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Forms

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New York State Roster Form
Admittance Form
Power Point Rating Form
Statement of Protest
All-American Form
Site Chairman's Financial Report
All-WNY Scholar – Athlete Nomination Form

2009 Boys Lacrosse Calendar

The Section VI approved Boys Lacrosse season is
March 2, 2009 to June 14, 2009

First Practice.....	March 2
First Scrimmage	March 11
First Contest	March 13
NYS Roster Form Due.....	Wednesday, April 1
Admittance Form Due.....	Thursday June 4
ALL- WNY Scholar Athlete Forms deadline.....	Friday, May 15
Power Point Rating System Form Due	Friday, May 22
Season Game Cutoff Date.....	Friday, May 22
Notice of Non-Participation in Sectionals Due	Prior to Seeding Meeting
Seeding Meeting – Sweet Home HS	Friday, May 22
Senior All-Star Contest at St. Joe's High School	Wednesday June 10

Sectional Competition

Quarter Finals

Friday May 29, 2009 - Higher Seed

Semi Finals

Tuesday, June 2, 2009 - Higher Seed

Finals

Friday, June 5, 2008 at Canisius College (tentative)

Class B: 3:30 PM

Class C: 5:30 PM

Class A: 8:00 PM

Far West Regionals

Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at St. John Fisher (Section 5)

Class C: 3:30 pm

Class A: 5:30 pm

Class B: 8:00 pm

West State Semi-Finals

Thursday, June 11, 2009 at St. John Fisher, Pittsford, (Section 5)

Class C: 3:30 pm

Class A: 5:30 pm

Class B: 8:00 pm

State Finals

Saturday, June 13, 2009

Paetec Park, Rochester (Section 5)

Class C: 11:00 am

Class A: 1:30 pm

Class B: 4:00 pm

Section VI Boys Lacrosse Committee

Committee voting privileges:

As per the Section VI Constitution p.11 Item 7.6 "The representative members on each sport committee will be appointed by each league and have only one vote per league. Other non-voting members may be selected by the sports chairperson." Voting rights on a federated sports committee are the same as league sports: one vote for each league or division represented. The chairperson generally exercises his right to vote when there is a tie. The voting members of the committee are indicated below with an **asterisk**.

Section VI Chairman

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General Information

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to standardize the practices and procedures for all the schools present and future who participate in the Western New York Lacrosse League. It is also the purpose to keep all participating schools, coaches and athletic directors informed as to the procedures of the W.N.Y. Lacrosse League.

Scope

This document basically incorporates the E.C.I.C. Standards of Conduct, revised 11/3/89 and makes additions unique to the sport of lacrosse in W.N.Y. These rules and procedures apply to all participating schools, present and future. The schools presently participating include:

2009 Boys Lacrosse Classification

Boys Lacrosse Classification Cut-off numbers below are new for 2008-09

Class A (1100 & UP)

Lancaster	1550	ECIC
Lockport	1339	NFL
Frontier	1321	ECIC
Orchard Park	1289	ECIC
Clarence	1245	ECIC
Williamsville North	1177	ECIC
North Tonawanda	1163	NFL
Jamestown	1156	ECIC
Niagara Wheatfield	1103	NFL

Class B (650-1099)

West Seneca West	1095	ECIC
Hamburg	949	ECIC
Sweet Home	948	ECIC
Grand Island	806	NFL
Lake Shore	802	ECIC
West Seneca East	793	ECIC
Williamsville East	766	ECIC
Iroquois	760	ECIC
Williamsville South	753	ECIC
Amherst	691	ECIC

Class C (0-649)

East Aurora	531	ECIC
Medina	458	NO
Eden	445	ECIC
Akron	394	NO
Gowanda	371	CCAA
Wilson	358	NO
Silver Creek	300	CCAA
Salamanca	287	CCAA

Non-Public Schools

Canisius	Class A
St. Francis	A
St. Joseph's	A
Timon/ St. Jude	B
Nichols	C

Independent

Gow	Class C
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Rules -2009 Lacrosse Rules Changes Major Rules Revisions

All rules are incorporated through the National Federation H.S. Lacrosse Rule Book, except those altered or modified by the N.Y.S.P.H.S.A.A Lacrosse Committee.

2009 Lacrosse Rules Changes Major Rules Revisions

- 1-7-4 new** The crosse shall be relatively straight from the butt end to the end of the head. A “relatively straight” crosse shall be defined as one that may be laid flat on a tabletop on the side opposite the netting so that a substantial portion of the crosse rests on the table and such that there is a distance from the tabletop to the bottom edge of the head that at no point exceeds 2 ¾ inches.
Rationale: Rule 1 currently includes a diagrams of the “table top” measurements; however, further explanation of the measurement procedure and requirements is needed.
- 1-9-1 Note** The tooth and mouth protector shall be of any readily visible color other than white or clear and must cover all of either the upper or lower teeth with adequate thickness.
Rationale: Aligns with the Point of Emphasis from the 2008 rule book and clarifies that a mouth guard which covers either the upper or lower teeth with adequate thickness is legal.
- 1-9-2d** A player may wear a clear, molded and non-rigid helmet eye shield. A player may wear eye glasses, either tinted or clear. A player may not wear both a clear, molded and non-rigid helmet eye shield and tinted eye glasses.
Rationale: Clarifies that tinted eye glasses are allowed unless a player is also wearing a clear, molded and non-rigid helmet eye shield.
- 4-22-2a** Wait until a goal is scored, a time-serving penalty is reported, a time-out is called or the timekeeper sounds the horn after a sideline out of bounds, indicating to the officials that a substitution is desired.
Rationale: Common officiating practice is to assume teams will substitute after a goal, time-serving penalty or time-out, and few coaches believe they need to call for a horn in these situations, although that is what the current wording requires. Occasionally newer officials penalize teams for illegal substitutions after a goal or penalty because the coaches did not request a horn first.
- 4-23-3** Regular substitutions may not take place after play has been suspended for non-time serving violations or inadvertent whistles.
Rationale: Clarification needed since the horn is sounded and regular substitutions are allowed for time-serving violations.
- 4-24-2f** Delete 4-24-2f - Special substitutions may take place while play is suspended, except when equipment violations occur.
Rationale: “Special substitution” means subbing on the fly with no horn and it will not disrupt the flow of the game to allow substitutions when play is stopped for a player to buckle his chin strap, etc.
- 5-5** The fingers/ palms of a player’s hands must be completely covered by his gloves and the gloves may not be altered in a way that compromises their protective features.
Rationale: The previous wording of the rule did not specifically prohibit a player from wearing gloves manufactured without a palm. This revised wording clarifies that the gloves must cover the fingers and palms to minimize risk for players.
- 7-3** If the ball was in the goal area when play was suspended, play shall be restarted laterally outside the goal area nearest to the spot of the ball at the time of the whistle
Rationale: Too much of an advantage is gained by the team in possession on the restart if it is located at the “top of the box.” Lacrosse tradition has always brought the ball to the alley for the restart in this situation.

7-6-4

- a. When penalty time is awarded and one team incurs less total penalty time than its opponent, that team shall be awarded the ball.
- b. When penalty times are equal or all fouls cancel:
 1. If a team has possession or is entitled to possession at the time of the flag or whistle, that team shall retain possession.
 2. If neither team has possession at the time of the fouls, the ball shall be awarded according to the alternate possession rule or when a faceoff is pending in this situation, a faceoff will be held.

Rationale: Alternate possession should be used to determine possession when there is no other way to award the ball. When a face-off is pending and there are simultaneous fouls with either not time to be served or equal penalty time, it makes the most sense to just go ahead and have the scheduled faceoff.

Points of Emphasis**Stalling**

Officials should be alert to and call stalling warnings during the game if it is apparent that the offensive team is not attempting to attack the goal and score.

Glasses and Helmet Eye Shields

Helmet eye shields are allowed provided they are clear, molded and non-rigid. Eye glasses are not helmet eye shields and are not restricted by these provisions. Thus, glasses (either tinted or clear) are allowed to be worn during play. The only exception to this provision is that tinted glasses cannot be worn with a helmet eye shield. A player can wear clear glasses with a clear helmet eye shield but not tinted glasses with a clear helmet eye shield.

Uniforms and Equipment

Officials are reminded that a revised jersey rule took effect with the 2008 season. The jersey must be a single, solid color with only limited trim in a contrasting color allowed. These trim requirements are included in rule 1-9 in this rule book. Should a team have jerseys or other uniform violations, these must be identified by the officials prior to the beginning of the contest and penalized accordingly. Following the contest, the officials must notify the state association of the school's illegal uniforms so that they can address the situation with the school. Realize that equipment violations are handled differently as stipulated in the rules.

NOTE: Situations and Ruling are included at the end of each rule. New or revised Situations and Ruling are preceded by an asterisk (*)

Standards of Conduct

1. All coaches must be aware that they are primarily responsible for controlling athletes during pre-game sessions, locker rooms, on the playing field, on buses, or any other time they are representing their school. The conduct of athletes on and off the field is expected to be sportsmanlike. Actions such as taunting, jibes, vulgar language and disrespectful attitudes are not acceptable at any time.
2. The conduct of coaches and school personnel on and off the field is expected to be sportsmanlike. Such actions as taunting, jibes, vulgar language and disrespectful attitudes are not acceptable at any time.
3. Wherever physically possible, all spectator areas are to be separated from player benches and the playing field. This could be as simple as roping off an area.
4. The shaking of hands is strongly encouraged at the end of every contest.
5. Any athlete who is expelled from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct will be subject to NYSPHSAA penalty.
 - a. In the case of fighting, the player will be automatically expelled from the contest and will not be allowed to participate in the next scheduled contest as well. This rule applies to playoff games and sectional games. In the event that the foul occurs in the last game of the season, the offending player or players will not play in the first game of his/her next sports season.
 - b. Officials and coaches shall notify the Athletic Director and section chairman as soon as possible after the event.

6. It is expected that all coaches will take a responsible attitude in not intentionally running up the scores.
7. The announcing of any home contest is expected to be unbiased.
8. It is expected that all officials be skilled in the art of officiating and understand and enforce the league rule regarding unsportsmanlike conduct.
9. Penalties imposed by the league may be considered minimal, but do not prevent schools from imposing their own penalties. Penalties may range from warnings to actions taken, such as censure, removal from competition or in more severe cases, expulsion from league competition for the season.

NOTE: In lacrosse, any expulsion foul (other than five minutes of personal fouls) shall result in that player missing the next scheduled game.

Criteria For Finishes In Section VI Lacrosse

In case of ties at season's end:

1. Head to head W-L record
2. Difference of goals scored head to head
3. Least number of goals allowed in league games
4. Most number of goals scored in league games

Section VI Lacrosse Rain-Lightning Suspensions/Inclement Weather

1. **Section VI Lightning Policy** (*adopted January 20, 1999 - rev. 3/03, 11/04*)

"Thunder and lightning necessitates that all contests be suspended. The occurrence of thunder and/or lightning is not subject to interpretation or discussion - thunder is thunder, lightning is lightning. If lightning and/or thunder is observed, all outdoor activities will be suspended immediately. Players and spectators shall be directed to report to a shelter, a building normally occupied by the public or if a building is unavailable, participants should go inside a vehicle with a solid metal top (e.g. bus, van, car). The officials and responsible authorities shall make every reasonable effort to resume and complete the contest, with full consideration of the weather and site conditions (as they affect safety and playing conditions). The official/coaches shall wait 30 minutes from the time the last boom is heard and/or the last strike is seen before starting or resuming play.

CLARIFICATIONS:

PRIOR TO CONTEST

If thunder/lightning is observed at the site of an outdoor contest by the officials/ coaches 30 or fewer minutes prior to the scheduled start of that contest, the official/ coaches and the responsible school authorities shall not permit the contest to begin. Before the contest can begin a 30-minute period void of any strike or boom must be observed.

DURING THE CONTEST

If thunder/lightning is observed at the site of an outdoor contest by the officials during the playing of the contest, the official/coaches shall immediately cease play for 30 minutes. Play may not resume until there has been a period of at least 30 minutes in which a boom or strike has not been observed. The rules of the particular sport shall determine whether the contest is 'official' or must be resumed at a later date."

2. Once the game is started, officials have final say in determining whether delay is necessary or suspension of play.
3. Safety of players and all concerned is the determinant officials will use.
4. If game is suspended before halftime, game is rescheduled by mutual consent of both schools at designated time. Division games must be rescheduled.
5. If game is suspended past the halftime mark, remainder of game is played with score, time and situation reinstated at time of suspension and played to completion, on agreed upon date.
6. **Playoff games** stopped by the officials due to weather will be continued from that point in time and score on the next possible date. This will be done from any point in time and until the game is played in its entirety.

Rosters

Coaches should submit Varsity and JV rosters to all teams prior to the first game. A copy should also be sent to the Section VI Chairman. A numerical copy should be sent to the opposing coaches at least one week prior to your games with those schools. PLEASE USE STATE FORMAT FOR ROSTERS. (see forms page 1)

Fields

- All playing fields should be properly marked. This includes the sideline areas for the team and penalty boxes. SPECTATORS SHOULD BE KEPT IN PROPER AREAS FOR CROWD CONTROL AND SAFETY. Fans should not be in a position to be hit by shots or passes by players.
- The field should be checked and cleared of broken glass, protruding sprinkler heads and other forms of debris. All holes should be filled in and level. All holes, drains and other potential hazards along the sidelines and endlines should be covered and or removed.

Timekeepers

It is recommended that an adult be used as the timekeeper for all contests.

Publicity

Coaches provide as much assistance to the sport and players of lacrosse when they give game scores and individual information to the Buffalo News and other publications. Unless other arrangements are made, the HOME team coach is asked to call in the results of the contest. (Both coaches should call to ensure that results are reported)

Bee Group - 632-4700 x106

Tonawanda News - 693-1000 x117

Buffalo News - 800-777-8610

Time Warner Sports(David Dee) - 558-8268

Refer to:

- The Section VI Directory, page 10 for additional media contacts and phone numbers.
- www.section6.e1b.org Under General Information, click on Media [Click here for link](#)
- <http://www.section6.e1b.org/11391041014336120/lib/11391041014336120/media.pdf>

Referees

Rating cards are provided so that teams may evaluate game officials and contribute to a system where officials have the opportunity to work contests at the proper level. Coaches are asked to submit these cards so that officials get a fair rating based on the maximum number of reports. The top rated officials are presented to the coaches whose teams are in the playoffs. These coaches (provided they have turned in their rating cards) are allowed to reject one official before assignments are made.

Regular Season: Three (3) officials will be assigned for regular season games (varsity only).

Sectional Playoffs: Three (3) officials will be assigned to the Semi-Final and four (4) will be assigned for Finals. Three (3) officials will be on the field and the fourth (4th) official will work from the box area. Duties should coincide with those described in the Nat. Fed. HS Lacrosse Rulebook with NYSPHAA modifications for this year (2008). Section VI will pay for four (4) officials.

Code Of Conduct

Coaches, participants, spectators and administrators are expected to be familiar with and abide by the CODE OF CONDUCT published by Section VI of NYSPHAA. (See page 12) The NYSPHAA Code of Conduct Form can be downloaded from the Section Website www.section6.e1b.org click on Forms.

Number Of Games Allowed

Teams will be allowed a maximum of eighteen (18) games in one season. This does not include Section VI Playoff games.

Sectional Playoff Policies and Procedures

1. Section VI will determine the classification of each school based on Section enrollment policy.
2. **OPEN TOURNAMENT:** After regular season play is ended, there will be a public school qualifying tournament with a quarter-final, semi-final and final game to determine the Section VI representatives from each Class for the NYSPHSAA Lacrosse Championships. All public school teams can participate in this open tournament format. A school **may choose NOT to participate, but must notify the Section Boys Lacrosse Chairman prior to the seeding meeting.**
3. SECTION VI POLICY (approved Jan.17, 2007): Any school who has not submitted adequate information to the sportchair in time for the seeding meeting will be excluded from the sectional tournament.
4. Class A teams will play each other once (9 games) which will count towards seeding. Class B teams will play each other once (8 games) which will count towards seeding. Class C teams will play each other twice (14 games) which will count towards seeding. All private schools will play each other twice (8 games) which will count towards seeding. NOTES: Additional games do not factor playoff positioning. Every team is required to play a minimum of 13 games in a season against teams in Section 6.
5. The winning team from the Class A, Class B and Class C playoffs will advance to the NYSPHSAA Far West Regionals against Section V representatives.
6. A neutral site will be used for the Class A, Class B and Class C Finals whenever possible. (see Section VI Policy on Neutral Sites on page 10)
7. Start times for sectionals contests are standardized, however, if a legitimate need for a time change arises within a district, a request must be submitted in writing to the chairperson 48 hours before the seeding meeting. No time changes will be allowed after this deadline.
8. Admission:
 - Sectional Semis: \$3.00
 - Sectional Finals: \$5.00
 - Regionals & States: \$8.00

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Section VI Seeding Policy

Section VI Seeding Policy, approved by the Athletic Council May 2003, and found in the Section VI By-Laws, page 27, Articles 6.1.2-6.1.4 shall be followed:

1. A team's power rating is the sole method of determining where a team is seeded. Each team is required to submit a Power Point Rating Form (see Forms page 1) prior to the seeding meeting.
2. Team power ratings are determined by dividing total league points accumulated by the total number of league games originally scheduled.

$$\text{Power Rating} = \frac{\text{Total League Points Accumulated}}{\text{Total Number League Games Originally Scheduled}}$$

3. Total league points are determined by applying the point chart. Teams receive points for league victories. Points are earned for ties in Boys and Girls Soccer and Field Hockey.

POINT CHART

Winning Points

	A	B	C
A	3.0	2.0	1.0
B	4.0	3.0	2.0
C	5.0	4.0	3.0

4. If teams have identical power ratings, the following criteria will be used to break the tie:
 - a. The team with the most league wins will be the higher seeded team. If still tied:
 - b. The team with the fewest league losses will be the higher seeded team. If still tied:
 - c. The team with the higher winning percentage of games played will be the higher seeded team. Determined by total league wins divided by total league games played. If still tied:
 - d. If teams are in the same league, use head-to-head results. If still tied:
 - e. A toss of a coin will determine the higher seeded team.
5. If a team is seeded, they are required to participate as per the "No shows at Sectionals" Policy (see below).

Section VI Policy No shows at Sectionals

A school team that does not show or refuses to play in a Sectional contest after the seeding meeting spoils the integrity of the tournament. The following Section VI policy was adopted by the Athletic Council 11/98:

- a. Schools shall declare their intent to play or not play prior to sectional seeding, as per the sport specific sectional handbook. Schools failing to fulfill their pre-tournament commitment shall be subject to the following sanction:

One year ineligibility for sectional play in that sport with the ability to appeal to the Athletic Council. Appeal must occur within 60 days of the completion of sectional play.

- b. The Section Chairperson must notify the Executive Secretary of the occurrence and the Section office will notify the Superintendent, Principal and Athletic Director of the sanction.

2009 Boys Lacrosse Coaches Directory

School	Coach	Home	E-Mail
Akron	Bryan Bellis	812-9852	bbellis@akronschools.org
Amherst	Stefan Henn	636-3010	shenn@amherst.k12.ny.us
Canisius	Dave Sturiano	491-3360	stury24@yahoo.com
Clarence	Mike Silverstein	741-2024	msilverstein@clar.wnyric.org
East Aurora	Tim Wade		twade@edencsd.org
Eden	Chris Archabald	992-9244	carchabald@edencsd.wnyric.org
Frontier	Terry Ostrander	662-2473	tostrander@frontier.wnyric.org
Gow	Charlie Brown	652-8069	ckbrown@gow.org
Gowanda	Ray Logan	207-1460	rlogan@gowcsd.org
Grand Island	Steve Steck	863-4999	stevensteck@k12.ginet.org
Hamburg	Jerry Severino	662-2698	jdsev@aol.com
Iroquois	Tom Kincella	655-0932	kincella@verizon.net
Jamestown	Jay Baehr	483-4378	redraiderlax@gmail.com
Lake Shore	Joe Magliaccio	741-4287	jmigliaccio@lakeshore.wnyric.org
Lancaster	Renson Mullen	681-7338	rmullen@lancaster.wnyric.org
Lockport	Mike Evans	481-7901	mevans@lockport.wnyric.org
Medina	Travis Phillips	585-798-0845	tphillips@medinacsd.org
Niagara Wheatfield	Vince Schiffert	297-2682	vschiffert@nwcsd.org
Nichols	Tom Franz	549-1493	tfranz@nicholsschool.org
N. Tonawanda	Derrick Rose	913-1306	ironz29@yahoo.com
Orchard Park	Gene Tundo	662-2376	GeneTundo@aol.com
Salamanca	Meredith-Fries-Issac	945-2404	mfries-issac@salamancany.org
Silver Creek	Bill Brennan*	934-2603 x4208	shelmer@slcr.wnyric.org
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St. Francis	Keil Illg	838-1479-C	killg@amherst.k12.ny.us
St. Joes	Peter Hudecki	834-6229	phudecki@buffaloschools.org
Sweet Home	John Faller	310-2720-C	jfaller@shs.k12.ny.us
Timon St/Jude	Mike Burke	863-3713-C	southbuffalolacrosse@yahoo.com
W. Seneca East	Jim Maisano	440-8152	jmaisano@westseneca.wnyric.org
W. Seneca West	Chris Galley	655-4514	cgalley@westseneca.wnyric.org
Williamsville East	Ed Greenway	689-0682	egreenway@williamsvillek12.org
Williamsville North	Matt Smart	875-5855	smartlax@yahoo.com
Williamsville South	John Szymendera	609-7709	szym40@yahoo.com
Wilson	Kris Brayley	628-2286	kbrayley@wilson.wnyric.org

Section VI Policy on Neutral Sites

For finals, no team shall compete on its home site if multiple sites have been scheduled. The exception: if the home field is the only field that's playable.

All-WNY Scholar Athlete Boys Lacrosse Team

Coaches and Athletic Directors are encouraged to nominate athletes for selection to the **All-WNY Scholar Athlete Boys Lacrosse Team**. The criteria for selection are listed on the Nomination Form (see forms page 1) which must be submitted to the Section VI office by **May 15**. The team will be honored by both Section VI and the Buffalo News.

Section VI AED Policy

(effective Feb. 2003)

The game site-chairperson will be responsible for securing an AED for the certified trainer's use at all sectional contests, and at all regional and state contests that are hosted by Section VI. The certified trainer will be provided by an orthopedic group contracted by Section VI, at all post-season contests held at **neutral sites**. **Note:** If a school suffers loss or damage to an AED that is being used for post-season contests, the Section will be financially responsible.

Section VI Safety Policy on Cheerleading

If your school is considering allowing cheerleaders to accompany your sports team to post season play, refer to the Section VI Safety Policy on Cheerleading found on the Section VI website, www.section6.e1b.org, click on Forms & Information then Safety Policies or call the Section VI office at 821-7299.

NOTE: Both cheerleading squads will have the option to perform at half time at all sectional contests.

Regulations Regarding Senior All-Star & Outside Agency Contests

1. All Senior All-Star and Outside Agency contests **MUST** be approved by Section VI. In addition, Senior All-Star contests must be approved by NYSPHSAA. The forms required are posted on the section website*
2. All Senior All-Star and Outside Agency contests must be conducted within the season dates approved by the Section VI Athletic Council for that sport. The calendar of approved season dates for all sports is posted on the section website*
3. **NOTE:** A Senior All-Star contest by NYSPHSAA standards, is one in which an athlete's participation is based solely on outstanding performance as a member of a high school team. If open-tryouts are held, the contest is NOT a NYSPHSAA All-Star contest.

*www.section.e1b.org Under General Information, Click on *Forms and Information*, or call the Section office 821-7365.

Section VI Financial Procedure

SECTION VI FINANCIAL PROCEDURE

(adopted 9/97, updated 6/06, **9/07**)

*** PLEASE NOTE **UPDATE TO PROCEDURE 9/07** ***

For Pre-quarters and Quarters:

Expenses and revenues are the responsibility of the home school.

For Semi's at a home-school site:

Schools are expected to charge admission. Home school pays administrative expenses. Section VI will reimburse the school for administrative expenses only if gate receipts are collected.

Officials will be paid by the Section VI office only if gate receipts are collected.

Schools that fail to charge admission will be responsible for ALL EXPENSES including payment to officials.

The Game-Site Chairperson will submit *within 5 business days*:

1. The completed Financial Report (see Forms page 1) and
2. A check for total gate receipts payable to **Section VI, NYSPHSAA, Inc.**

Mail to: **Treasurer, Section VI, 355 Harlem Rd., W. Seneca, NY 14224**

For Finals, Contests at Neutral Sites or Contests in tournament format:

Section VI will pay all personnel, both administrative and officials. All personnel must have **Name, Complete Address, Social Security Number, Duty and Signature.**

The Game-Site Chairperson will submit *within 5 business days*:

1. The completed Financial Report (see Forms page 1) and
2. A check for total gate receipts payable to **Section VI, NYSPHSAA, Inc.**

Mail to: **Treasurer, Section VI, 355 Harlem Rd., W. Seneca, NY 14224**

The Game-Site Chairperson will mail a copy of the Financial Report to the Sport Chairperson.

NOTE: Officials are to be paid as per the Officials Agreement 2007-2010, Fee Schedule (Appendix E) or www.section6.e1b.org click on Officials, Fee Schedule. Officials assigned outside their "Geographic Area" will receive a \$20.00 premium for all Sectional Games.

Section VI Travel to State Competition Policy (updated 1/21/09) Summary for Team Sports

This policy in its entirety is posted on the Section website:

http://www.section6.e1b.org/11391049112849960/lib/11391049112849960/Travel_Policy_Jan09.pdf

Member schools participating in state competition will be responsible for all costs related to that participation.

Supervision

One or more certified coaches are required to travel with the student athletes from their school district and must be present on any Section VI contracted bus, as well as the location where the athletes are housed, state competition where the athlete(s) will compete and all related events.

Transportation:

Schools will be responsible for all transportation costs. Schools will make their own transportation arrangements for their athletes involved in state competition in team sports. Section VI will apply to NYSPHSAA for the allowed reimbursement of \$1.00 per mile on the state grid (for one bus per team) and will forward this reimbursement to the schools upon receipt of funds from the state.

Lodging:

Schools will be responsible for all lodging costs. The Sportchair will advise participating schools if accommodations are to be arranged by the state or by the schools.

Meals:

Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition.

SECTION VI - NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Philosophy & Code of Conduct

Philosophy

1. We believe that interscholastic athletics is an important part of education and support the ideals and values embodied in good sportsmanship.
2. We believe that sportsmanlike behavior is essential if interscholastic competition is to contribute usefully and constructively to the broad goals of education and to the quality of life of those involved.
3. We pledge ourselves individually and collectively to encourage and support the development and maintenance of a sportsmanlike atmosphere for athletic competition.

Code of Conduct

1. A genuine interest in and enjoyment of interscholastic competition requires conduct that reflects the understanding that contests as a part of an overall school program are intended to be enjoyed. Behavior that reflects a winning at all cost attitude violates this standard.
2. Interscholastic competition provides valuable lessons and learning experiences that are not possible in the regular classroom setting. All involved must support the need to develop the ability to compete with enthusiasm and to accept winning with grace and losing with dignity.
3. Coaches, players, and fans should know that participation is an honor and privilege which requires them to conduct themselves in a manner that brings honor and pride to their school and community.
4. Respect for the cultural and ethnic diversity of one's opponents, their school, and community is a fundamental tenet of wholesome athletic competition. This standard suggests that planned activity is needed to demonstrate a warm and friendly welcome, mutual respect, and a genuine readiness to participate in a sportsmanlike manner.
5. Players should demonstrate both knowledge of the rules and respect for game officials and their decisions. Coaches and school officials have the responsibility to teach and encourage these attributes.

******* Sportsmanship Statement Reminder *******

The following statement will be read over the public address system just prior to the pledge to the flag. If there is no public address system, the statement will be read to both teams by the site chairperson or his representative:

“Welcome to Section VI (name of sport) . Athletic competition can provide everyone with a sense of accomplishment and pride, if all of us - players, coaches and spectators - abide by the rules of good conduct. We ask that you enjoy the performance of our outstanding athletes in a spirit of sportsmanship and appreciation of competition.”