



ATHLETIC COUNCIL MINUTES

September 11, 2019

Highlights

- 3.1 **CARRIED:** May 15, 2019 Athletic Council meeting minutes
- 4.5 **CARRIED:** North/South Timelines – Schedules & Assignment of Officials
- 5.1 **CARRIED:** Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) through (17)
- 5.2 **CARRIED:** Outside Agency applications, numbers (1) and (2)
- 6.3.1 **CARRIED:** Treasurer's Report
- 6.3.2 **CARRIED:** Remove the approval of the website fee as an action item at today's Athletic Council meeting
- 6.4.1 **CARRIED:** Sectional Pool Bowlers Wild Card Proposal
- 6.4.2 **CARRIED:** Girls Lacrosse Conference Alignment Proposal for 2020
- 6.7c **CARRIED:** Remove items 6.7c numbers (1) through (9) as action items from today's athletic council meeting
- 6.14 **CARRIED:** M. Fallacaro-Dougherty as the Girls Representative (term July 2019-June 2023)
- 10.1 **CARRIED:** 2019 Field Hockey Pre-Season Report
- 10.2 **CARRIED:** 2019 Spring Post Season Reports
- 10.3 **CARRIED:** 2019-2020 winter pre-season reports with the exception of the Health Sciences classification placement (Charter Schools Classification Committee will convene to determine placement) and the Boys Basketball seeding proposal (Appendix I)
- 12.1 **CARRIED:** Research Laboratories for Bioinformatics and Life Sciences (BPS) to submit to NYSPHSAA as a member of Section VI and NYSPHSAA

***All Section VI Meetings are Recorded**

ATTENDANCE

Executive Committee		Committee Chairpersons		Sportschairs
President	Adam Stoltman*	Chemical Awareness	John Grzymala*	
President-Elect	Brett Banker*	Extended Eligibility	Timm Slade*	
Superintendents' Rep.	Jeff Rabey*	Finance	Steve Penhollow*	
Principals' Rep.	Jim Spanbauer*	Boys' Modified	Matt Librock*	Guests
Boys' Rep.	Jim Graczyk*	Girls' Modified	Julie Arnold*	Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA
Girls' Rep.	Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty*	Nominations	Brett Banker*	Pat Burke, NFL
Past President	Al Gens*	NYSAAA	Mark DiFilippo*	Marc LaMorticella, Charters
Executive Director	Timm Slade*	Combining of Schools	Jeff Rabey*	
Treasurer	Don Scholla*	Safety	Brian Wild*	
		Sectional Intersectional	Timm Slade*	
* Indicates Attendance		Sportsmanship	Doug Ames*/Jim Graczyk*	
		Transfer	Timm Slade*	
		Veterans	Jim Trampert	
		Hall of Fame	Jim Dunnigan*	

League	Representative	Alternate
BUFFALO		
Superintendents Rep./AD	Ryan Shepherd, Emerson*	TBA
Principals' Rep.	TBA	TBA
Girls' Rep.	TBA	TBA
Boys' Rep.	TBA	TBA
CHAUTAUQUA CATTARAUGUS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (CCAA)		
Superintendents' Rep.	Steve Penhollow, Falconer*	TBA
Principals' Rep.	Jason Halpainy, Randolph*	TBA
Girls' Rep.	Carol Zirkle, Fredonia*	Kevin Salisbury, Southwestern
Boys' Rep.	Rick DeKay, Retired*	Kevin Salisbury, Southwestern
ERIE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC CONFERENCE (ECIC)		
Superintendents' Rep.	Sandy Anzalone, Eden*	Jeff Rabey, Depew
Principals' Rep.	Scott Zipp, Cheektowaga	Steve Smith, Alden
Girls' Rep.	Vinny Dell'Oso, Starpoint*	Daryl Besant, Lake Shore
Boys' Rep.	Dave Hack, Orchard Park*	TBA
NIAGARA FRONTIER LEAGUE (NFL)		
Superintendents' Rep.	Paul Casseri, Lew-Port*	Dan Ljiljanich, Niagara Wheatfield
Principals' Rep.	Chris Ginestre, Franklin Middle*	TBA
Girls' Rep.	Jon Roth, Grand Island*	Matt McKenna, Niagara Wheatfield
Boys' Rep.	Todd Sukdolak, Lockport*	Jon Roth, Grand Island
NIAGARA ORLEANS LEAGUE (NO)		
Superintendents' Rep.	Jacob Reimer, Barker*	Mark Kruzynski, Medina
Principals' Rep.	Dan Bedette, Newfane*	Steve Dimitroff, Akron
Girls' Rep.	Jeff Roth, Wilson*	TBA
Boys' Rep.	John Grzymala, Roy-Hart*	TBA
SUPERINTENDENT REPRESENTATION (BOCES)		
Erie 1 BOCES	Jon MacSwan, Cleveland Hill*	TBA
Erie 2 BOCES	Maureen Donahue, Southwestern*	TBA
ON BOCES	Michelle Bradley, Lockport*	TBA
CA BOCES	Robert Breidenstein, Salamanca	TBA



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1.0 CALL TO ORDER

A. Stoltman

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Commenced: 11:35am

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 INTRODUCTIONS & AWARD PRESENTATIONS

A. Stoltman

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2.1 Luncheon Sponsor – Rusty Knight, Toth's Sports

2.2 State Champions (Spring 2019)

- a) Williamsville East, Softball, Class A – represented by Principal Brian Swatland, Athletic Director Nick Suchyna, Coach Chris Durr, and Student-Athletes Summer Clark and Chelsea McNamara
- b) Melanie Green, Medina, Girls Golf – accompanied by Athletic Director Eric Valley and High School Principal Mike Cavanagh
- c) Jada Kenner, Tapestry, Division II, 100 & 200 Meter Dash – accompanied by Athletic Director Marc LaMorticella and Coach Tryon
- d) Maryam Akaic, Tapestry, Division II, Shot Put – represented by Athletic Director Marc LaMorticella and Coach Tryon
- e) Reese Casinelli, Newfane, Division II, 400 Meter Dash – accompanied by Superintendent Mike Baumann, Principal Dan Bedette, Athletic Director Danielle Hawkins, Coach Michael Heitzenrater
- f) John Swabik, CSP, Division II, Pentathlon & Cameron Barmore, CSP, Division II, High Jump – accompanied by Head Coach Pamela Warner, Assistant Coach Paul Smardz, Assistant Coach Dakota Morano, Panama Superintendent Bert Lictus, Panama Athletic Director Chris Payne, Sherman Superintendent Mike Ginestre, Sherman Principal Bryna Booth, and Sherman Athletic Director Cory Emory
- h) Jon Surdej, Lancaster, Division I, Shot Put – represented by Athletic Director Brian Wild
- i) Austin Johns, Rayven Sample, Bryce Baglia, & Collin Barmore, Falconer/Cassadaga Valley, Division II, 4x400 Meter Relay – accompanied by Coach Spry, Athletic Director and Coach Dave Nelson, and Superintendent Steve Penhollow

2.3 Sportsmanship Promotion Survey Award Winners

- a) Cattaraugus Little Valley – represented by Athletic Director Matt Minnekine and Football Coach Tim Miller
- b) Tapestry – represented by Athletic Director Marc LaMorticella
- c) Amherst – represented by Athletic Director Jeffrey Wheaton, High School Principal Greg Pigeon, and Superintendent Anthony Panella
- d) Orchard Park - David Hack, Jon Wolf, Principal, Matthew McGarrity, Superintendent of Schools
- e) Wilson – represented by Athletic Director Jeff Roth
- f) Cassadaga Valley
- g) Niagara Falls

2.4 Schools of Distinction

- a) Hamburg – Represented by Athletic Director Pat Cauley, Principal Michael Gallagher, and Superintendent Michael Cornell
- b) Lewiston-Porter – Represented by Superintendent Paul Casseri, and Athletic Director Brad Halgash

3.0 MINUTES

A. Stoltman

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3.1 ***Motion to approve the May 15, 2019 Athletic Council meeting minutes***

CARRIED

Graczyk/Fallacaro-Dougherty

4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

T. Slade

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4.1 Conflict of Interest Policy

Members of the Athletic Council who have not yet signed the Conflict of Interest Policy were asked to do so

4.2 Sportsmanship

The MMHSAA Zero Tolerance Policy will be attached to the minutes for the council's review for possible implementation in the future.

4.3 Boys Rep Position

Item 4.2 was addressed at the Executive Committee meeting

4.4 President-Elect Position 2020-2022 (South)

A reminder was given that the Southern Tier must recommend a candidate for the President-Elect position. The name of the candidate needs to be submitted to Section VI in advance of the May 13, 2019 where approval will be requested for the July 1, 2020-June 30, 2022 term.

4.5 **Motion to approve the North/South Timelines – Schedules & Assignment of Officials** (Appendix A)

CARRIED

Rabey/Sukdolak

4.6 Girls Indoor Track & Field Chairman

D. Syracuse was the interim Girls Indoor Track Chairman for the 2018-2019 school year. B. Lombardo will return to his position as the Chairman for the 2019-2020 season.

4.7 Section VI Boys Lacrosse Independent Status

During the preceding Executive Committee meeting, T. Slade was directed to speak with the Boys Lacrosse Chairman regarding concerns with schools who hold independent status.

4.8 Officials Contract Negotiations (Changes in Modified Soccer and Modified Lacrosse)

At the July 2019 NYSPHSAA Central Committee meeting, action items to change the length of quarters from 9 minutes to 10 minutes per quarter including overtime in the sport of modified lacrosse and going from four 15-minute quarters to two 40-minute halves in the sport of modified soccer were approved. Due to the increase in length of quarters in each of these sports, Section VI will begin negotiations with the WNYSO regarding a commensurate rate for officials.

In preparation for the change to modified soccer in 2020, Section VI will pilot two 30-minute halves for the 2019 season.

4.9 Aspiring AD Program

NYSA Chapter 6 representatives, M. DiFilippo (Chairman), M. Fallacaro-Dougherty (Staff Development), and B. Banker (President), are finalizing the initiative to institute Aspiring Athletic Director and Staff Development programs. Section VI has secured a coser through Erie 1 BOCES wherein state aid was granted. Schools that participate will be invoiced by Erie 1 BOCES.

Every other month professional development will be offered for current athletic director's as well as aspiring athletic directors. The first offering is October 21, 2019.

4.10 Dates for Section VI Coaches Meetings

The dates and locations of the Winter Coaches Meetings will be included in the September 2019 Executive Director's monthly report. The format of the delivery of the meetings will be reviewed with the utilization of Zoom Video Conferencing as an option.

4.11 Girls Bowling Chairman Vacancy

E. Ventry has stepped down from the Girls Bowling Chairman position. Interested candidates can find the application on the Bulletin Board page of the Section VI website. The deadline to submit applications is September 30, 2019.

5.0 COMMUNICATIONS

T. Slade
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5.1 *Motion to approve Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) through (17)*

Fall Sports

1. Football, **Bennett**, Research Lab, V
2. Soccer B, **Bennett**, Research Lab, V
3. Soccer B, **MEC**, Performing Arts, V & JV
4. Swim G, **City Honors**, Olmsted, ADD Performing Arts, V & JV
5. Volleyball G, **Clymer**, Sherman, JV & 7/8/9th

Winter Sports

6. Basketball B/G, **Springville**, West Valley, V & JV
7. Swimming Boys, **Fredonia**, Cassadaga Valley, V
8. Swimming Boys, **Jamestown**, Falconer, V
9. Wrestling, **Alden**, Depew, V & 7th /8th
10. Wrestling, **Health Science**, WNY Maritime Charter, Tapestry, V,

Spring Sports

11. Baseball, **Springville**, West Valley, V & JV
12. Golf G, **Cassadaga Valley**, Chautauqua Lake & Maple Grove, V
13. Lacrosse B, **Kenmore East**, Kenmore West, V & JV
14. Softball, **Springville**, West Valley, V & JV
15. Track & Field B/G, **Falconer**, Cassadaga Valley, V & JV
16. Track & Field B/G, **Franklinville**, Ellicottville, V & 7/8
17. Track & Field B/G, **Westfield**, Brocton N, V & JV

CARRIED

Rabey/Ginestre

5.2 *Motion to approve Outside Agency applications, numbers (1) and (2)*

1. Cross Country Mike Blest CC Run, 9/21/19 Beaver Island State Park, WNY T & F Officials & Grand Island HS
2. Cheer Fall Fest Cheer Competition, 10/20/19 NCCC Niagara Cheer Productions & NEYSA Youth Sports & Wilson CSD

CARRIED

Zirkle/Banker

6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Combining of Schools Committee

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6.1.1 Spring 2019 Combining of Schools End of Season Reports

6.2 Charter Schools Classification Committee

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6.2.1 Health Sciences Charter School was placed in Class A for the 2018-2019 school year. The Boys Basketball Committee has recommended that Health Sciences remain in Class A for the 2019-2020 school year. The Charter Schools Classification Committee will review and vote on the Boys Basketball Committee's recommendation and report to the Executive Committee at their October 9, 2019 meeting.

6.3 Finance Committee

D. Scholla
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6.3.1 *Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report*

CARRIED

Banker/Penhollow

6.3.2 Web-site Fee (*email vote)

Currently, Section VI absorbs the cost of its sports website fees. In order to stay solvent and continue in the manner of financially supporting state championships, Section VI is seeking a separate line in the coordination fees for the websites. The Finance Committee will convene to discuss a proposal and a vote will be taken via post card ballot.

Motion to remove the approval of the website fee as an action item at today's Athletic Council meeting

CARRIED

Penhollow/Dell'Oso

6.3.3 Rapid Financial – Debit/ID Cards

Section VI has cut ties with the vendor (Rapid Financial) supplying the permanent Section VI ID / Debit card due to breach of contract. Section VI is in the process of requesting return of unused funds from the initial deposit.

6.4 Sectional/Intersectional

T. Slade

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6.4.1 **Motion to approve the Sectional Pool Bowlers Wild Card Proposal (Appendix B)**

CARRIED

Hack/Casseri

6.4.2 **Motion to approve the Girls Lacrosse Conference Alignment Proposal for 2020 (Appendix C)**

CARRIED

Sukdolak/Roth

6.4.3 Unified Scholar Athlete

Unified Basketball and Unified Bowling were added to the NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete Program effective the 2019-2020 school year. As an official high school program of NYSPHSAA, the Unified teams should be recognized in the Scholar-Athlete program if they meet the same criteria as other interscholastic programs in the school.

6.4.4 Softball Run Rule

The Softball Committee voted unanimously (June 2019/post season report) to go to 15 differential run rule, after 5 innings (JV/V). Implementation of this rule is at the discretion of the Leagues.

6.4.5 Modified Soccer - Two 30-Minute Halves

See agenda item 4.9

6.5 Safety

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6.5.1 Overuse Injuries and Specialization - Sub Committee

There is a NYSPHSAA committee comprised of athletic trainers and athletic directors starting a discussion on research found regarding overuse, injuries, and specialization. Their goal is try to provide information and recommendations on a large scale, via social media, documentation, etc., to prevent student-athletes from overusing, time on the playing field, and recovery time etc.

6.6 Modified Report

M. Librock/Julie Arnold

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6.6.1 At the July 2019 NYSPHSAA Central Committee meeting, all recommendations put forth by the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee were approved and implemented for the 19-20 school year (all are included in Appendix D of this document). M. Librock and J. Arnold notified, via email, all Section VI athletic directors of these changes. The next meeting of the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee is scheduled for Friday, September 20.

6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

a) Superintendent

J. Rabey

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b) Principal

J. Spanbauer

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Nothing to report

- NYSPHSAA Central Committee 2019 Action Items Results – Appendix D
- **ACTION ITEMS** (*to be taken via email vote) - Appendix E
 1. Swimming & Diving – Number of judges required to qualify for the State Championship in an 11 Dive Dual Meet
 2. Boys Soccer – New 6-year regional rotation 2020-2025
 3. Wrestling – Eliminate 99lb. weight class in dual meets, tournaments, and state championships
 4. Wrestling – Conduct one NYSPHSAA/Federation Wrestling Tournament
 5. Wrestling – Waiver for five-bout NFHS rule in post season
 6. Wrestling – Use of inbody scale for the NYSPHSAA Weight Certification program
 7. Softball – Elimination of the existing waiver banning metal cleats
 8. Softball – Elimination of international tiebreaker for regional contests
 9. Baseball – Adopt game ending procedure Run Rule

Motion to remove items 6.7c numbers (1) through (9) as action items from today's athletic council meeting.

CARRIED

Fallacaro-Dougherty/Jon Roth

6.8 Extended Eligibility

Nothing to report

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6.9 Chemical Awareness

Nothing to report

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6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student

Nothing to report

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6.11 Sportsmanship

- NYSPHSAA – Officials Appreciation Day – Wednesday, October 2, 2019
- The next NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2019
- Implementation of a Sportsmanship PSA is forthcoming

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6.12 Veterans

The annual Veterans Dinner and Golf Outing is scheduled for tomorrow, September 12 at Holland Hills Country Club.

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6.13 Mixed Competition

Two applications of mixed competition in the sport of JV volleyball have been submitted, one for Dunkirk and one for Falconer. At this point in time they've been approved. There does not appear to be any adverse effect on competition. If the student-athletes become dominant, the approvals will be rescinded.

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6.14 Nominations

Motion to approve M. Fallacaro-Dougherty as the Girls Representative (term July 2019-June 2023)

CARRIED

Graczyk/Dell'Oso

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6.15 Corporate Partners

Currently, the Section totals \$101,000 in corporate partnerships. These funds are allocated for travel and meals of state championships.

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6.16 Hall of Fame

J. Dunnigan

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The 2019 Hall of Fame ceremony is scheduled for Friday, December 6 at The Columns Banquets in Elma, NY. A reminder was given that nominations for the 2020 class are due no later than May 13, 2020.

7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 All-WNY Scholar Athlete

J. Roth

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Nothing to report

7.2 Charter Schools

T. Slade

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7.2.1 League Membership (Tapestry, Health Sciences)

Health Sciences and Tapestry, have applied for league placement for the 20-21 school year. If denied, Section VI will be required to place them in a league.

8.0 STATE & SECTION SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nothing to report

9.0 GUEST REPORTS

9.1 NYSPHSAA Report

T. Nelson

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- NYSPHSAA requested a waiver to the Board of Regents regarding the Age of duration and competition rule for unified athletes. Currently, the 60-day comment period is in process.
- 4 New York State schools have been announced as Champion Banner Schools with Special Olympics NY, 3 are Section VI member schools – Cheektowaga, Iroquois, and Niagara Falls
- A reminder was given that action item results of NYSPHSAA Executive Committees meetings are posted on the NYSPHSAA website immediately following each meeting (“About NYSPHSAA”, “Committees”, “Executive Committees”, “Voting Recap”)

9.2 NYSAAA Report

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9.2.1 Professional Development (Appendix F)

Council members were reminded to encourage athletic directors to register to become a member of the NYSAAA.

Section VI staff development opportunities are scheduled for October 21, 2019 and December 6, 2019 at Erie 1 BOCES. Registration information will be distributed soon.

9.2.2 Student Scholar Essay (Appendix F)

The Student Scholar Essay application is included in Appendix F. The deadline to submit nominations is November 1, 2019. An athletic director must be a member of the NYSAAA to submit a nomination.

9.2.3 Aspiring AD (Appendix F)

The Aspiring Athletic Director application form is included in Appendix F.

10.0 SPORTS REPORTS

10.1 *Motion to approve of the 2019 Field Hockey pre-season report (Appendix G)*

CARRIED

Graczyk/DeKay

10.2 *Motion to approve of the 2019 Spring Post Season Reports (Appendix H)*

CARRIED

Dell'Oso/Penhollow

10.3 **Motion to approve of the 2019-2020 Winter Pre-Season Reports with the exception of the Health Sciences classification placement (Charter Schools Classification Committee will convene to determine placement) and the Boys Basketball seeding proposal (Appendix I)**

CARRIED

Jon Roth/Spanbauer

The Boys Basketball Committee will be asked to run their seeding proposal with last year's data and this year's data and present it in their 19-20 post season report in order for the Athletic Council to vote on approval for the 2020-2021 season.

11.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing to report

12.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

12.1 **Motion to approve Research Laboratories for Bioinformatics and Life Sciences (BPS) to submit to NYSPHSAA as a member of Section VI and NYSPHSAA**

CARRIED

Shepherd/Sukdolak

12.2 Unified Sports

The Unified Sports meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 13 at Erie 1 BOCES at 9am.

13.0 **GOOD OF THE ADJOURNMENT**

13.1 **Motion to adjourn**

CARRIED

Fallacaro-Dougherty/Graczyk

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fadeley
Recording Secretary

APPENDIX A

September 11, 2019 Athletic Council Meeting

Proposed 2020-2021 Section VI Timeline for Schedules/Assignment of Officials NORTH: Buffalo, ECIC, NFL, NO, MM, Independent

Green: Section responsibility	Yellow: Officials/Organization's responsibility			
White: School / assigner responsibility	Fall 2020	Winter 2020-21		Spring 2021
Notify Business & Athletic Offices to save financial reports (ArbiterPay)	Dec. 2, 2020	April 2, 2021		June 14, 2021
Delete season schedules	TBA	TBA		TBA
Enter fees for the upcoming year (2021-2022)	Apr. 5, 2021	August 13, 2021		August 13, 2021
Officials Rankings from coaches/chairs due	May 8, 2020	Aug. 28, 2020		Jan. 4, 2021
Subassigners review rosters in arbitersports and report changes to the Section office.	May 8, 2020	Aug. 28, 2020		Jan. 4, 2021
Draft schedules complete	May 20, 2020	Sept. 14, 2020		Dec. 4, 2020
Reset ALL officials to NOT-ready	May 21, 2020	Sept. 21, 2020		Feb. 4, 2021
Email officials with instructions to register	May 21, 2020	Sept. 21, 2020		Feb. 4, 2021
Final schedules complete including non-league games Import of schedules to arbitersports begins	June 2, 2020	Sept. 18, 2020		Jan. 8, 2021
Final date: ALL schedules must be in arbitersports	June 15, 2020	Oct. 2, 2020	For B&G Basketball only	Feb. 19, 2021
Officials registered & availabilities listed	June 19, 2020	Oct. 9, 2020		Feb. 19, 2021
*Varsity and JV assignment of officials begins	June 23, 2020	Oct. 16, 2020	Oct. 26, 2020	Feb. 24, 2021
*Assignments released to the OBR's for 5 day review	July 10, 2020	NA**	Oct. 30, 2020	NA**
*Round Table (with OBRs) to finalize assignments	July 15, 2020	NA**	Nov. 4, 2020	NA**
*Publish V,JV assignments-4 days to accept (7 days - Fall only)	July 16, 2020	NA**	Nov. 5, 2020	NA**
*Last day to accept assignments	July 23, 2020	4 days after publish	Nov. 9, 2020	4 days after publish
Publish Football assignments-7 days to accept	Mid-July			

Dates apply to the sports where multiple leagues share officials.

Fall - XC is league assigned; Girls Swim - ECIC & MM (auto-assigned), Buff, NO, NFL (league assigned), publish dates agreed to by leagues involved

Winter - Boys Swimming are league assigned and the publish date is agreed to by the leagues involved. *Who goes first is determined between NFL,NO, and ECIC

Spring - Track is league assigned and the publish date is agreed to by the leagues involved.

NOTE: High school basketball assigning is postponed until AFTER college assigning

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SOUTH: Cattaraugus & Chautauqua

Green: Section responsibility	Yellow: Officials/ Organization's responsibility		
White: School / assigner responsibility	Fall 2020	Winter 2020-21	Spring 2021
Notify Business Officials & Athletic Offices to save financial reports (ArbiterPay)	Dec. 2, 2020	April 2, 2021	June 14, 2021
Delete prior year schedules	TBA	TBA	TBA
Enter fees for the upcoming year (2021-2022)	Apr. 5, 2021	August 13, 2021	August 13, 2021
Subassigners review rosters in arbitersports and report changes to the Section office.	May 8, 2020	Aug. 28, 2020	Jan. 4, 2021
Draft schedules complete	May 20, 2020	Sept. 14, 2020	Jan. 6, 2021
Reset ALL officials to NOT-ready	May 21, 2020	Sept. 21, 2020	Feb. 4, 2021
Email officials with instructions to register	May 21, 2020	Sept. 21, 2020	Feb. 4, 2021
Final Girls Volleyball schedule complete including non-league games. Import of GVB to ArbiterSports.**	June 2, 2020	NA	NA
Final schedules complete including non-league games Import of schedules to arbitersports begins	June 2, 2020	Sept. 18, 2020	Feb. 5, 2021
Final date: ALL schedules must be in arbitersports	June 15, 2020	Oct. 2, 2020	Feb. 19, 2021
Officials registered & availabilities listed	June 19, 2020	Oct. 9, 2020	For B&G Feb. 19, 2021
GVB assignments using Group 30** officials must be complete	June 22, 2020	NA	Basketball ONLY NA
Varsity & JV assignment of officials begins	June 23, 2020	Oct. 16, 2020	Oct. 26, 2020**** Feb. 24, 2021
Publish V,JV, Mod assignments (4 days to accept)	***	***	*** ***
Publish Football assignments (4 days to accept)	*	NA	NA NA

* Assignments will be complete but not published until after the first meeting of the Stier Chapter of Football Officials

** Assignments from WNYGVOA (Group 30) to Ellicottville, N.Collins, Portville and W.Valley

*** Dates to be set by Southern Tier assigners

****NOTE: High school basketball assigning is postponed until AFTER college assigning

SOUTH ASSIGNERS WHO USE AUTO-ASSIGN ARE TO COORDINATE THE DATES OF WHICH THEY INTEND TO ASSIGN WITH THE SECTION OFFICE TO AVOID CONFLICT WITH THE NORTH AUTO-ASSIGN

APPENDIX B

Section VI Bowling Rule Change Proposal

Initiator: Section VI Bowling Committee

Proposal: Add “Wild Card” Individual Bowlers to Sectional “Pool”

Background Information: The Section VI Championships Individual “Pool” (hereinafter “the pool”) was developed to reward the Section’s top individual bowlers for their performance throughout the season. The pool consists of the top bowlers from each division in Section VI, based on per game average in division throughout the season. The number of pool bowlers from each division is based on the number of teams in the division, and is broken-down in the Section VI Bowling Handbook.

A minimum of 3 pool bowlers are guaranteed to represent Section VI at the NYSPHSAA Championships as part of the All-Section team. Currently the top 3 overall individual bowlers (based on total pinfall at the Sectional Championship) automatically qualify for States, regardless of if they are pool bowlers or not. The final 3 slots for the All-Section Team are designated for pool bowlers, and likewise, total pinfall at Sectionals is the determining factor.

Current Rule: (From Page 11 of Bowling HB)

1. The bowlers who have the highest league average at the end of their league’s season will be placed in a separate pool at their respective sectional tournament. Each league will be allowed to have representation based on an agreed upon formula* At the end of a six game set on the day of the sectional tournament the top three bowlers who have the highest composite average for that day will be assigned three of the six slots for the All Section team. * Bflo – 8, CCAA – 6, ECIC – 12, NFL - 4

Proposed Rule Change:

1. The bowlers who have the highest league average at the end of their league’s season will be placed in a separate pool at their respective sectional tournament. Each league will be allowed to have representation based on an agreed upon formula*. **In addition to these representatives, three (3) “wild card” bowlers shall be added to the pool based on the following: Wild Card bowlers will be the highest per game average bowlers in the Section (based on division games) who have not already qualified for the pool as a representative from his/her division/league. In order to qualify as a wild card, the athlete must have bowled at least 2/3 of his/her team's games over the course of the season in order to qualify.** At the end of a six game set on the day of the sectional tournament the top three bowlers who have the highest composite average for that day will be assigned three of the six slots for the All Section team. * Bflo – 8, CCAA – 6, ECIC – 12, NFL - 4

APPENDIX C

Conference Alignment Proposal for 2020

Our proposal is to create 4 conferences based on competitiveness. Our goal is to allow every team to play in as many competitive games as possible, but more importantly allow programs to improve. We want programs to build confidence and numbers in girl's lacrosse in Section 6. Having teams play against teams of similar ability level will allow more teams to experience success!

Conferences were created based on the 2019 results.

Conference 1: Class A, B, C, & D Sectional Finalists + next best team. A, B, C & D teams will be seeded based on conference finish as well as ahead of conference 2, 3 and 4 teams.

Conference 2: Class A, B, C, & D teams. A, B, C & D teams will be seeded based on division finish as well as ahead of conference 3 and 4 teams.

Conference 3: Class A, B, C, & D teams and/or new programs. A, B, C & D teams will be seeded based on conference finish as well as ahead of conference 4 teams

Conference 4: Class A, B, C & D teams and/or new programs.

** For the following season the Sectional Finalists from A, B, C, D will be in Conference 1. The top team from Conference 3 will be promoted to Conference 2 and from Conference 4 to Conference 3.

** For the following season, the bottom team from Conference 2 will be relegated to Conference 3 and Conference 3 will be relegated to Conference 4.

Playoffs: Each team will play in their respective Class for playoffs. A, B, C, & D classification teams will be seeded based upon division finish. Teams in Conference 1 will be the highest seed, followed by Conference 2, 3, and 4.

Example of Conference Based on Section 6 teams (28 teams) and the 2019 results/records:

Conference 1	Conference 2	Conference 3	Conference 4
Lancaster	Orchard Park	Grand Island	Newfane
Clarence	Will. North	Iroquois	Depew
Frontier	Niagara Wheatfield	Niagara Falls	Kenmore
Hamburg	West Seneca West	Lockport	Salamanca
Lake Shore	Will East	North Tonawanda	Springville
Amherst	Will South	Sweet Home	Lewport
Eden	West Seneca East		
Gowanda	East Aurora		

7 x 2 = 14 games

2 non-league
total: 16

7 x 2 = 14 games

2 non-league
total: 16

5 x 2 = 10 games

* conference 3 plays crossover games against
conference 4 once
Total games: 16

5 x 2 = 10 games

Important Dates:

Easter Break: 4/10 – 4/19

SATS: ?

ACTS: ?

APPENDIX D

NYSPHSAA ACTION ITEM Results - July 2019 Central Committee Meeting

1. SCHOLAR-ATHLETE FOR UNIFIED SPORTS

APPROVED

2. SPORTSMANSHIP – OFFICIALS APPRECIATION DAY

APPROVED

3. MODIFIED BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER

1. Under Game Rules, eliminate #2 and follow the NFHS rule and play two 40-minute halves.
2. Edit Game Rule #5 to allow one timeout per half.
3. Remove the prohibition of slide tackles, overhead scissor kicks, and flip throw-ins.
4. Modify Game Rule #12 to state “exemption from the uniform requirements of a numbered goalie jersey and white home uniforms.”

APPROVED

4. MODIFIED FOOTBALL

1. Remove the Administration and test sections of the modified handbook.
2. Game rule #2 to allow gap alignment in 4-5-6 man fronts.
3. Change the early season practice requirements to 2 days of helmets, 3 days of helmet and shoulder pads and 5 days of full equipment and full contact.
4. Remove game condition #2 under 8 man football regarding the field size.

APPROVED

5. MODIFIED BOYS LACROSSE

1. Remove the administration section.
2. All of the bullet points under “Equipment” will be removed except the uniform and helmet regulation.
3. Change the length of quarters from 9 minutes to 10 minutes per quarter including overtime.
4. Under Game Conditions eliminate #3, #6, #7, and number #8.
5. Replace #10 with “substitutes are permitted whenever the ball goes out of bounds. Substitution during live play shall be on the fly.”
6. Edit #11, “When a goalie gets a penalty, the in-home player *may* serve the penalty.”
7. Add, “A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the

APPROVED

6. MODIFIED CROSS COUNTRY

1. Decrease the nights rest from 3 nights to 2 nights.
2. Add “It is recommended that there be a minimum standard of 6 meets scheduled for Modified Cross Country”.

APPROVED

7. MODIFIED SOFTBALL

1. To increase the number of doubleheaders allowed in modified softball from two to three.

APPROVED

8. MODIFIED TRACK AND FIELD

1. To add to the handbook “It is recommended that there be a minimum of six meets scheduled for modified track and field.”

APPROVED

9. MODIFIED BOYS AND GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

- To reduce the minimum nights rest in boys and girls volleyball from 2 nights to 1 night.

APPROVED

10. MODIFIED WRESTLING

To increase the maximum number of points a student can wrestle during the week from 3 to 4.

APPROVED

11. MODIFIED GYMNASTICS

To allow more than two all-around competitors compete in a meet.

APPROVED

12. APPEAL PROCEDURES & FEES

 X Action Item

Presenter: Jim Osborne, Past President, Current Chair of NYSPHSAA Appeal Panel

Proposal: Consideration of approval to amend the NYSPHSAA appeal procedures to an increased filing fee of \$500 and require a unanimous decision by the panel to overturn a Section's decision.

Proposed Handbook changes reflected below:

c. An appeal from the decision of the athletic Council may be taken to the Appeal Panel of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., which shall review the evidence, may hear arguments, and shall have the power to affirm, reverse, or modify the decision of the Athletic Council. Such decisions shall not be reversed or modified unless the Appeal Panel has unanimous agreement and finds that:

d. An aggrieved party shall be one or more-member schools of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., and the notice of appeal shall be signed by the chief school officer of the schools involved. The aggrieved party must notify the Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., of its intention to appeal to the Appeal Panel not later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date the aggrieved party received written decision of the Athletic Council and submit a statement indicating whether the aggrieved party desires to submit its appeal in writing only or whether they desire to make oral argument by either telephone conference call or in person. A filing fee of \$500.00 must be received from the aggrieved party prior to the appeal hearing. The Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA, Inc., shall notify the parties of the date by which written presentation must be submitted and the date, place and time for any oral arguments.

f. Expenses incurred for an in-person appeal by the Appeal Panel members shall be shared in the following manner: One-fourth from the NYSPHSAA, Inc., one-fourth from the section involved and one-half from the appellant. Expenses include all necessary and customary travel expenses, including, but not limited to mileage, lodging and meals. When telephone conference calls are requested a fee of \$300 will be paid in full by the appellant (Jan. 2012).

Effective Start Date: September 1, 2019

Rationale: The fee was last updated in January 2012. Date Revised: April 10, 2019

Proposal Originated: Appeal Chairperson

Budgetary Impact: Minimal increase in associated fees as a result of appeals.

APPROVED

13. CREATION OF A NYSPHSAA FOUNDATION

Proposal: Consider approval to start a NYSPHSAA Foundation. A committee will be created by presidential appointment to discuss the formation, structure, and operation of the NYSPHSAA Foundation.

APPROVED

14. SPORT COORDINATOR APPROVALS

Proposal: Consider approval the Sport Coordinators listed below for a 5-year term.

Jim Wright-Softball

Jamie Harter-Girls Golf

Diane Hicks-Hughes Girls Swimming & Diving

Pat Ryan-Assistant Girls Swimming & Diving

Charles Wiltse- Boys Cross Country

APPROVED

15. FOOTBALL – NEW CLASSIFICATION CUT-OFF NUMBERS FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 SEASONS

Proposal: To change the Football Classification Cut-off numbers to the following:

Class AA 1025 and up 70 schools 18.28%

Class A 630 – 1024 86 schools 22.45%

Class B 397 – 629 87 schools 22.72%

Class C 261 – 396 80 schools 20.89%

Class D 260 and below 60 schools 15.67%

APPROVED

16. FOOTBALL – NYSPHSAA SPORTSMANSHIP RULE, SERVING 4 CONSECUTIVE QUARTERS

Proposal: Consideration of approval for Football players to serve the suspension for violating the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule by being ineligible to participate for 4 full consecutive quarters (players only).

DEFEATED 20-26

17. FOOTBALL – COMBINED PRACTICE

Proposal: Consideration of approval to establish combined practice requirements for all NYSPHSAA member schools. These requirements will include:

1. Coaches will instruct their own players.

2. "Live Contact" is permitted but not required.

3. Athletes/Teams may not participate in a combined practice until the first 5 days of practice have been completed.

4. Drills may not exceed more than seven (7) players from each team.

APPROVED

18. GIRLS TENNIS – PENALTY FOR VIOLATING PRACTICE RULE AT STATE TOURNAMENT

Proposal: The NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee is seeking approval to apply the sanction of disqualification from the state tournament to any competitor who violates the "no practice rule" at the tournament venue on any day of the state tournament competition.

APPROVED

19. BOYS VOLLEYBALL – REVISE TIE-BREAKER IN CHAMPIONSHIP POOL PLAY

APPROVED

20. GIRLS VOLLEYBALL – REGIONAL ROTATION FOR 2019 AND 2020

DEFEATED, it will revert back to the current rotation

21. BOYS ICE HOCKEY – INCREASE TIME PERIODS TO 17 MINUTES

DEFEATED 16-19-12

22. REINSTATEMENT OF GAMES/CONTESTS

DEFEATED 20-27

23. PENALTY FOR EXCEEDING MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONTESTS

DEFEATED 20-27

24. INELIGIBLE STUDENTS TO PRACTICE/PARTICIPATE AT SUB-VARSITY LEVEL

Proposal: Consideration of approval to permit students (grades 7, 8, 9, & 10) who are ineligible as per the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule to practice & participate at the sub-varsity level during their period of ineligibility; non corresponding transferring students in grades 11th and 12th who are ineligible as per the Transfer Rule, would be limited to practice only.

APPROVED 35-12

APPENDIX E

1. SWIMMING & DIVING – NUMBER OF JUDGES REQUIRED TO QUALIFY FOR THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN AN 11 DIVE DUAL MEET

Discussion Item

Presenter: Peter Hugo, NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving State Coordinator
Diane Hicks-Hughes, NYSPHSAA Girls Swimming & Diving State Coordinator

Proposal: In an 11 Dive Dual Meet there must be a minimum of 5 judges in order for the scores to qualify the athlete for the State Championship.

Effective Start Date:

2019-2020 school year

Rationale: This allows the high and low scores to be dropped and the middle three scores to be used for qualifying for the State Championship. This is the current process for all 11 Dive Championship events.

Proposal Originated: Boys and Girls Swimming and Diving Committees

Budgetary Impact: If schools chose to do an 11 dive dual meet AND wanted the scores to count toward qualifying for the State Championship there would be a cost to add two more judges to the meet.

Notes: Schools have the choice to either have a 6 dive dual meet or an 11 dive dual meet. An athlete cannot qualify for the State Championship with a 6 dive dual meet.

2. BOYS SOCCER – NEW 6-YEAR REGIONAL ROTATION 2020-2025

Discussion Item

Presenter: Mike Andrew, NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer State Coordinator

Proposal: The NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee is seeking approval of a new regional rotation for six years beginning in the fall of 2020 and ending with the 2025 fall soccer season.

Effective Start Date: Fall 2020

Rationale: Approval of this proposal would allow us to extend the previous six-year rotation with no significant change for the next six years. We have in the past adjusted and corrected any and all problems as they have arisen, generally caused by the occasional typo.

Proposal Originated: NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee February 2019

Budgetary Impact: None

Notes: The committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal during their winter meeting.

3. WRESTLING – ELIMINATE 99LB WEIGHT CLASS IN DUAL MEETS, TOURNAMENTS, AND STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Discussion Item

Presenter: Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Coordinator

Proposal: The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee is seeking approval to eliminate the 99lb weight class for all Dual Meet and Dual Meet Tournaments, including the Dual Meet State Championship. This will be a 2-year experiment.

Effective Start Date: Winter 2020 - 2021

Rationale: Each year there are a considerable number of forfeits in dual meet events because one team or neither team has a 99lb competitor. This proposal will address the

lack of competitors in this weight class and forfeits that have become frequent in dual meets.

Proposal Originated: NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee May 2019

Budgetary Impact: None

Notes: The Wrestling Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal.

4. WRESTLING – CONDUCT ONE NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

 X Discussion Item

Presenter: Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Coordinator

Proposal: The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee is seeking approval to conduct the NYSPHSAA/Federation Wrestling Tournament as one tournament. In this proposal, eight places in all weight classes would be recognized with medals.

Effective Start Date: Winter 2019 – 2020

Rationale: Presently, the event is considered two tournaments in one and administrators, coaches and athletes feel strongly that this feels like one tournament and have expressed this to the wrestling committee. Approval of this proposal would create just one tournament for all competitors and eliminate confusion in the awards presentation, which now is two presentations for each weight class. The rationale for increasing awarding eight places is because we currently wrestle back to eight places in several weight classes to accommodate the Federation tournament. It would be consistent and uniform to recognize eight places for all weight classes in this new proposal.

Proposal Originated: NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee May 2019

Budgetary Impact: Both the NYSPHSAA and Federations will share in the cost of the medals. A new medal would be designed with recognition of all four associations participating in the event.

Notes: The Wrestling Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal

5. WRESTLING – WAIVER FOR FIVE-BOUNT NFHS RULE IN POSTSEASON

 X Discussion Item

Presenter: Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Coordinator

Proposal: The NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee is seeking approval for a waiver for the NFHS five-bout rule in the postseason. This would allow competitors to wrestle in a sixth bout during individual postseason tournaments.

Effective Start Date: Winter 2019 – 2020

Rationale: Currently, sections are conducting two-day tournaments to determine placements of wrestlers. This proposal would eliminate a two-day tournament and allow sections to conduct only a one-day tournament, thus saving a significant amount of money on officials, venue rental, travel and more. Furthermore, a wrestler has the potential to compete for a maximum of 30 minutes in a dual meet tournament. This proposal would allow for potentially just two additional minutes of wrestling.

Proposal Originated: NYSPHSAA Wrestling Committee May 2019

Budgetary Impact: A significant savings to sections and schools on officials, venue rental, travel, and more.

Notes: The Wrestling Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal. This proposal will go to Safety Committee in the fall of 2019.

6. WRESTLING – USE OF INBODY SCALE FOR THE NYSPHSAA WEIGHT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

X Discussion Item

Presenter: Marty Sherman, NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Coordinator

Proposal: To require all Sections to use the InBody Scale for the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Weight Certification Program.

Effective Start Date: 2020-2021 season

Rationale:

To provide a consistent method of measurement for all wrestlers in NYS. The current form of measurement of skin folds is subject to the assessor ability and consistency of taking these measurements. The InBody scale would eliminate the inconsistencies in the current process.

Proposal Originated: NYSPHSAA Wrestling and Wrestling Advisory Committees

Budgetary Impact: Each Section would have to provide an InBody Scale at each Centralized Assessment Sites. The current cost of the Scale is \$1500.00.

Notes: The Wrestling Committee, Wrestling Advisory Committee, and Section Executive Directors took part in a presentation by the NWCA on the use and function of the InBody Scale.

7. SOFTBALL – ELIMINATION OF THE EXISTING WAIVER BANNING METAL CLEATS

X Discussion Item

Presenter: Cathy Allen, NYSPHSAA Softball State Coordinator

Proposal: The elimination of the waiver banning metal cleats for High School Softball players.

Effective Start Date: Spring 2020

Rationale: After much discussion, it is evident that more coaches and administrators feel that the rules held by the NFHS and USA Softball permitting the use of metal cleats should be followed and that there is not sufficient data to prove that molded cleats offer a safer option. As a caveat to this proposal, the committee recommends maintaining the waiver for Modified Softball.

Proposal Originated: It was brought to the committee's attention in 2018 that an Office of Civil Rights complaint had been filed by a travel coach in western New York. The committee, at that time, voted to continue with the waiver pending surveys of coaches and administrators in their specific sections. Upon returning to the table in June 2019, the committee was informed that there was a viable complaint and that the OCR was taking aggressive action against the NYSPHSAA. Again, after a heated debate, the committee shared their individual survey results and subsequently voted unanimously to void the waiver and recommend the use of metal cleats at the High School level only and to continue to accept the waiver on metal cleats for Modified Softball.

Budgetary Impact: There is no perceived budgetary impact to the NYSPHSAA, Sections or schools. The purchase of metal cleats is the choice and responsibility of the parent or guardian.

8. SOFTBALL – ELIMINATION OF INTERNATIONAL TIEBREAKER FOR REGIONAL CONTESTS

X Discussion Item

Presenter: Cathy Allen, NYSPHSAA Softball State Coordinator

Proposal: The Softball Committee is seeking approval to eliminate the International Tie Breaker Rule for all Regional contests permanently starting with the 2020 season. This was previously a two-year experiment for the 2018 and 2019 spring seasons.

Effective Start Date: Spring 2020

Rationale: The same International Tie Breaker Rule waiver is in place for State Semifinals and Finals. This proposal would be extended to Regional play while allowing Sections to keep it in their Sectional championships. In spite of the one outlier this season (20 innings), there is no way to assume that the ITR would have ended the game earlier, therefore, Section chairs would be directed to allow sufficient time to complete contests, anticipating extended games. (Recommend 2 ½ to 3 hours). The ITR was instituted to halt the pitcher-dominated games in the 1980's and was done at a time where the pitching rubber was at 40' and the equipment limited ball flight and EVO. With the move to a 43' mound and the addition of composite bats, the game has changed dramatically, and the offense is in the forefront. In fact, we have added a mercy rule in recent years as a means to control games that get out of hand on one side. Therefore, the game should be played as it was meant to be without adding artificial offense.

Proposal Originated: NYSPHSAA Softball Committee in June 2017

Budget Impact: None

Notes: NYSPHSAA Softball Committee unanimously voted in favor of this

9. BASEBALL – ADOPT GAME ENDING PROCEDURE RUN RULE

X Discussion Item

Presenter: Al Roy, NYSPHSAA Baseball State Coordinator

Proposal: The NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee is seeking approval for State adoption, with section & league approval, a game ending procedure run rule. This run rule was in place for a two-year experiment and would continue as stated that the game will end when there is a run differential of 10 runs after 5 innings (or 4 ½ if the home team is winning).

Effective Start Date: Spring 2020

Rationale: Currently, NYSPHSAA hasn't permanently adopted a game ending procedure. The NFHS rule, Section 2 Article 4 states ..."by mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and the umpire-in-chief, any remaining play may be shortened or the game terminated." The game ending run rule procedure being proposed will provide consistency when a game can end. This run rule will save on pitch counts and the number of pitchers that are used in games when there is a lack of competitiveness. A run rule will improve the quality of high school baseball. This rule was approved as a two-year trial for the 2018 and 2019 spring seasons. At the Baseball Committee meeting held on June 14, 2019 the rule was discussed and voted 9-2 in favor of keeping it.

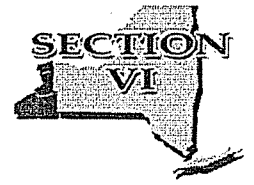
Proposal Originated: NYSPHSAA State Baseball Committee, June 2019

Budgetary Impact: None



APPENDIX F

Section VI / Chapter 6 NYSAAA



2019-2020 Athletic Director Professional Development

August 26th:

Jay Hammas & School Supervision

October 21, 2019

8:30am – 12:30pm

Structure of Interscholastic Athletics

Relationship Building – Principal, Staff, Coaches, Parents, Community Members, etc

Coaches Evaluations – Share evaluations, etc

NYSPPHSAA Programs available - Kristin Jaden

Required NYSPPHSAA and Section Forms - Todd Nelson

December: TBA

8:30am – 12:30pm

Apps for Coaches (Sports you)

Apps and Resources for ADS

Social Media: Positives & Negatives, protocol for coaches

Eligibility Rules – Residency, Academic, Age, Hardships

Unified Sports

February: TBA

8:30am – 12:30pm

TBD

April: TBA

8:30am – 12:30pm

Goals of Athletic Program

Code of Conducts

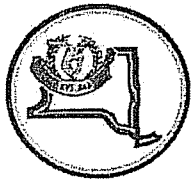
Finding Coaches – Interview procedures

June: TBA

8:30am – 12:30pm

Meet the Coaches Night – Have schools that run them show their power points.

Handbooks for Coaches



NYSAAA
New York State Athletic Administrators Association

CHAPTER 6 STUDENT ESSAY APPLICATION 2019-2020

Student-Athlete:

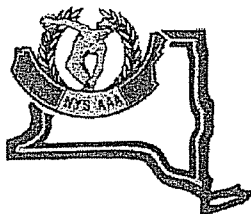
Chapter 6 of the New York State Athletic Administrators Association (NYSAA) is proud to offer you this scholarship opportunity.

- Please read the criteria on the first page to be certain you qualify for this scholarship.
- Please complete the following pages of this application.
- When possible, please type.
- The completed application is to be turned in to your school's Athletic Administrator.
- The Chapter 6 Committee will select one male and female winner.
- Chapter 6 winners will receive \$_____.
- Chapter 6 will send the winners applications on to compete at the New York State level.

Athletic Directors and Student-Athletes:

- This application must be received by NYSAAA Chapter 6 rep, Mark DiFilippo (mdifilippo@e1b.org).
- Late applications will not be accepted.
- Athletic Director must be a registered member to nominate.

- Due Date: November 1st



High School _____

School Address _____
City State Zip

Principal or Athletic Director signature _____

Print Principal/Athletic Director Name _____

Athletic Director's NIAAA Member # _____

Local Media Contacts:

Name: _____ Name: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

SCHOLASTIC PERFORMANCE:

Class Rank ___ out of ___ students in the senior class.(if school ranks) GPA ___ on a ___ Scale

ACT/SAT Score _____ Graduation Date _____

Briefly describe scholastic distinctions or honors received during high school:

Athletic Participation (only sports sponsored by state athletic/activity association)

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Letters</u>	<u>Honors</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Leadership:

School Organization Participation/Leadership Positions

Community Organization Participation/Leadership Positions:

Community Service/Volunteer Service:

Citizenship:

Please read the excerpt below “The Code for Living,” from the book, *Winning More Than the Game*, by Fred Northup.

The Code – Life Principles Learned Through Sports

Because I am a role model and have the opportunity and responsibility to make a difference in the lives of others, I commit to this Code. I will take responsibility and appropriate actions when I fail to live up to it.

1) As an Individual:

- I will develop my skills to the best of my ability and give my best effort in practice and competition.
- I will compete within the spirit and letter of the rules of my sport.
- I will respect the dignity of every human being, and will not be abusive or dehumanizing of anyone either as an athlete or as a fan.

2) As a Member of a Team:

- I will place team goals ahead of personal goals.
- I will be a positive influence on the relationships on the team.
- I will follow the team rules established by the coach.

3) As a Member of Society:

- I will display caring and honorable behavior off the field and be a positive influence in my community and world.
- I will give of my time, skills, and money as I am able for the betterment of my community and world.

Briefly detail a unique personal reflection that focuses on one of the three parts of the above code. Your response may involve yourself, another individual(s), or an experience during your high school career.

Essay:

On one 8.5”x11” single spaced 12 point Tahoma or Geneva style font please address the following statement: **“HOW HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS HAS IMPACTED MY LIFE.”**

Note: In order to be considered, the school submitting the application(s) must send them to his/her respective NYSAAA Chapter Representative, as noted below, postmarked or faxed no later than Friday, November 29, 2019.

NYSAAA Chapter Representatives (Chapter locations are the same the Sections)

Chapter 1: Susan Dullea, Carmel HS, sdullea@carmelschools.org;

Chapter 2: David Sunkes, Ballston Spa HS, dsunkes@bscsd.org;

Chapter 3: Jolene Todd, Syracuse City Schools, jtodd@scsd.us;

Chapter 4: Andy Buchsbaum, Owego Free Academy, buchsbauma@oacsd.org;

Chapter 5: Patrick Irving, Gates Chili CSD, Patrick_irving@gateschili.org;

Chapter 6: Mark DiFilippo, ECIC, mdifilippo@elb.org;

Chapter 7: Matt Walentuk, Executive Director, walentu_mattk@cves.org;

Chapter 8: Jennifer Keane, Wantagh HS, keanej@wantaghschools.org;

Chapter 9: Mike Kroemer, Cornwall HS, kroerm@cornwallschools.com;

Chapter 10: Missy Hastings-LaVigne, Brushton Moira, mlavigne@bmcsd.org;

Chapter 11: Tim Mullins CMAA; Bayport – Blue Point UFSD. tmullins@bbpschools.org;



Aspiring Athletic Director's *An enrichment program for future Athletic Directors'*

Candidates will receive instruction in:

- Understanding the role of the Athletic Administrator
- The rules and policies of Section VI and the NYSPHSAA
- Techniques for managing the various stakeholders within your district
- Facility management
- Developing community relationships
- Budget development and managing inventories
- Hiring processes and interview protocols
- Sports Law

Additionally, all students will:

- Receive CTLE credit
- Learn how to become members of the NIAAA and NYSAAA
- Have access to additional professional development via the NIAAA certification program
- Complete a brief "internship" with a current Athletic Administrator
- Become a part of the AD network
- Be prepared to interview for future openings
- Attend of three (3) sessions; October TBA, January TBA, April TBA
- Time & Locations TBD

Interested parties please complete the form below and submit to:

Timm Slade
Section VI, NYSPHSAA
Erie 1 BOCES
355 Harlem Road
West Seneca, NY 14224



Aspiring Athletic Director's

Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Athlete	<input type="checkbox"/> Teacher	<input type="checkbox"/> Coach	<input type="checkbox"/> College Student
Name				
Address				
E-Mail			Phone	
School/Affiliation				
Athletic Director				
	Print Name		Signature: Athletic Director or League President	

Interested parties please complete the form below and submit to:

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 355 Harlem Road
 West Seneca, NY 14224
TSlade@e1b.org Fax: 821-7352

APPENDIX G

PRE-SEASON REPORT FIELD HOCKEY 2019 Chairperson: Judith Coleman- Otto

Committee members (voting*):

Judith Coleman- Otto*, Section VI Sport Chairperson

ECIC Representative: Peter Tonsoline* & Dawn Kauderer-Kromer

NO League Representatives: Ryan Carbarry*

Section Coordinator- Judith Coleman- Otto*, **Barker**

(C) 716-812-3078 jotto1952@gmail.com

ECIC Chairperson Pete Tonsoline* Iroquois S-652-3000 x7116 H-681-8153

		Date	Site and Times
Seeding Meeting		Friday ,October 18,2019	
Pre-Quarters	B	Monday, October 21,2019	Higher Seed times TBA
Quarter-finals	A,B,C	Thursday, October 24,2019	Higher Seed times TBA
Semi-finals	C	Wednesday, October 30,2019	Clarence HS 5 & 7 pm
	A B	Wednesday, October 30,2019	6 and 8 pm. A at 6 pm Class B at 8 pm at Williamsville North Complex
Finals:	CAB	Tuesday ,November 5,2019	Alden Turf Class C-4pm, A- 6pm, B-8pm
Regionals at Section 6		Sat. November 9, 2019	C-11:00 am A-1:00 pm and B-3:00 pm at Williamsville North

Semi-finals: Saturday, 11/16/19 Williamsville North HS 2 fields

Field 2: C - 10:00 am 5@ 6 vs 9 @ 1

A - 12:30 pm 5@ 6 vs 9 @ 1

B - 3:00 pm 5@ 6 vs 9 @ 1

Field 1: C - 10:00 am 8@11 vs 3@2@4

A - 12:30 pm 8@11 vs 3@2@4

B - 3:00 pm 8@11 vs 3@2@4

Finals: Sunday, 11/17/19 Williamsville North HS

C - 10:00 am 5@ 6 vs 9 @ 1 vs. 8@11 vs 3@2@4 (home)

A - 12:30 pm 5@ 6 vs 9 @ 1 vs. 8@11 vs 3@2@4 (home)

B - 3:00 pm 5@ 6 vs 9 @ 1 vs. 8@11 vs 3@2@4 (home)

ECIC Rep Dawn Kauderer-Kromer, Sweet Home MS S-250-1467 C-481-7895

N-O Chairperson. Ryan *, Barker S-795-3340

Committee meetings: MARCH 2019

Classification Breakdown: Remains the same.

Number of Schools Participating: 23

Changes in Policy and/or Practice for the upcoming season: Investigating the possibility of playing semi-finals at the home school site higher seed versus the neutral site.

Other Pertinent Information

Section Six will be hosting the NYSPHSAA Field Hockey State Tournament 2018,2019 and 2020 at the Williamsville North Athletic Complex.

Respectfully submitted, 3/14/2019 PT added post season dates Aug 29
Judith Coleman-Otto, Section VI Field Hockey Chair

APPENDIX H



Baseball Post Season Report 2019

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

DIVISION	SCHOOL	INDIVIDUAL
Buffalo	Hutch Tech	Rowen Garry
CCAA 1 – West		
CCAA 2 – West		
CCAA 1 – East		
CCAA 2 – East		
ECIC 1		
ECIC 2		
ECIC 3		
ECIC 4		
NFL		
NO	Barker	Nathan Heidemann

2019 Review:

1. Congratulations to the 2019 Sectional Champions: Frontier (AA), Kenmore West (A1), Iroquois (A2), Medina (B1), Roy-Hart (B2), Falconer (C), Brocton (D).
2. Congratulations to the 2019 Regional Champions: Medina & Brocton

Concerns for 2020:

1. Consider approval of a game ending procedure Run Rule. The Run Rule would state that the game will end with a run differential of 10 runs after 5 innings (or 4 1/2 if the home team is winning).
2. There are still concerns about the quality of the Spalding baseballs that are to be used for 2020 sectionals, regionals, and state championships.
3. Possible push back of the league ending date to May 21 or May 22. This will allow for more time to complete league play and cut down on the amount of time between sectional playoff games.

POST-SEASON RESULTS:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Score</u>
Class AA	at Canisius	Frontier defeated Clarence, 5-4
Class A	at Canisius	Kenmore West defeated Iroquois, 8-3
Class A1	at Depew	Ken West defeated Niagara Wheatfield, 5-3
Class A2	at Niagara Falls	Iroquois defeated Lake Shore, 1-0
Class B	at Canisius	Medina defeated Roy-Hart, 15-4
Class B1	at Niagara Falls	Medina defeated Albion, 10-6
Class B2	at Depew	Roy-Hart defeated Gowanda, 5-1
Class C	at Diethrick	Falconer defeated Frewsburg, 4-2
Class D	at Diethrick	Brocton defeated Clymer/Sherman, 2-0

REGIONALS:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Score</u>
Class AA	at Lockport	McQuaid Jesuit defeated Frontier, 2-1
Class A	at Batavia	Canandaigua defeated Kenmore West, 11-0
Class B	at Lockport	Medina defeated Le Roy, 10-2
Class C	at Fredonia	Gananda defeated Falconer, 4-1
Class D	at Batavia	Brocton defeated Honeoye, 6-4

STATES

<u>Class</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Score</u>
Class B	Binghamton	Schuylerville defeated Medina, 6-3
Class D	Binghamton	Brocton defeated Lisbon, 10-0
		Whitehall defeated Brocton, 12-1 - <i>State Finals</i>

2020 Tentative Calendar

BASEBALL Chairperson:				
Event		Date		Location & Time
Last day for league play		May 20		
Seeding Mtg		May 20		Eden HS 7:00 pm
Event	Class	Date	Rain Date	Location & Time
Pre-Quarters:	A1, A2, B1, B2	May 21	May 22	@ Higher Seed
Pre-Quarters:	AA, C, D	May 22	May 23	@ Higher Seed
Quarters:	A1, A2, B1, B2	May 22	May 23	@ Higher Seed
Quarters:	AA, C, D	May 26	May 27	@ Higher Seed
Semifinals:	A1, A2, B1, B2	May 26	May 27	@ Higher Seed
Semifinals:	AA, C, D	May 28	May 29	@ Higher Seed
Finals:	A1, A2, B1, B2	May 28	May 29	TBA
Finals:	All Classes	May 30	May 31	TBA
Regionals:	AA, B, C	June 6	June 7	Section 5
	A,D	June 6	June 7	Section 6
States	All Classes	June 12-13		Binghamton

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):
To be submitted by the Section VI Treasurer

Respectfully submitted
 Robert Parry

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Golf Boys Post Season Report 2019

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

League	Student-Athlete	School
CCAA	Connor Daniels, 12	Silver Creek/Forestville
NFL	Anthony Delisanti, 10	Niagara Wheatfield
NO	Jake Harris, 11	Barker
ECIC	Ben Spitz, 12	Orchard Park

***NEW → Coaches Sportsmanship Selections:** Maura Birdd, Pioneer (ECIC), John Burns, Will. North (ECIC), Joe Salvaggio, Jamestown (CCAA), Tim Codd, Niagara Wheatfield (NFL), Jodi Hoffman, Chautauqua Valley (CCAA), Robert Dennis, Medina (NO).

Report on changes in policy or practice that were implemented: None at this time.

Problems encountered/concerns: Policy and Rules problems encountered at the State Championship – failure of the State Chairman (Doug Courtright) to communicate with USGA Rules Officials that he intended to allow competitors to drop free balls if they couldn't find it and the other players in their group thought that the ball was likely lost in that area. To be clear, no USGA rule exists and no USGA rules official would condone such a rule. The State Chairman blamed me in a public setting (pro shop and clubhouse areas) for this failure on me who on the first tee of the championship, didn't want to put myself in the position of a rules official, asked a USGA rules official to respond to the players questions on the procedure for lost balls. I immediately called the State Chairman to report the incident and was blamed for taking it upon myself to "change the rules of the tournament" – it just doesn't make any sense. There were only 2 USGA rules officials on hand from the NSYGA. The NYSGA Assistant Executive Director would not have recommended these particular officials as lead officials, and has offered the State Chairman for years, to allow him to hand pick the officials for the event so that it is properly staffed. If that bridge gets burned with the NYSGA, the NYSGA could ban their officials from working our events under their name. The Girl's Golf State Championship had 3 to 4 times the amount of rules officials and the only reason Boy's Golf didn't is the refusal of the State Coordinator to respond to the NYSGA's offer of assistance, free of charge – again, makes no sense. I am at the point where although I do want to serve Section VI in my current capacity, I do not desire to be subjected to the another state championship under it's current leadership and direction. The NYSHSAA director Chris Joyce and Exec. Dir. Robert Zayas have reached out to me but no clear actions have been taken to my knowledge that would allow me to continue without me shouldering the burden of once again confronting the State Chairman personally (again) heading into next year. I want NYSPHSAA to relay their expectations to the State Chairman directly so we can move past these incidents on a less personal level and ultimately make our state championship better.

Recommendations for next season: I would like Section VI to consider allowing me to hand pick an assistant so that in 2 years, he/she could continue to do what I have done for Section VI without missing a beat if I need to walk away. Assuming that NYSPHSAA will not act on the happenings of the state championship this assistant would go to states while I would be responsible for our local Sectional Championship and planning for States but not actually being required to attend states unless my own player(s) qualify in which case, the assistant would still go, but I would not be attending or working the event in the capacity of a State Committee member, just as a coach.

Calendar 2020:

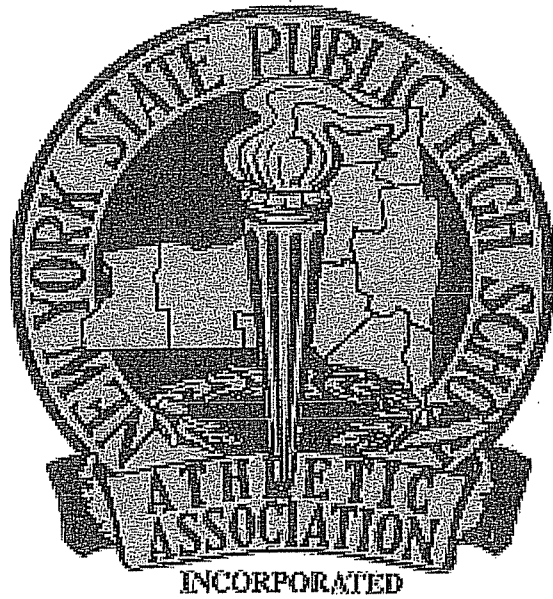
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State Qualifier:	5/18/20	River Oaks, 9:00 shotgun start, rain date 5/19/19. Pending Contract.
States:	6/5/20-6/8/20	TBD
Federation:	6/14/20	Bethpage State Park Golf Course (Black)

Other pertinent data: None at this time

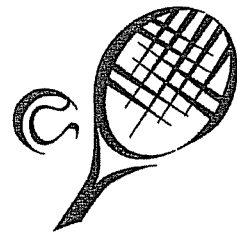
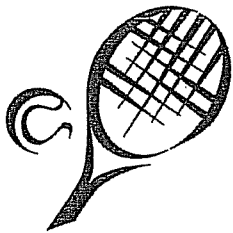
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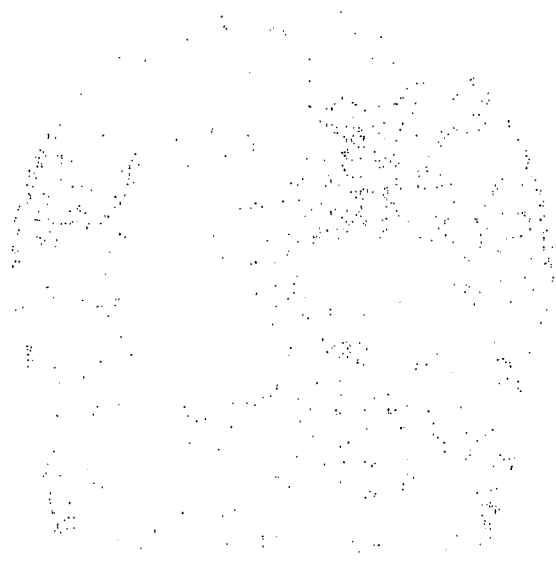
Sectional and Post-Sectional Results
RESULTS ATTACHED OR ONLINE: <http://www.section6golf.com/>

Respectfully Submitted 8/30/19.
Nate Leary, Section VI Boys Golf Chairman



SECTION VI
BOYS TENNIS
2019
Post Season Report





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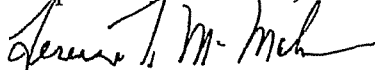
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NYSPHSAA
SECTION VI
Tennis- Boys

Sectional Seeding Meeting Minutes

- Date: Sunday, May 19, 2019 @ 9 am
Place: South Towns Tennis Club-75 Mid County Drive, Orchard Park, N.Y. 14127
Roll Call: Alex Chambers (ECIC) Ben Wright (CCAC)
Dan Krolewski (NFL) Chris Horgan (NO) Dave Kelly (BUF)-resigned
Stephen Sayoc (Co- Chairperson) T. McMahon (Chairperson)
Absent: Brian Koziol (ECIC)
Agenda: A. NYSPHSAA 12/9/19 Boys State Tennis Meeting Minutes
2019 Spring Pre-Season Coaches Meeting Proposals Approved
1. Shorter season- start date 3/15/20
2. 5 year rotation to fill byes starting this year
3. Federation championships-the week after Boys State Championships
Discussion:
4.No consolation brackets at States- might happen due to title IX
5.Coaches sitting on courts-Approved
6. Bottom brackets- changed to accurately reflect #2 seed-Approved
B. Handbook
1. Update coaches directory
2. Pictures for Section VI Tennis Handbook due 6/5/19
3. NYSHS Tennis website mandatory use
C. Documents- NOTE CHANGE
1.Code of Conduct – submitted to Athletic Director prior to departure
2.Commitment to Play- submitted to chairperson at States (7pm 5/29/19)
D. Continuity-2020- recommendation that Stephen Sayoc assume
the responsibility of chairperson if the coaching duties of T. McMahon
are terminated in the spring of 2020..
E. Tournament (May 21-24 at Orchard Park High School)
1. Entry forms
2. Rules
a. #10-reminder to coaches #17-reminder to coaches
b. Arrival at Orchard Park High School no earlier than 2:30p.m.
with the admonition to coaches, players and spectators NOT to
enter the building or disturb classes and to be courteous guests.
c. Start Tuesday and continue until conclusion
d. Coman Tie-Break- will be used in all doubles matches
3. Pictures-2:30 pm Wednesday, May 22, 2019 semi-finalists- Program
4. No Coach—NO PLAY- reminder to coaches
5. Seeding- see draws- note change
6. Recommendations- changes recommended by T. McMahon to T. Slade

Respectfully submitted,



1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes that this is essential for ensuring transparency and accountability in the organization's operations.

2. The second part of the document outlines the various methods and tools used to collect and analyze data. It highlights the need for consistent data collection procedures and the use of advanced analytical techniques to derive meaningful insights from the data.

3. The third part of the document focuses on the role of technology in data management and analysis. It discusses how modern software solutions can streamline data collection, storage, and analysis processes, thereby improving efficiency and accuracy.

4. The fourth part of the document addresses the challenges associated with data management, such as data quality, security, and privacy. It provides strategies to mitigate these risks and ensure that the data remains reliable and secure throughout its lifecycle.

5. The fifth part of the document concludes by summarizing the key findings and recommendations. It stresses the importance of ongoing monitoring and evaluation to ensure that the data management processes remain effective and aligned with the organization's goals.

2019 SECTION VI BOYS TENNIS STATE QUALIFIERS

Terence T. McMahon - Chairperson

Stephen Sayoc- Chairperson

Singles-1. Greg Hastings- North Tonawanda HS 12th Grade

2. Jerry Xiao- Williamsville East HS 10th Grade

3. Anthony Markello- East Aurora HS 9th Grade

Doubles-1. Noah Sayoc/Declan Watson- Orchard Park HS 11/12 grades

2. Filip Morawski/Thomas Bates- Olean HS 12/8 grades

3. Sam Greco/ Zach Black-Amherst- HS 11/11 Grades

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records.

2. It is essential to ensure that all data is properly documented and stored.

3. This process helps in identifying trends and anomalies.

4. Regular audits are necessary to verify the integrity of the information.

5. The following table provides a summary of the key findings.

6. The data shows a significant increase in activity over the last quarter.

7. This increase is attributed to several factors, including improved marketing strategies.

8. The results indicate that the current approach is effective and should be continued.

9. Further analysis is required to determine the long-term impact of these changes.

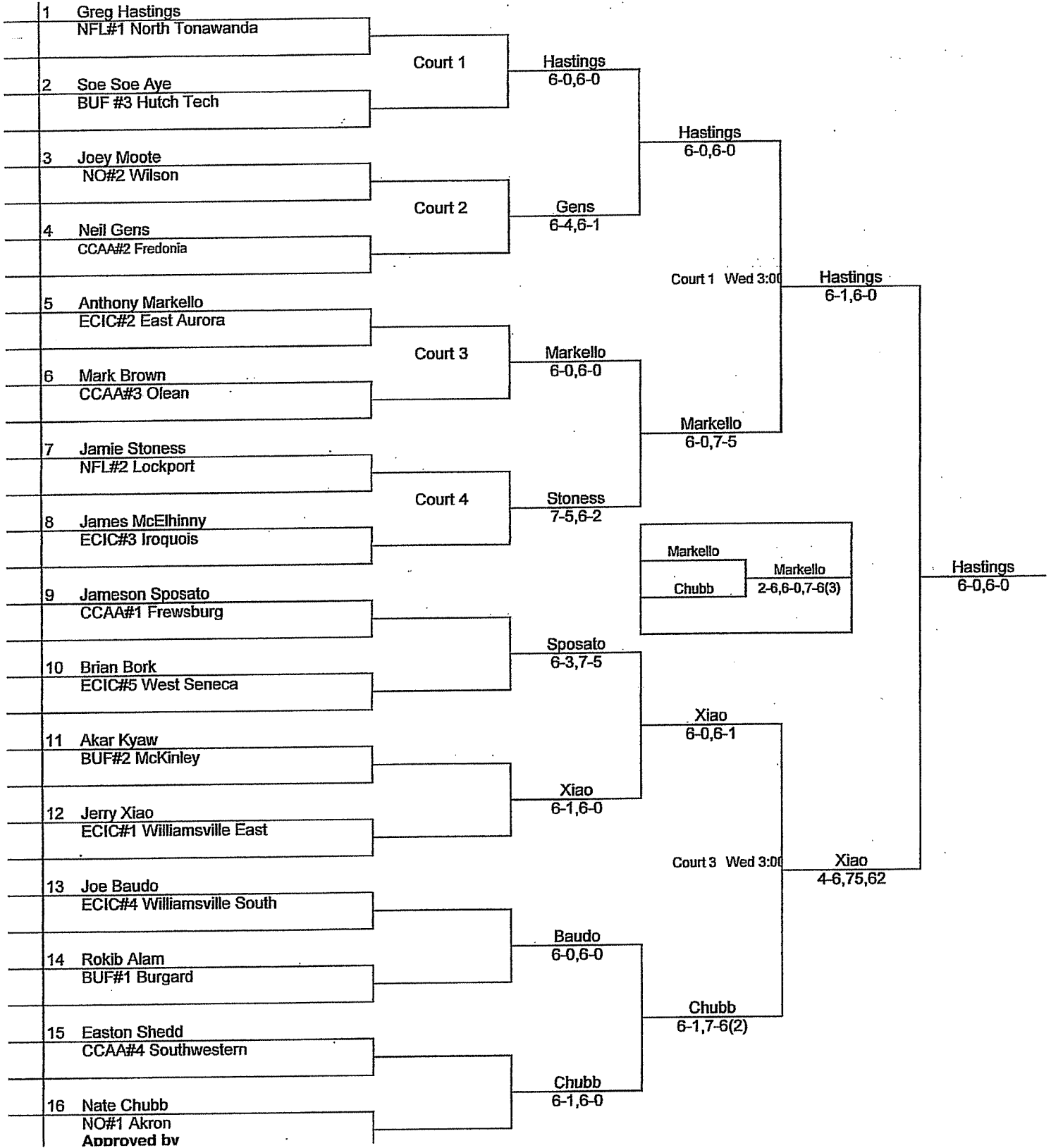
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SECTION VI BOYS TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Orchard Park HIGH SCHOOL May 21-24, 2019
Singles

21-24

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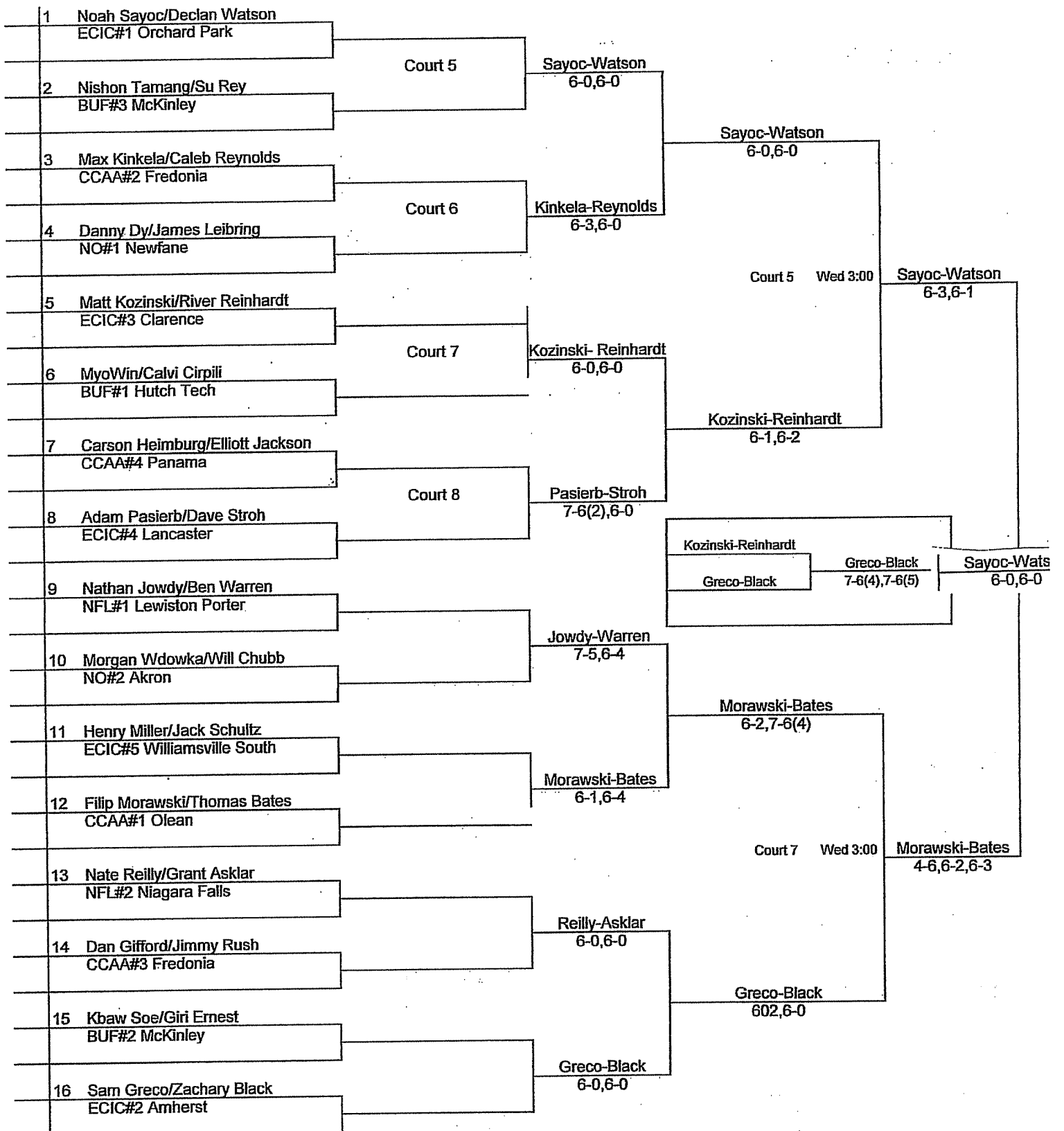


SECTION VI BOYS TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Orchard Park HIGH SCHOOL

May 21-24, 2019

Doubles



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2019 NYSPHSAA BOYS TENNIS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

USTA BILLIE JEAN KING NATIONAL TENNIS CENTER; FLUSHING, NY

May 30th - June 1st, 2019

SINGLES



Geneva

EASTERN

1	1	5-1 Ryan Fishback	Chatham	5-1 Fishback	61, 62			
	2	2-1 Keon Armstrong	White Plains					
	3	1-3 Callum Markowitz	Mexico	1-3 Markowitz	60, 60	5-1 Fishback	62, 61	
	4	3-2 Joe Ocker	North Tonawanda					
8	5	6-1 Greg Hastings	Washingtonville	6-1 Hastings	62, 60			
	6	9-2 Lucas Castillo-Sanchez	Oneonta			6-1 Hastings	62, 61	
	7	4-1 Chris Catan	Center Moriches	11-2 Koscinski	63, 36, 76(3)			
	8	11-2 Mike Koscinski	Wheatley					5-1 Fishback
4	9	8-2 Karan Amin	Averill Park	8-2 Amin	60, 60			63, 62
	10	2-2 Eric Schuman	Williamsville East			8-2 Amin	60, 60	
	11	6-2 Jerry Xiao	Lake Placid	6-2 Xiao	63, 61			
	12	7-1 Sonja Toishi	Keio					1-2 Sakai
5	13	1-2 Ryo Sakai	Baldwinsville	1-2 Sakai	61, 60			76(4), 63
	14	3-3 Antonio Marsallo	Brighton			1-2 Sakai	61, 60	
	15	5-3 Brady Anderson	Maine-Endwell	5-3 Anderson	61, 62			
	16	4-3 Logan Howard	Newburgh Free Academy					
	17	9-3 Troy Steiner	Plattsburgh	9-3 Steiner	60, 60			
	18	7-2 Sabastien Bonnabesse	Christian Brothers Academy			3-1 Hatton	61, 60	
	19	2-4 Mike Kendrick	Jamesville-Dewitt	3-1 Hatton	60, 61			
7	20	3-1 Peter Hatton	Ithaca					
	21	4-2 David Riccio	Cold Spring Harbor	8-3 Schlesinger	60, 60			
	22	8-3 Griffin Schlesinger	Harborfields			1-1 Krall	63, 64	
	23	11-1 Alex Rzehak	Bronxville	1-1 Krall	62, 64			
3	24	1-1 Liam Krall	Pittsford Mendon					
	25	5-2 Joshua Weiss	Hendrick Hudson	5-2 Weiss	64, 61			
	26	1-4 Josh Nelson	East Aurora					
	27	6-3 Anthony Markello	Washingtonville	9-1 Castillo-Sanchez	61, 60			
6	28	9-1 Gabriel Castillo-Sanchez	Saratoga					
	29	2-3 Nicholas Grosso	Connetquot	2-3 Grosso	63, 61			
	30	11-3 Alan Sabovic	Peru					
	31	7-3 Austin Davis	Syosset	8-1 Rajpal	60, 60			
2	32	8-1 Kabir Rajpal						

*NYSPHSAA Champion
5-1 Ryan Fishback
60, 36, 62

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2	8-1 Kabir Rajpal
3	1-1 Liam Krall
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5	1-2 Ryo Sakai
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7	3-1 Peter Hatton
8	6-1 Greg Hastings

Tournament Director
Selina DeCicco

Tournament Referee
Carl Richko

2019 NYSPHSAA BOYS TENNIS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

USTA BILLIE JEAN KING NATIONAL TENNIS CENTER, FLUSHING, NY

May 30st - June 1st, 2019

DOUBLES



EASTERN



1	1-1 Sahakyan/Schuler
2	1-2 Levinson/Aylett
3	8-1 Weitz/Tsui
4	3-1 Viassis/Viassis
5-8	8-2 Fligel/Gershfeld
5-8	5-1 Tu/Thyroff
5-8	2-10 O'Brien/O'Brien
5-8	1-3 Togo/Wallis

Tournament Director

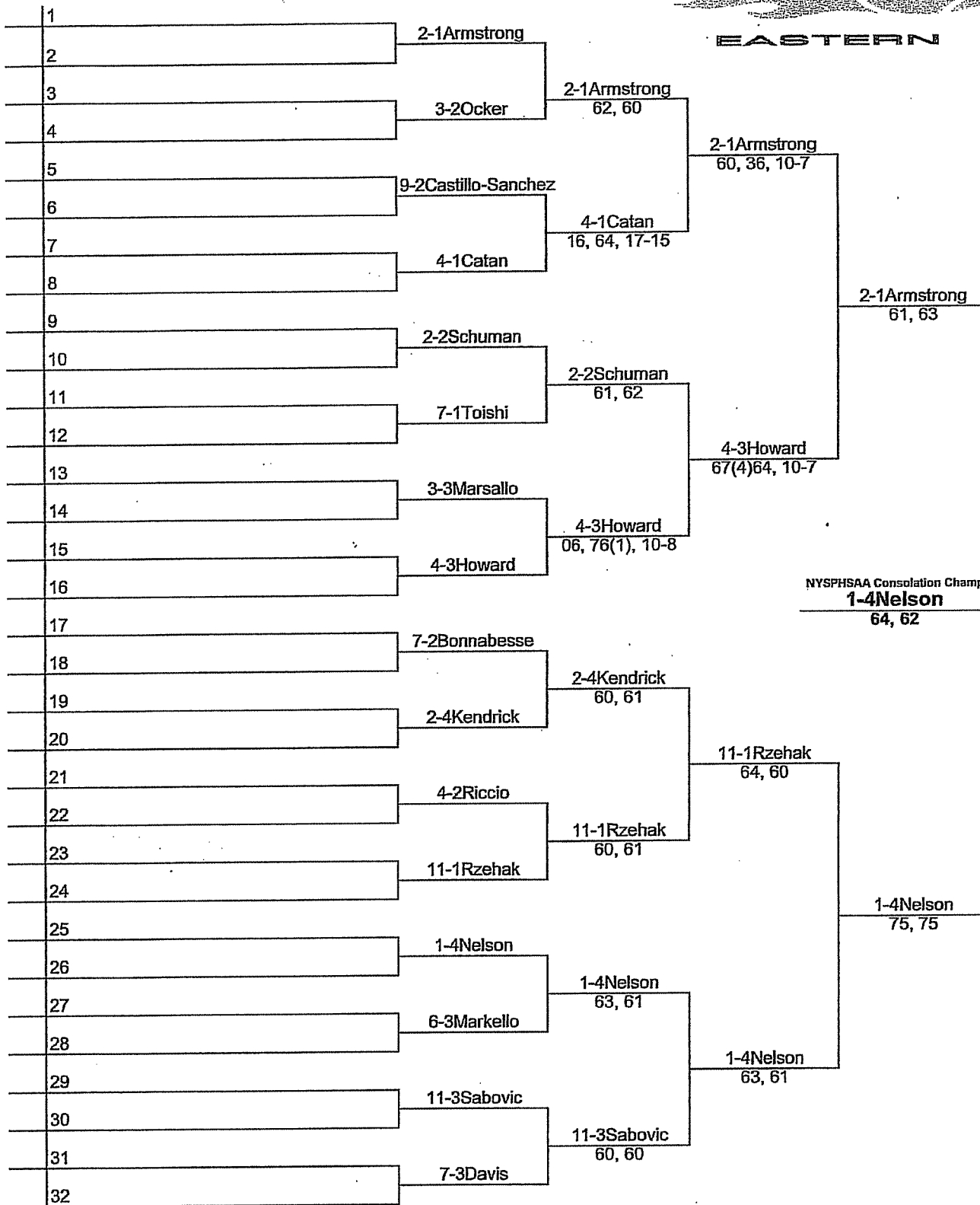
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Singles Consolation



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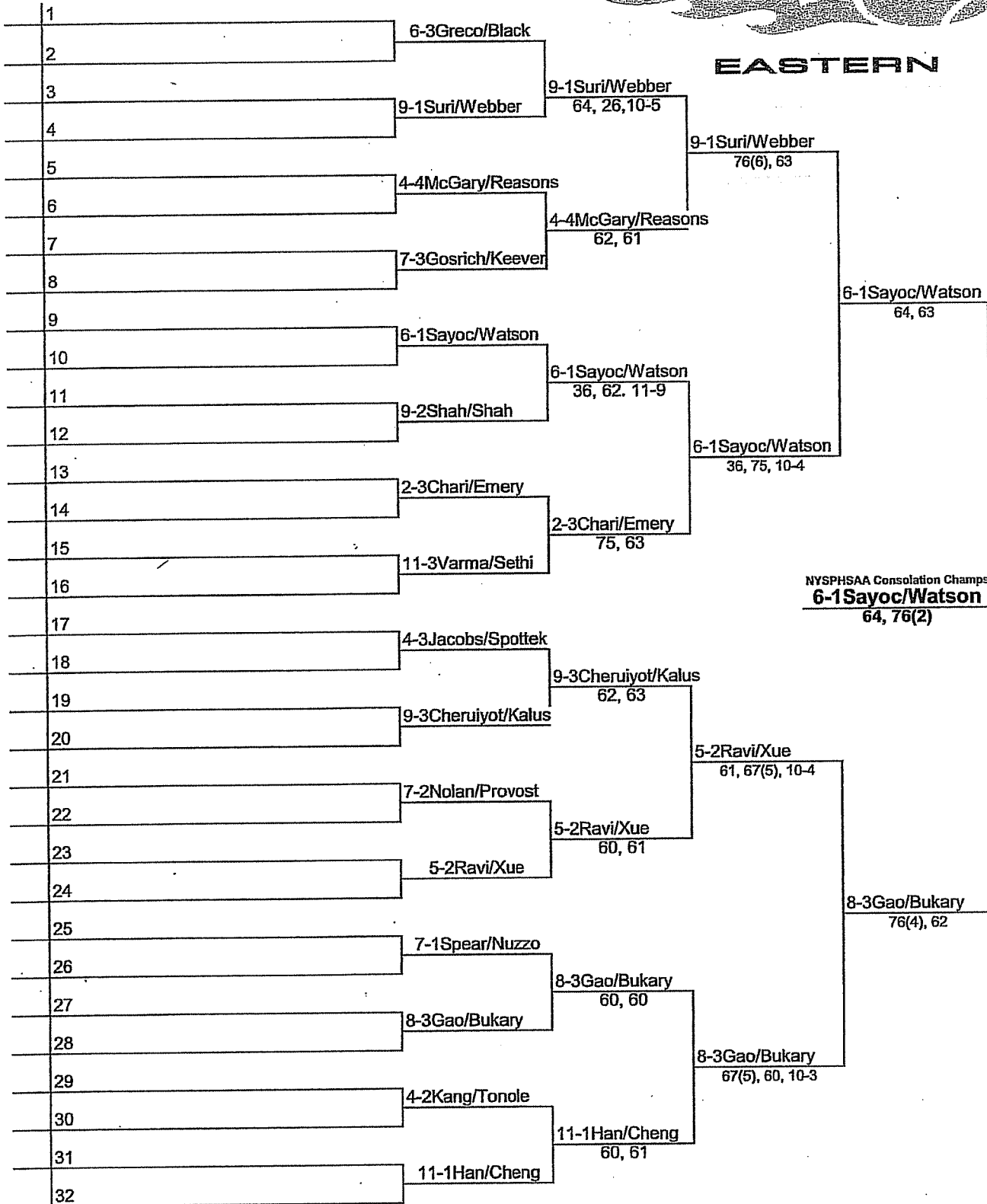
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May 30th - June 1st, 2019

Doubles Consolation



Tournament Director
Selina DeCicco

Tournament Referee
Carl Richko

**SECTION VI POST-SEASON REPORT
Girls Lacrosse 2019
Chairperson: Rick Schmitt**

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

Girls LACROSSE	School	Individual	Coach of Year
Class A	Niagara Falls	Maggie Bilguin	Jocelyn Canaday
Class B	Niagara Wheatfield	Jocelyn Fike	Jessica Rys (Will. North)
Class C	Will. South	Nina Stephens	JoAnna Fields (Am)
Class D	Springville	Morgan Kotlarsz	Phil Archabald (Eden)

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented:

Power Point system worked well.

Problems encountered/ concerns:

Weather was a concern again.

Some coaches had no representation at the end of the season meeting.

Recommendations for 2019 season: including the calendar

Proposal: Our proposal is to create 4 conferences based on competitiveness. Our goal is to allow every team to play in as many competitive games as possible, but more importantly allow programs to improve. We want programs to build confidence and numbers in girl's lacrosse in Section 6. Having teams play against teams of similar ability level will allow more teams to experience success! Conferences will be created based on the 2019 results.

GIRLS LACROSSE Chairpersons: Richard Schmitt			
Last day for league play		Friday 5/15	
Seeding Meeting		Saturday 5/16	
Pre Quarters	C Only	Monday 5/18	Higher seed @ 4:45
		Monday 5/18	Post Season Meeting: A,B, C, D @ 7pm
Quarterfinals	A,B,C	Tuesday 5/19	@ Higher Seed 5:00
Semifinals	A,B,C, D	Thursday 5/21	@ Higher Seed 5:00
Finals	A,B,C, D	Wednesday 5/27	Game Order: A, B, C, D
		Rain date: 5/28	
Far West Regionals		Saturday 5/30	Section 5: TBD, Game Order: A, B, C, D
State Tournament		June 5/6	SUNY Cortland
Senior All-Star		Tuesday 5/9	Sweet Home H.S.

Other pertinent data: Some coaches did not show up to the end of season meeting, as well as did not input their stats and results on maxpreps. There should be some type of consequence.

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

Refer to Treasurer for finance report.

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results: (also see Brackets on the Section VI website)

Regional Results: Class A: Pittsford (19) – Lancaster (7)
Class B: Canandaigua (13) – Frontier (3)
Class C: Honeoye (15) – Lake Shore (9)
Class D: Pal Mac (19) – Eden (5)

State Semi Finals:
No team advanced

State Championships:
Class A: Northport
Class B: Eastport Manor (ESM)
Class C: Cold Springs Harbor
Class D: Mattituck

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Schmitt and Jeff Bauda, Section VI Girls Lacrosse Co-chairs.

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**Golf Girls
Post Season Report
2018**

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

	School	Individual
Girls Golf	Clarence	Brenna Callahan

***NEW → Coaches Sportsmanship Selections:**

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented:

Problems encountered/concerns:

Recommendations for next season including post-season calendar:

GIRLS GOLF Chairperson: Rick Wargala 716-515-5142		
Event	Date	Location & Time
State Qualifier:	Wednesday, May 20, 2020	Arrowhead Golf Course, 9:00am Shotgun
		Rain Date TBA
States:	June 5 - 7, 2020	Deerfield Country Club, Rochester, NY

Other pertinent data:

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

To be submitted by the Section VI Treasurer

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results

(SEE ATTACHED)



Boys Lacrosse Post Season Report 2019

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

BOYS LACROSSE	School	Individual
Division A	Buffalo	J Bird
Division B	Niagara Wheatfield	A.Laber
Division C	Lew Port	D. Fitzgerald
Division D	Medina	B. Geiger

*NEW → Coaches Sportsmanship Selections:

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented:

The 2019 Spring Boys Lacrosse Season had four (4) divisions crowning 4 state champions in Class A, B, C, D.

Each Class will play games versus the same class to determine seeding for sectionals and post season. Class A/ B will be required to play each other for league seeding by a power points will determine Sectional seedings.

Problems encountered/ concerns Having one Sectional site was much better. Was not good to have the Class B game at a different site for college coaches to watch and had to supply staff at each site. Coaches believe all teams should play at one site. No such thing as home field advantage. Concessions not open, person in charge cancelled 2 hours before event.

Recommendations for next season:

Hope to make easier for teams to select non-league games of a competitive opponents.

Hope to add Starpoint and Tonawanda HS to the boys and girls Lacrosse sectional competition.

Limit number of players from one team on All WNY team.

Calendar for 2020 ***Dates are tentative

BOYS LACROSSE Chairperson: Ed Greenway ©716-866-5458 (W) 626-8600		
Event	Date	Location and Time
Last day for league play	Wed. May 13	Seeding for playoffs
Play-in Round (if needed)	Fri. May 15	Higher Seed
Quarterfinals	Tues May 19	Higher Seed
Semifinals	Thurs. May 21	Higher Seed
Finals	Wed. May 27	All High Stadium
Far West Regionals	Sat. May 30	Williamsville East HS
Semi Finals	Wed. June June3	Cortland State
State Finals	Sat. June 6	Hofstra Universty

Other pertinent data:

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

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Sectional and Post-Sectional Results: (see Section VI website – click on Brackets)

Class A	Orchard Park 15	Lancaster 4
Class B	Hamburg 7	Williamsville East 4
Class C	Eden 7	Amherst 5
Class D	Eden 15	Salamanca 6

Regional Results:

Fairport 5	OP 1
Victor 8	Hamburg 4
East Aurora 8	Geneva 6
Penn Yan 8	Eden 5

State Semi Finals:

East Aurora lost to JD 16-4

Respectfully submitted 8/ 2/2019
Ed Greenway, Section VI Boys Lacrosse Chairman



**Softball
Post Season Report
2019**

Report on changes in policy or practice that were implemented.

Schools still were not keeping website updated and rating officials. We made it so coaches could change dates and places of games on website but most didn't. Dan Brooks was a great help as he updated most of CCAA.

Tournament report /concerns: Games at Williamsville East went well. Williamsville North was great as usual. They borrowed a better fence so balls rolling under were minimal. St. Bonaventure was good. Jamestown did a good job only complaints were the distance from parking to fields.

Recommendations for next season: Get more coaches on board and committee members to work during sectionals. Still an issue but was better this year. To go to WNY SPORTS Jay will meet with them.

Discussion on not having all classes play on the same date so not as many umpires are needed and better umpires can work more games. Will be discussion item at preseason meeting.

Looking at starting a preseason list for possible all-wny players so coaches can follow them better. Not being on this list will not prohibit a player from being named to the team. It will just be used as a reference point.

Discussion about a 15 run rule after 5 innings for regular season only. Motion was made by Kelly A. second by Dan B. for 15 run rule. Vote was 5-0 in favor. After talking with Timm was told this is a league by league decision that we can not force on them.

Other pertinent data: An agreement was made with section v that the section hosting 2 games would play on Friday and the section with 3 will play on Saturday. This will allow chairperson to make both. This was great this year as I was able to make both regionals this season. I talked with new section V rep and hope to keep this policy going forward.

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

To be submitted by the Section VI Treasurer

Sectional Results: (Posted on Section VI Website Brackets link – click [here](#))

* Section VI Class Champion **Regional Champion ***State Champion

Far West Regional Results:

AA Orchard Park *

- A Williamsville East ***
- B Eden **
- C Maple Grove *
- D Panama *

State Tournament Semi-Finals Results

Eden Lost in semis

Williamsville won semis

Finals

Williamsville east won state title

Respectfully submitted 7/30/19

Jay Hall, Section VI Softball Chairman

SECTION VI POST-SEASON REPORT
Unified Basketball 2019
Chairperson: Doug Ames

Committee members (voting*)

Justin Balcom – Newfane CSD (jbalcom@newfane.wnyric.org)
 Jennifer Carriero – Eden CSD (jcarriero@edenschools.org)
 Don Heppner – Frontier CSD (dheppner@frontierschools.org)
 Lisa Floreano – Sweet Home CSD (lfloreano@sweethomeschools.org)

Committee meeting date(s)

2019 Post Season wrap up: TBD at Erie 1 BOCES
 General Unified Sport Meeting: Thursday, October 17, 2019 – Cheektowaga HS 4:30 PM (Library)
 Unified Bowling Coaches Pre Season Meeting: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 (Cheek. HS)
 Unified Basketball Coaches Pre Season Meeting: Wednesday, March 06, 2020 (Cheek. HS)

Pre - Season Information

Unified Basketball		
Event	Date	Location & Time
Practice begins	Monday, 04/06/20	
Scrimmage date	Wednesday, 4/29/20	Four sites: N-Starpoint / C-Cheek & Iroq / Front 4:30 – 6:30 PM
Games begin	5/01/20 – 5/21/20	
First Round of Play-Offs	Tuesday, 5/26/20	Multiple Sites - TBD
Culmination Event	Thursday, 5/28/20	Lancaster HS / Field House (4 Courts)
Game Times		1:45 / 3:15 / 4:30 / 6:00 / 6:45
Youth Activation Summit	2 nd Week of January	Site: TBA

Number of Schools Participating

North A: Medina, Niagara Falls, Akron, Lockport
 North B: Starpoint, Newfane, *Amherst, Sweet Home, Clarence
 Central A: Cheektowaga, Olmsted, Iroquois, Grand Island
 Central B: City Honors, Lancaster, Williamsville, *Hutch Tech
 South A: Frontier, Salamanca, Eden, *Springville
 South B: Lake Shore, Pioneer, Hamburg, *West Seneca
 *new schools

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

1. Multiple scrimmage sites for 2020 season four (4)
2. Rosters online for all to access for programs
3. Skills at halftime are encouraged for all athletes (aged out athletes)
4. Officials enforcing rules throughout the season as well as tournament
5. Scorebooks are highly recommended for all games
6. Games tied after regulation teams will play one quarter of four minutes of OT

Other Pertinent Data

1. Opt out date for Culmination Event at Lancaster: Monday, May 18, 2020
2. Possible two (2) divisions of competition for the culmination event discussion at pre season meeting
3. Extended Eligibility at the NYSED level - Central Committee Review for Unified Sports Only Skills Alternative Assessment (CDOS students)
4. Coaching styles – regular season & culmination tend to change to be more competitive
5. Possible second scrimmage date in place of one round of games

2019 Results

Clarence 52 Lancaster 50 (OT)
Hutch Tech 50 Newfane 47

Cheektowaga 49 Starpoint 48
Grand Island 41 Akron 33

Eden 42 Springville 27
Medina 33 Salamanca 32

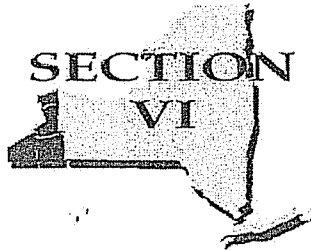
West Seneca 49 Iroquois 43
Williamsville 58 Frontier 47

City Honors 41 Amherst 38
Niagara Falls 36 Lake Shore 36

Sweet Home 50 Pioneer 42
Lockport 38 Olmsted 25

Respectfully submitted 06/03/2019
Doug Ames, Section VI Unified Sports Chair

APPENDIX I



**PRE-SEASON REPORT
Alpine Skiing 2019-2020
Chairperson: Kelly Fredrickson**

Committee members (voting*): None

Committee meeting date(s): TBA

Pre-Season Information

Alpine Skiing: Kelly Fredrickson (716)378-0226			
Sectionals:	TBA		
States:	2/24- 25		Bristol Mountain Canandaigua, NY

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments:

Williamsville, Ellicottville and Gow as a friend and neighbor.

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season: None

Rule Changes for 2019-2020 None

Other Pertinent Data:

Looking forward to a great season with Williamsville, Gow and Ellicottville.

Respectfully submitted

Section VI Alpine Skiing Chairperson: Kelly Fredrickson



**PRE-SEASON REPORT
BOYS BASKETBALL
2019-2020
Chairman: Larry Jones**

Committee members (voting*)

Chair	Larry Jones	Depew
CCAA West1	Nick Bertrando	Fredonia
CCAA East 1	Adam Bennett	Salamanca
CCAA West 2	Corey Emory	Sherman
CCAA East 2	*Dave McCann	Ellicottville
ECIC Chairman	*Mark Kensy	Maryvale
ECIC 1	Doug Ratka	Clarence
ECIC 2	Chris Kensy	Amherst
ECIC 3	Chris Koselny	East Aurora
ECIC 4	Anthony Krupski	JFK
Buffalo	*John Kudla	City Honors (Small Schools)
	Zaire Dorsey	McKinley (Large Schools)
N.F.L.	*Erik O'Bryan	Niagara Wheatfield
N.O.	*John Grzymala	Roy-Hart
Charter Schools	Mark LaMorticella	Tapestry Charter

Committee meeting date(s)

Pre-Season-Wednesday, October 16, 2019	@ Depew HS 7:00 p.m.
Seeding Meeting - Saturday, February 22, 2020	@ E1 BOCES 9:00 a.m.
Post Season Meeting – Wednesday, April 8, 2020	@ Depew HS 7:00 p.m.

Section 6 Boys Basketball Coaches Meeting - Saturday, Nov 9 @ Depew HS 11:00 am

First Practice - Monday, 11/11

Post Season Information

Basketball (Boys): Larry Jones (c)585-746-8327

Click here for → [Boys Basketball brackets](#) Click here for weather contingency plans on → [page 15 of handbook](#)

Last regular season game		Wed. Feb.19		
Seeding meeting		Sat. Feb. 22	E1 BOCES W.Seneca	9:00 am
Click here for → BoysBasketball Brackets				
1 st Round		Tues. 2/25	Home Schools	7:00pm
2 nd Round		Wed. 2/26	Home Schools	7:00pm
Quarters		Fri. 2/28	Home Schools	7:00pm Classes A1, C1,C2, D
Quarters		Sat. 2/ 29	Home Schools	1:00 pm Classes AA,A2,B1,B2
Semi-Finals	A1	Mon. 3/2	Buffalo State	6:00, 7:45 pm
	C1,D(1)	Mon. 3/2	JCC	5:15, 6:45, 8:15 pm
	B2, AA(1)	Tue. 3/3	Buffalo State	5:15, 6:45, 8:15 pm
	C2,D(1)	Tue. 3/3	JCC	5:15, 6:45, 8:15 pm
	B1, AA(1)	Wed. 3/4	Buffalo State	5:15, 6:45, 8:15 pm
	A2	Thur. 3/5	Buffalo State	6:00 & 7:45pm
Finals	D,C2, C1	Fri. 3/6	JCC	5:15, 6:45, 8:15 pm
	B2, B1, AA, A2, A1	Sat.3/7	Buffalo State	B2-12:00, B1-1:45, AA-3:30, A2-7:00, A1- 8:30pm
Regional Qualifier	C1 vs C2	Tues. 3/10	Buffalo State	5:15 pm
	B1 vs B2	Tues. 3/10	Buffalo State	6:45 pm
	A1 vs A2	Tues. 3/10	Buffalo State	8:15 pm
Far West Regionals	All Classes	Sat. 3/14	Buffalo State	Class D - Noon Class C - 1:45 Class B - 3:30 Class A - 7:00 Class AA 8:30
States:	All Classes	Mar. 20-22	Glens Falls Civic Center (Sec.2)	Link to State Info
Fed.Tournament	AA,A,B	Mar. 27-29	Fordham University	Link to State Info

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments

2019-2020 cut-off #'s AA: 965+, A: 500-964, B: 270-499, C: 150-269, D: 0-149

Proposed Classes for upcoming year: AA, A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2, D

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

Starting date (practice) is Monday, November 11th. A change in state policy, only 6 team practices are necessary before the first contest. The State tournament is back in Glens Falls for the next 3 years. The Federation tournament was as poorly attended as ever - location doesn't really seem to matter - very anti-climatic. It will be hosted at a new site, Fordham University, for the first time. Hopefully it's proximity to New York City will boost attendance

Spalding continues to be the state provider for basketballs; the "Legacy" will now be used for Sectional play and beyond.

Our procedural change from last year in regards to splitting the Quarter finals into a Friday/Saturday event brought about the intended consequence, which was to use more highly rated and more qualified officials on these important games. Playing all games on Friday night made it nearly impossible to get highly ranked officials for both boys and girls games with the sheer number of how many we would need. This is a time of year where many of our top officials are also involved in playoffs at the collegiate level.

We as a committee are also looking to streamline our Handbook over the summer to update/eliminate whatever may be necessary to make it a more usable document for all coaches.

MORE RECOMMENDATIONS - Our committee voted unanimously to recommend a change in our Sectional Seeding policy pertaining to points awarded for league victories. We would like to see the point system modified.

Proposal One - 5 points would still be awarded for a win vs an opponent the same Class size. For a win against a Class larger than you, 6 points would be the **MAXIMUM point total, and 4 points only if the larger Class school should win.** This would be helpful in leagues where the discrepancy in Class size is larger than one (Ex. - McKinley (Class A) losing to MEC (Class C)) MEC would only receive 6 points for winning, McKinley would receive 4 points if they won. In the past, this would have been

either a 7 or 3 points for the winning school. The rationale is this would keep teams on a more level playing field within each Sectional Bracket.

Proposal Two - We voted unanimously to see the **tie-breaker format changed**. As it stands, if seeding points are tied, the #1 criteria to break a tie is "most league wins." Criteria #2 are "fewest league loses." With Charter schools having to count ALL their games as league games (like an independent school), and with some leagues playing 14 league games, some 12, and some as few as 10, this criteria is no longer valid. We would like to see the #1 criteria (after seeding points) be a winning percentage. For instance, this past season, Olean and Lackawanna tied for the second seed in Class B1. Olean went 12-0 in league play, while Lackawanna went 13-1. When dividing their power points by league wins, they tied at 4.5 points each. Under the old criteria, Lackawanna won a coin flip to be the higher seed. Under the proposed criteria, Olean's league winning percentage would be 100%, while Lackawanna's would be 93%, thus giving Olean the higher seed. This seems to us to be the more equitable tie-breaker than using a coin flip. Olean could not have done more than they did, and had Lackawanna gone 14-0, they would have won the tie-breaker just because they play in a larger league that plays more games in league play.

If nothing else, I would propose that Boys Basketball adopt both of these changes as a one year pilot program and see if they work as intended. We can re-evaluate at the end of the 2019-20 season and report back on the success/failure of the changes.

Sectional Website - While the website we currently use is good and most coaches are comfortable navigating it, more and more people/companies/agencies are coming up with similar websites. A former Section V Basketball Committee Member who developed the site that was used by their Section for many years, has put together a NEW website that our committee will be exploring over the summer. While we would probably not look to change for this coming season because of the time constraints in getting everyone up to speed, I believe we would be wise to continue moving forward with new and better technology that would allow us to do even more for our athletes, parents, recruiters, etc as we move forward.

Rule Changes for 2018-19

Nothing major at this time. **FOR FUTURE REFERENCE:** In college basketball, the three point line for D1 men is being moved back to the international distance of 22', 1 3/4". This will filter down to D2 and D3 men the following year (2020-21). Currently, college women use a line that is 20'9". For our purposes, HS basketball (men's and women's), the 3 point line is at 19'9". We are fortunate that both Buffalo State and JCC have kept a HS 3 point line. But with changes in the college game, we will need to be in communication with those venues to keep the HS 3 point line on their courts until the NFHS decides we may change as well.

Other Pertinent Data

Charter Schools continue to be a talking point at each of our meetings (at the state level as well). While they may be public schools, coaches can and have been recruiting players that have already been playing on other teams. Transfer rule(s) need to be applied to them if we are going to keep them in the Section – otherwise, they are no different than Catholic league schools. We also believe Health Science Charter School, based on its geographic scope and past dominance as a Class B school, should again be re-classified as a Class A school. There was much good discussion at the April post season meeting, and a recommendation has been given to have them classified up to Class A for the 2019-20 season. They lost only 4 seniors to graduation and their losses during the season came to schools that played in Sectional or Catholic league semi-final or finals. They lost at the buzzer in the Quarter Finals to Lewiston Porter, who went on to win the Class A Sectional title.

Also, player movement and use of the transfer rule is getting completely out of hand. Parents in particular seem to give NO credence to educational stability at their schools and are taking student athletes from one school to the next based SOLELY ON A SCHOOL'S BASKETBALL PROGRAM AND COACH !!! While many rules have been put in place to try and stop this type of movement, parents are now hiring lawyers and forcing school districts into allowing kids to play regardless of the policies in place. It's a disturbing and offensive trend that the districts need to formulate a plan to fight against. I know there are rules in place, but they are being circumvented like wildfire and out of control parents are currently winning the battle.

Budget 2019-20: Submitted by the Treasurer

Respectfully submitted 6/28/19
Section VI Boys Basketball Chairman - Larry Jones



SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
Bowling 2019-2020
Co-Chairpersons: Dan Kaplan (Boys) and Ed Ventry (Girls)

Committee members (voting*)

	<u>BOYS</u>	<u>GIRLS</u>
Buffalo:	Debbie Grine - DaVinci	Christine Piscopo
CCAA:		
1	Peggy Harris* – Jamestown	Peggy Harris
2	Peggy Harris – Jamestown	Peggy Harris
3	Gene Jankowski - Salamanca	Gene Jankowski*
ECIC:		
North	J. J. Gabor - Maryvale	Paula Pendolina - Lackawanna
South	John Seeley	Bill Morrissey*
NFL:	Craig Davis – Grand Island	Craig Davis

Committee meeting date(s): Communication via email in April/May; Summer Meeting TBD – Mid July

Pre-Season Information

1. Section III will host the 2020 State Tournament at AMF Strike N Spare Lanes in Syracuse, NY.
2. The oil pattern for the Sectional Tournament will be the one used at the State Tournament. This includes using the pattern on the practice dates before the Sectional Tournament. All leagues are encouraged to lay out the pattern at their practices during the time leading up to the Sectional Tournament.

Bowling B- Dan Kaplan (c) 868-5051 G- Ed Ventry (c) 799-2446		Bowling Website	State Website
Sectionals:	Boys	Wed Feb12	Airport Lanes, Cheektowaga
	Girls	Thu Feb13	Airport Lanes, Cheektowaga
Snow/Cold Make-up Date:		<i>Fri Feb 14</i>	<i>Airport Lanes, Cheektowaga</i>
States:	Small Schools	Fri. Mar 13	Section III – Strike N Spare
	All-Section	Sat. Mar 14	Section III – Strike N Spare
	Large Schools	Sun. Mar 15	Section III – Strike N Spare
			Start Time TBA
			2 Sessions (Boys / Girls)
			8am start

State Competition Continues:

As of 2018, there are THREE (3) divisions of competition at the NYSPHSAA State Bowling Championships: Large Schools, Small Schools, and Composite (All-Section) Teams. In order to accommodate the number of teams and bowlers in all three divisions, the 2020 State Championships will run over a three-day period (as they did in 2019) with competition beginning on Friday, March 13th.

Schools Participating / Sectional Alignments:

Schools will continue to be split into four "classes" (A, B, C, D) based on school size provided by the Section VI office. Due to the State Championship format, Classes A and B will now contain all of the "Large Schools" (BEDS 600+) and Classes C and D will contain all of the "Small Schools" (BEDS under 600). Based on BEDS numbers, we will rank all schools from largest to smallest. The top half of the large schools will comprise Class A, the bottom half of the large schools will make-up Class B. After ranking the small schools by size, this same procedure will be used to create Classes C and D.

Number of Individual "Pool" Representatives from Each League:

The number of **guaranteed** "pool" representatives from each league will continue:

# of Teams in Division	# of "Pool" Representatives
5 or less	2
6 or 7	3
8 or more	4

Individual Pool "Wild Cards" Rule Change Proposal for 2019-2020:

Background Information: The Section VI Championships Individual "Pool" (hereinafter "the pool") was developed to reward the Section's top individual bowlers for their performance throughout the season. The pool consists of the top bowlers from each division in Section VI, based on per game average in division throughout the season. The number of pool bowlers from each division is based on the number of teams in the division, and is broken-down in the Section VI Bowling Handbook.

A minimum of 3 pool bowlers are guaranteed to represent Section VI at the NYSPHSAA Championships as part of the All-Section team. Currently the top 3 overall individual bowlers (based on total pinfall at the Sectional Championship) automatically qualify for States, regardless of if they are pool bowlers or not. The final 3 slots for the All-Section Team are designated for pool bowlers, and likewise, total pinfall at Sectionals is the determining factor.

Current Rule: (From Page 11 of Bowling HB)

1. The bowlers who have the highest league average at the end of their league's season will be placed in a separate pool at their respective sectional tournament. Each league will be allowed to have representation based on an agreed upon formula* At the end of a six game set on the day of the sectional tournament the top three bowlers who have the highest composite average for that day will be assigned three of the six slots for the All Section team. * Bflo – 8, CCAA – 6, ECIC – 12, NFL - 4

Proposed Rule Change:

1. The bowlers who have the highest league average at the end of their league's season will be placed in a separate pool at their respective sectional tournament. Each league will be allowed to have representation based on an agreed upon formula*. **In addition to these representatives, three (3) "wild card" bowlers shall be added to the pool based on the following: Wild Card bowlers will be the highest per game average bowlers in the Section (based on division games) who have not already qualified for the pool as a representative from his/her division/league. In order to qualify as a wild card, the athlete must have bowled at least 2/3 of his/her team's games over the course of the season in order to qualify.** At the end of a six game set on the day of the sectional tournament the top three bowlers who have the highest composite average for that day will be assigned three of the six slots for the All Section team. * Bflo – 8, CCAA – 6, ECIC – 12, NFL - 4

This proposed rule change was recommended by the Section VI Bowling Committee and was formally submitted to Timm Slade, Section VI Executive Director, in June 2019.

Respectfully submitted June 28, 2019,
Section VI Chairpersons:
Dan Kaplan (Boys), Ed Ventry (Girls)



**SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING
2019-2020**

Committee members (voting*)

Co-chairs:	Nate Bourke nbourke@ktufsd.org	Tim Menges tmenges@starpointcsd.org
*Buffalo:	Kristy Mrugala	City Honors klmrugala@buffaloschools.org
*CCAA:	Dan Brown	Olean dbrown@olean.wnyric.org
	Todd Conklin	Panama tconklin@pancent.org
*ECIC:	Doug Newman	Cleveland Hill dnewman@clevehill.org
*NFL:	Mike Corsaro	Niagara-Wheatfield mcorsaro@nfschools.net
*NO:	Danielle Hawkins	Newfane dhawkins@newfanecentralschools.org
At Large:	John Sullivan	Lockport JSullivan@lockportschools.net
	Chris Miller	Williamsville East coachchris22@gmail.com
	TBA	TBA
	Paul Carey	Clarence pcary@clarenceschools.org

Post Season Information

**2019-2020 Boys Swimming & Diving Championship Dates
Tentative 2020 Calendar**

	<u>Meet</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Times</u>
Class Championship Prelims	Class A Swim B Swim C	Thu. February 6 Thu. February 6 Thu. February 6	TBA TBA TBA	4:30 pm Warm-up, 5:30 pm Start 4:30 pm Warm-up, 5:30 pm Start 4:30 pm Warm-up, 5:30 pm Start
Class Championship Diving	Diving	Fri. February 7	Maryvale	3:30 pm Warm-up, 5:00 pm Start
Class Championship Finals	Class A Swim B Swim C	Sat. February 8 Sat. February 8 Sat. February 8	TBA TBA TBA	10:30am Warm-Up, 11:30am Start 2:00pm Warm-Up, 3:00 pm Start 5:30pm Warm-Up, 6:30 pm Start
Section VI State Qualifier	Diving Swim Finals	Feb. 12 or 13 or 14 Feb. 12 or 13 or 14	SUNY Buffalo SUNY Buffalo	8:30am Warm-up 10:30am start 5:00 Warm-up, 6:00 pm start
NYSPHSAA Championship	Travel Swim prelims Diving	March. 5, 2020 (Thu) March 6, 2020 (Fri) March 6, 2020 (Fri)	Nassau County Aquatic Center East Meadow	8:00 AM departure 8:30 w-up 10:30 start 8:30 w-up 1:00 start

	Swim Finals	March 7, 2020 (Sat)	Long Island	8:30 w-up 10:30 start
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*Class and Sectional Championship meet dates, sites and times are tentative

*Start Times for the State Meet will be sent from the NYSPHSAA office - expected to be similar to 2019

Number of Schools Participating/Sectional Alignments

- Three individual Class Championship Meets (A, B, C) will run in a prelims/finals format.
- Classes have been adjusted based on the most recent BEDS reports, and after combined school proposals have been approved.
- Following the Class Prelims/Finals Championships, a separate Section VI timed finals meet will occur to determine state qualifiers.

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

- The current plan includes no changes in postseason format for the 2019-20 school year.
- Weather may cause last minute changes if necessary.

Other Pertinent Data

- None as of this date

Budget 2019-20

Sectional 2020 Meet Budget

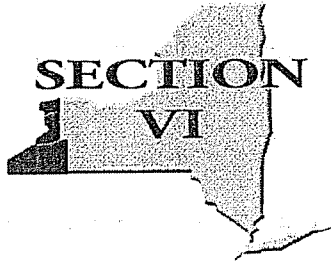
- Budget would be anticipated to be similar to 2019

· **State Meet 2020 Budget**

- State Championships for 2020 will be held on Long Island at the Nassau County Aquatic Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Nate Bourke & Tim Menges
 Section VI Boys Swimming Co-Chairpersons



**SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
Competitive Cheer 2019-2020**

Chairperson: Justina Grudzinski

Committee members (voting*): All coaches in attendance of meeting on 6/26/2019 voted on the division proposal. Section VI vote was sent to Jen Simmons to take feedback back to the state.

Committee meeting date(s): June 25th 2019 _

Pre-Season Information: Game Day will be starting in Fall as scrimmages. Training will be available.

Competitive Cheer: Timm Slade 716-821-7092			
Sectionals:	2/8/20 OR 2/9/20	Buffalo State College	Buffalo, NY
	*Still waiting on Starpoint HS		
States:	3/7/20	Section V	Rochester, NY

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments:

TBA – Divisions are being voted on. We will know if they are moving in a different direction for divisions at committee meeting in Oct.

Currently D1 750+ and D2 749 and below

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season:

Game Day Cheer for the future (fall season) Scrimmages offered this year, first regional Fall of 2020

Rule Changes for 2019-2020:

Rubric will stay the same for this year. NFHS added new legalities and progressions will be updated accordingly.

Other Pertinent Data:

- All schools competing in the NYSPHSAA State Championship that they have legally purchased the music they will use during their routine. NYSPHSAA expects all schools to follow copyright laws and puts the responsibility on the school to ensure they are following the copyright laws.



**PRE-SEASON REPORT
Girls Basketball 2019-20
Chairperson: Chris Durr**

Committee members (voting*)

Chairperson/Assigner	Chris Durr,	Williamsville East HS
Assistant Chair	Bill Shaw	Williamsville North HS
Buffalo	* Sara Torres	Mckinley HS
CCAA	* Scott Neckers	Clymer
ECIC	* Bill Shaw	Williamsville North
NFL	* Jeff Martin	Kenmore West
NO	* Brian Baker	Wilson HS
Charter Schools	Marc LaMorticella	Tapestry
At Large	Don Scholla	Olean HS

Committee meeting date(s): Pre Season meeting Sunday may 26th, 2019
minutes attached

Post Season Information: Calendar is attached

Adjusting the Quarterfinals to Thursday/ Friday to assist in the number of available officials. Would keep the classifications different from the boys.

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments:

Many changes in Classes – Class A, B, and C will be split this season
Need to know from the City of Buffalo which schools will have teams.

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season:

The committee will be presenting the 2nd annual Frank Martin “Coach of the year” award to be given out at Sectional Finals. A page in the program will be devoted to Frank and the award winners each year.

Rule Changes for 2015-2016: To be updated after October state meeting.

Other Pertinent Data

Will continue to sell championship t-shirts at all finals venues

Budget 2017-18: not available

Respectfully submitted 7-11-18,
Chris Durr, Section VI Girls Basketball Sportchair

SECTION VI GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Feb.				20 Last Scheduled League game Cut-Off Date	21	22 Seeding Meeting
23	24	25 <u>Pre- 1/4</u> A-1, A-2, B-1, B-2, C-1, C-2, D 7 pm Higher seed	<u>26</u>	27 <u>Quarters</u> A-1, A-2, C-1, C-2, D 7 pm Higher seed	28 <u>Quarters</u> AA B-1, B-2	29
1	2	3 <u>Semis</u> A-2 @ Clarence 5:30 & 7 pm AA @ Ken West 5:30 & 7 pm	4 <u>Semis</u> A-1 @ Clarence 5:30 & 7 pm B-2 @ Ken West 5:30 & 7 pm C-1, D @JCC 5, 6:30, 8pm	5 <u>Semis</u> B-1 @ Ken West 5:30 & 7 pm C-2, D @JCC 5, 6:30, 8pm	6	7 <u>Finals</u> C-1, C-2 & D @ JCC Noon, 2, 4pm
8 <u>Finals</u> AA, A-1, A-2, B-1, B-2 @ Buffalo State 11, 1, 3, 5, 7pm	9	10 <u>Overall Finals</u> C @ JCC 6 pm	11 <u>Overall Finals</u> B, A, @ Buff St 5 & 7pm	12	13	14 REGIONALS @ Section V 11, 1, 3, 5, 7
15	16	17	18	19	20 STATES @ HVCC (Section 2)	21 STATES @ HVCC (Section 2)

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SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
Ice Hockey 2019-20
Chairperson: Mark DiFilippo

Committee members

Section VI Chairman/President:	Mark DiFilippo	ECIC
Large School AD Rep:	Rich Gray	Frontier
Small School AD Rep:	Brett Banker	Ken-Ton School District
Financial Coordinator:	Todd Sukdolak	Lockport
Discipline Coordinator:	Vincent Dell'Oso	Starpoint
Officials Liaison:	Steve Ferenczy	Williamsville North
MMAA Representative:	Pete Schneider	St. Joe's
Large School Coach Rep:	Rick Brooks	Clarence
Small School Coach Rep:	Kyle Pray	Kenmore East
MMAA Coach Rep:	Sam Belsito	Canisius
Past Exec member	Chris Mucica	Williamsville Schools

Committee meeting date(s)

Executive Committee Meeting Dates
 September 26, October 24, January 9, March 26, May 7
 General Membership Meeting Dates
 November 9, June 11

Post Season Information

Ice Hockey (Boys) Mark DiFilippo (c) 713-0193				
Pre-Quarters:	Private	Feb. 20	Harbor Center	3:30 PM
	Small	Feb. 20	Harbor Center	5:45 & 8:00pm
	Small	Feb. 20	Northtown Center	5:15 & 7:30pm
	Small	Feb. 21	Northtown Center	4:00, 6:15 and 8:30pm
Quarter-finals:	Large	Feb. 22	Harbor Center	3:00, 5:15 & 7:30pm
	Small	Feb. 23	Harbor Center	12:00 & 2:15pm
	Small	Feb. 24	Harbor Center	6:00 & 8:15 PM
Semi-finals:	Private	Feb. 25	Harbor Center	6:00 & 8:15 pm
	Large	Feb. 26	Harbor Center	6:00 & 8:15pm
	Small	Feb. 27	Harbor Center	6:00 & 8:15pm
Finals:		Mar. 1	First Niagara Center (former HSBC)	TBA
Regionals:	Large	Mar. 7	@Harbor Center	12:45 PM
	Small	Mar. 7	TBA	TBA
States:	Finals	Mar. 9-10	HARBORCENTER	Times Link to State Info
	Private	TBA		

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments

1. We welcome Depew into the league for 2019-20 season as our 29th team.
2. We will move to a 4-division alignment. All 29 teams will be given a 16-game league schedule. Divisions 1 and 2 will play within their division twice. They will cross over with 3 teams from the other division twice and the other 2 teams once. The match-ups have been set by the committee. Divisions 3 and 4 will play everyone in both of those divisions 1 time each.
3. We will have 4 divisional champions at the conclusion of the season.

4. Sectional seeding will be based on your points from your league schedule. Large schools will remove the 2nd "match-up" game out of their points. Frontier and Lockport/Niagara Falls will fill in the 6th and 7th seed respectively. Small schools will be seeded 1 through 15 based on their total points during their 16 game schedule.

5. Here are the Divisions for 19-20

Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
Canisius	Clarence	Frontier	Sweet Home
St. Francis	Lancaster	Niagara Falls/Lock	Grand Island
St. Joseph's	Niagara Wheatfield	West Sen West	Ken East
St Mary's	Orchard Park	Ken West	Wms South
Timon	Wms North	Hamburg	West Sen East
		North Tonawanda	Amherst
		Wms East	Starpoint
		Iroquois/Alden	LewPort
			Depew

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

Based on the State decision, we will go back to playing 15-minute periods all year. We will continue to resurface every period.

Rule Changes for 2018-19

Time of periods will be 15. Penalties go back to 1:30 for minors, 4:00 majors and 7:30 misconducts.

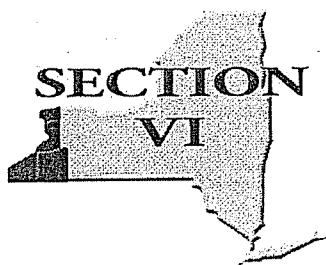
Other Pertinent Data

Niagara Wheatfield is requesting to play in the Large school division. This is a yearly request. By classification they are considered a small school but have been playing as a Large school since entering the league in 2008.

Budget 2019-20:

Each school will be invoiced \$6,000 for the 2019-20 season. We are projecting increases for the following two years to be \$6,500 and \$7,000.

Respectfully submitted 8/20/19,
 Mark DiFilippo, Section VI Boys Ice Hockey Chairman



**SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
Girls Ice Hockey 2019-20
Chairperson: Rick Hopkins**

Committee Members (voting*):

Section VI Chairman:	Rick Hopkins*	Williamsville Central Schools
Assistant Chairman:	Matt Miller*	Kenmore
Secretary:	TBA*	TBA
Financial Coordinator:	Rich Gray	Frontier
Discipline/ Rules Coordinator:	Vincent Dell'Oso	West Seneca
Officials Liaison:	Chris Mucica*	Williamsville Central Schools
Statistician:	Jeff Orlowski	Kenmore

Committee meeting date(s):

Planned meeting dates: Pre-Season - Weds. Oct. 23, 2019 Williamsville South HS 7pm
 Post-Season – Mon. Jan. 20, 2020 Williamsville South HS 7pm
 Executive Board – Weds. June 17, 2020 Williamsville South HS 7pm

Post Season Information:

Ice Hockey (Girls) Rick Hopkins 626-8608, 631-2906			
Federation Quarterfinals	Tues. Jan. 21	Amherst Northtown Center	4pm, 5:30pm, 7pm, 8:30pm
Federation Semifinals	Weds. Jan. 22	Amherst Northtown Center	4pm, 5:30pm
Federation Championship	Thurs. Jan. 23	Amherst Northtown Center	4:30pm
Section VI Quarterfinals	Tues. Jan. 28	Amherst Northtown Center	4:30pm, 6pm, 7:30pm
Section VI Semifinals	Thurs. Jan. 30	Amherst Northtown Center	4:30pm, 6pm
Section VI Championship	Mon. Feb. 3	TBA	TBA
NYSPHSAA Semifinals	Fri. Feb 7	Lake Placid	TBA
NYSPHSA Championship	Sat. Feb. 8	Lake Placid	TBA

Number of Schools Participating/Sectional Alignments:

Amherst/Sweet Home/Clarence
 Frontier/Orchard Park/Lake Shore
 Kenmore (East & West)/ Grand Island
 Lancaster/Iroquois/Depew
 Monsignor Martin
 Niagara Wheatfield, Starpoint (Niagara County)
 West Seneca (East & West)/Hamburg/Eden
 Williamsville (East, North & South)

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season: The Federation Playoffs will now be played prior to the Sectional Playoffs, and NYSPHSAA Playoffs.

Rule Changes for 2019-20:

None to date

Other Pertinent Data: Section I might be adding Girls Varsity Ice Hockey for the 2019-20 season.
This would impact the NYSPHSAA Playoff format.

Respectfully submitted June 26, 2019
Rick Hopkins, Section VI Girls Ice Hockey Sportschair



SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
Indoor Track 2019-2020
Chairpersons: Peter Szymanski (Boys)
and Brian Lombardo (Girls)

Committee members (voting*)

ECIC:	Kevin Carriero	Retired
ECIC:	Emilio Mancino	W Seneca West
ECIC:	Mary Doud*	Pioneer
ECIC:	Tom Wood	Iroquois
CCAA:	Matt Adams	Holland
Charter:	Dan Tryon	Tapestry

Committee meeting date(s): There will be a pre-season meeting in October.

Post Season Information 2019

Thursday, February 27 at Houghton - 10 am – 5pm **Section VI State/Federation Championships Qualifier**
Sunday, February 28 at Houghton - 9 am – 4 pm **SNOWDATE – STATE QUALIFIER!!**
Saturday, March 7th at Ocean Breeze in Staten Island. 9am-6pm (boys and girls combined)
NYSPPHSAA/Federation Championships

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments

Sectional Schedule is attached.

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season:

1. Schedule is always an issue for the upcoming season but things worked out here
2. Work assignments have been an issue. We will continue to offer blackout dates. All schools will have an option by 10/25 to blackout dates they cannot attend (i.e. they will be travelling to a different meet). If a team does not show up for one of their duties defined sanctions will be put in place.
3. For the league champs: Every meet will once again be combined with the results of each class pulled out from there.
4. Entries:
 - a. Scratch and add early season entries –

- Will allow changes for every team whose rosters are on time. Roster deadline will be set in the handbook.
 - Relays can have up to 8 names and beginning to check names at WNY Relays, however for sectionals and team champs only 6 names will be allowed.
- b. Add Relays – Early Season
- 2nd Relay added in the Tri-Meets

5. Small School/Large School Divisions”

- Classes will be discussed at the pre-season meeting. In the state qualifier and Section 6 team champs meet we are asking that George Rak help the officials expedite the throws, as that was the one event this past year that we struggled to complete in a timely fashion.

6. State Meet- All issues with the state meet will be addressed by the state committee 1st, then we will discuss with our committee.

7. There is some concern amongst the coaches that the combination of school rule is being manipulated for competitive gain instead of the understood idea of increased opportunity for student athletes, whereas it normally would not be possible.

3/14/19 – Post Season Indoor Meeting

OPEN FORUM

- Move sectional and team champs up one week – not during February break
- Team champs A v A, B v B, C v C
- Award team patches and awards for winning team champs
 - o Separate awards for each classes
 - o Separate meets for each class
- Performance lists sent before meets
- 9/10 champs – push back start time instead of cancelling it - took away from R&R throw off

Team Champs

- Team standards? Entry limits? Top 16? Every team entry into each event?

Automatic and provisional standard? Trials and Finals?

Minimum number of meets for team champs?

Section 5 v Section 6 meet - should we still have it?

Add special events each meet (200, 400, 800, mile, boys racewalk)

Standards for team champs that are not sectional standards

Combining of teams – not have it any more?

Should be 100% of population

Racewalk needs to be officiated better, use paddles

Automatic and provisional standards for section championships

Team champs long/triple jumped in flights and not open pit

More officials around the track during the relays at sectionals

Too many kids in the infield during sectionals – especially high jump area

Weight throw standard needs to be harder

Officials marking in the pits, not athletes
Weight throw rule book says 4 officials
More officials at events during sectionals

Smaller schools that have one coach with meet responsibilities
One person designated for questions so the timers can get less question
Formal notification for DQs to a designated person so the timers are left alone

Rule Changes for 2019-20:

1. <http://www.nfhs.org/articles/assisting-injured-athletes-expansion-of-exchange-zones-among-rules-changes-in-track-and-field/>
2. Rule 6-2-6 has been amended to prohibit athletes from running backwards or in the opposite direction (non-legal direction) during warm-ups on horizontal jumps, pole vault and javelin runways.
3. "This change promotes a more organized and efficient warm-up period," Cochran said. "Competitors should now be more aware of their surroundings."
4. I think it would be a good idea to inform coaches in Section V of this rule change and encourage them to use a tape measure in practice and have their athletes write down the starting point of their usual run. They can start from that point and have the coach tell them to move in or out as necessary due to runway, wind, vaulters condition, etc.
5. This should speed up warmups and be more fair in having everyone wait in one line.
6. Reggie

NEWS RELEASE

**Assisting Injured Athletes, Expansion of
Exchange Zones Among Rules Changes in
Track and Field/Cross Country**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Julie Cochran

INDIANAPOLIS, IN (June 27, 2019) — The expansion of exchange zones in short relay events, which does not require tracks to be repainted/resurfaced, as well as assisting injured athletes, are among the rules changes for high school track and field and cross country.

Seven rules changes were recommended by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Track and Field and Cross Country Rules Committee at its June 10-12 meeting in Indianapolis, and all changes were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

The first change amends notes in Rule 4 (Competitors and Competition) and Rule 8 (Cross Country) which reads, “A competitor who provides assistance to an injured or ill competitor should not be disqualified if neither the individual competitor providing the assistance nor his/her team gains an advantage as a result of providing the assistance.”

“Previous changes to the NFHS rules created the exception that allows a competitor to assist an injured or ill competitor without being disqualified when medical staff is not present,” said Julie Cochran, NFHS director of sports and liaison to the Track and Field/Cross Country Rules Committee. “In a clear majority of these types of situations, the action is intended to be an act of good sportsmanship and not an attempt to circumvent the rules or gain an advantage.”

While the injured or ill competitor is disqualified for receiving help, the competitor helping will not be disqualified, unless that competitor – or his/her team – gains an advantage. In all cases, the final decision rests with the meet referee, who has the sole authority to rule on infractions, irregularities and disqualifications in a meet.

Changes to Rules 5-3-3 and 5-3-4 expand the exchange zone in relays with legs of 200 meters or less from 20 to 30 meters. All exchange zones for races with legs longer than 200 meters will remain at 20 meters.

“The acceleration zone is now incorporated into the existing

exchange zone, thus a 30-meter exchange zone for relay races with legs of 200 meters or less,” Cochran said. “The rule change does not require that tracks be repainted or resurfaced in order to follow the new NFHS rules. Existing acceleration zone markings, such as triangles, squares or colored tape, placed at that location may be used to denote the beginning of the exchange zones on a track.”

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Two changes to Rule 6 provide equivalent metric increments for tiebreaking jump-offs in vertical jumps, as well as clarify distance requirements for long jump and triple jump pits. For long jump and triple jump pits constructed after 2019, the length of the pit shall be at least 23 feet (seven meters).

In cross country, Rule 8-1-1 has been reorganized to clarify that a cross country course may be marked with any or all methods listed in the rule.

An additional change to cross country rules adds language to Rule 8-1-3 regarding straightaways at the start of a course. The change provides a recommended minimum distance of 100 meters for beginning straightaways, and states that no narrow section of a course should be longer than 10 feet (three meters) long. Small cones of the appropriate color, at least 12 inches (30 centimeters) high, are also now permitted to be used in lieu of painted lines or survey chalk.

According to the 2017-18 NFHS High School Athletics Participation Survey, track and field is the most popular sport for girls with 488,592 participants and is No. 2 for boys

with 600,097. Cross country ranks sixth for girls with 223,518 participants and sixth for boys with 270,095. A complete listing of the track and field and cross country rules changes will be available on the NFHS website at www.nfhs.org. Click on "Activities & Sports" at the top of the home page and select "Track and Field/Cross Country."

This press release was written by Luke Modrovsky, a 2019 summer intern in the NFHS Publications/Communications Department. He is a senior sports management and communication studies student at Wilkes University in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

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Coaches,

There have been some rule changes that will affect the relay zones and the jumping events. I have copied them below. If you are repainting your track, you will only need two triangle markers for the 4x100 meter relay. There will no longer be a need for three markers - fly zone marker & two regular zone markers. Already lined tracks will use the beginning fly zone marker and the end of the zone marker as the only two needed. There are a couple more changes but they are minor and I will present them later.

Paul

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**The
2019 - 2020**

**Section VI
Boys & Girls**

**Indoor
Track & Field
Schedule**

Friday,	December	06	-	C-F Meet @ Fredonia State College – 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Saturday,	December	07	-	A-D Meet Morning Session – 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM @ Fredonia State College
			-	B-E Meet Afternoon Session – 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM @ Fredonia State College
			-	Shot Put & Weight-Throw @ Lancaster High School – 10:00 AM
Friday,	December	13	-	D-E Meet @ Buffalo State College – 4:30 PM – 9:30 PM
Saturday,	December	14	-	B-F Meet Morning Session – 8:00 AM – 12:30 PM @ Buffalo State College
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Friday,	December	20	-	C-F Meet @ Fredonia State College – 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Saturday,	December	21	-	A-D Meet Morning Session – 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM @ Fredonia State College

			-	B-E Meet Afternoon Session – 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM @ Fredonia State College
Friday,	December	27	-	C-F Meet @ Fredonia State College – 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Saturday,	December	28	-	A-D Meet Morning Session – 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM @ Fredonia State College
			-	B-E Meet Afternoon Session – 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM @ Fredonia State College
Saturday,	January	4	-	Western New York Relays @ Houghton College – 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Friday,	January	10	-	D-E Meet @ Buffalo State College – 4:30 PM – 9:30 PM
Saturday,	January	11	-	B-F Meet Morning Session – 8:00 AM – 12:30 PM @ Buffalo State College
			-	A-C Meet Afternoon Session – 1:00 PM – 5:30 PM @ Buffalo State College
Saturday,	January	18	-	Border-War Track Classic @ Houghton College – 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Saturday,	January	25	-	9 th /10 th Grade Championships @ Houghton College – 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday,	February	01	-	Highlander Invitational @ Houghton College – 5:00 PM – 11:00 PM
Saturday,	February	01	-	Rock & Roll Throw-Off Lancaster – Field-House – 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday,	February	08	-	Houghton College Invitational @ Houghton College – 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday,	February	15	-	Team Championships @ Houghton College – 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday,	February	22	-	Houghton Track Classic @ Houghton College
Thursday,	February	27	-	Section VI – State Qualifier Champs. @ Houghton College – 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Thursday - Saturday, March

05 - 07 -

NYSPPHSAA/Federation Championships
@ Ocean Breeze, Staten Island, NY



**SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
Rifle 2019-20
Chairperson: Kristina Brown**

Committee members (voting*)

ECIC * Leif Johnson Orchard Park
NFL * Kristina Brown Kenmore

Committee meeting date(s)

Planned meetings: October/November 2019, February 2020.

Post Season Information

Rifle – Chairperson			
Sectionals:	Feb. 15	Kenmore East High School	9:00am
Regionals:	Mar. 07	West Point Military Academy	9:00am Link to State Info

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments

ECIC- 7 schools: Alden, Clarence, Iroquois, Lancaster, Orchard Park, Holland, and Pioneer
NFL- 1 school: Kenmore

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

None

Rule Changes for 2019-20

None

Other Pertinent Data

- Changes in Handbook: Page - 4 – Entries: A high school may enter individuals and a team.
Qualification scores: TEAM INDIVIDUAL
- 30 Shot Standing AIR 1080 270
- 3-P Air Rifle 1120 280
- Notify the Sectional Chair by **FEB.11, 2020 of individuals who qualify.**
- All matches will be fired using the **2018 NRA Precision Air Rifle Rules.**
<https://competitions.nra.org/media/7570/nra-precision-air-rifle-position-rules.pdf>
Scores to be fired in shoulder to shoulder match during the regular season.
- The individual shooters on the Sectional Air Rifle Teams will be chosen on the basis of two criteria: 1) the individual's year air rifle average (3P and 30 shot Standing) and 2) the sectional total score. The average will be weighed 2/3 and the sectional score 1/3. The individual's year average must consist of at least 5 shoulder to shoulder matches in 3-P Air and 5 matches in 30 shot standing.
- Electronic scoring via the **Orion Scoring System** will be utilized at sectionals with the Orion 10m Air Rifle Targets

Respectfully submitted July 09, 2019
Kristina Brown



**Unified Bowling
2019-2020 Pre-Season Report
Chairperson: Doug Ames**

Committee members (voting*)

Sean Lauber – Iroquois CSD (slauber@iroquoiscsd.org)
Justin Balcom – Newfane CSD (jbalcom@newfane.wnyric.org)

Committee meeting date(s)

2019 Post Season wrap up: Cheektowaga HS (prior to Basketball Meeting)
General Unified Sport Meeting: Friday, September 13, 2019 (E1B) A-2 9:00 – 12:00 PM
Unified Bowling Coaches Pre Season Meeting: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 (TBA)
Unified Basketball Coaches Pre Season Meeting: Wednesday, March 4, 2019 – 4:30 – 6:00 PM

Pre - Season Information

Unified Bowling		
Practice begins	1/20/2020	
Matches begin	2/3/20 – 3/06/20	Home Team: 5:00 PM
Break	2/17/20 – 2/21/20	
Culmination Final Event	4/11/20	Airport Lanes
Youth Activation Summit	2 nd Week – January 2020	Two Locations (North & South)

Number of Schools Participating

ECIC: 9
Niagara Orleans: 3
Catt: 2
Buffalo: 1
NFL: 1
New schools: ?

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

Enforce all NYSPHSAA guidelines & regulations with regards to bowling format
Play dates are flexible based on host lanes schedule

Other Pertinent Data

1. Schools on break have the option to compete or reschedule matches
2. Longer season of competition as the member schools increase
3. Site for all teams to bowl in the final culminating event was well received by all
4. Review scoring system for next season

Respectfully submitted date
Doug Ames, Section VI Unified Sports Chair



**PRE-SEASON REPORT
WRESTLING 2019-20**

Co-Chairpersons: Mike DeBarbieri and Israel Martinez

Committee members (voting*)

CCAA	Drew Wilcox*	Falconer HS
NFL:	Joe Scapelliti*	Lockport HS
NO:	Patrick Uveino*	Albion HS
ECIC 1:	Ron Lorenz	Lancaster HS
ECIC 2:	Dennis Bauer*	Amherst HS
ECIC 3:	Tom Page	Eden HS

Committee meeting date(s)

Meeting held in April. Next meeting will be at the WNYWCA golf tourney in June

Post Season Information

Dates/Sites in yellow are TBA

Wrestling Co-Chairs Mike DeBarbieri (c 378-1190) & Israel Martinez (c 628-0664)		
Weight Certification	Nov 15, 16, 18, 19	Falconer, Cheektowaga, Starpoint, Olean
Section 6 Duals	Saturday, Jan. 4th	TBA
Divisional Tournaments (If 4 divisions are approved)	Sat. Feb. 8th	Weigh ins -7:30am, Start 9:00am AA - TBA A – Grand Island B – Cheektowaga C/D – Eden
Setionals: Division 1 Division 2	Sat-Sunday (Feb 15,16)	Sites: TBD as a larger venue is being sought out for both sites to compete at a common location.
States:	Fri.-Sat. Feb. 28-29	Times Union Center, Albany (2) Link to State Info

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments

2019-20 cut-off #'s: Division I 600+, Division II 599 & under

- We will once again have 4 Classes (Division 1 – AA and A) (Division 2 – B and C/D)

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season:

- The Date of the Section 6 Duals has been moved to the first weekend in January (4th) to avoid weather issues.
- First day of practice will be Nov. 11th.
- Individual qualifying for Sectionals/states will remain status quo.

Rule Changes for 2018-2019:

TBA

Respectfully submitted June 11, 2019

Section VI Co-Sport chairs: Mike DeBarbieri and Israel Martinez