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2017 Girls Swimming Handbook

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Diving Entry Form
 State Meet Qualifying Verification Form
 Opt Out of Section VI Transportation to State Competition
[All-WNY Scholar Athlete On-Line](#) form

The following are on-line only:
 Sectional Entry Form
 NYS Girls Swim Coaches Ranking

2017 Girls Swimming Calendar

The Section VI approved Girls Swimming season is August 14 to November 26

First Practice	Monday, August 14
First Scrimmage	after 12 team / 10 individual practices
First Contest	after 12 team / 10 individual practices
Class/Sectional Diving Entries Deadline	October 28
Class/Sectional Swim Entries on-line Deadline	3pm October 28
Entry Verification Deadline.....	3pm October 29
State Swimmer Scholar Athlete Award deadline	November 16
Opt Out of Section VI State Transportation	November 6
Section VI All-WNY Fall Scholar Athlete deadline	November 15
Final Swim Coaches Rankings deadline.....	December 1

Class/Sectionals

Swimming Trials & Finals

at Erie Community College - City Campus, Burt Flickinger Aquatic Center
21 Oak Street, Buffalo

Diving Trials & Finals

Maryvale High School

Swimming Trials	Wed. Nov. 1	Class B 9 am warm-up 10 am start	ECC
		Class C 1 pm warm-up 2 pm start	ECC
		Class A 5 pm warm-up 6 pm start	ECC
Diving Trials/Finals ...	Thurs. Nov 2	Warm-up 4:00 pm, Start 5:30 pm	Maryvale HS
Swimming Finals.....	Fri . Nov. 3	Warm-up 4:00 pm, Start 5:00 pm	ECC

States

Thursday-Saturday, November 16-18, 2017
Ithaca College (Section 4)

Girls Swimming Committee

Committee voting privileges:

As per the Section VI Constitution 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 Sport Chairperson. Federated sport representative members that are appointed by their division, league or school will have only one vote. The Sport Chairs of Federated Sports that have divisions will verify that among division representatives each participating league is represented. The Sport Chair may only vote when the vote is tied. A Sport Chair who also represents a league can serve in both capacities but will have only one vote."

The voting members of the committee are indicated below with an asterisk.

Sport Chair: **Doug Cassidy, Williamsville North (C) 716-796-3327** coachcassidy03@aol.com

Committee Members:

CCAA:	Bruce Johnson *(C) 640-0971 (H) 665-4998.....	bjohn1547@aol.com
ECIC:	Michael O'Conner*, Iroquois	c:310-8234	oakman24@verizon.net
NFL:	Nathan Bourke* Kenmore East	c: 672-9876	nbourke@ktufsd.org
At Large:	Joe Zwierczchowski, Clarence.....	c: 392-8620	thatjoeyZ@gmail.com
At Large	Todd Conklin, Panama.....	c: 640-3930.....	tconklin@pancent.org
Meet Manager	Paul Cary	c: 481-1245	pcary@me.com

Definition of a Scrimmage

A scrimmage is a practice that is a **SIMULATED CONTEST**. In scrimmages: (a) both squads use the same field simultaneously with both coaches making corrections and giving instructions, (b) **GAME RULES MUST BE ALTERED – SEE SPORT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS [NYSPPHSAA Handbook \(p.111-113\)](#)**, (c) no official score is kept, (d) time period(s) are defined in the Sport Standards section of the NYSPPHSAA Handbook, (e) no admission is charged. The use of officials would be permitted and encouraged whenever possible for the purpose of instruction regarding the rules and proper application of rules. In a swimming scrimmage no official times or scores will be kept. Times may not be used to meet the qualifying standard. More than one heat per event is permitted.

Girls Swimming Classification for 2017

2017 Combining Teams approved by AC

<u>Chautauqua Lake</u> / Maple Grove, Westfield	CCAA	310	1/18/17
<u>City Honors</u> / Olmsted, Iprep, Discovery	Buffalo	689	1/18/17
<u>Eden</u> / Gowanda	ECIC	407	4/26/17
<u>Fredonia</u> / Dunkirk/Forrestville/Silvercreek & <u>Brocton</u>	CCAA	704	3/22/17 ADD Brocton 9/13/17 Agenda
<u>Frewsburg</u> / Falconer	CCAA	309	4/26/17
<u>Olean</u> / Portville, Franklinville	CCAA	551	1/18/17
<u>Panama</u> / Clymer	CCAA	146	1/18/17

Class A 15 Schools

Schools	League	BEDS
1 Niagara Falls	NFL	1523
2 Lancaster	ECIC	1402
3 Orchard Park	ECIC	1152
4 Clarence	ECIC	1105
5 Lockport	NFL	1054
6 Frontier	ECIC	1049
7 Jamestown	ECIC	1025
8 Williamsville North	ECIC	978
9 Niagara Wheatfield	NFL	935
10 West Seneca West	ECIC	907
11 Kenmore West	NFL	907
12 Hamburg	ECIC	846
13 North Tonawanda	NFL	831
14 Williamsville East	ECIC	756
15 Sweet Home	ECIC	754

Class B 15 Schools

Schools	League	BEDS
16 Williamsville South	ECIC	724
17 Grand Island	NFL	707
18 Fredonia	CCAA	704
19 Kenmore East	NFL	699
20 West Seneca East	ECIC	690
21 <u>City Honors</u>	Buffalo	689
22 Amherst	ECIC	626
23 Starpoint	ECIC	593
24 Lake Shore	ECIC	589
25 Iroquois	ECIC	570
26 <u>Olean</u>	CCAA	551
27 Pioneer	ECIC	550
28 Cheektowaga	ECIC	523
29 Lewiston Porter	NFL	503
30 Maryvale	ECIC	498

Class C 15 Schools

Schools	League	BEDS
31 East Aurora	ECIC	487
32 Depew	ECIC	451
33 Springville	ECIC	448
34 Lackawanna	ECIC	425
35 Alden	ECIC	412
36 <u>Eden</u>	ECIC	407
37 Tonawanda	ECIC	399
38 Southwestern	CCAA	317
39 <u>Chautauqua Lake</u>	CCAA	310
40 <u>Frewsburg</u>	CCAA	309
41 Cleveland Hill	ECIC	288
42 Allegany-Limestone	CCAA	266
43 Holland	ECIC	228
44 Salamanca	CCAA	227
45 <u>Panama</u>	CCAA	146

Notes: 2017

- Total of 46 girls swim teams in Fall 2017
- **Sectional Prelims will be run as three separate Class meets. Top 24 overall will compete in Sectional finals**
- The State Coordinators are recommending that coaches and meet managers enforce swim suit decency rules; specifically that no two piece or tie-back suits be worn in warm-up or competition throughout the season, including league, class, sectional and state championships.
- There are new limits to the number of relay alternates that may attend the State Championships that will be discussed at the Class/Sectional meet.

Media

The complete list of Media is on page 10 of the Section VI Directory or on the Section VI website:

[MEDIA LINK](#)

Newspapers

Bee Group	204-4904
Buffalo News	800-777-8610 Fax 849-4587
Hamburg Sun.	(x236) 649-4040
Jamestown Post Journal.....	(x248) 487-1111
Lockport Union Sun	(x6247) 439-9222
Niagara Gazette.....	(x2255) 282-2311

Television

Channel 2 WGRZ	849-2219
Channel 4 WIVB	879-4994
Channel 7 WKBW	840-7799
Super 7 Hotline	840-7795
Channel 13	558-8268
Time Warner Cable.....	488-4381

Protocol to Qualify for the State Swimming and Diving Championships

(NYSPHSAA approved August 2011)

1. Swimmers will have the opportunity to qualify for the NYSPHSAA/NYS Federation Championship Meet if they meet the event qualifying standard during the regular season.
2. Swimmers who have qualified for the NYSPHSAA/NYS Federation Championship Meet are required to participate in their respective Sectional Championship Meet. Swimmers are not required to swim the event(s) in which they have met the qualifying standard. If circumstances out of the swimmer's control, such as injury or illness, prohibited participation in the Sectional Championship Meet, the school may appeal to the Section.
3. The Section champion in each event will represent the Section in the NYSPHSAA/NYS Federation Championship Meet. If the champion chooses not to attend the State Meet, the Section may replace the swimmer with the 2nd place finisher only if no other swimmer met the qualifying standard for that event. If a Section has more than one (1) class meet, the fastest individual from the final day of competition from all the classes would be the eligible athlete to move on as well as any other swimmer who met the qualifying standard.
4. FAT Timing (Fully Automatic Timing) or three (3) hand held watches must be used for the time to meet the qualifying standard. Divers must be scored by NFHS certified officials.

Class/Sectional Information and Format

Please refer to Calendar on page 3 for location, dates and times.

Class/Sectional Qualifying Times

All entries will be determined on the basis of the following qualifying times (*New for 2017*).

EVENT	Qualifying Standards Class Meets (Sectional Prelims)			2016 (for reference)
	Class A	Class B	Class C	
200 Med Rel	1/team	1/team	1/team	2:14.10
200 Free	2:19.40	2:21.25	2:29.90	2:13.30
200 IM	2:39.40	2:43.20	2:53.90	2:34.50
50 Free	27.47	28.20	29.57	27.32
DivingAll Classes:	6 dives: 175 pts	11 dives: 310 pts		165/290
100 Fly	1:14.90	1:14.95	1:20.90	1:10.80
100 Free	59.96	1:03.85	1:05.90	59.75
500 Free	6:23.00	6:24.00	6:49.00	6:04.80
200 Fr Rel	1/team	1/team	1/team	1:58.00
100 Back	1:12.50	1:14.70	1:21.70	1:10.10
100 Brst	1:22.90	1:22.95	1:26.90	1:19.80
400 Fr Rel	1/team	1/team	1/team	4:24.30

Important Points for Class/Sectional Meets (NEW)

- 1) Beginning in 2017, the Sectional preliminary meet will be run as three separate Class Meets, in order to increase participation within each Class and to appropriately award individual and team Class Champions.
 - a) Because the sectional final meet will still be run with the overall top 24 competitors from the Class meets, the final contingent of competitors will not be determined until after the last Class meet has concluded.
 - b) In the event that duplicate times from the separate Class Meets would normally require a swim off for 24th place in finals competition, an additional heat will be added at finals to accommodate all qualifying competitors. The positions for all other ties will be determined by the meet management randomly by lot.
 - c) Individual and Relay Awards will be presented at the conclusion of each event. ***The Class Team Champion and runner-up will be presented prior to the start of finals competition on Friday the 3rd.***
 - d) The top 24 swim qualifiers moving on to Sectional Final meet will be posted by noon on Thursday the 2nd, and coaches must verify their team's finals entries by 3pm (by indicating declared false

starts if known). It is recommended that 1st and 2nd alternates attend finals. Whenever possible, coaches will be notified on Thursday if alternates will be needed for an event.

- e) Since the Class/Sectional Prelim Meet and Finals are considered the same meet, Federation entry rules apply. Swimmers/Divers may compete in a maximum of 4 events overall, with a max of 2 individual events per swimmer/diver.
- f) For the diving competition on Thursday, both Class and Sectional results will be announced and awarded. Note that there is a single qualifying standard for diving which has been established to ensure the safety and competence of the divers.

2) Up to four individuals and two relays per team who make the qualifying time in an event are guaranteed entry in the meet. Only ONE relay per team per event may advance to the finals on Friday. Swimmers entered in an A relay may NOT compete in a B relay and vice-versa.

3) Methods used to qualify for Class/Sectional entries:

- a) 1st place ONLY in a dual meet with manual timing.
- b) Any place in a dual meet using electronic timing. (Fully Automatic Times)
- c) League championship trial or final times.
- d) For divers, a qualifying 6 or 11 dive sheet signed by the meet official.

4) The number of team entries per event will be by National Federation rules. (a max of 4 entries for individual events, 1 entry for relays)

5) Meet entries must be e-mailed using the HYTEK TEAM MANAGER PROGRAM

which is available from Paul Cary's Website <http://www.clarenceschools.org/Page/3623>
E-Mails should be sent to **Paul Cary** at pcary@me.com Please adhere to the posted entry and verification deadlines.

NOTE: All Relay Entries on the HYTEK entry MUST include at least four names with a recommended maximum of eight listed. ***The relay is counted as an event for only those four swimmers who actually compete in the race.***

Entries MUST be received by Saturday October 28, 2017, 3 PM

Entries MUST be Verified by Sunday October 29, 2017 3PM

Diving

- 1) All divers must be entered on the Hytek meet entry submitted to Paul Cary by October 28, 2017
- 2) Dive LISTS (dive number, position and voluntary dive designation) must be sent to Melissa Bernosky via e-mail (bernosky@maryvaleufsd.org) also by October 29th. Electronic and hand scoring will be kept.
- 3) Dive lists must have all eleven dives. Deadline for changes will be 30 minutes prior to the start of the preliminary round. Include the divers name, grade and school with your e-mail. Refer to the National Federation Rule book for the required guidelines for the dive list.
- 4) Coaches must bring 2 copies of the Sectional dive sheet with them for manual back-up scoring

Admission

Swimming and Diving Trials and Finals: \$5.00 (Pre-school Free) Programs \$2.00 (Prelims & Finals)

NOTE: Section VI will provide ticket sellers/takers for the sectional swim meet.

Special Items and Rules

1. No one will be allowed into Sectional trials or finals unless they are bona fide team members dressed in appropriate attire.
2. Coaches notify your team members that vandalism or theft will not be tolerated and those involved will be prosecuted and/or suspended from all competition.
3. In the swimming trials we will allow at least 20 minutes between the 50 free and the 100 fly.

Selection Of Officials

All officials working a Sectional swimming meet are assigned by Section VI, however, the Section VI coordinator and Officials Associations work together to ensure appropriate qualifications and numbers. Officials are contracted by Section VI.

Awards

Chenille NYSPHSAA shields (blue, red, white, green) awarded to the first four places in all events in class A, B, and C. First place certificates given to the winners. Participation certificates to all contestants.

2017 State Championship Information

SITE: Ithaca College (Section 4)

Dates & Times: Tentative

Thursday, November 16

4:00– 7:00 pm Pool Open – All Sections General warm-up for swimmers and divers

Friday, November 17

10:00 a.m. Swimming warm up
 11:15 a.m. Sectional Coordinator’s meeting
 11:15 a.m. Swimming Officials Meeting
 12:00 p.m. Swimming Preliminaries (15-minute break in place of Event #5)
 12:00 p.m. Diving warm up
 3:15 p.m. Diving Officials meeting
 4:00 p.m. Diving Preliminaries & Semi-finals

Saturday, November 18

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Swimming and Diving warm up
 10:15 a.m. Swimming and Diving Finals

Entry Times for the State Championships:

EVENT	STANDARD
200 Medley Relay	1:52.35
200 Freestyle	1:57.24
200 Individual Medley	2:12.84
50 Freestyle	24.84
Diving	440.00
100 Butterfly	1:00.02

EVENT	STANDARD
100 Freestyle	54.36
500 Freestyle	5:14.65
200 Freestyle Relay	1:41.69
100 Backstroke	1:00.42
100 Breaststroke	1:08.60
400 Freestyle Relay	3:42.73

Awards:

Awards will be presented immediately after each event

Individual Events: Medals 1st through 10th place
 Ribbons 11th through 20th place
 Relays: Medals 1st through 10th place
 Federation Awards 1st through 10th place

Good Sport T-Shirt Award One per section awarded at same time as Outstanding Swimmer
 Plaque to Outstanding Swimmer/Diver of the Meet

Diving: Final diving entry sheets are to be turned into Doug Cassidy, no later than 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 17, 2016.

Admissions:

State \$8.00 PER PERSON, PER SESSION

NYS Girls Swimmer / Scholar Award:

Please refer to page 8 for complete information on applications and deadlines.

New York State Girls Swim Team Ranking (Coaches Ranking)

To ensure that Section VI is well represented in the New York State Team Rankings, each coach is encouraged to enter his line-up on the NYS Girls Swimming Ranking Form.

The End of Season ranking form will be available on-line for coaches to complete at:

<http://www.section6swim.com/>

2017 NYS Girls Swimmer / Scholar Award Information

For the 29th time in Girls High School Swimming and Diving history the New York State Certified Swim Officials will be presenting the Swimmers Scholar Award, to one of our participants at the 42nd Annual State Championship Meet. We need everyone's cooperation in order to make it a complete success.

Each Section should try to select at least one Candidate for this award. If you have more than one Senior who meets the established criteria (see below), then submit these additional applications.

Applications are available on www.section6.e1b.org under General Information, click on Handbooks and Sport forms, Fall.....or from the Girls Swimming Chairperson (see page 3).

Please submit completed applications (including a recent photo for press release) to **Doug Cassidy** any time after the Section 6 Finals on **Friday November 3** and no later than boarding the bus for the State Championships on **Thursday, November 16th**.

The Scholarship Committee will meet on **Thursday November 16** to select a recipient. Members of the Committee represent: NYSPHSAA, New York State Certified Swimming Officials Association and the State Girls Swimming Committee. If you have any questions, please call: **Doug Cassidy:** (C) 796-3327

CRITERIA:

1. A Senior planning to attend a 2 to 4 year college.
2. A minimum three-year grade point average of 92.55%.
3. An essay from the candidate to consist of a maximum of 300 words.
4. Listing of any and all swimming accomplishments on the local, sectional, and state levels.
5. A listing of all extracurricular activities that the candidate has been involved in for the last 3 years.
6. Qualified for the current year's State Meet.

Section VI Girls Swimming and Diving Records

EVENT	ATHLETE	SCHOOL	TIME / SCORE
200 Medley Relay	<i>Olivia Sapio</i> <i>Isabel Sapio</i> <i>Katrina Wardner</i> <i>Halle Dueringer</i>	<i>Orchard Park</i>	<i>1:45.93</i>
200 Free	Marissa Dressel	Kenmore West	1:48.47
200 I.M.	Courtney Otto	W. Seneca West	2:01.29
50 Free	Dina Rommel	Clarence	23.13
Diving	Casey Mathews	Williamsville North	354.05 (6)
	Casey Mathews	Williamsville North	550.15 (11)
100 Fly	Olivia Sapio	Orchard Park	55.00
100 Free	Andrea Ernst	Orchard Park	50.88
500 Free	Sydney Modeas	Clarence	4:51.67
200 Free Relay	Rebecca Anthone Victoria Butler Claire Willis Dina Rommel	Clarence	1:35.75
100 Back	Alyssa Helak	Williamsville North	55.75
100 Breast	Makayla Sargent	Olean	1:04.94
400 Free Relay	Dina Rommel Sydney Modeas Victoria Butler Rebecca Anthone	Clarence	3:26.98

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NYSPPHSAA Girls Swimming and Diving Records

EVENT	STATE	MEET
200 Medley Relay	2016 Long Beach (8) Kristen Romano, Margaret Aroesty, Caroline Farrell, Joan Cash 1:44.02	2016 Long Beach (8) Kristen Romano, Margaret Aroesty, Caroline Farrell, Joan Cash 1:44.02
200 Freestyle	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 1:47.39	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 1:47.39
200 Individual Medley	2005 Julia Smit Mount Sinai (11) 1:58.29	2005 Julia Smit Mount Sinai (11) 1:58.29
50 Freestyle	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 22.21	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 22.21
1 Meter Diving (11 Dives)	1999 Cassandra Cardinell Shaker (2) 561.80 (11 Dives)	2007 Casey Matthews Williamsville North (6) 538.35 pts (11 Dives)
1 Meter Diving (6 Dives)	2007 Casey Matthews Williamsville North (6) 354.05 (6 Dives)	
100 Butterfly	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.13	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.13
100 Freestyle	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 48.54	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 48.54
500 Freestyle	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 5:46.80	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 5:46.80
200 Freestyle Relay	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 1:33.77	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 1:33.77

EVENT	STATE	MEET
100 Backstroke	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.36	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.36
100 Breaststroke	2016 Margaret Aroesty Long Beach (8) 59.85	2016 Margaret Aroesty Long Beach (8) 59.85
400 Freestyle Relay	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 3:25.24	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 3:25.24

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Girls Swimming 2016 Sectional Results

The girls swimming 2016 sectional results are available at the following address:

<http://www.section6swim.com/Results/GirlsHS/2016/Sec6/Meet.htm>

Historical results available at <http://home.windstream.net/pstyer/>

Contingency Plan for Sectional Competition (weather or illness)

1. Contests will be postponed only if a participating school is officially closed due to weather or illness.
2. It is the responsibility of the Athletic Director (or designee) to notify the Sport Chairperson that the school has been closed due to weather conditions (or illness) as soon as he/she becomes aware of such action. Officials and the media will be notified by the Chairperson (or designee).
3. In the event that a school is closed on the day its playoff contest is scheduled, the decision to play shall rest with the District Superintendent.
4. When a contest is at a non-school site: If the competition facility and the roads to that destination are open, then the competition will go on as scheduled. If either the roads or the facility are closed, then the competition will be cancelled. **Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES is a site contracted by Section VI available for practice when a meet is cancelled. Individual schools wishing to use a site for practice must follow standard rental procedures through their Athletic Director.**
5. The Sport Chairperson will notify the Executive Director of any postponements.
6. **PLEASE NOTE:** It is up to the individual leagues to recognize the potential for snow days, power outages, etc. that may cause cancellations and problems. The individual leagues should schedule their last league contest at least one or two days prior to the seeding meeting, allowing for a make-up league contest(s) prior to the seeding meeting if necessary.

Regulations Regarding Senior All-Star & Outside Agency Contests

(updated October 2013 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee)

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. Only seniors who have completed their secondary school eligibility in that sport may compete in these contests.
4. **A contestant may participate in any approved senior all star athlete contest in the same sport during the school year.** (approved October 24, 2013, NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting).

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.section6.e1b.org Click on *Forms* Scroll down to *Senior All Star*, or call the Section office 821-7581.

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 postseason contests, the Section will be financially responsible.

All WNY Scholar Athlete Girls Swimming & Diving Team

Coaches and Athletic Directors are encouraged to nominate athletes for selection to the All-WNY Scholar Athlete **Girls Swimming** Team. Applications must be completed on-line. Paperwork must be mailed or e-mailed into Section VI office before **November 15**. The team will be honored by both Section VI and the Buffalo News. Click for the selection criteria and on-line application.

Section VI Policy

Travel to State Competition for Individual Sports

For the complete policy click on #310 in the → [Policy Manual](#)

Summary for Individual Sports

Championships to cover the following costs for state competition in **2017-18**

- 1) Transportation, lodging and meals for Cross Country, B&G Swim, Indoor and Outdoor Track and Bowling.
- 2) Lodging and meals for G Gymnastics, B&G Golf, B & G Tennis and Alpine Skiing
- 3) Lodging for wrestling

Member schools participating in state competition will be responsible for all costs related to that participation with exception of items 1,2,3 above for 2017-18. Section VI responsibility for member school participation in state championships is outlined below.

Supervision:

One or more certified coaches are required to travel with the student athletes from their school and must be present on any Section VI contracted bus, where the athletes are housed, at the state competition site and all related events.

Transportation:

Individual Sports Group 1: Alpine Skiing, Rifle, Golf, Tennis, Gymnastics, Wrestling

The schools will be responsible for transporting their athletes to state competition and all associated transportation costs.

Individual Sports Group 2: Bowling, C.Country, Ind.Track, Track & Field, Swimming

- a) The Section VI office will contract bus transportation for the athletes. There are two choices for the school:
 - 1) A school may choose to have its athlete(s) and coach travel to state competition on the Section contracted bus. The following rules apply:
 - The athlete (and coach) must use the lodging and meals if pre-arranged by the Sportchair.
 - The athlete (and coach) must remain with the Section until the completion of the athlete's competition. The athlete will not be released prior to completion of competition.
 - When competition is completed, the athlete may be released to parents/coach for return home on alternate transportation if the Section release form is completed before the state meet
 - 2) A school may choose to have its athlete(s) travel to state competition in an alternate manner under the following stipulations:
 - A school that opt-outs of Section transportation will be responsible for arranging their own lodging and meals.
 - The request to opt-out of travel on the Section VI bus must be submitted in writing to the Sportchair and the Section VI office by the date specified in the sport handbook.
 - The school must submit all required release forms to the Sportchair by the specified date.
 - The school must arrange for the athlete to rendezvous with the Sportchair (or designee) at a pre-designated time and place prior to the competition.
- b) Transportation expenses will be billed to Section VI.
- c) Section VI will apply to the NYSPHSAA for the allowed reimbursement of **\$1.35** per mile on the state grid.

Lodging:

Individual Sports: The Sportchair will be responsible for reserving a block of rooms for all athletes (4 per room).

The block will include rooms for coaches (2 per room) for individual sports in Group 1 (see 310.2). For individual sports in Group 2, the block will be increased by 50% to allow for coaches. (e.g.: If XC needs a block of 40 rooms for athletes and supervisors, they will now reserve a block of 60 rooms) When the qualifiers have been determined, the Sportchair will register all athletes and coaches who are using Section transportation from the block of reserved rooms. Schools that opt-out of Section transportation are responsible for registering their own athletes and coaches. They may register for the remaining rooms in the reserved block until the rooms are exhausted or choose their own lodging. Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition with the exceptions indicated in item 1,2,3 above for 2017-18.

Meals:

Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition with the exceptions indicated in item 1,2,3 above for 2017-18..

SECTION VI – NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Philosophy and Code of Conduct

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.”