey luncheon. All COA attendees can also attend the NYS AHPERD keynote speakers, other sessions and visit the vendor booths.

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# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



*Executive Committee Meeting – October 19, 2022*

## **SECTIONAL CONCERN (SECTION VIII) – VOLLEYBALL OFFICIAL SHORTAGE**

**Presenter:**

Jennifer Keane, Section VIII Executive Committee

**Sectional Concern:**

Due to the shortage of officials, we are having difficulty covering Varsity League matches for both Boys and Girls Volleyball.

**Addressing the Sectional Concern:**

Move the Boys' Volleyball season and Championships to the spring season.

**Rationale:**

Shortage of officials; gym availability and the NCAA Men's Volleyball season is the spring.

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

Many MS Volleyball game have been run as scrimmages due to the lack of officials; additionally, some JV game are played with one official.

**Attachments:**

None

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## 2023-2024 Membership Dues

☐ Action Item  
☐ Discussion Item  
☒ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

### **Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 School year

### **Details:**

The following increase of NYSPHSAA membership dues will be included within the NYSPHSAA Budget to be voted on at the May Executive Committee meetings.

#### **Year 1 – 2023-2024**

**\$900 + .90/student over 300**

#### **Year 2 – 2024-2025**

**\$950 + .95/student over 300**

#### **Year 3 – 2025-2026**

**\$1000 + \$1/student over 300**





## Handbook Committee Meeting Report

Date: September 28, 2022 @ 9:00am - ZOOM

### Topic Discussed:

1. Modified program/50%
2. K-8 Districts Transfer
3. Defining Clinicians
4. Mixed Competition
5. Exhibition/practice
6. Add DASA to Transfer Waiver

### **Attendees:**

Pat Pizzarelli (Chair)  
Julie Bergman  
Tim Mullins  
Adam Stoltman  
Dr. Robert Zayas  
Todd Nelson  
Kristen Jadin  
Renee James  
Russell Bartlett  
Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty  
Matt Walentuk  
Robbie Greene

### Not present:

Mike Carboine

### **Status Updates:**

1. Pat welcomed the committee and handed it over to Dr. Zayas. Central Committee 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."

### **Items Discussion/ Action Taken:**

1. **Section VII Proposal:** Remove "Contestants shall not be promoted to a higher classification within the modified program or to a junior varsity or varsity team after completion of fifty percent of their modified schedule" from the NYSPHSAA Handbook. – Matt W. – Came out of Section VII. APP kids played at modified level and then tried to move up to JV. Why is there a 50% rule? Todd said it will be discussed on Friday at Modified Committee. Dr. Zayas – if it were to be removed, would there be concerns? Pat – he would have concerns because APP is for exceptional athletes. Who will keep track of how many games these students are playing? Adam – thinks the whole purpose of 50% is to help make the decision. Marisa agrees and thinks people would abuse this change. Dr. Zayas – this rule protects students and athletic directors. Tim – the APP process is not used to fill roster spots. Russ – From small school perspective, schools will end up with angry parents because of cancellation of games. However, the reality is in small schools it is done to keep programs alive. Matt – this is a small school issue. Trying to keep teams on the field. Dr. Zayas – this will go to Modified Committee and be reported to Executive Committee this discussion was held. Todd – Modified Committee changed this rule to allow 9<sup>th</sup> grade students to be promoted at any time during the season.
2. **Section 2 Proposal:** 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. Dr. Zayas asked if there were any concerns with this proposal. Robbie – students are choosing which school to participate in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, but they are not exposed to what academic programs are in the high school until 8<sup>th</sup> grade. We may get ourselves in a difficult situation because kids are choosing their high school in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Further discussion ensued. Dr. Zayas asked if there was any support for this proposal. Matt – What is the advantage if this gets passed? Todd – they want to merge with multiple schools so kids can play/attend schools they will attend for high school. Adam – What happens in open enrollment districts? Todd – one merger per sport. There was no support for the proposal moving forward.
3. **Clinicians:** Section IV has requested information related to clinicians. This was a Sectional Concern at the 2022 Central Committee meeting. Dr. Zayas - should the handbook include or



reference the NYSED regulation related to clinicians? If so, where? Todd – Section IV brought a clinician to pitch with a team. A clinician is just like a coach. Adults cannot compete against high school students. Further discussion ensued with examples of coaches facilitating practice. Matt W. – Slippery slope indicating what coaches can do. Julie- there is a difference between a coach pitching and bringing someone in to replicate a game scenario. Russ – This is a coaching certification issue. Robbie – Stay away from telling how a coach can facilitate practice. Adam – There is a difference between bringing someone in to work on technical skills vs. competing against students. Dr. Zayas – Could Todd and him examine representation rule and SED regulation? Renee – trying to clarify SED regulation is not ideal. In addition, she does not believe a judge will believe batting practice is competition. Discussion ensued. Robbie – make a note in the Handbook and link to SED regulation. Matt – Agreed. Dr. Zayas and Todd will put something together for the next meeting.

4. **Mixed Competition:** Currently the Mixed Competition portion of the NYSPHSAA Handbook states: “NYSPHSAA Note: This clause is to meet the needs of the exceptionally talented girl.” Dr. Zayas - Should NYSPHSAA include a “note” when it pertains to an NYSED regulation? Dr. Zayas recommends removing that note. All members agreed. Will make this a discussion item and then action in February.
5. **Transfer Rule:** The NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule states: “*At no time during the one-year period of ineligibility at the varsity level should a student participate in a scrimmage or be an exhibition participant at the varsity level.*” Dr. Zayas - Should “exhibition” be removed from the transfer rule and only have a prohibition on “scrimmage”? Todd – this comes from the sport of Cross Country. A student is eligible to JV and goes to varsity meet. Can they run in that meet and not score? Pat – doesn’t that give individual students more rights than a team player? Matt- Why do we differentiate between scrimmage or exhibition? Marisa – Believes it is not fair to team sports. Todd – Team sports do not have exhibition games. Russell – Taking situations that have been handled and will create more problems moving forward if we try to legislate too much. There is no support for the proposal.
6. **Transfer Rule:** The NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule states: “Health and Safety - Appeals are considered for safety, mental health, personal relationships and other similar circumstances. Written documentation is required from Superintendent of Schools or High School Principal of the sending school indicating the specific circumstances which necessitated the transfer. Supporting documentation from a third party outside of the school may be submitted (ex. police report). Dr. Zayas - Should the transfer rule waivers or exceptions mention DASA? Robbie – if we list DASA, we aren’t listing the myriad of other things that happen within a school. Dr. Zayas – Transfer form sections use has DASA on it. The form is not consistent or required by NYSPHSAA. There was no support to add DASA.

#### **Future Items/Meeting:**

1. Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 9am via ZOOM

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## **Handbook Committee – Removing the NYSPHSAA Note under Mixed Competition**

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

### **Presenter:**

Pat Pizzarelli, Handbook Chairperson

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee is recommending removing the following NYSPHSAA Note under Mixed Competition regulation in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

*“NYSPHSAA Note: This clause is to meet the need of the exceptionally talented girl”.*

### **Effective Start Date:**

When approved by the Executive Committee

### **Rationale:**

Mixed Competition is an SED regulation. The NYSPHSAA Note is an opinion by NYSPHSAA on a regulation that we have no jurisdiction over this regulation. This could cause some issues for our member schools and NYSPHSAA if we were challenged on this language.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None

### **Notes:**

None.

### **Attachments:**

None





## NYSPHSAA Safety Meeting Report

Date: September 30, 2022 @ 1pm

### Topic Discussed:

1. Girls Lacrosse Headgear
2. Concussion Management Update
3. Thunder/Lightning/Tornado Policy.
4. Wind Chill Policy Update
5. Modified Items – soccer mouthguards – 6<sup>th</sup> graders

### Attendees:

Section I – Jim Rose  
Section 2 – Rick Knizek  
Section III – Katie Clark  
Section IV – absent  
Section V – John Lombardi  
Section VI – Matt McKenna  
Section VII – Jen Drucker  
Section VIII – Jen Keane  
Section IX – Janet Carey  
Section X – Erica Backus  
Section XI – Tim Mullins  
NYSPHSAA – Todd Nelson  
Liaisons – Aimee Brunell, Connie Griffin, Dr. O'Bryan, Tim Shay  
Guests: Liz Parry (GLAX), Jeremy Thode (GLAX), Sanjeev Chaliserry (Earth Networks)

### Status Updates:

1. **NYSPHSAA Jewelry Rule** – NYSPHSAA has removed the NYSPHSAA Jewelry Rule and will follow the sport specific rule as it relates to Jewelry. Beads are now allowed to be worn in any sport if they are secured to the head and do not pose any increased risk to any student athlete. Religious Headwear is allowed in any sport if it secured.
2. **Anyone Can Save a Life** – Schools are encouraged to utilize the Anyone Can Save a Life program in their interscholastic program. Team should develop an EAP in case of an emergency medical situation.
3. **BIANYS Update** – Aimee Brunell provided an update on the updates to the Concussion Management Law with the NYS Legislators. She also provided an update on a grant that BIANYS is working on with the NYSATA and an opportunity for NYSPHSAA member schools to take advantage of a Concussion Outreach Program and Education (COPE). If schools want more information, please feel free to reach out to Aimee.
4. **Tornado Policy** – NYSPHSAA did approve a Tornado Policy for regular and post season play. The policy can be found in the NYSPHSAA Handbook and on the NYSPHSAA website. The NYSPHSAA staff will include it in the coordinator manual as well.

### Items Discussion/ Action Taken:

1. **Girls Lacrosse Headgear** – Todd Nelson informed the Safety Committee that the NFHS and USA Lacrosse is not inclined to mandate the use of headgear for girls' lacrosse. They will continue to monitor the situation and request further studies. Liz Parry and Jeremy Thode represented the NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Committee. They expressed that the committee was unanimous that they did not want to recommend mandating head gear for girl's lacrosse. The Girls Lacrosse Committee feels the rules allow for teams and players to wear headgear if they want to and the evidence for NYS does not support the need to mandate the use of headgear. They commented that during the past 2022 Lacrosse Championship not one player chose to wear the headgear. A vast majority of the NYSPHSAA Safety Committee echoes the sentiments of the Lacrosse Committee. The Certified Athletic Trainers reported that they did not see an increase amount of head injuries in their areas and appreciated the fact that the rules did allow players to wear the headgear if they chose to do so. Aimee Brunell reported that BIANYS would support following the science and the results of the studies that have been conducted. Overall, based on the studies that have been conducted and the few amounts of head injuries in NYS neither the Girls Lacrosse Committee nor the NYSPHSAA Safety Committee are recommending the mandating of headgear for Girls Lacrosse at this time. If the national governing bodies decide to make a





change in the rules regarding headgear in girls lacrosse, then NYSPHSAA would respect and follow the rules.

2. **Possession Clock for Boys and Girls Lacrosse** – NYSPHSAA requested the NFHS discuss the possibility of instituting a rule for a possession clock in both boys and girls lacrosse. There is not a desire from NFHS to implement such a rule at this time. The NFHS has suggested that NYSPHSAA request a pilot program to the NFHS to allow for a possession clock for the 2024 season. NYSPHSAA Boys and Girls Lacrosse Committees will work in putting a request into the NFHS. Both committees feel that this will help minimize risk to student athletes, especially in the girl's lacrosse game.
3. **Lightning Policy** – The Safety Committee has discussed updating the Lightning policy to include the use of technology for several years. They examined the use of spheric maps from Earth Networks but that application was too cumbersome for users to use. Earth Networks presented a new product they have developed called spheric connect. They will provide free trial periods for anyone on the Safety Committee that would like to try the app. Spheric Connects seems to be more user friendly and warnings are based on the location of someone cell phone. Schools would need multiple licenses to give to multiple individuals during the season. There is a cost per license. Jim Rose and Jarett Rhoads have also been looking into a free app called My Lighting Tracker. This app seems to be very user friendly and there is no cost to use the app. Jim and Jarrett are still working on determining the reliability of the app. They will be contacting the company to see more information on the reliability. This topic will be on the agenda for the Spring meeting and a possible recommendation to go to the Executive Committee.
4. **Modified Recommendation** – The Safety Committee does not have any concerns with the modified recommendation to recommend the use of mouth guards by modified goalies instead of requiring the use of mouth guards for modified goalies. Jim and Todd presented a discussion item regarding the possibility of adding 6<sup>th</sup> graders to be eligible for interscholastic sports. This regulation would have to be changed by SED but the modified committee did have an initial discussion and wanted the input from the Safety Committee. Most of the committee did express concern over including 6<sup>th</sup> graders in the interscholastic program. Their concerns revolved around maturity levels of the 6<sup>th</sup> graders and the time that interscholastic sports have as compared to youth sports. They also expressed the concern that another level of teams would add more responsibility for the athletic departments. The other ancillary concern was lack of coaches and officials for another level of teams.
5. **Section Concerns** – There were no Section concerns

#### **Future Items/Meeting:**

1. Lighting Policy
2. Lacrosse Possession Clock
3. Next Meeting: **March 31, 2023 at 10am**



## Modified Committee Meeting Report

September 30, 2022 @ 9:30am

### Topic Discussed:

1. NYSPHSAA Update
  - a. Strategic Plan
2. Sport Specific Action Items
  - a. Soccer
    - i. OT
    - ii. Mouthguards
  - b. Track & Field
  - c. Promotion Standard
3. Adding 6<sup>th</sup> Graders to Modified

### Attendees:

Jim Rose & Judy Salerno  
Section I – Jesse Merchant  
Section 2 – Michael Kinney, Catie Wilson  
Section III – Matt Wood, Barbara Felice  
Section IV – Joe Alger, Becca Gentile  
Section V – Brad Gertis, Jeff Onze  
Section VI – Matt Librock  
Section VII – Vicki McMullan, John Burdick  
Section VIII – Janine Heilbronn, Kevin Witt  
Section IX – Greg Warren  
Section X – Tiffany Irish, Shawn Miller  
Section XI –  
NYSPHSAA – Todd Nelson

### Not present:

Julie Arnold, Suzanne Lendzian, Kathy Masterson, Debra Ferry

### Items Discussion/ Action Taken:

- (A) Consider approval for Modified Soccer to have a single 10-minute overtime without a switchover.

**Motion to Approve:** Vicki McMullin / John Burdick

**Defeated:** For – 3 Against – 12 Abstention – 0

- (A) Consider approval of changing mandatory mouthpieces for Modified Soccer goalies to a recommendation.

**Motion to Approve:** John Burdick / Vicki McMullan

**Carried:** For – 13 Against – 2 Abstention – 0

- (A) Consider approval of eliminating the 1200/2300-meter limit (Indoor/Outdoor Track & Field) and to allow entry into 4 total events with one event being a relay.

**Motion to Approve:** Joe Alger / Matt Librock

**Carried:** For – 16 Against – 0 Abstention – 0

- (A) Consider approval of eliminating the 50% of the season restriction on the NYSPHSAA Promotion Standard.

**Motion to Table:** Barbara Felice / Shawn Miller

**Carried:** For – 16 Against – 0 Abstention – 0

### Future Items/Meeting:

NYSPHSAA Report – Todd Nelson

Adding 6<sup>th</sup> Graders – Advocating for a change to the NYSED Regulation.

### Rationale:

- This discussion is part of the “Increasing Participation” initiative within the strategic plan
- If there is interest it will likely be a 1-2 year process
- Informal discussions have occurred with Section Executive Directors, etc.
- Recommendation would be to wait until the next Executive Committee meeting to get their blessing on creating a sub-committee.



**Discussion:**

- Concerns about safety of having a 6th grader and 6/7, 8/9 and 10-12
- The original model was based on Junior Highs (789) and has not changed based upon changes toward Middle Schools (5678)
- APP is built to go in both directions
- Scott Reinhart – Middle Level Liaisons – Most principals seemed to be in support of including 6th graders. Flexibility is important in providing the setting for success. Encourages everyone to use him as a resource.
- Matt Librock – Currently also a MS assistant principal – Fully in support and supports the idea of forming a sub-committee to examine.

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023



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## **Modified Committee – Changing Soccer Mouth Guard Requirement to Recommendation**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Jim Rose, Modified Co-Coordinator

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Modified Committee is recommending changing the following language in the NYSPHSAA Handbook under the sport of soccer. “ a mouthpiece ~~shall~~ (replace with may) be worn by the soccer goalie for protective purposes”.

### **Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 season

### **Rationale:**

From youth soccer all the way to professional soccer the only level that requires goalies to wear a mouth guard is the NYSPHSAA modified level. The Modified Committee feels that this should be a choice made by the school and the player. This falls in line with a change we made a few years ago regarding the soft headgear for modified soccer goalies.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None

### **Notes:**

The NYSPHSAA Safety Committee expressed no concerns with this recommendation.

### **Attachments:**

None

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## **Modified Committee – Increasing Max Number of Events for Track and Field**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Jim Rose, Modified Co-Coordinator

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Modified Committee is recommending increasing the maximum number of events for a track athlete from 3 to 4 providing one of the 4 is a relay. The are also recommending eliminating the distance restrictions in the modified Track and Field regulation.

### **Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 season

### **Rationale:**

This change would allow for more participation for our modified athletes. Many schools were struggling to fill relay teams because of the restriction of 3 events. The committee also feels the restriction to the distance run by the modified athletes is not needed and coaches should be able to put students in events they feel are appropriate.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None

### **Notes:**

The NYSPHSAA Safety Committee expressed no concerns with this recommendation.

### **Attachments:**

None

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## **FOOTBALL – Amend Guidelines for Combined Practices for 11-Man**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Gary Vanderzee, NYSPHSAA Football Coordinator

### **Proposal**

The NYSPHSAA Football Committee is seeking approval of an amendment to the Combined Practice guidelines for 11-man football.

### **Effective Start Date**

August 19, 2023

### **Rationale**

In 2019 the NYSPHSAA Football State Committee established guidelines for interschool practices. Five items make up the framework of these guidelines. Items d) and e) are being proposed to be revised.

### **CURRENT GUIDELINES:**

- a) Coaches are to instruct their own players.
- b) "Full Live" contact is permitted but not required.
- c) Athletes/Teams may not participate in a combined practice unless they previously completed five (5) days of practice.
- d) While working on team situational aspects, drills may not exceed seven (7) players from either team. This will allow for teams to conduct a 7 v 7 period for skill positions or it may be designed to focus on an inside run package to emphasize offensive/defensive line play.
- e) Schools using more than seven (7) players in a team drill will be in violation of this rule.

### **PROPOSED CHANGES:**

- d) While working on team situational aspects, drills may not exceed a maximum of nine (9) players from either team. This will allow for teams to conduct a 9 v 9 period for skill positions or it may be designed to focus on an inside run package to emphasize offensive/defensive line play.
  - \*\* 8-Man Football teams will only be allowed a maximum of seven (7) players from either team.
- e) 11-Man teams using more than nine (9) players in a team drill will be in violation of this rule.
  - 8-Man teams using more than seven (7) players in a team drill will be in violation of this rule.

The rationale for the request centers on allowing teams to work on inside run play with a full line. Currently, with the 7 v 7 rule in place, a team that uses a tight end with two running backs can't run full line drills. They would need to use 5 linemen plus the tight end and quarterback and they are already at the maximum of 7 without counting the running backs. As a result, teams are forced to go half line and not incorporate any backside linemen. Most teams utilize pulling lineman from the back side when



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executing inside run play. If the rule is modified to read a maximum of 9 players, teams could use 5 linemen, a tight end, and 2 running backs to get a true evaluation and a more productive drill.

When the state committee established these guidelines, the 7 v 7 rule was put in for two reasons:

1. There needed to be a clear distinction that these drills were not actually scrimmages with 11 on 11 so the decision was made to max out at 7 v 7 so it would be clear to all, it was not an 11 on 11 full team scrimmage. We believe modifying this rule will still accomplish that same premise while allowing for a more productive teaching period for athletes. Anyone viewing this period will still note the offense has no wide receivers and the defense has no defensive backs. It will still be evident to all that this is not an 11 on 11 situation.
2. If more than 7 v 7 was permitted, 8-Man teams would have a full line-up thus making it a scrimmage. With that, we would only be asking for this modification be implemented for 11-Man football.

It should also be noted the original decision to max at 7 v 7 had nothing to do with safety. As mentioned, it was simply put in so there was a distinction between the combined practice and a scrimmage. This change would still honor that premise.

## **Proposal Originated**

The NYSPHSAA Football Committee on March 29, 2022

## **Budgetary Impact:**

None

## **Notes**

None

## **Attachments**

None

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*Approved*  
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## **Boys Basketball – Coaches Mandatory Attendance at Pregame Conference**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Bob Mayo, Boys Basketball Coordinator

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Boys Basketball Committee is recommending a member of the Board approved coaching staff be required to attend the pregame conference with the captains and the officials.

### **Effective Start Date:**

2022-2023 season

### **Rationale:**

The NFHS requires the officials to have a pregame conference with the captains of both teams. Requiring the coach to attend this conference would help address several topics. These topics include addressing sportsmanship, equipment, and uniform issues including beads. Coaches and officials could set the tone for positive sportsmanship during the game. They would also address uniform issues such as sleeves, sweatbands, and beads prior to the game starting.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Boys Basketball Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None

### **Notes:**

None

### **Attachments:**

None

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## **Boys Wrestling – NFHS 1.5 % Weight Loss Plan**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Marty Sherman, Boys Wrestling Coordinator

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Boys Wrestling Committee is recommending following the NFHS 1.5% weight loss plan.

### **Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 season

### **Rationale:**

Currently wrestlers are certified to a minimum wrestling weight and must weigh in 50% of their matches at the weight in which they want to compete in the post season. The 1.5% weight loss plan sets up a weight loss plan for the wrestler in which they can only lose 1.5% of their body weight each week. The plan can be given to the wrestler at the beginning of the season so they can know exactly what the minimum weight they can weigh in each week. If the student weighs in more than the minimum weight for the week the plan is recalculated. The wrestler and the coach can monitor the plan each week during the season. The 1.5% weight loss plan would replace the 50% rule.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None.

### **Notes:**

The committee voted 9-1-1 to approve the recommendation. Section 4 voted against and Section 1 abstained.

### **Attachments:**

None



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## **Boys Wrestling – Eliminate the NYSPHSAA Honor Weigh-In**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Marty Sherman, Boys Wrestling Coordinator

**Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Boys Wrestling Committee is recommending eliminating the NYSPHSAA honor weigh-in.

**Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 season

**Rationale:**

Currently teams are allowed to weigh-in in the morning of a match and if the students make the weight for a particular weight class, they are given a 3lb allowance for the mat side weigh-in during the evening match. The honor weigh-ins are required to be monitored by a school administrator or their designee. There are doubts in most Sections that an administrator is monitoring the honor weigh-ins. If the 1.5% weight loss plan is approved, the practice of honor weigh-ins would allow students to keep fluctuating during the season which is not in the best interest of the student.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee

**Budgetary Impact:**

None.

**Notes:**

The committee voted 9-1-1 to approve the recommendation. Section 1 voted against and Section 4 abstained.

**Attachments:**

None

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## **Boys Wrestling – 2023-2024 Weight Classes**

☐ Action Item  
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☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Marty Sherman, Boys Wrestling Coordinator

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Boys Wrestling Committee is recommending using the following NFHS weight classes plus a NYSPHSAA lower weight. The weight classes would be 101 (NYSPHSAA), 108, 116, 124, 131, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 190, 215, 285.

### **Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 season

### **Rationale:**

The NFHS has given the State Associations the option to select 12, 13, or 14 weight classes. The committee feels that the NFHS 12 weight classes is best suited for NYS. The committee also feels that NYS has had a lower weight class for many decades and many Sections would like to keep a lower weight class.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None, this is in line with the number of weight classes currently being offered.

### **Notes:**

The committee voted 7-4 to approve this recommendation. Sections 2,3,7 and 8 were opposed.

### **Attachments:**

None

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## **Boys Wrestling – Division Cut-Off Numbers**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Marty Sherman, Boys Wrestling Coordinator

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Boys Wrestling Committee is recommending that Boys Wrestling become a variation sport and is recommending having the Division cut-off numbers be 600 and above Division 1 and 599 and below being Division 2.

### **Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 season

### **Rationale:**

The new format to determine the classification cut-off numbers for non-variation sports in two division sports is 40% of the teams in Division 1 and 60% of the teams in Division 2. The Boys Wrestling Committee is concerned with the imbalance of the two Divisions. The Boys Wrestling Committee would like to keep the divisions balanced and the cut-off numbers being 600 and above for Division 1 and 599 and below being Division 2.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None.

### **Notes:**

The committee voted unanimously to approve this recommendation.

### **Attachments:**

None



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## **Girls Flag Football – High School Sport Standards**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Todd Nelson, Assistant Director

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Committee is recommending the following High School Sport Standards for Girls Flag Football.

- Minimum 6 practices to represent your school
- Maximum 16 games during the regular season
- 1 night rest between contests
- 1 contest allowed per day
- NFHS Football Rules plus NYSPHSAA Rules
- 1 scrimmage per day

### **Effective Start Date:**

Spring 2023

### **Rationale:**

As an emerging sport, Girls Flag Football needs to establish High School Sport Standards. These standards are the same as Girls Lacrosse Standards.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None.

### **Notes:**

None.

### **Attachments:**

None

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## **Girls Flag Football – NFHS/NYSPHSAA Playing Rules**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Todd Nelson, Assistant Director

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Committee is recommending following the NFHS Football playing rules along with the NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Rules.

### **Effective Start Date:**

Spring 2023

### **Rationale:**

During the pilot program in the Spring of 2022 the participating teams used the NFHS Football rules along with NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Rules. The committee did review all of the rules and made minor adjustments to them for the 2023 season.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

None.

### **Notes:**

None.

### **Attachments:**

NYSPHSAA Playing Rules

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## **GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL– ESTABLISH A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN 2024**

☐ Action Item  
☒ Discussion Item  
☐ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Staff and Girls Flag Football Committee is seeking to conduct a state championship starting in spring 2024.

### **Effective Start Date:**

Week #48 in Spring 2024

### **Rationale:**

Due to Girls Flag Football meeting the criteria of six sections with four or more programs, a state championship may be established per the NYSPHSAA Championship Philosophy.

### **Proposal Originated:**

The NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Committee met for the first time on September 14, 2022.

### **Budget Impact:**

There will be travel expenses for schools to send a flag football team to a state championship in addition to NYSPHSAA incurring expenses to rent a venue, pay for officials and awards, travel, and also pay for other associated state tournament expenses. Additionally, schools/sections/NYSPHSAA will generate revenue from admissions at local games, Section tournaments and the State Tournament to help offset budgets.

### **Other**

Each section will send a representative to a Regional competition (see proposed regions below) for the right to advance to the State Semifinals/Finals. Teams will be made up of 15-30 players and follow the NFHS Football Rules supplemented by the NYSPHSAA Flag Football rules. They will also adopt all high school sports standards as published in the NYSPHSAA handbook.

The schedule is proposed as follows:

State Semifinals/Finals	Week #48 – Games on Fri & Sat <u>OR</u> Sat & Sun
Regionals	Week #47 – Games on Friday, Saturday or Sunday
Section Tournament	Week #46 – Games days to be determined by the section

Proposed Regions:      North Sections: II, III, VII, X  
                                 West Sections: V, VI

South Sections: VIII, XI  
East Sections: I, IV, IX

*\*tentative; subject to change*



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## **Venues:**

Section Tournaments and Regional game sites will be determined by sections. Regional rotations will be set up by the committee and approved by CAC and Executive Committee. The State Semifinals/Finals will be determined by a bid process at least one year prior to the event date, approved by the Executive Committee.

## **Awards:**

Certificates for Regionals, Semi-Finalists and Finals will be distributed. Championship t-shirts, 1<sup>st</sup> place medals, plaques, Final Four bracket boards and champion boards will be awarded to team champions. Finalists will be awarded medals and plaques. Semi-finalists will receive plaques. Sportsmanship shirts will be awarded to one athlete from each participating State Tournament team. A maximum number of team personnel will be established to allow for a budgeted quantities of awards.

## **Staff/Officials:**

NYSPHSAA Staff will oversee and manage the planning of this event with consultation with the state coordinator and committee. The state coordinator shall oversee gameday operations on the field with assistance from NYSPHSAA and the state committee.

Game officials will be determined using Officials Fees & Policies procedures, established by CAC, and will be similar to girls lacrosse procedures.

## **CAC Feedback:**

**No concerns at this time (discussion).**

# 2022-23 SECTION 9 DUALS

SECTION 9's QUALIFIER FOR THE NYS DUAL MEET CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

ROUND OF 16	QUARTERFINALS	SEMI's	FINALS
TWO SITES / 2 MATS / TUESDAY 01/10/23	ONE SITE / 2 MATS / WEDNESDAY 01/11/23		
DAY # 1 at NEWBURGH FREE ACADEMY		DAY # 2 at MINISINK VALLEY	

1- MINISINK VALLEY	1-MINISINK VALLEY	<b>DIVISION 1</b>	
BYE	BYE		
9- VALLEY CENTRAL	7:30 p.m. / MAT #2		
8- NEWBURGH	6:00 p.m. / MAT #1		
5- MONROE WOODBURY	6:00 p.m. / MAT #2	5:00 p.m. / MAT #1	
12- KINGSTON	7:30 p.m. / MAT #1		
13- FDR-HYDE PARK	5:00 p.m. / MAT #1		
4- WARWICK VALLEY			
DAY # 1 at WALLKILL		6:30 p.m. / MAT #1	
3- MIDDLETOWN	5:00 p.m. / MAT #1		
14- BEACON	7:30 p.m. / MAT #1		
11- WASHINGTONVILLE	6:00 p.m. / MAT #1		
6- GOSHEN		5:00 p.m. / MAT #2	
7- CORNWALL	6:00 p.m. / MAT #2		
10- PINE BUSH	7:30 p.m. / MAT #2		
BYE	2-WALLKILL		
2- WALLKILL	BYE	<b>DIVISION 2</b>	

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SECTION 9  
D1-DUAL MEET  
CHAMPIONS  
2022-23

WILL REPRESENT S9 AT THE  
NYS DUAL MEET CHAMPIONSHIPS  
SATURDAY 1/28/23

DAY # 1 at PORT JERVIS		DAY # 2 at MINISINK VALLEY	
OUTBRACKETS	QUARTERFINALS	SEMI's-Day 1	FINALS-Day 2
1- PORT JERVIS	5:00 p.m. / MAT #1	7:30 p.m. / MAT #1	
8- HIGHLAND			
6- SAUGERTIES	6:00 p.m. / MAT #1		
4- ONTEORA			
3- NEW PALTZ	6:00 p.m. / MAT #2	6:30 p.m. / MAT #2 @MINISINK VALLEY HS	
6- CHESTER	7:30 p.m. / MAT #2		
7- OUR LADY OF LOURDES	5:00 p.m. / MAT #2		
2- RED HOOK			

SECTION 9  
D2-DUAL MEET  
CHAMPIONS  
2022-23

WILL REPRESENT S9 AT THE  
NYS DUAL MEET CHAMPIONSHIPS  
SATURDAY 1/28/23

#### **SEEDING AND DEVELOPMENT OF BRACKETS:**

Teams are placed on the bracket using the following guidelines:

- The NUMBER OF SEEDING PTS (based on the formula which tallies returning sectional points and returning wrestlers) will determine the seeds.
- Should any teams have the same total points, # of points earned in the prior year sectional tournament will be used as the tie breaker.
- The top 2 seeded D1 teams will all earn any BYEs needed to fill the bracket.
- The team with the most points will be entered on the bracket sheet as the #1 seed and remaining seeds will also be based on the most points earned from the seeding formula.
- There are no wrestlebacks or consolation matches in this tournament, the winner must beat all.

Should more than the allotted number apply, they will be wait-listed. A first draft of the bracket will be sent during the summer. The finalized bracket shall be presented at the November Section 9 Athletic Council meeting for final approval before it is made official. The official bracket could change the week following the end of weight certifications in November if transfers not originally accounted for become known, math errors in applying the point formula are discovered, or if teams become aware they cannot fill the required number of weight classes. Once possible changes are made after weight certs are completed the D1 bracket will then be locked in. Once locked in, if a D1 team scratches, the D1 bracket will not be re-done, the team scheduled to wrestle the scratched team will advance by forfeit. In D1: The wait-listed team will move into the bracket as the 15<sup>th</sup> seed- on the Bye line and wrestle the #2 seed. If a D2 seeded team scratches, a wait-listed team can be added. The D2 bracket will be redrawn. No changes will be made to the D2 bracket after the Tuesday prior (1/3/23). Scratches after that point will become Forfeits.

Teams may meet teams from their league in any round. Brackets will not be adjusted because teams are also scheduled to meet during the season. As the S9 Duals bracket draft will be available in September: this gives schools plenty of time to adjust schedules. With consent of both Athletic Directors, teams may count their match in the Section 9 Duals as their league match. This gives more flexibility in scheduling opponents you are not originally scheduled to wrestle.



## Boys WRESTLING

**Motion #1:** Brad Hamer-Section 3- Wrestling will become a "variation sport" for 2023-24 with current cutoff numbers of 600+ for D1 and 599 and below for D2 (to best keep approximately the same number of schools in each Division).  
**Passed:** Unanimously

**Motion #2:** Mike DeBarbari-S6: For the 2023-24 season NYS will adopt the following 12+1 weight classes:

101 108 116 124 131 138 145 152 160 170 190 215 285

**In Favor:** Sections: 1,4,5,6,9,10,11

**Opposed:** Sections: 2,3,7,8

**Motion #3** Izzy Martinez-S6-For 2023-24: NYSPHSAA will implement the NWCA 1.5% method of weight loss for the 2023-24 season and the 50% rule will be eliminated but the Growth allowance will remain in effect.

**In Favor:** Sections: 2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10,11

**Opposed:** Sections: 4

**Abstain:** Section 1

**Motion #4:** Matt DeVincenzo-S11-For 2023-24: As NYSPHSAA will be implementing the NWCA 1.5% method of weight loss for the 2023-24 season the Honor weigh-in system should be eliminated.

**Discussion:** There is concern that the "Honor" system is being abused in some sections. In many districts, administrators are not performing the honor weigh-ins.

**In Favor:** Sections: 2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10,11

**Opposed:** Sections: 1

**Abstain:** Section 4

**Motion #5:** Jeff Culty-S9-For 2022-23: Coaches will be required to use Track wrestling weigh-in sheets for entering all weigh-in's for duals and tournaments. The 1.5% method will be available for wrestlers and coaches to view its data, but it will not be implemented in 2022-23. The 50% rule will remain in effect and the new Track 50% printout will be used for determining post-season weight class eligibility. The Growth allowance and the Honor -weigh-in procedure will remain in effect for 2022-23

**In Favor:** Sections: unanimously approved

**Opposed:** None

Chairmen need to reach out to their Executive Directors immediately to inform them that Motion #5 will be an Action item for October and require a vote for implementation this season.

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## Section 2 – Addition to Combining of Teams Rule

\_\_\_\_\_ Action Item  
  X   Discussion Item  
\_\_\_\_\_ Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Section 2

### **Proposal:**

Consider approval of the addition to the 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."*

### **Effective Start Date:**

2023-2024 School Year

### **Rationale:**

Section 2 has a K-8 school that has become a full member of the Section so it may merge at the modified level with a school they have a contract with. NYSPHSAA only allows for one merger per level, per sport. Section 2 would like to ask for approval to have multiple mergers at the modified level thereby allowing for example one student to participate on a merged team with school A and another student to participate on a merged team with school B. Those students would then be treated as an APP'd student and be subject to the transfer rule if as a 9th grader they were to choose a different high school.

### **Proposal Originated:**

Section 2

### **Budgetary Impact:**

N/A

### **Notes:**

There was no support from the Handbook Committee.