



ATHLETIC COUNCIL MINUTES

May 17, 2023

HIGHLIGHTS

- 3.1 **CARRIED:** March 22, 2023 Section VI Athletic Council meeting minutes
- 4.1 **CARRIED:** Girls Varsity City Honors Volleyball Independent for the 2023-24 season
- 4.2 **CARRIED:** Lafayette COS with 17 other BPS HSs Wrestling as Independent for 2023-24 season
- 4.3 **CARRIED:** Niagara Falls Boys Basketball independent for the 2023-24 season
- 4.4 **CARRIED:** City Honors, Hutch Tech, McKinley, and Olmsted Boys Volleyball Independent for the 2023-24 season
- 4.5 **CARRIED:** City Honors Softball Independent for the 2024 season
- 4.6 **CARRIED:** CSAT Girls Soccer Independent for the 2023 season
- 4.7 **CARRIED:** Lackawanna Girls Soccer Independent for the 2023 season
- 4.8 **CARRIED:** Eden Girls Volleyball Independent for the 2023 season
- 5.1 **CARRIED:** Combining of Schools applications
- 5.2 **CARRIED:** Senior All Star Contest Applications
- 6.3.1 **CARRIED:** Treasurer's report (Appendix A)
- 6.4.1 **CARRIED:** Support Alpine Skiing, Girls Gymnastics, Rifle, and Girls Ice Hockey competition for a sectional championship (per Policy 220.1) and the sports that will not have a minimum of five (5) teams per classification (per Policy 220.2) for the 23-24 school year
- 6.4.2 **CARRIED:** 2-year pilot, implementing a 4,5,6 Point System across all six sports (Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Softball, and Baseball) for the 23-24 and 24-25 school years.
*Boys and Girls Basketball are already piloting this proposal, beginning with the 22-23 school year, and will extend a year through 24-25.
- 6.4.3 **CARRIED:** Remove the exception for Boys Ice Hockey within 12.3 of Article 12 Classification of the Section VI Constitution.

- 6.14.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of the following Winter Sports Chairs, term July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026, incumbent renewals (*no challengers) (Alpine Skiing – Jason Lehmbeck, Boys Basketball – Larry Jones, Girls Basketball – Chris Durr, Boys Bowling – Dan Kaplan, Girls Bowling – Joe Biondo, Cheerleading – Justina Grudzinski, Boys Ice Hockey – Rick Brooks, Girls Ice Hockey – Rick Hopkins, Boys Indoor Track – Pete Szymanski, Girls Indoor Track – Emilio Mancino, Rifle – Kristina Brown, Boys Swimming – Nate Bourke & Tim Menges, Wrestling – Mike DeBarbieri & Izzy Martinez, Girls Wrestling – Alex Conti, Unified Bowling – Doug Ames)
- 6.14.2 **CARRIED:** Approval of Jeff Sortisio (Eden) for the Section VI Superintendents Representative position (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2027 term)
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- 10.1 **CARRIED:** Approval of Fall 2023 pre-season reports: Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Girls Swimming, Cheerleading Game Day, Boys Volleyball, Girls Volleyball, Football, Girls Gymnastics, Girls Tennis
- 10.2 **CARRIED:** Approval of winter 22-23 post season reports: Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Girls Wrestling, Skiing, Indoor Track, Cheerleading, Boys Swimming, Unified Bowling, Rifle, Boys Ice Hockey, Girls Ice Hockey, and Bowling (w/ the exception of approving Health Sciences in Class AA and Tapestry in Class A in the sport of Boys Basketball) (Appendix J)

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER (M. Donahue)

Commenced: 11:32am

1.1 Pledge of allegiance

2.0 INTRODUCTIONS & AWARD PRESENTATIONS (M. DiFilippo)

2.1 Winter 2022-2023 State Champions

- a) Randolph Boys Basketball, Class C
- b) West Seneca East Boys Bowling, Class C
- c) Brenton Baker, Sweet Home, Indoor Track, High Jump
- d) Angelina Napoleon, Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Franklinville/Portville, Indoor Track, 1000 Meters
- e) Aaron Gasiewicz, Lancaster, Boys Swim, 200 IM and 100 Fly
- f) Jaden Crumpler, Niagara Falls, Wrestling, Div. 1 126
- g) Cameron Catrabone, Williamsville North/East, Wrestling, Div. 1 145
- h) Jordan Joslyn, Chautauqua Lake, Wrestling, Division 2 126
- i) Tavo Hoose, Southwestern, Wrestling, Division 2 172

2.2 NYSAAA Awards (Jeff Roth)

- a) Positive Change – Brett Banker (Kenmore)
- b) Judith Martens Secretarial Award – Pauline Turski (Section VI Office)
- c) Athletic Director of the Year - Kevin Salisbury (Southwestern)
- d) Emerging Athletic Administrator Award – Jason Lehmbeck (Clarence)
- e) Hall of Fame – Pat Burke
- f) Miguel Rodriguez – Community Service Award
- g) Don Scholla – Distinguished Service Award

2.3 NYSAAA Scholar-Athlete Essay Winners

- a) Natalyn Cardero (Grand Island)
- b) Trey Drake (Jamestown)

3.0 MINUTES (M. Donahue)

3.1 *Motion to approve the March 22, 2023 Section VI Athletic Council meeting minutes*

CARRIED

Grzymala/Taylor

4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (M. DiFilippo)

4.1 ACTION ITEM: City Honors Girls Varsity Volleyball Independent for the 2023-24 season

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Motion to approve items 4.1 through 4.8

CARRIED

Kelly/Zirkle

4.9 Mandatory AD Workshop August 16, 2023

The mandatory athletic director workshop is scheduled for August 16, 2023. The date of Section VI's meeting falls within the same week every year. The site is still TBA.

4.10 Future AD Workshop/Professional Development 2023-2024

Discussions continue to hold a second annual mandatory athletic director meeting in January. In addition, typically, 4 optional staff development opportunities throughout each year (November, January, May, and one that piggy backs the August mandatory athletic director meeting).

4.11 NYSPHSAA Participation Survey

M. DiFilippo emailed the athletic directors of the schools that have yet to complete the NYSPHSAA Participation Survey. The importance of this survey was stressed. The data obtained from the survey reveals participation levels across all programs and therefore allows NYSPHSAA and the Sections to make decisions and changes as necessary regarding those offerings.

5.0 COMMUNICATIONS (M. DiFilippo)

5.1 *Motion to approve the Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) through (62)*

CARRIED
Zirkle/Salisbury

Noted: #20 is highlighted – pending Board of Education approval for 2 of the 3 of those schools

Fall Sports

1. Cheer GameDay, Eden, North Collins, V, 7/8/9, 331 D2
2. Cross Country BG, JFK, Cheektowaga, V/ 7-8, 623 B
3. Soccer G, Cheektowaga, JFK, JV/ 7-8, 789 AA
4. Swim G, East Aurora, Holland, V, 449
5. Swim G, Fredonia, Pine Valley, Forestville, V, 430
6. Swim G, Perf Arts, DaVinci, I-Prep, Lafayette, V, 1343
7. Volleyball B, Cheektowaga, JFK, V/ JV/ 7-8, 623 D1
8. Volleyball G, West Valley, Franklinville, V, 7/8, 146 D

Winter Sport,

9. Basketball B, I-Prep, Pathways, DaVinci, V, JV, 741 AA
10. Basketball B, MEC, Research Lab, V, JV, 287 B
11. Basketball B/G, Buffalo Culinary, Emerson, V, JV, 684 A
12. Basketball B/G, LJ Bennett, Alt Ed Acad, V, JV, 333 B
13. Basketball B/G, Riverside, Lafayette, V, JV, 582 A
14. Basketball G, Tapestry, WNY-Maritime, JV 545 A
15. Basketball G, I-Prep, Pathways, V, JV, 741 AA
16. Basketball G, MEC, Research Lab, V, JV, 301 B
17. Bowl BG, Clymer, Sherman, V, 176 D2
18. Bowl BG, East, Pathways, V, 273 D2
19. Bowl BG, Emerson, Buffalo Culinary, V, 684 D1
20. Bowl BG, Hinsdale, Cuba-Rushford, Friendship, V, 320 D2 **NEED BOE Dates**
21. Bowl BG, Kenmore West, Kenmore East, V, 1467 D1
22. Bowl G, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, 1387 D1
23. Bowl Unified BG, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, 1387
24. Cheer Competitive, Royalton-Hartland, Barker, V, 363 D2
25. Cheer Competitive, Silver Creek, Forestville, V, 278 D2
26. Hockey B, Iroquois, Alden, V, 626 D2
27. Hockey B, Lockport, Niagara Falls, V, 2554 D1
28. Hockey G, Amherst, Clarence, Sweet Home, v, 2375
29. Hockey G, Frontier, Orchard Park, Lake Shore & Franklinville, v, 2762
30. Hockey G, Kenmore East, Ken West, Grand Island, Lockport, v, 3140
31. Hockey G, Lancaster, Alden, Depew, Iroquois, V, 2497
32. Hockey G, West Seneca West, WS East, Eden, Hamburg, Holland, v, 2611
33. Hockey G, Williamsville South, Williamsville East, Williamsville North, v, 2265
34. Indoor Track B/G, Dunkirk, Silver Creek, V, 555
35. Indoor Track B/G, Falconer, Frewsburg, Randolph, V, 447
36. Indoor Track B/G, FL Olmsted, City Honors, Burgard, MST, East, Perf Arts, V, 2011

37. Indoor Track B/G, Holland, East Aurora, V, 449 NEED BOE date EA
38. Indoor Track B/G, Hutch Tech, South Park, Emerson, Bflo Cul, V, 2192
39. Indoor Track B/G, McKinley, LJ Bennett, MEC, Research Lab, V, 1532
40. Indoor Track B/G, Riverside, I-Prep, Lafayette, L DaVinci, Pathways, V, 1355
41. Rifle, Kenmore East, Kenmore West, V, 1467
42. Ski, Ellicottville, Allegany-Limestone, V, 407
43. Ski, Williamsville South, Williamsville East, Williamsville North, V, 2265
44. Swim BG, Royalton-Hartland, Barker, V, 363
45. Swim B, East, Burgard, MST, Pathways, Riverside, V, 1211 D1
46. Swim B, East Aurora, Holland, V, 449 D2
47. Swim B, Eden, Gowanda, V, 370 D2
48. Swim B, Hutch Tech, Emerson, Buffalo Culinary, V, 1217 D1
49. Swim B, I-Prep, DaVinci, V, 558 D2
50. Swim B, Kenmore East, Kenmore West, V, 1467 D1
51. Swim B, LJ Bennett, MEC, Res Lab, Alt Acad, Lafayette, V, 1067 D1
52. Swim B, Olean, Allegany-Limestone, Franklinville, V, 580 D2
53. Swim B, Panama, Maple Grove, Chaut Lake, V, 284 D2
54. Swim B, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, V, 1387 D1
55. Wrestling, Chautauqua Lake, Westfield, Clymer, Panama, V, JV, 7/8/9, 535 D2
56. Wrestling, Falconer, Cassadaga Valley, V, 358 D2
57. Wrestling, Kenmore West, Kenmore East, V, 1467 D1
58. Wrestling, Lafayette, all BPS Schools (Independent), V, +7000 D1
59. Wrestling, Olean, Allegany-Limestone, V, 527 D2
60. Wrestling, Royalton-Hartland, Barker, V, 363 D2
61. Wrestling, Williamsville North, Williamsville East, V, JV, 1762 D1
62. Wrestling - Female, Chautauqua Lake, Westfield, Clymer, Panama, Brocton, V, 675

5.2 **Motion to approve Senior All Star Contest applications, letters (a) and (b)**

CARRIED

Reed/Fallacaro-Dougherty

- a) Senior All Star Game, Softball, @ Frontier, co-sponsor Frontier, 6/13/23
- b) Senior All Star Game, Baseball, @ Frontier, co-sponsor Frontier, 6/14/23

6.0 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

6.1 Combining of Schools Committee (J. Rabey)

Nothing to report

6.2 Charter Schools Classification Committee (J. Rabey)

Nothing to report

6.3 Finance Committee (B. Fadeley)

6.3.1 **Motion to approve the Treasurer's report** (Appendix A)

CARRIED

Penhollow/MacSwan

6.3.1 Mileage Proposal Update (S. Penhollow)

The Finance Committee reviewed 2 proposals regarding the travel fees. The second proposal is a revision of the first proposal. There is a significant disparity in the amount of travel fees that are paid across the leagues. For example, this past winter season, the CCAA paid \$18,000 of \$32,000 in travel fees. This disparity has affected the ability of the committee to calculate a fair proposal. The representatives of the committee reviewed the proposals with their respective leagues and each league has had a different stance. What seemed to be a quick and easy thought process in the beginning has become a more steady and slow thought process. The committee will continue to work on a proposal.

6.4 Sectional/Intersectional (M. DiFilippo)

- 6.4.1 ***Motion to support Alpine Skiing, Girls Gymnastics, Rifle, and Girls Ice Hockey competition for a sectional championship (per Policy 220.1) and the sports that will not have a minimum of five (5) teams per classification (per Policy 220.2) for the 23-24 school year***

CARRIED

Jeff Roth/McDuffie

Approval will allow for Alpine Skiing, Girls Gymnastics, Rifle, Girls Ice Hockey, which all fall below the 15 teams requirement, to hold a sectional championship. It will also allow Section VI to host class championships for classes that do not have 5 teams per classification. This scenario will be seen more with the 23-24 implementation of the 6 classes.

- 6.4.2 ***Motion to approve a 2-year pilot, implementing a 4,5,6 Point System across all six sports (Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Softball, and Baseball) for the 23-24 and 24-25 school years. *Boys and Girls Basketball are already piloting this proposal, beginning with the 22-23 school year, and will extend a year through 24-25.***

CARRIED

House/Jeff Roth

- 6.4.3 ***Motion to remove the exception for Boys Ice Hockey within 12.3 of Article 12 Classification of the Section VI Constitution.***

CARRIED 18 in favor, 8 opposed

Jeff Roth/House

~~12.3 Schools must compete within their sectional classification numbers for all sports except Ice Hockey. In the sport of Ice Hockey, teams may move up from the small school division to the large school division. The Ice Hockey exemption will be re-evaluated annually.~~

The Sectional/Intersectional Committee thought it was important to be consistent and equitable across all sports. It's also thought that with the implementation of the 6 classes that more schools would inquire about moving classifications.

With the approval of this action item and because this is a Constitutional item, a post card ballot will be sent to all school districts. Athletic directors, principals, and superintendents are expected to sign their ballot. A 2/3 vote in favor will enact the removal of the exception to 12.3 of Article 12.

B. Banker read the following statement on behalf of Boys Hockey Chairman Rick Brooks:

Talking points regarding the proposal to not allow ice hockey teams that have BEDS numbers below 1000 to play DI upon petitioning the Section.

- **History** – historically ice hockey has allowed teams that fall below the cut off for DI to petition the Section and, with approval, compete at the DI level. Over the past thirty (30) years this system has proven to work very well. There have been no cases where a team has attempted to use this as a means to manipulate their competition in order to win a championship. Simply stated – there is no problems.
- **Competition** – the teams that have applied for, and received, permission to play DI did so to challenge themselves at a more difficult level which in turn also improves the competitive level of DII. By removing themselves from the DII sectional play the teams still competing at DII have a better opportunity to advance.
- **Rivalries** – teams that have long competed at DI and might, for a short period of time, have BEDS numbers slightly below the cut off, have developed rivalries against opponents. These competitive rivalries, or relationships, enhance the competition in the league and promote the sport for the enjoyment of the student-athletes.
- **Consistency** – schools that are very close to the BEDS cut off run the risk of switching back and forth between DI and DII every year or couple of years. This is detrimental to establishing a competitive schedule against regular opponents. Student-athletes look forward to their schedule against regular opponents. In addition, moving to DI is a regular occurrence in other sections and to disallow it in Section VI would disrupt the competitive relationships long established.

- **Resource Advantage** - With the off-campus sites team play at, some schools have more resources and funding to strengthen programs more than others. Some schools slightly below the 1000 have built exceptional programs through these means and tend to want to play stronger competition at the D1 level instead of dominating teams at the DII level that may not have the numbers or resources to compete as well. This helps in keeping a competitive balance in the section.

Closing statement – it has been suggested that because other sports cannot petition to play in a different classification hockey should not be allowed to do so. That by disallowing this the administration athletic programs would be easier. I suggest that the first and foremost consideration is to do what is best for the student-athletes and the individual sports, not what is easiest for the administration of the sports. Sports and the student-athletes that compete should be considered based on their individual requirements and circumstances. Sometimes this takes more effort but that's our job as coaches and administrators.

6.4.4 Girls Field Hockey Overtime Proposal (Appendix B)

The Girls Field Hockey Committee is recommending a shoot-out procedure in regular season to avoid a games ending in a tie. Currently a 10-minute overtime is played for a regular season game tie. If that overtime ends in a tie, it's left as a tie. There have been a significant number of ties, which are broken by a coin toss for seeding. Since this proposal requests implementation for fall 2023, it will be added as an action item to the forthcoming google vote regarding the Male/Female Representatives actions items found under agenda item 6.7 (below).

6.5 Safety (M. McKenna)

6.5.1 Safety Committee Meeting

The April 5, 2023 report (Appendix C) was reviewed.

6.5.2 Heat Index Regulation (Appendix D)

It is not mandatory to use WetBulb. The correct heat index chart must be used depending on the system (WetBulb or WeatherBug) used. The WetBulb is a more accurate reading at your location as opposed to WeatherBug where the closest weather station may be five miles away. NYSPHSAA approves of using either system.

6.6 Modified Committee (L. Bergman, M. Librock)

6.6.1 NYSPHSAA Spring Modified Committee Meeting - Updates

- Elimination of the 50% promotion rule was opposed by the Section VI Modified Committee.
- Section VI Modified Committee representatives were asked to discuss the following 3 items with their respective leagues:
 1. Seek approval from the Executive Committee to create a sub-committee to review the possibility of adding 6th grade to the modified level
 2. Consider removing Boys Lacrosse Rule #3 so a controlled one-handed check could be legal
 3. Allow metal cleats in the sport of modified softball

All leagues are in support of these 3 items, therefore M. Librock and L. Bergman are directed to support them at the state level.

R. Zayas provided an update regarding #1. Consideration for the addition of 6th graders was discussed by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee on May 3, 2023. It did not receive support. This will not be a discussion item moving forward unless a Section is interested in bringing it forward.

6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

a) Superintendent (T. Williams)

Nothing to report

- c) Principal (TBA)

Nothing to report

- c) Female Rep./Male Rep. (M. Fallacaro-Dougherty/J. Roth)

The following item is a discussion item at the July 25-26, 2023 NYSPHSAA Central Committee Meeting (Appendix E):

1. Consider approval to restructure the NYSPHSAA SAAC by expanding to three students per section, removing the gender requirement, and requiring at least one member be a representative of diversity.

The following items are actions items at the July 25-26, NYSPHSAA Central Committee Meeting. Action to provide M. Fallacaro-Dougherty and J. Roth direction will be requested via google survey with a deadline for response of June 9, 2023. (Appendix F):

1. Consider approval to continue the use of the standby official at the semifinal and final games as an on-field working official in the sport of Football for one year
2. Consider approval of the NYSPHSAA Officials Fees & Policies Document for 2023-2026
3. Consider approval to add the following to the NYSPHSAA Handbook under Representation, letter d. "Board Approved Coaches may help facilitate practice."
4. Consider approval to add language to the NYSPHSAA Undue Influence Rule

This rule is already in place currently listing the penalty of one year. Approval of the proposal will enact the penalty until the eligibility of the athlete in that sport has expired. It allows them the ability to appeal after that year at the section level.

It was noted that in the case of undue influence, there is no NYSPHSAA prescribed penalty for a school district. It is up to the section to act if they choose to do so.

5. Consider approval to mandate the Anyone Can Save a Life program for all NYSPHSAA teams.

The Safety Committee is recommending mandating completion of the Anyone Can Save a Life program for all NYSPHSAA teams within the first 2 weeks of the season. It also requires each team to conduct 1 emergency drill prior to 50% of games being played for that team.

6. Consider approval of an addition to the current overtime procedure in Modified Wrestling.
7. Consider approval to require all NYSPHSAA Standing Committee members and staff to take free NFHS Implicit Bias course
8. Consider approval to add the following to the NYSPHSAA Handbook Penalties section: "NYSPHSAA Sections may sanction, censor or place schools on probation that fail to protect those involved in interscholastic activities from derogatory or inappropriate behavior deemed harmful to physical or mental well-being."
9. Consider approval to add the following to the NYSPHSAA Handbook Sportsmanship section: "Use of derogatory or racially explicit language; discriminatory harassment or bias conduct that creates a hostile environment that is disruptive to the educational environment. Spectators shall not be permitted to use vulgar/offensive or racially/culturally insensitive language or engage in any racially/culturally insensitive action. NYSPHSAA Sections may sanction, censor or place schools on probation that fail to protect those involved in interscholastic activities from derogatory or inappropriate behavior deemed harmful to physical or mental well-being."

10. Consider approval to implement a “Purple Card” to assist with management of sportsmanship issues with spectator in the sports of Boys and Girls Volleyball.

The purple card would be used by the “up” official as a visual cue to notify site supervisors of an issue in the stands.

11. Consider approval to revise the Girls Volleyball state tournament format to bracket play (semifinals in place of pool play), beginning with the 2023 state tournament

This would be a significant change for Girls Volleyball. It was a six to five vote by the Girls Volleyball State Committee.

12. Consider approval of Girls Volleyball Regional Rotations for 2023-2025

13. Consider approval of Girls Soccer Regional Rotation for 2023-2026

14. Consider approval of Boys Soccer Regional Rotations for 2023-2026

15. Consider approval of Classification cut-off numbers for Competitive and Game Day Cheerleading

Cheer is looking to move towards classifying by BEDS numbers. There is a minimum number and maximum number depending on your size of school.

16. Consider approval for scoring changes in Gymnastics Technical Handbook

17. Consider approval of Boys/Girls Bowling becoming a variation sport and keep the classification cut-off numbers at 600 and above for Division 1 and 599 and below for Division 2

18. Consider approval of Boys Swimming & Diving Qualifying Standards

19. Consider approval of Baseball Regional Rotations for 2024-2029

20. Consider approval of Boys Lacrosse Regional Rotations for 2028-2033

21. Consider approval to start Boys and Girls Lacrosse on the Saturday of Week #36, two days earlier than the traditional spring sports start date.

The rationale behind this proposal is to conduct the first scrimmage in sooner. They are following the mind-set of football that has gotten permission to start on the Saturday of week seven. All other sports start on the Monday of week eight. Football requires 10 practices. Lacrosse requires 6 practices.

6.8 Extended Eligibility (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report

6.9 Chemical Awareness (J. Grzymala)

6.9.1 Awaiting Selection of Jr. Rep (Male) for Section VI from NYSPHSAA

6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student (M. DiFilippo)

Reports were emailed to the Executive Committee

6.11 Sportsmanship (J. Graczyk, D. Ames)

6.11.1 Sportsmanship Promotion Survey & Section Review
Results of the Good Sports Promotion Survey:

- 86% reported, 84 out of 97 schools participated
- Council members were asked to remind their respective leagues about coaches sportsmanship nominations

6.12 Veterans (J. Trampert)

6.12.1 Section VI Veterans Dinner for 2023

Thursday, September 7, 2023 @ The Ridge (Orchard Park Rd)

6.13 Mixed Competition (TBA)

Nothing to report

6.14 Nominations (D. Lilleck)

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CARRIED

Jeff Roth/Taylor

6.14.2 ***Motion to approve of Jeff Sortisio (Eden) for the Section VI Superintendents Representative position (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2027 term)***

CARRIED

MacSwan/Taylor

6.14.3 ***Motion to approve Marisa Fallacaro-Dougherty (West Seneca) as NYSPHSAA Section VI – Female Representative (term July 1, 2023 – June 30 2027), *incumbent renewal, no challengers***

CARRIED

Jeff Roth/MacSwan

6.14.4 Principals Representative Position Update (through remainder of current term, June 30, 2024)
Received 8 applications. Interviews will be conducted later this month.

6.15 Corporate Partners (M. DiFilippo)

6.15.1 Spectrum Contract

The Section is currently in negotiations with spectrum and the public broadcasting network for television rights to football games.

6.15.2 NYS Ball Adoption Agreement

Section VI agreed to continue an agreement with Spalding, beginning in 2024-2025 for 5 years.

6.15.3 Front Row Sports

Last week, Front Row Sports confirmed another 3-year agreement (naming rights – Ice Hockey)

6.16 Hall of Fame (J. Dunnigan)

6.16.1 Nominations Deadline

Today, May 17, is the deadline for 2023 nominations. The Hall of Fame Committee will meet in July to select the candidates for induction. The ceremony will be held at The Columns Banquets (Elma) in December 2023. It was noted that the committee passed a motion to include sports officials into the Hall of Fame.

6.17 Unified Sports (D. Ames)

6.17 State Unified Committee Report (Appendix G)

An officials virtual training was distributed across the state. The Representation Waiver will be discussed at the next state committee meeting. Special Olympics is not in favor of the waiver moving forward because of the potential for dominance play. The state committee is looking to add a third sport, or a sport in the fall. Sports being considered included cross country, bocce (*needs approval as an interscholastic sport), and volleyball.

7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 All WNY Scholar Athlete (J. Roth)

Nominations for the spring are currently being accepted. The deadline for submission is May 22, 2023.

8.0 STATE SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS (informational only) Appendix H

- Championship Advisory Committee, April 12, 2023
- Girls Wrestling, March 29, 2023
- Boys Golf, April 4, 2023
- Football, April 24, 2023
- Football, March 28, 2023
- Girls Volleyball, March 21, 2023
- Girls Gymnastics, March 3, 2023
- Girls Lacrosse, December 6, 2022
- Wrestling, April 6, 2023

9.0 GUEST REPORTS

9.1 NYSPHSAA (T. Nelson & R. Zayas)

9.1.1 The Combining of Teams Committee is scheduled to meet mid-June. Each section has representation on this committee. The ease for which schools are combining and the number of schools in combinations concerns will both be addressed. The committee is looking at proposing changes to the graduated scale for the 24-25 school year.

9.1.2 The Philosophy Committee is scheduled to meet mid-June. During this meeting a proposal originating from Section 3 to change the format of state championships and the regionals that feed into states will be discussed. Instead of having regionals where the same two sections (ie Section 5 and Section 6) always play each other, consider implementing a regional site (a predetermined site, an east and west region) for all sports. In addition, a format to have a more equal bracket of teams that advance to the states.

9.2 NYSAAA Report (J. Roth)

9.2.1 L. Bergman was thanked for all her behind the scenes work regarding the awards presented today.

9.2.2 NYSAAA Packet (B. Banker)

Each council member received a packet with documentation on benefits of NYSAAA membership and 55, 4 hour courses. Leagues were encouraged to sponsor principal and superintendent representatives' NYSAAA membership. Membership would only enhance athletic council representation and decision-making as it relates to athletics.

10.0 SPORTS REPORTS

- 10.1 **Motion to approve of Fall 2023 pre-season reports: Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Girls Swimming, Cheerleading Game Day, Boys Volleyball, Girls Volleyball, Football, Girls Gymnastics, Girls Tennis** (Appendix I)

CARRIED

Zirkle/Grzymala

- 10.2 **Motion to approve of winter 22-23 post season reports: Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Girls Wrestling, Skiing, Indoor Track, Cheerleading, Boys Swimming, Unified Bowling, Rifle, Boys Ice Hockey, Girls Ice Hockey, and Bowling (w/ the exception of approving Health Sciences in Class AA and Tapestry in Class A in the sport of Boys Basketball)** (Appendix J)

CARRIED

Brown/Salisbury

*The Boys Basketball Committee recommendation regarding classification placement for Tapestry and Health Sciences moves to the Charter School Classification Committee for review and recommendation.

11.0 OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report

12.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 12.1 NYSPHSAA Spring sport season start/end/championship dates, WNY weather, Baseball/Softball Discrepancy (M. House)

Concern was expressed regarding the discrepancy in length of time to compete across spring sports. Softball is conducted in about 3 weeks (ending earlier than baseball), tennis is conducted in about 3 weeks, and baseball and track are provided about a month. This was discussed at the league head meeting and now being brought forth to the athletic council for discussion.

R. Zayas commented that NYSPHSAA hosted an ad hoc committee in summer of 2018 to specifically review this concern. In accordance with the NYSED, NYSPHSAA is required to abide by the 15 weeks in the fall and spring and 22 weeks in the winter. The spring season was pushed back from week 36 to week 37 due to the limitation of weather. Also, the spring sports season has to end prior to the start of regents exams. R. Zayas offered to share the documentation from the 2018 ad hoc committee.

13.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT

- 13.1 **Motion to adjourn**

CARRIED

Penhollow/Salisbury

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Fadeley
Recording Secretary

ATTENDANCE (Voting Members - *) Absent Alternate Present

<u>Executive Committee</u>		<u>Guests</u>	
President*	Maureen Donahue	M. Bystrak, S, (WS)	D. Scholla
President-Elect*	Dave Lilleck	Jacob Racsumberger & Michael Morrone (WS)	J. Lehmbeck (CLAR)
Superintendents' Rep.*	Tonja Williams	K. Stablewski – C, (WS)	J. Roth, AD, (GI)
Principals' Rep.*	TBA	R. Gibbs, AC, (CL)	N. Cardero (GI)
Male Rep.*	Jeff Roth	Jordan Joslyn (CL)	T. Drake (Jamestown)
Female Rep.*	Marisa Dougherty	K. Rowe, C, (CL)	B. Drake (Jamestown)
Past President	Brett Banker	S. Joslyn, AC, (CL)	M. Rodriguez Family
Executive Director	Mark DiFilippo	J. Luce, AD, (AL)	S. Cimato (Kenmore)
<u>Committee Chairpersons</u>		K. Stamets, C, (AL)	P. Burke
Chemical Awareness	John Grzymala	A. Napoleon (AL)	R. Zayas
Extended Eligibility	Mark DiFilippo	K. Moore, P, (AL)	
Finance	Steve Penhollow	Brenton Baker (SWTH)	
Modified	L. Bergman/M. Librock	M. Ginestre, S, (SWTH)	
Nominations	Dave Lilleck	C. Schiumo, AD, (SWTH)	
NYSAAA	Jeff Roth	D. Baker, P, (SWTH)	
Safety	Matt McKenna	Jaiden Huntington & Carson Conley (Rand)	
Sectional Intersectional	Mark DiFilippo	S. Huntington, AD, (Rand)	
Sportsmanship	D. Ames/J. Graczyk	Tavio Hoose (SW)	
Transfer	Mark DiFilippo	Coaches Lunmark & Vogan (SW)	
Veterans	Jim Trampert	Eric Rupp, AD, (Lanc)	
Hall of Fame	Jim Dunnigan	Aaron Gasiewicz (Lanc)	
Combining of Schools	Jeff Rabey	Brenton Baker (SWTH)	
Charter School Classification	Jeff Rabey		

<u>League</u>		<u>Representative</u>		<u>Alternate</u>
BUFFALO				
Superintendents Rep./AD*		Michael House		TBD - New Asse Supt. for Strategic Alignment & Innovation
Principals' Rep.*		Carlos Alvarez		Mike Morris
Female Rep.*		Kaitlin States		Syble Smith (McKinley, Head Volleyball & Swim Coach)
Male Rep.*		Steve McDuffie		David Kelly (Olmsted, Head Golf, Swim & Tennis Coach)
CHAUTAUQUA CATTARAUGUS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (CCAA)				
Superintendents' Rep.*		Steve Penhollow, Falconer		TBA
Principals' Rep.*		Jason Halpainy, Randolph		TBA
Female Rep.*		Carol Zirkle, Fredonia		Greg Lauer, Fredonia
Male Rep.*		Kevin Salisbury, Southwestern		Greg Lauer, Fredonia
ERIE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC CONFERENCE (ECIC)				
Superintendents' Rep.*		Sean Croft, Starpoint		
Principals' Rep.*		Tim Wiles, Cleveland Hill		Steve Smith, Alden
Female Rep.*		Renee Smith, Tonawanda		Daryl Besant, Lake Shore
Male Rep.*		Dave Hack, Orchard Park		Jason Iwanko, Eden Vince Dell'Oso
NIAGARA FRONTIER LEAGUE (NFL)				
Superintendents' Rep.*		Dan Ljiljanich, Niagara Wheatfield		Mike Laurrie, Niagara Falls
Principals' Rep.*		Trevor Brown, Kenmore		TBA
Female Rep.*		Lindsay Bergman, Kenmore		
Male Rep.*		Jon Roth, Grand Island		
NIAGARA ORLEANS LEAGUE (NO)				
Superintendents' Rep.*		Jacob Reimer, Barker		Mark Kruzynski, Medina
Principals' Rep.*		Steve Dimitroff, Akron		Steve Dimitroff, Akron
Female Rep.*		Joel Reed, Medina		
Male Rep.*		John Grzymala, Roy-Hart		Eric Valley, Medina
SUPERINTENDENT REPRESENTATION (BOCES)				
Erie 1 BOCES*		Jon MacSwan, Cleveland Hill		TBA
Erie 2 BOCES*		Scott Taylor, North Collins		TBA
ON BOCES*		Mark Kruzynski, Medina		TBA
CA BOCES*		Kaine Kelly, Randolph		TBA

Treasurer's Report

As of May 10, 2023

May 10, 23**ASSETS****Current Assets****Checking/Savings**

1050 · Arbiter Pay 20,965.33

1030 · Bank of America Checking 167,518.64

1040 · Bank of America Money Market 25,991.34

1043 · Northwest Savings Bank 418,921.18

Total Checking/Savings 633,396.49**Total Current Assets** 633,396.49**TOTAL ASSETS** 633,396.49**LIABILITIES & EQUITY** 0.00

APPENDIX B



TO: JUDY OTT, SECTION VI FIELD HOCKEY CHAIR
SHANNON SPENCER, INTERMIN PRESIDENT WNYCFHOA

FROM: JAMES GRACZYK, INTERIM ECIC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
PETER TONSOLINE, ECIC FIELD HOCKEY CHAIR

SUBJECT: ECIC FIELD HOCKEY OVERTIME REVISION

DATE: JANUARY 10, 2023

As a result of a unanimous vote taken at the ECIC Field Hockey Coaches end of season meeting, and subsequent approval by the ECIC Activity Board in December 2022, the ECIC league has revised their regular season overtime procedure.

In the past, ECIC followed the procedure outlined by Section VI in the Field Hockey Handbook (page 8). Going forward, the ECIC revision will read as follows:

DELETE: "...the game will remain tied..."

ADD: The sudden victory format will be followed. Both teams will commence with a one vs. one person shootout. Example: Team "A" scores first, then Team "B" must score on the next attempt or the game is concluded.

For further clarification, please see below:

-If a game is tied at the end of regulation, teams play a 10-minute 7 v 7 sudden victory.

-If it's still tied, they play another 10-minute 7 v 7 sudden victory.

-If the game is still tied, teams play a 1 v 1 shootout consisting of 5 players from each team. They alternate turns.

- If they do not break the tie, they play another 1 v 1 shootout consisting of 5 players per team. Coaches can change the order of players or change the players within their 5 players.

-If by some chance the tie is not broken, they would play a 1 v 1 sudden victory shoot out of 5 players. Coaches must list 5 players and the order they will be shooting. The coaches can choose whoever they want and the order of the shooters, but must list 5.

OT= 10 (7 v7)SD, 10 (7v 7), SD, 1v1 shootout (Alternating 5 players), 1 v1 shootout (alternating 5 players), 1 v1 SD shootout (Alternating players)

To stay with the parameter of the OT procedures you could play this way,

1. One 10-minute Sudden Victory 7 v 7.

2. One 1 v 1 shootout, alternating shots, 5 players.

3. Sudden victory 1 v 1 shootout, alternating shots, 5 players

4 If still tied Sudden Victory 1 v 1 shootout, alternating shots, 5 players Coaches are allowed at this time to change the players and the order of the shootout.

You can play as many sudden victory 1 v 1 shootouts, but you must list 5 players to participate in the shootout. At the end of 5 players turns you must allow the coaches time to change the order or players before starting the next sudden victory 1 v1 shootout.

To answer your question if I understand it correctly, the same 5 girls can participate in all the shootouts if the coaches choose that. Plus, the players do not have to have played in the game in order to participate in any part of the OT.



Safety Committee Meeting Report

Date: April 5, 2023, at 10am

Topic Discussed:

1. My Lightening Tracker
2. Heat Index Regulation – Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator
3. Modified Recommendation – Wrestling OT
4. Anyone Can Save a Life - Mandatory

Attendees:

Section I –
 Section 2 –Rick Knizek
 Section III –
 Section IV –
 Section V – John Lombardi/Kathy Hoyt
 Section VI –Matt McKenna
 Section VII – Jenn Drucker
 Section VIII –
 Section IX – Janet Carey
 Section X – Erica Backus
 Section XI – Jay Cohen
 NYSPHSAA – Todd Nelson, Aimee Brunelle, Melissa Trau, Jarett Rhoads, Dr.O'Brien, Dr. Donatelli, Olivia Parkin

Status Updates:

1. **Girls Lacrosse** – The Boys and Girls Lacrosse Committees are still planning on submitting a proposal to the NFHS for a possession clock. The NYSPHSAA Staff at the suggestion of BIANYS is putting together an informational document for students and parents regarding Girls Headgear. This document will be shared with the NYSPHSAA membership.
2. **Concussion Management** – BIANYS is still promoting and meeting with NYS legislators to update the NYS Concussion Management Law.

Items Discussion/ Action Taken:

1. **My Lightning Tracker** – Jarett Rhoads and Jim Rose have been testing out the free My Lighting tracker app. Jarett has reported that he has seen some very positive signs over the fall and this spring using the app. The committee has requested some more information on the source of the data. Since the meeting Jarett has reported that the information comes from Earth Networks, which is the company we have been talking to over the past couple of years. The committee has been directed to download the free app and try it this Spring. We also asked the committee to have local AD try the app and give us feedback. This item will be on the next agenda.
2. **Heat Index/Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator** – It has been brought to the attention of the Safety Committee that our current chart for heat index does not align with the use of a Wet Bulb Temp Indicator. Heat Index and the reading from a Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator have different formulas. The chart for the use of a Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator is comparable to the Heat Index Chart but does have a different threshold. The committee was reminded that the use of Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator is the gold standard to determine the heat risk level on a particular field. NYSPHSAA was able to hand out over 300 Wet Bulb Temperature Indicators to our member schools this year. A motion was made to add the Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator chart along with the category map. This motion passed and will move forward to the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee.
3. **Modified Recommendation** – The Safety Committee did not have any concerns with adding to the current OT procedure for the sport of wrestling. The recommendation would add a 30 second ultimate ride out period following the NFHS rules to the current procedure.
4. **Anyone Can Save a Life** – NYSPHSAA has promoted this program for several years. This program provides an Emergency Action Plan for each team/club in the school. The lesson that was shown to Americans across the country happened last Fall when Demarr Hamlin went down on Monday night Football. The medical team had a plan and reacted quickly to have a positive



outcome. The Anyone Can Save a Life Program allows a coach to work with their team to develop the EAP for their team. The plan will include who will call 911, who will retrieve the AED, who will meet the ambulance and where, who will go get the AD or Principal, and who will stay with the victim and provide first aid. This program is free and online for all coaches. At the end of the program the coach will be able to submit a form detailing each students responsibility. The Safety Committee is recommending all teams complete the program within two weeks of the start of the season and to conduct one drill prior to 50% of the scheduled games being completed. The motion passed.

5. **Section Concerns** – No Sectional Concerns.

Future Items/Meeting:

1. My Lightning Tracker
2. Next Meeting: September 29, 2023, at 10am

New York State Public High School Athletic Association

Executive Committee Meeting – May 3, 2023

Attachments:

Cat 3	Cat 2	Cat 1	Activity Guidelines
< 82.0°F < 27.8°C	< 79.7°F < 26.5°C	< 76.1°F < 24.5°C	Normal Activities – Provide at least three separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 3 min each during the workout.
82.2 - 86.9°F 27.9-30.5°C	79.9 - 84.6°F 26.6-29.2°C	76.3 - 81.0°F 24.6-27.2°C	Use discretion for intense or prolonged exercise; Provide at least three separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 4 min each.
87.1 - 90.0°F 30.6-32.2°C	84.7 - 87.6°F 29.3-30.9°C	81.1 - 84.0°F 27.3-28.9°C	Maximum practice time is 2 h. <u>For Football:</u> players are restricted to helmet, shoulder pads, and shorts during practice. If the WBGT rises to this level during practice, players may continue to work out wearing football pants without changing to shorts. <u>For All Sports:</u> Provide at least four separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 4 min each.
90.1 - 91.9°F 32.2-33.3°C	87.8 - 89.6°F 31.0-32.0°C	84.2 - 86.0°F 29.0-30.0°C	Maximum practice time is 1 h. <u>For Football:</u> No protective equipment may be worn during practice, and there may be no conditioning activities. <u>For All Sports:</u> There must be 20 min of rest breaks distributed throughout the hour of practice.
≥ 92.1°F ≥ 33.4°C	≥ 89.8°F ≥ 32.1°C	≥ 86.2°F ≥ 30.1°C	No outdoor workouts. Delay practice until a cooler WBGT is reached.



Fig. 2. Heat safety regions.

New York State Public High School Athletic Association

Central Committee Meeting – July 25-26, 2023

NYSPHSAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Structure

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

Presenter:

Kristen Jadin, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

Proposal:

Consider approval to restructure the NYSPHSAA SAAC by expanding to three students per section, removing the gender requirement, and requiring at least one member be a representative of diversity.

Effective Start Date:

2024-2025 School Year

Rationale:

After discussing diversity and inclusion with the Student-Athlete Development Committee (SADC) it was suggested to expand the NYSPHSAA SAAC in order to be more inclusive.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Student-Athlete Development Committee (SADC) and NYSPHSAA Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) Committee

Budgetary Impact:

The NYSPHSAA leadership budget will increase in the 2024-2025 school year as NYSPHSAA hosts a SAAC Summit in person, provides SAAC T-shirts, SAAC Graduation Stoles, and travel to NYSPHSAA Student Leadership Conference.

Notes:

Supported by the NYSPHSAA SADC & DEI Committee. NYSPHSAA SAAC will review proposal in June.

Attachments:

None

New York State Public High School Athletic Association

Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

CHAMPIONSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Continue Use of Standby Official on the Field for Football State Semifinals and Finals for 2023 Season

- ☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Greg Ransom, CAC Chair

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Championship Advisory Committee is seeking approval, at the request of the Football Committee, to continue use of the standby official at the semifinal and final games as an on-field working official for the 2023 season.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2023

Rationale:

Prior to the pilot we were using five working on-field officials and one standby official. The back judge is responsible to cover all down field plays with the line judges supporting them. Today's teams and athletes are producing more and more downfield plays. These downfield plays are becoming more difficult for a back judge to cover alone. The standby official is on the sidelines working with the chain crew and is used if an official is not able to continue due to an injury or illness. If we **continued to** allow the standby official to be a working on-field official then we could have two back judges on each side of the field which would provide greater coverage for downfield plays and allow the line judges to monitor the line of scrimmage area better.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA CAC following a discussion and recommendation by the Football Committee in March 2022.

Budgetary Impact:

Currently we pay the standby official ½ game fee to stand on the sidelines. If he was to become an on-field working official he would receive a full game fee.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

When this was proposed in 2022 for the Fall of 2022, there were no concerns from CAC. At the April 12, 2023 CAC meeting, no concerns were raised.

New York State Public High School Athletic Association



Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

Championship Advisory Committee: NYSPHSAA Fees and Policies

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Greg Ransom, CAC Chairmen

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Championship Advisory Committee is recommending an update to the NYSPHSAA Fees and Policies document. These recommended fees and policies would be in place from September 2023 to June 2026.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2023

Rationale:

The Championship Advisory Committee reviews the current NYSPHSAA Fees and Policies Document every 3 years. Recommendations are requested from all OCF members which includes the 11 Sections. There are several changes this year (highlighted in red) due to the addition of the 6th class in 7 of our sports. The fees have also been adjusted by taking the *mean* of all 11 Section's Championships and using the NYSPHSAA Championship format.

Proposal Originated:

Championship Advisory Committee

Budgetary Impact:

There will be an increase in the stipend paid to each sport that will be covered by the Sections hosting the regional games and NYSPHSAA for the Semi and Final Games.

Notes:

None

Attachments:

Draft of the 2023-2026 Fees and Policies Document. Changes are highlighted in red.



OFFICIATING FEES & POLICIES **2023-2026**

*REGIONAL
SEMIFINAL
CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS*

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GENERAL POLICIES

- A. The selection of officials from a section to service NYSPHSAA, INC. tournament contests is the responsibility of the section's sport committee.
- B. In team sports, the best available officials from each section shall be selected. Assignments will not be made on a chapter by chapter or rotating basis.
- C. For the selection of officials, if a section does not present a candidate for an assignment (for whatever reason), the state sport committee will accept additional nominations of qualified officials from other sections.
- D. The state sport chairperson (or designee) will notify each selected official in writing of NYSPHSAA fees, policies, accommodations and tournament schedules as they apply to the official's selection. Provision for the official to acknowledge his/her selection shall be made.
- E. To gain approval for an increase in the number of officials used in team sports at NYSPHSAA, Inc. tournament contests, that number of officials must be used in sectional tournament play in a majority of the sections.
- F. Sport Coordinators, Section Treasurers, and Tournament Directors must direct, in writing, any questions relative to officiating expenses to the NYSPHSAA, Inc. Executive Director.
- G. A review of the NYSPHSAA, Inc. Championship Tournament Fees/Policies will be conducted every three (3) years.
- H. When neutral officials are selected, they must be assigned from the nearest non-participating Section.
- I. No revisions to an existing fee or policy may occur without the initial approval of the NYSPHSAA Championship Advisory Committee.
- J. In Regional competition, the use of host officials will occur unless mutually agreed upon by the participating Sections.
- K. If there is a change in working conditions for the officials in any sport, the CAC will review those changes and discuss the impact on the Fees and Policies and make any necessary recommendations to the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee.

FEES POLICIES

- A. The same fees for girls' and boys' programs will be adopted, except for those contests with a variance in playing time.

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- B. NO ONE is authorized to pay a fee in conducting a championship tournament contest other than those fees established by the NYSPHSAA, Inc.
- C. If a contest fee has not been established by the NYSPHSAA, Inc., the Sport Coordinator must contact the Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA, Inc. for approval of a fee.
- D. In team sports, officials assigned the final round contests (championship games) will receive an additional \$10.00 above the established fee. Wrestling Dual Championship is included.
- E. All fees will be established by taking the average fee of all 11 sections. If a sport does not have a Section fee or a sport average decreases then an average increase of all other sports will be used, excluding Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field and Individual Wrestling.

FEES/REIMBURSEMENT

- A. **MILEAGE:** When travel is reimbursed by the NYSPHSAA, INC. mileage will be paid from the section where the officials' chapter is located according to the NYSPHSAA, INC. Mileage Chart @ .10 less the current IRS rate. Primary host section tournament officials will receive a transportation fee of \$30.00 per day. Transportation will be paid for one car per officials' chapter. *Exception: When it is more economical or practical to do so, transportation will be paid for more than one car per official's chapter once approved by the NYSPHSAA office staff (Semi-Final/Finals) or Section Executive Director (Regional contests).
- B. **TOLLS:** Toll charges will be reimbursed with necessary receipts from the section where the officials' chapter is located to the tournament site. *For round trip reimbursement of tolls (road and/or bridge), only one-way receipts will be required. Host section officials are eligible for bridge toll reimbursement only. For E-Z Pass reimbursement, exit numbers (on/off) and/or bridges must be identified. For E-Z Pass, no receipts are required, unless otherwise required by host section policy.
- C. **LODGING:** Lodging for each official, when needed, will be arranged and provided by the NYSPHSAA. Officials will be offered double occupancy per night. Officials selecting their own lodging will be reimbursed at the NYSPHSAA secured rate. Where possible, the NYSPHSAA will assume room only charges with a direct billing arrangement in place.

Officials working consecutive days shall receive lodging expenses. Lodging for the night prior to, or after a contest shall be determined by the tournament director depending on the distance traveled and the time of the contest.

- D. **MEALS:** Meal expenses shall be determined by the tournament director depending upon the distance traveled and the time of the contest. Where approved, maximum reimbursement will be \$40.00/day as follows: Breakfast: \$10, Lunch: \$10, Dinner \$20. Officials will not be reimbursed when NYSPHSAA or the official's hotel provides a meal.

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- E. For team sports that do not utilize an additional number of officials during the regular season, in a majority of the Sections, a standby official will be assigned to all regional, semifinal and final games. The standby official will receive a stipend of 1/2 of the game fee. If the standby official enters the contest, they will receive a full fee. (Example. Football uses 5 officials during the regular season, in a majority of the Sections. A standby official will be assigned to all regional, semifinal and final games). For sports that do utilize an additional official for regional, semifinal, and final games and an official cannot complete the game they will utilize the system that was used during the regular season.
- F. All minor officials in any team sport acting in a decision-making capacity will receive \$46.00 per contest, no expenses (ex: lines person, goal judge, etc.).
- G. All minor officials in any team sport acting in a non-decision-making capacity will receive \$40.00 per contest, no expenses (ex: chain crew, scorekeeper, etc.).
- H. Any official who travels to a tournament site and was not notified that the contest that day was canceled or postponed to another date will be reimbursed ½ the contest fee plus transportation (mileage .10 less the current IRS rate/grid chart and tolls with receipts OR E-Z Pass).
- I. Should a contest be interrupted/suspended and resumed the following day (or later), a full contest fee with allowable reimbursement for expenses will be paid for each day.

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TRANSPORTATION MILEAGE CHART

**Mileage listed round trip as of 9/98*

SECTION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	NYC
1 Mt. Kisco		240	540	340	690	840	550	100	120	720	200	90
2 Albany	240		280	280	450	580	300	340	230	430	440	300
3 Syracuse	540	280		150	170	320	490	640	390	280	740	580
4 Binghamton	340	280	150		290	420	500	440	230	430	540	370
5 Rochester	690	450	170	290		150	660	780	540	440	880	750
6 Buffalo	840	580	320	420	150		780	930	690	560	1030	880
7 Plattsburgh	550	300	490	500	660	780		680	510	190	780	630
8 Mineola	100	340	640	440	780	930	680		240	790	100	40
9 Middletown	120	230	390	230	540	690	510	240		670	340	100
10 Potsdam	720	430	280	430	440	560	190	790	670		900	760
11 Riverhead	200	440	740	540	880	1030	780	100	340	900		140
New York City	90	300	580	370	750	880	630	40	100	760	140	

Officiating Services Travel Reimbursement will be paid .10 less the current IRS rate (round trip) according to the chart above, from the area where the official chapter is located. A daily transportation fee of \$30 will be paid to officials from the host area.

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BASEBALL

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23-8/31/26

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL \$135.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS PER CONTEST 3

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: HOST section supplies 3 on-field officials per contest.

Semifinals and finals: 6 classes classes - 18 games - 54 total game assignments. 27 officials will work 2 games. Each Section will provide 2 umpires. The host Section will provide 3 umpires. Sections 5/6 will provide an additional 2 umpires every other year. Sections 2/9 will provide 2 additional umpires on the years opposite of 5/6.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES (see lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

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BASKETBALL - BOYS

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23-8/31/26

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL \$135.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST 3

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals and finals: Each section will supply 2 officials. An additional 5 Officials will be selected on a rotating basis from all the Sections Total number of Officials will be 27. Each official will be assigned 2 games.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (see lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

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BASKETBALL – GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES:	9/1/23 – 8/31/26
CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL	\$135.00
NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST	3 SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals and finals: All Sections will submit 3 names of their top officials. Each Section will have their top two officials selected to work the Championship. 5 additional officials will be selected from the remaining pool of candidates by the Girls Basketball Committee. The total number of Officials is 27.

Each official will be assigned 2 games. If less than 27 officials are submitted, a replacement will be selected by the NYSPHSAA Chairperson or their designee.

If a Section did not submit a name to the State Coordinator by the deadline, then the Section would forfeit their selection and the State Committee would reallocate the Selection to the remaining pool of candidates.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

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COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING

Effective Dates: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

Contest Fee: \$263.00

Number of Judges: 11 + State Rules Interpreter

Selection Process:

Each Section will submit 3 judges to the Sport Chairperson based on judging skills and expertise in the judging score sheet areas. Each Section will have one judge selected. In the event a judge at the last minute cannot uphold their selection, the Sport Chairperson will select a replacement based on names submitted fitting the criteria needed and the spot on the panel to be filled.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

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CROSS COUNTRY

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

MEET FEE (ALL OFFICIALS) \$3121.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST 25

SELECTION PROCESS:

The host section sport committee will select a minimum of 25 officials from the local certified track/field chapter(s). The chapter treasurer(s) will receive the fee for service, no expenses. Lunch for the officials conducting the meet will be provided.

NOTE: The above fees are based on a 4 class State Championship meet.

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FIELD HOCKEY

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL \$137.00
\$68.50 (table/standby)

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST 2 plus 1 table/standby official (semifinals and finals)

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals and finals: Each Section can select a minimum of one official from their Section. They should rank order multiple selections. Each Section is guaranteed at minimum of one official from their Section. The NYSPHSAA Committee selects and assigns the 9 officials for the tournament.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (see lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies (Regional, Semifinal, and Championship)

FOOTBALL

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL \$137.00
\$68.50 (standby)

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST 5 plus 1 standby official
Note – for 2022 the standby official in Semi/Finals will be on the field.

Clock Operator (if required) \$70.00

Minor Officials:
Non-decision Making \$40.00/contest.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals: 25 game assignments for 5 classifications/region. Section Officiating Chapters will provide information on possible officials based on the following: (All officials will be approved by the Sectional Coordinator)

- Small officiating chapters will provide 3 officials: Referee, Umpire & Line Judge.
- Large Chapters will provide 10 officials: 2 Referees, 2 Umpires, 4 Line Judges, 2 Back Judges.

Finals at Carrier Dome: 25 game assignments for 5 classifications. Section Officiating Chapters will provide information on possible officials based on the following: (All officials will be approved by the Sectional Coordinator)

- Small officiating chapters will provide 3 officials: Referee, Umpire & Line Judge.
- Large Chapters will provide 5 officials: Referee, Umpire, 2 Line Judges, Back Judge.

The local officials' chapter will supply 3 members to serve as the chain crew. See non-decision-making fee.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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GOLF – BOYS/GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES **9/1/23 –8/31/26**

TOURNAMENT FEE9 **\$173.00/day**

A certified official from a recognized organization will be selected by the State Coordinator and serve as tournament referee. The referee will receive \$173.00/day. Any other officials will receive breakfast, lunch, and a cart per day.

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**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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GYMNASTICS - GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

MEET FEE PER OFFICIAL \$135.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/MEET 9

SELECTION PROCESS:

4 events. 8 judges and 1 meet referee. The host section shall furnish 2 officials, other participating sections 1 each (a total of 7) on a rotation basis each year.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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ICE HOCKEY

EFFECTIVE DATES: **9/1/23 – 8/31/26**

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL **\$126.00**

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST 3

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals and Finals: 6 games - 18 assignments (8 sections). 12 officials work four Day One games, 6 selected for 2 Day Two games. Each section submits four top-rated officials and two alternates to the NYSPHSAA tournament official's committee. The committee selects and assigns three neutral on ice officials to work on each game. These neutral officials will be selected from the same section. Host sections provide minor officials.

Minor Officials:	Goal Judge - 2 Penalty Box Judge - 2
Two games per day.	Host section to furnish minor officials. 24 assignments.
Minor Officials Fees:	Decision Making -\$46.00. Non-decision-making - \$40.00

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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INDOOR TRACK/FIELD

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

MEET FEE (ALL OFFICIALS) \$13,314.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS 85

The fee will be remitted to the treasurer of the contracted State Officials Organization for disbursement. Each Chapter will select an official to work the State Championship. Section reps may reject any selection by the chapter.

In addition, lunch on Saturday (day of competition) will be provided to the officials conducting the meet.

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LACROSSE – BOYS

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL \$139.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST: 3 field officials plus 1 Chief Bench Official

Chief Bench Official (Regionals on): Full game fee (no meals, mileage, or lodging)

SELECTION PROCESS:

Each Section selects a minimum of one official from each Section. If they select multiple officials, they should be ranked. Each section will have one representative in the semifinal or final. The host Section in the semifinal and final will have 9 officials and the remaining Sections will have 7 in total. The NYSPHSAA Committee makes the final selections and assignments.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

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LACROSSE – GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL \$139.00
\$69.50 (Table Official)

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST: 3 Field Officials plus 1 table official

Table Official (Semifinals & Finals): ½ game fee (no meals, mileage, or lodging)

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals/Finals: Each Section selects a minimum of one official from each Sections. If they select multiple officials, they should be ranked. Each Section has one representative. The remaining officials are selected from the remaining pool. (32 assignments for semi-finals, 16 assignments for finals)

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

MEET FEE (ALL OFFICIALS) \$12,969.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS 85

A fee has been approved for officiating services rendered at the Track and Field State Championships. The fee will be remitted to the treasurer of the contracted State Officials Organization for disbursement. Each Chapter will select one official for the State Championship. A Section rep can eliminate any official selected from the Chapter.

In addition, a meal will be provided to officials for each session of the meet.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
(Regional, Semifinal, and Championship)**

SKIING

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23– 8/31/26

MEET FEE \$173.00/day.

A certified official from a recognized organization will be selected by the State Coordinator and serve as tournament referee. The referee will receive \$173.00/day, no expenses.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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SOCCER – BOYS/GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES:	9/1/23 – 8/31/26		
CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL	\$135.00 \$67.50 (table)		
NUMBER OF OFFICIALS	3 plus 1 table/standby official		
Semifinal and Finals only	Ass't Referee #1	\$121.00	
	Ass't Referee #2	\$121.00	
	Table/standby official	½ game fee	

SELECTION PROCESS (Boys):

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals/Finals: **All Sections will select a 3-person crew with the host section selecting (2) 3-person crews. The host Section will also provide additional table officials if needed. Total number of officials 36.** Selection of officials for the Final contests will be based on the outcome of the Semi-final contests. Total assignments: 54.

SELECTION PROCESS (Girls):

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals and Finals: **All Sections will submit 3 names of their top officials. Each Section will have their top two officials selected to work the Championship. 2 additional officials will be selected from the remaining pool of candidates. Total number of Officials 25.** Selection for the Final contests will be based on the outcome of the Semi-final contest. Total assignments: 54.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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SOFTBALL

EFFECTIVE DATE: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL \$135.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST: 3

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Semifinals and Finals: 6 classes - 18 games with a total of 54 total game assignments. Each Section will provide 2 officials each and the host Section will provide 3 officials. A total of 23 officials will be used during the championship.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception). SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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SWIMMING – BOYS/GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

MEET FEE (All Officials): \$10,966.00

NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/MEET: 40

SELECTION PROCESS:

State tournament: A fee has been approved for officiating services rendered at the Swimming and Diving State Championships. The fee will be remitted to the treasurer of the contracted State Officials Organization for disbursement. Each Chapter will select one official for the State Championship. A Section rep can eliminate any official selected from the Chapter.

In addition, a meal will be provided to officials for each session of the meet.

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TENNIS – BOYS/GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES: 9/1/23 – 8/31/26

FEE FOR TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS 3 officials - \$173 each per day

Officials must be certified by the Eastern Tennis Umpires Association.

**NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies
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VOLLEYBALL – BOYS/GIRLS

EFFECTIVE DATES:	9/1/23 – 8/31/26	
CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL	\$129.00	
GAME FEE PER OFFICIAL	Pool Play - \$27.00/game.	
NUMBER OF OFFICIALS/CONTEST	2 plus 1 standby official	
Minor Official:		
Decision Making	3/5: \$46.00/match	Pool Play: \$9.50/game.
Non-decision making	3/5: \$40.00/match	Pool Play: \$8.00/game.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Regionals: See J under General Policies.

Pool Play and Finals: 2 officials from each participating section.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL PERSONAL EXPENSES. (See lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

NYSPHSAA, INC. Officiating Fees and Policies **(Regional, Semifinal, and Championship)**

WRESTLING

EFFECTIVE DATES:	9/1/23 - 8/31/26
CONTEST FEE PER OFFICIAL (Based on a 22-hour total tournament schedule)	\$601.00
ALTERNATE OFFICIALS FEE @ 50%	\$300.50 (2 alternates)
NUMBER OF OFFICIALS (Ind):	30
NUMBER OF OFFICIALS (Dual):	12
CONTEST FEE PER MATCH (DUAL):	\$138 per match

SELECTION PROCESS (Ind and Dual):

Each chapter and Section can nominate an official to go through a screening process. Each Section can eliminate any official from going through the screening process. Following the screening process by the State Wrestling Officials a final recommendation is made to the Wrestling Committee. The Wrestling Committee has final say in the Section representative. Each Section is given a minimum of one representative at the Tournament.

ADDITIONAL FEES:

The policies for standby officials in team sports apply to the alternate official.

The certified official's chapter of the host section will furnish a minimum of 30 secondary officials for which the treasurer of the chapter will be paid (no expenses): \$498.00.

All officials who are assigned a finals bout (Championship match) will receive an additional \$10.00 above the tournament fee.

THE OFFICIAL IS TO PAY ALL HIS OWN EXPENSES. (see lodging exception) SEE FEE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES FOR ALLOWABLE CLAIMS. VOUCHERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONTEST.

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

Handbook Committee: Adding Language to the Representation Rule

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Pat Pizzarelli. Handbook Chairmen

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee is recommendation adding the following language to the Representation Regulation letter d. *"Board approved coaches may help facilitate practice"*.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2023

Rationale:

NYSPHSAA interpretation has always been that Board of Education coaches can help facilitate practice without competing or practicing against student-athletes. This now clearly states this interpretation in the handbook. This also different coaches between clinicians. Clinicians would still be prevented from practicing or competing against student athletes. This was a concern raised by Section 4.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

None

Attachments:

None

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

Undue Influence Prescribed Penalty

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Pat Pizzarelli, NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee Chair

Proposal:

Consider approval to add the following to the NYSPHSAA Undue Influence Rule:

"The use of undue influence to secure a student for competitive purposes in a sport is prohibited. An infraction shall cause the student to forfeit eligibility in that sport until the student's eligibility is reinstated. One year from the date of enrollment is the earliest a student may request reinstatement of eligibility."

Responsibility for determining student eligibility following a violation of the undue influence rule in a Section is at the discretion of the Section's Executive Committee. Each Section shall establish guidelines to determine the process and standards for eligibility reinstatement."

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2024

Rationale:

Section III's concern with the current rule is that if a school were to unduly influence a student as a freshman, s/he would be eligible to participate in the remaining three years of their high school career, after sitting out one year from the date of the undue influence violation; recruiting sophomores, would leave the student with two years of high school eligibility.

Proposal Originated:

February 2, 2023 Section III Sectional Concern – directed to Handbook Committee.

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The current NYSPHSAA rule states:

"a. The use of undue influence to secure a student for competitive purposes in a sport is prohibited. An infraction shall cause the student to forfeit eligibility in that sport for one year from the date of enrollment."

Attachments:

None.

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

Safety Committee: Mandating Anyone Can Save a Life Program

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

Presenter:

Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Liaison to the Safety Committee

Proposal:

The Safety Committee is recommending mandating all interscholastic teams complete the Any Can Save a Life Program within the first two weeks of the season. A copy of the Emergency Action Plan for the team will be submitted to the AD office by the coach after completion of the program. Teams would also be required to conduct 1 emergency drill prior to 50% of the games being played for that team.

Effective Start Date:

2023-2024 school year

Rationale:

NYSPHSAA has been promoting this program for many years. It has been shown and proven many times that teams that have a plan and practice that plan have a more likely positive outcome to an emergency situation. The whole country got to view this on national TV when DeMar Hamlin went down on a Monday Night Football game. The Safety Committee feels that all teams should be required to have a plan and practice that plan in case of an emergency situation.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Safety Committee

Notes:

The Anyone Can Save a Life program is an online and free program. The site is www.anyonecansavealife.org.

Attachments:

The Anyone Can Save a Life Worksheet

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

Modified: Addition to Modified Wrestling OT

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Jim Rose, Modified Co-Chairperson

Proposal:

The Modified Committee is recommending changing Wrestling Game Condition 6c. *“With Section approval, When the contestants are tied at the end of the three regular periods, they may wrestle overtime. Overtime will first consist of one 30 second sudden victory period in which the wrestlers will start in the neutral position, and if the score is still tied after this sudden victory overtime period wrestlers **may use** another 30-second ultimate ride out tiebreaker using the NFHS game rules for overtime”.*

Effective Start Date:

2023-2024

Rationale:

This change would allow the wrestlers to gain experience of finishing a match following NFHS rules and to a conclusion. This procedure is outlined in the NFHS rulebook.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Modified Committee

Notes:

NFHS Wrestling Rules 7-1c,d

7-1c-6 Choice of position for the ultimate tiebreaker will be granted to the wrestler who scored the first point(s) in the regulation match (first three periods of the match); the wrestler whose opponent has received an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty at anytime during the match will have the choice of position. The unsportsmanlike conduct penalty will supersede the first points scored in the regulation match; if no points are scored in the regulation match, a flip of the disk shall determine the wrestler who has the choice (points for double-stalling or simultaneous penalties shall be considered as no points for the purpose of the tiebreaker choice);

7-1c-7. The wrestler who has choice may select top, bottom or defer the choice to the opponent;

7-1c-8. The wrestler who scores the first point(s) during the ultimate tiebreaker will be declared the winner. If no scoring occurs during the ultimate tiebreaker, the offensive (top) wrestler will be declared the winner and one match point shall be added to the offensive wrestler's score.

7-1d. a fall terminates the match.

NFHS Implicit Bias Course

- ☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

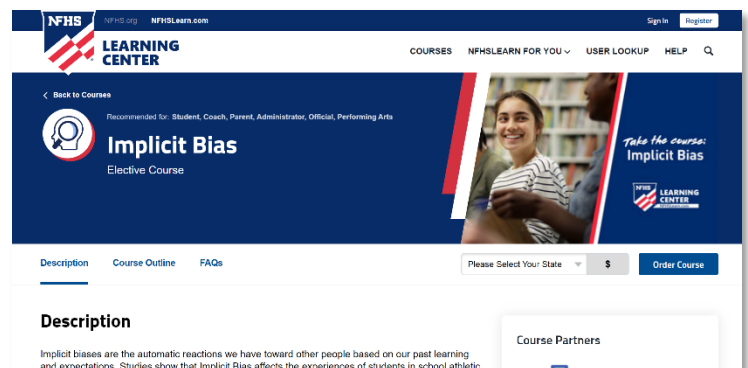
Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consider approval to require all NYSPHSAA Standing Committee members and staff to take free NFHS Implicit Bias course.

Course Description:

Implicit biases are the automatic reactions we have toward other people based on our past learning and expectations. Studies show that Implicit Bias affects the experiences of students in school athletic and activity programs. The NFHS has partnered with Project Implicit to bring you this course, Implicit Bias. Studies support that there is a relationship between implicit bias and real-world behavior, which highlights the importance of being aware of and managing your bias. This course defines and illustrates examples of Implicit Bias and provides research on how it impacts our society.

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2023

Rationale:

Important for anyone associated with governance of NYSPHSAA to understand implicit bias.

Proposal Originated:

April 11, 2023 DEI Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

Includes: Executive Committee, Central Committee, all Sport Committees, Handbook, Modified, Safety, Sportsmanship, Championship Advisory, etc.

Attachments:

None.

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Penalties: Derogatory or inappropriate behavior

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

Presenter:

Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consider approval to add the following to the NYSPHSAA Handbook Penalties section:

“NYSPHSAA Sections may sanction, censor or place schools on probation that fail to protect those involved in interscholastic activities from derogatory or inappropriate behavior deemed harmful to physical or mental well-being.”

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2024

Rationale:

NYSPHSAA Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee wants bring attention to the Sections ability to sanction, censor or place schools on probation for failing to protect those involved in interscholastic activities from derogatory or inappropriate behavior deemed harmful to physical or mental well-being.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

Section I requested the NYSPHSAA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee examine this topic.

Attachments:

None.

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

Sportsmanship: derogatory or racially explicit language; discriminatory harassment or bias conduct

- ☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

Proposal:

Consider approval to add the following to the NYSPHSAA Handbook Sportsmanship section:

"Use of derogatory or racially explicit language; discriminatory harassment or bias conduct that creates a hostile environment that is disruptive to the educational environment. Spectators shall not be permitted to use vulgar/offensive or racially/culturally insensitive language or engage in any racially/culturally insensitive action. NYSPHSAA Sections may sanction, censor or place schools on probation that fail to protect those involved in interscholastic activities from derogatory or inappropriate behavior deemed harmful to physical or mental well-being."

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2024

Rationale:

NYSPHSAA Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee wants bring attention to the Sections ability to sanction, censor or place schools on probation for failing to protect those involved in interscholastic activities from derogatory or inappropriate behavior deemed harmful to physical or mental well-being, while also prohibiting derogatory or racially explicit language; discriminatory harassment or bias conduct.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

Section I requested the NYSPHSAA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee examine this topic.

Attachments:

None.

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

GIRLS/BOYS VOLLEYBALL – **IMPLEMENT “PURPLE CARD” SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY**

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Peggy Seese, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Coordinator
John Coletta, NYSPHSAA Boys Volleyball State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls/Boys Volleyball Committee is seeking approval to implement a “Purple Card” to assist with management of sportsmanship issues with spectators.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2023 season

Rationale:

The committees believe volleyball has serious issues with sportsmanship and would like to address these issues with this new policy. The purple card will give a visual cue to the site supervisors/coaches that there is a spectator/sportsmanship issue.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee meeting on March 21, 2023

Budgetary Impact:

None; NYSCVOA will provide the purple card to the officials.

Notes:

The committee was unanimous in support of this proposal, 9-1.

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

N/A

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL – REVISE STATE TOURNAMENT FORMAT TO BRACKET PLAY

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Peggy Seese, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball State Coordinator
Deb Schruefer, Section VI Girls Volleyball Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee is seeking approval to revise the state tournament format to bracket play (semifinals in place of pool play) for the 2023 state tournament.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2023 season

Rationale:

With the increase to six classes, this will result in more teams and more matches in the state tournament. To avoid an additional day of competition or extending the first day of competition, the committee voted to revise its format to semifinals in each class. This would entail creating the brackets, then creating a schedule off of those brackets. Each final on Sunday would move an hour earlier. This would also allow schools to return home earlier.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee meeting on March 21, 2023.

Budgetary Impact:

The change in format will result in less games for officials thus a savings in tournament expenses. A shorter first day of competition will also result in a slight savings with staffing at the arena.

Notes:

The committee was in support of this proposal by a 6-5 vote. The “no” votes were opposed because they wanted to seek input from their sections before they supported this.

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

No concerns/feedback at April 12th CAC meeting.

April 12, 2023

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GIRLS VOLLEYBALL – NEW REGIONAL ROTATIONS WITH SIX (6) CLASSES FOR 2023-25

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Peggy Seese, NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Committee is seeking approval of a new Regional Rotation for 2023-25 with six (6) classes starting in 2023.

Effective Start Date:

November 2023

Rationale:

Six (6) classifications have been approved for the sport of girls volleyball so it is necessary to revise the regional rotation to reflect the change in programs in some sections. The attached regional rotation schedule outlines the sections that will play to advance to the State Championship.

Proposal Originated:

Girls Volleyball Committee in March 2022

Budget Impact:

Six classes will result in five additional regional contests. The budget impact will be game fees for officials, travel, and host site facility fees associated with playing five additional regional games.

Notes:

Unanimously approved by the Girls Volleyball Committee at its November 2022 meeting.

Attachments:

The actual regional rotation for six classes from 2023 through 2025.

CAC Feedback:

No concerns/feedback at April 12th CAC meeting.

REVISED DATE: April 12, 2023

2022-25 NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Regional Rotations with 6 Classes

	2023 Class AAA	2024 Class AAA	2025 Class AAA
	1@9winner @4	4 @1 winner @9	4@9 winner @ 1
	3@2	2@3	3@2
	6@5	5@6	6@5
	11@8	8@11	11@8

2022 - Class AA	2023 - Class AA	2024 - Class AA	2025 - Class AA
9 @ 4 winner @ 1	1 @ 9 winner @ 4	4 @ 1 winner @ 9	4 @ 9 winner @ 1
2 @ 3	3 @ 2	2 @ 3	3 @ 2
5 @ 6	6 @ 5	5 @ 6	6 @ 5
8 @ 11	11 @ 8	8 @ 11	11 @ 8

2022 - Class A	2023 - Class A	2024 - Class A	2025 - Class A
9 @ 4 winner @ 1	1 @ 9 winner @ 4	4 @ 1 winner @ 9	4 @ 9 winner @ 1
2 @ 3 winner @ 10	3 @ 10 winner @ 2	10 @ 2 winner @ 3	3 @ 2 winner @ 10
5 @ 6	6 @ 5	5 @ 6	6 @ 5
8 @ 11	11 @ 8	8 @ 11	11 @ 8

2022 - Class B	2023 - Class B	2024- Class B	2025 - Class B
9 @ 4 winner @ 1	1 @ 9 winner @ 4	4 @ 1 winner @ 9	4 @ 9 winner @ 1
2 @ 7 10 @ 3 winner @ 10 or 3	7@2 3 @ 10 winner @ 2 or 7	2 @ 7 10@ 3 winner @ 3 or 10	7 @ 2 3 @ 10 winner @ 7 or 2
5 @ 6	6 @ 5	5 @ 6	6 @ 5
8 @ 11	11 @ 8	8 @ 11	11 @ 8

2022 - Class C	2023 - Class C	2024 - Class C	2025 - Class C
1 @ 9 8 @ 11 winners @ 1 or 9	9 @ 1 11 @ 8 Winner @ 8 or 11	1 @ 9 8 @ 11 Winner @ 9 or 1	9 @ 1 11 @ 8 Winner @ 11 or 8
2 @ 7 winner @ 10	7 @ 10 winner @ 2	10 @ 2 winner @ 7	7 @ 2 winner @ 10
5 @ 6	6 @ 5	5 @ 6	6 @ 5
3@4	4@3	3@4	4@3

2022-25 NYSPHSAA Girls Volleyball Regional Rotations with 6 Classes

2022 - Class D	2023 - Class D	2024 - Class D	2025 - Class D
4 @ 1 11 @ 9 winner @ 1 or 4	1 @ 4 9 @ 11 Winner @ 9 or 11	4 @ 1 11 @ 9 Winner @ 4 or 1	1 @ 4 9 @ 11 Winner @ 11 or 9
2 @ 7	7 @ 2	2 @ 7	7 @ 2
5 @ 6	6 @ 5	5 @ 6	6 @ 5
3 @ 10	10 @ 3	3 @ 10	10 @ 3

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GIRLS SOCCER – NEW REGIONAL ROTATIONS WITH SIX (6) CLASSES FOR 2023-30

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Joe Vasile-Cozzo, NYSPHSAA Girls Soccer Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Girls Soccer Committee is seeking approval of a new Regional Rotation for 2023-30 with six (6) classes starting in 2023.

Effective Start Date:

November 2023

Rationale:

Six (6) classifications have been approved for the sport of girls soccer so it is necessary to revise the regional rotation to reflect the change in programs in some sections. The attached regional rotation schedule outlines the sections that will play to advance to the State Championship.

Proposal Originated:

Girls Soccer Committee in February 2023

Budget Impact:

Six classes will result in five additional regional contests. The budget impact will be game fees for officials, travel, and host site facility fees associated with playing five additional regional games.

Notes:

Unanimously approved by the Girls Soccer Committee at it's February 2023 Zoom meeting.

Attachments:

The actual regional rotation for six classes from 2023 through 2030.

CAC Feedback:

No concerns or feedback at April 12, 2023 CAC meeting.

REVISED DATE: April 12, 2023

NYSPPHSAA GIRLS SOCCER
2023-30 REGIONAL ROTATIONS & CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRINGS

Groupings for Final Four Rotation

Class AAA

Group One: Sections 1, 4 and 9
 Group Two: Sections 8 and 11
 Group Three: Sections 5 and 6
 Group Four: Sections 2 and 3

Class AA:

Group One: Sections 1, 4 and 9
 Group Two: Sections 8 and 11
 Group Three: Sections 5 and 6
 Group Four: Sections 2 and 3

Class A:

Group One: Sections 1, 4 and 9
 Group Two: Sections 8 and 11
 Group Three: Sections 5 and 6
 Group Four: Sections 2, 3, 7 and 10

Class B:

Group One: Sections 1,8,9 and 11
 Group Two: Sections 3 and 4
 Group Three: Sections 2,7 and 10
 Group Four: Sections 5 and 6

Class C:

Group One: Sections 1, 8, 9 and 11
 Group Two: Sections 2, 7 and 10
 Group Three: Sections 3 and 4
 Group Four: Sections 5 and 6

Class D:

Group One: Sections 1, 2, 9 and 11
 Group Two: Sections 7 and 10
 Group Three: Sections 3 and 4
 Group Four: Sections 5 and 6

Schedule for Final Four Rotation

2022, 2025, 2028 Group One winner vs. Group Two winner
 Group Three winner vs. Group Four winner

2023, 2026 2029 Group One winner vs. Group Three winner
 Group Two winner vs. Group Four winner

2024, 2027, 2030 Group One winner vs. Group Four winner
 Group Two winner vs. Group Three winner

REGIONALS

AAA	1/4/9	8/11	2/3	5/6
	19	34	13	9
AA	1/4/9	8/11	2/3	5/6
	34	39	23	28
A	1/4/9	8/11	2/3/7/10	5/6
	29	29	34	31
B	1/8/9/11	3/4	2/7/10	5/6
	29	29	27	38
C	1/9/11	2/7/10	3/4	5/6
	11	27	43	41
D	2/9/11	3/4	7/10	5/6
	18	41	22	19

Revised 4/3/2023

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BOYS SOCCER – NEW REGIONAL ROTATIONS WITH SIX (6) CLASSES FOR 2021-26

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Mike Andrew, NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee is seeking approval of a new Regional Rotation for 2021-26 with six (6) classes starting in 2023.

Effective Start Date:

November 2023

Rationale:

Six (6) classifications have been approved for the sport of boys soccer so it is necessary to revise the regional rotation to reflect the change in programs in some sections. The attached regional rotation schedule outlines the sections that will play to advance to the State Championship.

Proposal Originated:

Boys Soccer Committee in February 2023

Budget Impact:

Six classes will result in five additional regional contests. The budget impact will be game fees for officials, travel, and host site facility fees associated with playing five additional regional games.

Notes:

Unanimously approved by the Boys Soccer Committee at it's February 2023 Zoom meeting.

Attachments:

The actual regional rotation for six classes from 2023 through 2030.

CAC Feedback:

No concerns or feedback at April 12, 2023 CAC meeting.

REVISED DATE: April 12, 2023



N.Y.S.P.H.S.A.A.
Boys Soccer State Tournament Rotation
Last adjusted 04/03/23



Semi-final alignment

(the team listed first in each game is the away team and the top bracket is away team in the final)

(the game listed on the first line is the top bracket and the game on the second line is the bottom bracket)

Class/year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Class AAA			1,4,9 v. 8,11 5,6 v. 2,3	8,11 v. 2,3 1,4,9 v. 5,6	1,4,9 v. 2,3 8,11 v. 5,6	8,11 v. 1,4,9 2,3 v. 5,6
Class AA	2,3 v. 8,11 5,6 v. 1,4,9	2,3 v. 1,4,9 5,6 v. 8,11	1,4,9 v. 8,11 5,6 v. 2,3	8,11 v. 2,3 1,4,9 v. 5,6	1,4,9 v. 2,3 8,11 v. 5,6	8,11 v. 1,4,9 2,3 v. 5,6
Class A	5,6 v. 1,4,9 2,3,7,10 v. 8,11	5,6 v. 8,11 2,3,7,10 v. 1,4,9	5,6 v. 2,3,7,10 1,4,9 v. 8,11	1,4,9 v. 5,6 8,11 v. 2,3,7,10	8,11 v. 5,6 1,4,9 v. 2,3,7,10	8,11 v. 1,4,9 2,3,7,10 v. 5,6
Class B	3,4 v. 1,8,9,11 5,6 v. 2,7,10	3,4 v. 2,7,10 5,6 v. 1,9,8,11	2,7,10 v. 1,9, 8,11 5,6 v. 3,4	1,8,9,11 v. 3,4 2,7,10 v. 5,6	2,7,10 v. 3,4 8,11 v. 5,6	1,9,8,11 v. 2,7,10 3,4 v. 5,6
Class C	3,4 v. 1,8,9,11 5,6 v. 2,7,10	3,4 v. 2,7,10 5,6 v. 1,9,8,11	2,7,10 v. 1,9, 8,11 5,6 v. 3,4	1,8,9,11 v. 3,4 2,7,10 v. 5,6	2,7,10 v. 3,4 1,9,8,11 v. 5,6	1,9,8,11 v. 2,7,10 3,4 v. 5,6
Class D	1,2,9,11 v. 3,4 5,6 v. 7,10	7,10 v. 3,4 5,6 v. 1,2,9,11	7,10 v. 1,2,9,11 5,6 v. 3,4	3,4 v. 1,2,9,11 7,10 v. 5,6	3,4 v. 7,10 1,2,9,11 v. 5,6	1,2,9,11 v. 7,10 3,4 v. 5,6

Class AAA						
Sub-regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-4-9			4@1-9 bye	1@9-4 bye	4@9-1 bye	1@4-9 bye
2-3			No game	No game	No game	No game
5-6			No game	No game	No game	No game
7-10			No game	No game	No game	No game
8-11			No game	No game	No game	No game
Class AAA						
Regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-4-9			4 or 1@9	9 or 1@4	1@4 or 9	9@4 or 1
2-3			@3	@2	@3	@2
5-6			@6	@5	@6	@5
8-11			@11	@8	@11	@8
Class AA						
Sub-regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-4-9	9@1-4 bye	9@4-1 bye	4@1-9 bye	1@9-4 bye	4@9-1 bye	1@4-9 bye
2-3	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
5-6	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
7-10	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
8-11	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
Class AA						
Regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-4-9	4@9 or 1	4 or 9@1	4 or 1@9	9 or 1@4	1@4 or 9	9@4 or 1
2-3	@3	@2	@3	@2	@3	@2
5-6	@6	@5	@6	@5	@6	@5
8-11	@11	@8	@11	@8	@11	@8

Class A						
Sub-regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-4-9	9@1-4 bye	9@4-1 bye	4@1-9 bye	1@9-4 bye	4@9-1 bye	1@4-9 bye
2-3-10	2@3-10 bye	3@10-2 bye	10@2-3 bye	3@2-10 bye	10@3-2 bye	2@10-3 bye
**2-3	@3	@2	@3	@2	@3	@2
5-6	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
**7-10	@7	@10	@7	@10	@7	@10
8-11	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
Class A						
Regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-4-9	4@9 or 1	4 or 9@1	4 or 1@9	9 or 1@4	1@4 or 9	9@4 or 1
2-3-10	2 or 3@10	3 or 10@2	2 or 10@3	10@2 or 3	2@3 or 10	3@2 or 10
**2-3-7-10	7or10@2or3	2or3@7or10	7or10@2or3	2or3@7or10	7or10@2or3	2or3@7or10
5-6	@6	@5	@6	@5	@6	@5
8-11	@11	@8	@11	@8	@11	@8

**** In the event that Section 7 has an entry in Class A**

Class B						
Sub-regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-9	@9	@1	@9	@1	@9	@1
2-7-10	7@10-2 bye	10@2-7 bye	2@7-10 bye	10@7-2bye	2@10-7 bye	7@2-10bye
3-4	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
5-6	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
8-11	@8	@11	@8	@11	@8	@11
Class B						
Regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-9-8-11	1or9@8or11	8or11@1or9	1or9@8or11	8or11@1or9	1or9@8or11	8or11@1or9
2-7-10	2 @7 or 10	7@ 10 or 2	10 @ 2 or 7	10 or 7 @2	2 or 10@7	7 or 2@ 10
3-4	@4	@3	@4	@3	@4	@3
5-6	@6	@5	@6	@5	@6	@5

Class C						
Sub-regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-9	@9	@1	@9	@1	@9	@1
1-9-11*	9@1-11 bye	11@1-9 bye	9@11-1 bye	1@9-11 bye	1@11-9 bye	11@9-1 bye
2-7-10	7@10-2 bye	10@2-7 bye	2@7-10 bye	10@7-2bye	2@10-7 bye	7@2-10bye
3-4	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
5-6	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
8-11	@8	@11	@8	@11	@8	@11
Class C						
Regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-9-8-11	1or9@8or11	8or11@1or9	1or9@8or11	8or11@1or9	1or9@8or11	8or11@1or9
1-9-11*	1or9@11	1or11@9	9or11@1	1or9@11	1or11@9	9or11@1
2-7-10	2 @7 or 10	7@ 10 or 2	10 @ 2 or 7	10 or 7 @2	2 or 10@7	7 or 2@ 10
3-4	@4	@3	@4	@3	@4	@3
5-6	@6	@5	@6	@5	@6	@5

***** When Section 8 does not have a team**

Class D						
Sub-regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-2	@2	@1	@2	@1	@2	@1
If 1 has no team	9@11-2 bye	2@11-9 bye	2@9-11 bye	11@9-2 bye	11@2-9 bye	9@2-11 bye
3-4	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
5-6	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
7-10	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
9-11	9@11	@9	@11	@9	@11	@9
If 11 withdraws	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game	No game
Class D						
Regional	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
1-2-9-11	1or2@9or11	9or11@1or2	1or2@9or11	9or11@1or2	1or2@9or11	9or11@1or2
If 1 has no team	2@9or11	9@2or11	11@9or2	2@9or11	9@2or11	11@9or2
If 11 withdraws	2@9	9@2	2@9	9@2	2@9	9@2
3-4	@4	@3	@4	@3	@4	@3
5-6	@6	@5	@6	@5	@6	@5
7-10	@ 10	@7	@10	@7	@10	@7

*****if there is a team from section 1, but not from section 11, then we will substitute 1 for 11**

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Cheerleading: Classification Cut-Off Numbers

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Jenn Simmons, NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Chairperson

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee is recommending the following Classification Cut-Off numbers for Competitive Cheerleading and Game Day Cheerleading. The proposal also includes establishing a minimum of 2 stunt groups (8 athletes) and maximum of 20 athletes for Class C and Class D. The minimum of 3 stunt groups (12 athletes) and a maximum of 24 athletes for Class A and Class B. Co-Ed would have a minimum of 2 stunt groups (8 athletes) and a maximum of 24 athletes. The minimum and maximum requirements would only be in effect for competing in the NYSPHSAA State Championships.

Competitive Cheer

Class A – 1025 and up – 75 schools
Class B – 555 to 1024 – 127 schools
Class C – 250 to 554 – 127 schools
Class D – 249 and below - 100 schools
Co-Ed – One Class

Game Day

Class A 849-up 75 schools
Class B 479-848 75 schools
Class C 478-below 77 schools

Effective Start Date: 2023-2024

Rationale:

At the direction of the Executive Committee the Cheer Committee was directed to discuss, examine, and recommend a change in the current classification system for competitive cheerleading. The Cheer Committee agreed that most of our smaller schools were not able to compete and be successful against the larger schools with the current divisional breakdown. The Cheerleading Committee also felt it was important to establish a minimum and maximum number of stunt groups and athletes to help level the playing field between the teams competing in the classes. Game Day has been approved as a State Championship starting in the Fall of 2023. The recommendation is following the criteria set in the NYSPHSAA Championship Philosophy Document. There is currently 200+ teams competing in Game Day Cheer which allows them to have 3 classes. The classes have been divided evenly.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee

Budgetary Impact:

No change for Competitive Cheer. Game Day is going from 4 classes to 3 classes.

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Cheer Committee unanimously supported this proposal.

Attachments:

None

April 11, 2023

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

GYMNASTICS – Approval of Revised Scoring Changes to its Technical Handbook

- ☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Marbry Gansle, NYSPHSAA Gymnastics Coordinator
Kim Rhatigan, NYSPHSAA Gymnastics Assistant Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Gymnastics Committee is seeking approval for scoring changes in its Technical Handbook:

A. Value Part Recognition on Floor Acro Passes:

- 1) To receive Value Part credit a 2nd time for the same Salto or Aerial (If a different flight element with hand support precedes or is directly follow by a Salto/Aerial it will make the Acro pass different.)
- 2) The addition or deletion of a dance element following or directly connected to the last Salto or Aerial element in an Acro pass will make the pass different.

B. Lower the Start Value of a Handspring Vault to an 8.5 from an 8.6.

Effective Start Date:

Fall 2023

Rationale:

The proposed changes for Part A above are already approved by USAG, the governing body of rules our Technical Handbook is based on. These changes will allow the high school gymnast to receive more value for their routine. USAG has increased the deductions for the Handspring. Our committee would rather lower the Start Value of the Handspring as indicated in Part B above to an 8.5 to benefit the high school gymnast.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Gymnastics Committee on March 3, 2023.

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The Gymnastics Committee was unanimously in favor of this proposal at its March 2023 meeting.

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Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

GIRLS AND BOYS BOWLING: Classification Cut-Off Numbers

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Eileen Shultis, Girls Bowling Coordinator
Mike O'Connell, Boys Bowling Coordinator

Proposal:

The Boys and Girls Bowling Committees are recommending Bowling become a variation sport and keep the classification cut-off numbers at 600 and above for Division 1 and 599 and below for Division 2.

Effective Start Date:

2023-2024

Rationale:

The committee was not in favor of using the recently approved formula of 40% of the teams in Division 1 and 60% of the teams in Division 2. The committee felt that this would have an adverse effect on those teams and the competition in Division 2. The committees also felt the boys' and girls' teams should have the same cut-off numbers because of coaches coaching both teams.

Proposal Originated:

NYSPHSAA Boys and Girls Bowling Committee in December 2022

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Boys and Girls Bowling Committee unanimously supported this proposal.

Attachments:

None

CAC Feedback:

No concerns or feedback at April 12, 2023 CAC meeting.

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BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING – QUALIFYING STANDARDS FOR 2023-2024 SEASON

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

Peter Hugo, NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving State Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving Committee is seeking approval to keep the qualifying standards the same as 2022-23 despite exceeding the 5%-8% standard set forth by Championship Philosophy Committee (CPC).

EVENT	PROPOSED STANDARD
200 Medley Relay	1:40.67
200 Freestyle	1:47.60
200 Individual Medley	2:00.63
50 Freestyle	22.19
Diving	450.00
100 Butterfly	53.95
100 Freestyle	48.76
500 Freestyle	4:52.52
200 Freestyle Relay	1:30.12
100 Backstroke	54.82
100 Breaststroke	1:01.20
400 Freestyle Relay	3:18.87

Number of boys participating in Swimming & Diving: 4,740

Number of boys participating in NYSPHSAA Championships: 401 (+ 22 athletes, 8.5% of total participation)

**CAC Standard requires 5-8% of participation*

Rationale:

This is an annual proposal reviewing participation in the sport and how many athletes qualify for states. Participation figures used for 2021-22 season were pre-COVID figures. Since 2004, Boys Swimming & Diving has had no less than 5,400 participants and has kept its state tournament participant # between 5%-8% as required by CPC & CAC. Due to the pandemic, participation was down to 4,740 in 2021-22 which resulted in 8.5% of qualifiers in the state tournament for 2022-23. The committee feels this is an anomaly coming out of a pandemic and participation will increase back to over 5,000. If the qualifying standards are reduced, this may result in a significant decrease in the # of athletes qualifying for the state tournament.

Budget impact: None

Effective Start Date: Winter 2022-2023

CAC Feedback: No concerns or feedback at April 12, 2023 CAC meeting.

DATE REVISED: April 12, 2023

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BASEBALL – NEW REGIONAL ROTATIONS WITH SIX (6) CLASSES FOR 2024-2029

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion/ Information Item

Presenter:

Al Roy, NYSPHSAA Baseball Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Baseball Committee is seeking approval of a new Regional Rotation for 2024-2029 with six (6) classes starting in 2024.

Effective Start Date:

March 2024

Rationale:

Six (6) classifications have been approved for the sport of baseball so it is necessary to revise the regional rotation to reflect the change in programs in some sections. The attached regional rotation schedule outlines the sections that will play to advance to the State Championship.

Proposal Originated:

Baseball Committee on January 4, 2023

Budget Impact:

Six classes will result in five additional regional contests. The budget impact will be game fees for umpires, travel, and host site facility fees associated with playing five additional regional games.

Notes:

Unanimously approved by the Baseball Committee at it's January 4, 2023 Zoom meeting.

Attachments:

The actual regional rotation for six classes from 2024 through 2029.

CAC Feedback:

No concerns or feedback at April 12, 2023 CAC meeting.

DATE: April 12, 2023

BASEBALL 6 CLASSIFICATION REGIONAL ROTATIONS - 2024-2029											
2024			2025			2026			2027		
CLASS	Regional Semi	Regional Final	Regional Semi	Regional Final	Regional Semi	Regional Final	Regional Semi	Regional Final	Regional Semi	Regional Final	Regional Final
REGION	Thursday	Saturday	Thursday	Saturday	Thursday	Saturday	Thursday	Saturday	Thursday	Saturday	Thursday
AAA SOUTHEAST		8 @ 11		11 @ 8		8 @ 11		11 @ 8		8 @ 11	11 @ 8
CAPITAL	1 @ 4	9 @ 1 or 4	9 @ 1	4 @ 9 or 1		1 @ 9 or 4	4 @ 1	9 @ 4 or 1		4 @ 1 or 9	4 @ 9
CENTRAL		2 @ 3		3 @ 2		2 @ 3		3 @ 2		2 @ 3	3 @ 2
FAR WEST		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6	6 @ 5
AA SOUTHEAST		11 @ 8		8 @ 11		11 @ 8		8 @ 11		11 @ 8	8 @ 11
CAPITAL	4 @ 9	1 @ 4 or 9	1 @ 4	9 @ 1 or 4	9 @ 1	4 @ 9 or 1	9 @ 4	1 @ 9 or 4	4 @ 1	9 @ 4 or 1	4 @ 9
CENTRAL		3 @ 2		2 @ 3		3 @ 2		2 @ 3		3 @ 2	2 @ 3
FAR WEST		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5	5 @ 6
A SOUTHEAST		8 @ 11		11 @ 8		8 @ 11		11 @ 8		8 @ 11	11 @ 8
CAPITAL	4 @ 1	9 @ 4 or 1	9 @ 1	4 @ 9 or 1	4 @ 9	1 @ 9 or 4	1 @ 4	9 @ 1 or 4	1 @ 9	4 @ 1 or 9	9 @ 4
CENTRAL	2 @ 7 & 3 @ 10	2 @ 7 @ 3 or 10	7 @ 2 & 10 @ 3	7 @ 2 @ 3 or 10	2 @ 7 & 3 & 10	3 @ 10 @ 2 or 7	7 @ 2 & 10 & 3	3 @ 10 @ 2 or 7	2 @ 7 & 3 @ 10	2 @ 7 @ 3 or 10	7 @ 2 & 10 @ 3
FAR WEST		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6	6 @ 5
B SOUTHEAST	11 @ 8 & 1 @ 9	11 @ 8 @ 9 or 1	8 @ 11 & 9 @ 1	8 @ 11 @ 9 or 1	11 @ 8 & 1 @ 9	1 @ 9 @ 11 or 8	8 @ 11 & 9 @ 1	9 @ 1 @ 8 or 11	11 @ 8 & 1 @ 9	11 @ 8 @ 1 or 9	8 @ 11 & 9 @ 1
CAPITAL	7 @ 2	10 @ 7 or 2	10 @ 7	2 @ 10 or 7	2 @ 10	7 @ 2 or 10	2 @ 7	10 @ 2 or 7	7 @ 10	2 @ 7 or 10	10 @ 2
CENTRAL		4 @ 3		3 @ 4		4 @ 3		3 @ 4		4 @ 3	3 @ 4
FAR WEST		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5	5 @ 6
C SOUTHEAST	8 @ 11 & 9 @ 1	9 @ 1 @ 8 or 11	11 @ 8 & 1 @ 9	9 @ 1 @ 11 or 8	8 @ 11 & 9 @ 1	8 @ 11 @ 9 or 1	11 @ 8 & 1 @ 9	11 @ 8 @ 1 or 9	8 @ 11 & 9 @ 1	9 @ 1 @ 8 or 11	11 @ 8 & 1 @ 9
CAPITAL	2 @ 10	7 @ 2 or 10	7 @ 2	10 @ 7 or 2	10 @ 7	2 @ 10 or 7	10 @ 2	7 @ 10 or 2	2 @ 7	10 @ 2 or 7	7 @ 10
CENTRAL		4 @ 3		3 @ 4		4 @ 3		3 @ 4		4 @ 3	3 @ 4
FAR WEST		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6	6 @ 5
D SOUTHEAST		9 @ 11		11 @ 9		9 @ 11		11 @ 9		9 @ 11	11 @ 9
CAPITAL	10 @ 7	2 @ 10 or 7	2 @ 10	7 @ 2 or 10	7 @ 2	10 @ 7 or 2	7 @ 10	2 @ 7 or 10	10 @ 2	7 @ 10 or 2	2 @ 7
CENTRAL		3 @ 4		4 @ 3		3 @ 4		4 @ 3		3 @ 4	4 @ 3
FAR WEST		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5		5 @ 6		6 @ 5	5 @ 6
NOTES:											
In Class A If Section 7 has a school they will be placed in a rotation with Sections 2, 3 & 10. Match-up will be			In Class C If Section 8 does not have a school participating Match-ups and sites will be determined on a rotating basis			In Class D If Sections 1, 8 & 11 do not have a school participating then Section 2 will move from the Capital Region and placed in the Southeast region to play Section 9.			Sites will be determined based on previous years sites.		
Section 2 vs Section 7 & Section 3 vs Section 10. Sites will be determined based on previous years sites.											

New York State Public High School Athletic Association



Executive Committee Meeting – May 3, 2023

BOYS LACROSSE –New Regional Rotation for 2028-33 creating equitable number of outbracket games for all regions

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

James Amen Jr., NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Sport Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Committee is seeking approval for a new Regional Rotation for 2028-33 which would create an equitable rotation with each region playing an equal number of outbracket (sub-regional) games over six years.

Effective Start Date:

June 2028

Rationale:

The current regional rotation forces the same regions to play outbracket (sub-regional) games every year while some regions only play one regional game for a berth in the NYSPHSAA State Semifinals. A new six-year rotation would guarantee an equal number of outbracket and regional games for each region over the term.

Proposal Originated:

On January 16, 2023, the NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Committee began discussing ways to create equity in their regional rotations.

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal in February 2023.

Attachments:

Actual Regional Rotation from 2028-2033

CAC Feedback:

No concerns/questions at April 12, 2023 meeting.

BOYS LACROSSE REGIONAL ROTATIONS 2028-33*Revised 1/20/2023***Class A & B ONLY*******There is no Class A & B in Section 10***

Year	Outbracket	Regional	Semi-Final
2028	8 @ 11	8/11 @ 9 1 @ 2 5 @ 6 3 @ 4	1/2 v 8/11/9 3/4 v 5/6
2029	2 @ 1	9 @ 2/1 11 @ 8 6 @ 5 4 @ 3	11/8/9 v 1/2 3/4 v 5/6
2030	1 @ 9	2 @ 1/9 8 @ 11 5 @ 6 3 @ 4	1/2 v 8/11/9 3/4 v 5/6
2031	9 @ 1	2 @ 9/1 11 @ 8 6 @ 5 4 @ 3	11/8/9 v 1/2 3/4 @ 5/6
2032	9 @ 2	1 @ 9/2 8 @ 11 5 @ 6 3 @ 4	1/2 v 8/11/9 3/4 v 5/6
2033	11 @ 8	9 @ 11/8 1 @ 2 6 @ 5 4 @ 3	11/8/9 v 1/2 3/4 v 5/6

Class C & D ONLY

Year	Outbracket	Regional	Semi-Final
2028	8 @ 11	8/11 @ 9	1/2 v 8/11/9
	5 @ 6	1 @ 2 5/6 @ 4 10 @ 3	10/3 v 4/5/6
2029	2 @ 1	9 @ 2/1	11/8/9 v 1/2
	4 @ 10	11 @ 8 4/10 @ 3 6 @ 5	4/5/6 v 3/10
2030	1 @ 9	2 @ 1/9	1/2 v 8/11/9
	4 @ 3	8 @ 11 4/3 @ 10 5 @ 6	10/3 v 4/5/6
2031	9 @ 1	2 @ 9/1	11/8/9 v 1/2
	3 @ 4	11 @ 8 10 @ 3/4 6 @ 5	4/5/6 v 3/10
2032	9 @ 2	1 @ 9/2	1/2 v 8/11/9
	10 @ 3	8 @ 11 10/3 @ 4 5 @ 6	10/3 v 4/5/6
2033	11 @ 8	9 @ 11/8	11/8/9 v 1/2
	6 @ 5	1 @ 2 4 @ 5/6 3 @ 10	4/5/6 v 3/10

New York State Public High School Athletic Association



Central Committee – July 25-26, 2023

BOYS & GIRLS LACROSSE – Request Earlier Start Date for 2024 and beyond

☒ Action Item
☐ Discussion Item
☐ Informational Item

Presenter:

James Amen Jr., NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Sport Coordinator
Liz Parry, NYSPHSAA Girls Lacrosse Sport Coordinator

Proposal:

The NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse and Girls Lacrosse Committees are seeking approval to start the Saturday of Week #36 (March 9, 2024)—two days earlier than the traditional spring sports start date.

Effective Start Date:

March 9, 2024

Rationale:

This will allow schools to be able to conduct a scrimmage or contest on the following Saturday. For example, in 2024, a scrimmage can be conducted on March 16, 2024 due to having enough practices in instead of waiting until the following Monday for the first scrimmage/game. Football has successfully requested an earlier start date to allow for more practices prior to the first game. This request would fall in line with the football proposal.

Proposal Originated:

Both committees began discussion of this proposal in November 2022 and mutually agreed to go forward.

Budgetary Impact:

None

Notes:

Both the boys and girls committee voted unanimously in favor of this proposal in February 2023.

Attachments:

None

APPENDIX G



NYSPHSAA Unified Committee

Date: March 23, 2023 at 11am

Topic Discussed:

1. 2022-2023 Bowling Recap
2. 2023 Basketball Season
3. Fall Season Considerations

Attendees:

Section I – Tom Baker
Section 2 –
Section III – John Jefferies/Mike Cloan
Section IV –
Section V – Denny Fries
Section VI – Doug Ames
Section VII –
Section VIII – Patrick Maguire
Section IX – Rich Silverstein
Section X –
Section XI –
NYSPHSAA – Todd Nelson
Guest – Nate Johnson, Leigh Howard, Nicole Fess, Jess Dauvergne, Michael Paglicci, Emily Mohlin, Dan Kuberka

Status Updates:

1. Sections reported on the Bowling Season
2. 2023 Basketball Season
 - a. Nate and Todd will be recording and releasing a virtual official training. Will be released at the beginning of April.
 - b. Nate and Todd reviewed the Principal of Meaningful involvement.
 - c. Reminder that NYSPHSAA has waived the representation rule which allows students who participated in Winter Basketball to participate in Unified Basketball. Sections can be more restrictive and prohibit students from participating in both seasons. NYSPHSAA and Special Olympics are opposed to this waiver since it could cause an unfair advantage and Special Olympics philosophy that teams should be of like ability.
 - d. Tournament Philosophy. NYSPHSAA and Special Olympics would like to provide Unified teams similar experiences other interscholastic teams have when participating in regular season tournaments. We encourage Sections to consider offering an end of the season tournament. NYSPHSAA and SONY cover the expenses of the plaques, medals, officials, and t-shirts.

Items Discussion/ Action Taken:

1. Third season consideration. Several options have been suggested as a 3rd sport offering. These offerings include Volleyball, Soccer, Cross Country, and Bocce. Bocce would need a recommendation and approval to offer it as an interscholastic sport. Currently a few Sections are interested in piloting it as an intramural/extramural activity. We will continue to try and expand the Unified sport offerings.

Future Items/Meeting:

1. Continue the waiver of the representation rule.
2. Next Meeting: June 2023



CHAMPIONSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, April 12, 2023

CAC Members Attending: Greg Ransom (Chair), Mike Andrew (Team Sports), Deb Ferry (At-Large), Josh Harrica (At-Large), Adam Stoltman (Superintendent Rep & NYSPHSAA 2nd Vice President), Eileen Troy (At-Large), Jamie Harter (Ind. Sports), Mark Ward (At-Large), Susan Reid (At-Large), Absent with notice: Kathy Hoyt (Executive Director), Carlos Cotto (At-Large)

Staff/Officers Attending: Joe Altieri (CAC Liaison/Assistant Director), Dr. Robert Zayas (Executive Director), Todd Nelson (Assistant Director), Kristen Jadin (Assistant Director), Chris Joyce (Director of Marketing), Chris Watson (Director of Communications), Julie Bergman (Past President), Olivia Parkin (Intern), Absent with notice: Russell Bartlett (President), Tim Mullins (Vice President)

Coordinators Attending: Tom Wells (Outdoor Track), Jen Simmons (Cheer), Tom Gladd (Boys Golf), Jamie Harter (Girls Golf), Jim Amen (Boys Lax), Al Roy (Baseball), Peggy Seese (Girls Volleyball), Peter Hugo (Boys Swimming/Diving), Gary Vanderzee (Football)

Call to Order by Chair Greg Ransom at 10:04 am. Greg welcomed the committee and reminded everyone votes for action items will take place at the end of the meeting when coordinators are dismissed. Assistant Director Joe Altieri noted announced absences today. He also outlined the following corrections to proposals:

- * ACTION - Girls Golf, Max Three Times Par – Under “Notes” it should read Girls Golf instead of Boys
- * DISCUSSION - Boys Lacrosse, Regional Rotation – Should read 2028-33 throughout, not 2028-32.
- * NEEDS REVIEW/INPUT – Gymnastics Championship revision was moved to “informational” and does not need review at this time.

ACTION ITEMS *(These items will be presented for a vote at the May 3rd Executive Committee Meeting):*

Girls Golf-Scoring Maximum of Three Times Par – Coordinator Jamie Harter explained the proposal. He indicated this proposal will be requested to be tabled by some sections at the Executive Committee meeting. Eileen noted on the proposal form under feedback it should say there were concerns at the last meeting, as per CAC meeting minutes on January 11, 2023. Joe will update that section. Deb asked if this can be withdrawn at this time. Joe stated yes, it can be but explained that this typically happens when new information comes forward and the proposal changes. He stated there was no new information with the proposal and it was the opinion of a few members of the girls golf committee that requested the withdrawal. Dr. Zayas agreed and said he would support it being withdrawn. This proposal will no longer be on the Executive Committee agenda.

Boys & Girls Golf-Allow Cell Phones as Distance Measuring Devices – Coordinators Tom Gladd & Jamie Harter explained the proposal. Eileen noted the history of range finders and since its new territory, she suggested letting the boys implement it and see how it goes, then allow the girls to do it later. She indicated some sections have also had their seasons in the fall without the rule. Tom noted his committee is going to be very clear with players and coaches at their pre-meeting and believes its good for the boys side. Joe asked if the committee agreed unanimously or if there was objection in addition to if the committee was keeping the proposal alive or withdrawing it based on Eileen’s concerns. Jamie and Eileen noted a correction in the proposal to read 8-2 in favor of the proposal and Jamie indicated the committee would like to move this forward.

MOTION by Deb to support the proposal. SECOND by Mark CARRIED 7-1.

***Joe was asked to research if CAC members were permitted to vote on items they bring to CAC as Sport Coordinators. (Jamie Harter is a CAC member and presented the Girls Golf proposals today). He found, prior to taking over as CAC liaison in 2015, votes of each individual member were not recorded nor was the vote count. Simply "Motion Carried" was stated. Since today there was support of CAC members (who also serve as Sport Coordinators) voting on all proposals, the CAC will continue to permit all of its members to vote on all proposals regardless of if they are Sport Coordinators.*

Outdoor Track-Remove Hand Timing – Coordinator Tom Wells explained the proposal. Mike brought up the financial burden it may cause to small schools in his section. Deb noted they are at invitationals where they can qualify, not at dual meets. Mike stated the larger schools are able to purchase the FAT timing because they can afford it.

MOTION by Jamie to support the proposal. SECOND by Deb CARRIED 8-0.

Outdoor Track-Meet Format for Super Qualifier – Coordinators Tom Wells explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

MOTION by Mark to support the proposal. SECOND by Eileen. CARRIED 8-0.

Game Day Cheer-Revise State Championship to Sunday of Week #18 – Coordinator Jen Simmons explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

MOTION by Josh to support the proposal. SECOND by Deb CARRIED 8-0.

CAC/Football-Continue Pilot Program with Officials – Coordinator Gary Vanderzee explained the proposal, which is for one more year. No questions/concerns were raised.

MOTION by Mike to support the proposal. SECOND by Jamie. CARRIED 7-0-1 (Abstain: Sue).

Digital Participation Certificates at Regional/State Tournaments – Assistant Director Joe Altieri explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

MOTION by Jamie to support the proposal. SECOND by Mike. CARRIED 8-0.

Non-Variation Sports Timeline (Jen Simmons Rule) – Assistant Director Todd Nelson explained the proposal. He stated the language in the handbook should be removed to allow the committees to present their proposal when necessary. Greg asked if it should go to the Handbook Committee. Todd stated it should after we go through the Executive Committee meeting on May 3rd.

MOTION by Deb to support the proposal. SECOND by Josh. CARRIED 8-0.

Sport Classification-Outdoor Track – Coordinator Tom Wells explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised. Mike Andrew indicated there was some confusion on becoming a variation sport or staying the same. Tom noted there was a 2/3 vote in support of this. Deb inquired about having enough teams to do this. It was stated yes, there are at this time. Mike asked about wrestling and bowling and Todd confirmed wrestling has been approved and bowling is on the agenda.

MOTION by Mark to support the proposal. SECOND by Josh. CARRIED 8-0.

Sport Classification-Boys & Girls Tennis – Assistant Director Todd Nelson explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

MOTION by Deb to support the proposal. SECOND by Mike. CARRIED 8-0.

Officials Fees and Policies – Assistant Director Todd Nelson explained the discussion with the CAC sub-committee a week ago. There was a recommendation to increase officials fees for all sports starting with the 2023-24 school year and ending 2025-26 school year. Greg recommended including mileage being added if approved by NYSPHSAA for state tournaments and approved for regionals by each host Section. Mike asked if mileage approval was already in

the document. Greg said it was not. Todd also highlighted the 4-5 year rotation in baseball (different in all other sports) and how it impacts the sections. The language will be adjusted to create equity for baseball. Eileen complimented Todd on the work he put forward on this.

MOTION by Eileen to support the proposal. SECOND by Jamie. CARRIED 8-0.

FOR DISCUSSION:

NOTE: These items were introduced for discussion today and will be presented for action/vote at the June 2023 CAC meeting then subsequently at the July Central Committee meeting, unless noted otherwise.

Boys Lacrosse Regional Rotation 2028-33 – Coordinator Jim Amen explained the proposal. Mike brought up a concern in Class C & D of Section IV traveling to Section X and vice versa. Jim noted that is the same matchup in the current rotation. Susan thanked Jim and the committee for addressing the issue of inequity in sub-regional games and we should look at it for all sports.

Baseball Regional Rotation 2024-29 – Coordinator Al Roy explained the proposal. Susan brought up going to six classes allows us to look at all sports, not just baseball, to be balanced and address equity issues. Dr. Zayas stated the Championship Philosophy Committee is convening and this will be added to the agenda. Al outlined the costs associated with having everyone play a sub-regional game. Susan clarified looking at why the same sections are locked into sub-regional games could be the focus and perhaps rotating them. Greg indicated it's a bigger discussion with the Philosophy Committee and many areas will be addressed with Regional Rotations.

Girls Soccer Regional Rotation 2023-30 – Joe Altieri explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

Boys Soccer Regional Rotation 2023-26 – Coordinator Mike Andrew explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

Girls Volleyball Regional Rotation 2023-25 – Coordinator Peggy Seese explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

Girls Volleyball Bracket Play in State Semifinals – Coordinator Peggy Seese explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

Sport Classification-Bowling – Assistant Director Todd Nelson explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

Sport Classification-Game Day Cheer, Competitive Cheer - Coordinator Jen Simmons explained the proposal. No questions/concerns were raised.

Boys Swimming & Diving Qualifying Standards – Coordinator Peter Hugo explained the proposal. Eileen agreed with Peter's point and we should make an exception for one year. Adam asked if the 22 additional athletes are total entries where athletes are being counted twice if they compete in more than one event or if the athletes were "unique" (all different). Deb supported the committee's proposal. Eileen and Mike agreed.

MOTION by Josh to support the proposal which would allow them to be over 5-8% for one year only. SECOND by Jamie. CARRIED 8-0.

FOR REVIEW/INPUT/CHAMPIONSHIP SITE SELECTIONS:

Girls Soccer Site Selection 2024-26 – Joe explained the one bid submitted by Cortland and the concern brought up

about getting displaced by SUNY Cortland every November when SUNY teams are hosting NCAA games. He indicated both staff and state committee agreed on Cortland as the recommendation. CAC expressed no concerns with the staff and committee recommending Cortland as the site for 2024-26.

Girls Tennis Team Site Selection 2024-26 – Joe explained two bids submitted by Drumlins Tennis Club and Lichtenburg Tennis Club (West Point). He noted the Lichtenburg bid was discussed but was not eligible for consideration due to Section IX not signing off on the bid. He indicated both staff and state committee agreed on Drumlins as the recommendation. CAC expressed no concerns with the staff and committee recommending Drumlins as the site for 2024-26.

INFORMATIONAL:

Gymnastics Championships 2024 – Joe explained Kenmore West High School (Section VI) has withdrawn their bid to host the 2024 Gymnastics State Championships and he is in the process of working with Clarence High School (Section VI) to host the 2024 event under the same terms. If they are unable to, then it may require NYSPHSAA to re-bid the tournament.

2023-24 Girls Swimming/Diving Standards – Joe explained the standards are unchanged due to this committee staying within 5-8% of participation, therefore they will go forward with the same standards as 2022-23.

2022-27 Championship Dates & Sites – Joe noted the updated championship documents in the packet noting the championship recommendations above.

Josh and Deb inquired about future CAC meeting dates. The committee agreed to adjust April and June 2024 dates. See revisions below.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Eileen. SECOND by Deb. CARRIED 8-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:52 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by NYSPHSAA liaison Joe Altieri; reviewed/approved on April 17 by CAC Chair, CAC members and the NYSPHSAA Executive Director prior to distribution.

Next Meetings:

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 @ 10:00 am
Wednesday, Sept 27, 2023 @ 10:00 am
Wednesday, January 10, 2024 @ 10:00 am
Tuesday, April 9, 2024 @ 10:00 am
Tuesday, June 18, 2024 @ 10:00 am



Girls Wrestling Meeting Report

Date: March 29, 2023 @ 10am

Topic Discussed:

1. 2022-23 Season
2. 2023-24 Season
3. Wrestling Rules and Regulations

Attendees:

Section I – Jamie Block
Section 2 – Ryan Palmer
Section III – John Richards
Section IV – Branden MacWhinnie
Section V – Eric Mullen
Section VI – Alex Conti
Section VII –
Section VIII – Carol Roseto
Section IX – Thomas Cunningham
Section X – Mark Wilson/Randy Morrison
Section XI – Dave Shanahan
NYSPHSAA – Todd Nelson, Robert Zayas, Joe Altieri, Kristen Jadin, Chris Watson, Chris Joyce, Collette Stone, Kyra Barry

Status Updates:

1. **Weight Certification** – 874 NYSPHSAA female wrestlers that were weight certified for the 2022-23 season. There were over 1,000 if you count the PSAL, CHSAA, and the AIS.

Items Discussion/ Action Taken:

1. 2022-2023 Season

- a. The following is a breakdown of the girls only teams in NYSPHSAA: Section 1 (0), Section 2 (12), Section 3 (5), Section 4 (7), Section 5 (5), Section 6 (7), Section 7 (0), Section 8 (0), Section 9 (0-potential 6), Section 10 (0), Section 11 (2-potential 2).
- b. NYSPHSAA needs 6 Sections with 4 teams to request a State Championship. The committee is hopeful that Section 9 and/or 11 will be able to be the 6th and 7th section with 4 teams. If they hit that criteria, then the Committee will request a State Championship in July for a vote in October 2023 for the 2024-2025 school year. NYSPHSAA and the Sections need time to plan, prepare and budget for a State Championship. Robert also commented that we want to make sure we hold a very special championship and that takes time to plan. Once a State Championship is approved NYSPHSAA will out a bid for a location to host the State Championship.

2. 2023-2024 Season

- a. NYSPHSAA Invitational: NYSPHSAA will be holding another Invitational on January 26th at the SRC Arena in Syracuse NY. This event will be held in conjunction with the Boys Dual Meet Championship. NYSPHSAA will use the same format with 16 person brackets with athletes submitting their names for consideration. The wrestling committee will set the final invitational list. Sections are permitted to have qualifying tournaments to help determine their allotments. The NYSPHSAA event is not a qualifying event.
- b. NYS Federation Invitational: NYS has 4 HS Athletic Associations. NYSPHSAA is the largest. PSAL is the public schools in NYC. The CHSAA are the catholic schools in NYC and Buffalo. The AIS are the independent schools in NYC. The PSAL was not happy they were not invited to participate in last year's event. NYSPHSAA would still like to hold our NYSPHSAA event for our member schools. For 2023-2024 we would like to host a NYS Federation Invitational to accommodate all 4 athletic associations. This tournament would be held on February 22, 2024. This would follow a similar format as the NYSPHSAA event. Each association would receive 4 allocations to the tournament. If an association did not use the allocation then they would be given to the other associations. NYSPHSAA would rely heavily on the results of the NYSPHSAA Invitational but would not be locked into those results to give out our allocations.



The NYS Federation tournament would be on the Thursday before the Boys Individual Tournament. The female athletes would be able to practice on Wednesday afternoon.

- c. NYSPHSAA will be looking for a State Coordinator for the Girls Wrestling Committee. Any interested individuals will need to send a letter and resume to the NYSPHSAA office (c/o Joe Altieri) by June 1st. Interviews will be conducted in June and final approval will be given in July. The term is for 5 years. Anyone who would like more information can contact Todd Nelson or Joe Altieri.
- 3. Girls Wrestling Rules and Regulations
 - a. Wrestling Style: Currently HS wrestlers compete in folk style wrestling. The males that go onto college continue to wrestle folk-style. The females that go onto college compete in free style. There is discussion about whether or not the girls in HS should consider wrestling free-style. There are several obstacles to try and overcome with a move to free-style. These obstacles include coaching, officials, lack of experience of the females coming up in free-style. The positives include the transition to the next level, faster paced competition and the fact that it could separate the girls from the boys. The Committee is interested in exploring the concept further. If supported they would like a gradual implementation of the change over to free-style. During the gradual change over there are minor rule changes that can be made. Some of these rule changes could be after 10-15 seconds of action on the mat the official would stand them up. Also being considered is the step out for a point. The committee will discuss it further at the next meeting.
 - b. Representation Rule. The current rule allows females to participate on the boys team through mixed competition and also participate in girl-only events. A female would have to choose which post-season she wanted to compete in, she is not eligible for both. The rule was put in place to help grow female sports, in particular girls wrestling and girls golf. A few members feel that this rule maybe not be encouraging schools to form girl-only teams. Others feel that one more year of this rule, especially since we do not offer a state championship, would be helpful. The committee will discuss it further at the next meeting.
 - c. Schools are encouraged to purchase female singlets and not just hand down or use boys singlets. The cut of the uniforms is different. Kyra advised the committee of a group called Bras for Girls which provides educational material to coaches, schools, athletes, and parents about uniforms for wrestling. NYSPHSAA will work to get the information on the Girls wrestling landing page.
 - d. Maximum Number of contests and post season tournaments. Last year's Invitational was basically a freebie for the female athletes, it did not count toward the maximum number of contests or toward a post season event. For the 2023-24 Invitational we will need to either count it toward the max number of contests (2 points) or as a post season event. If girls are participating on boys teams then as soon as they compete in the post season they will be locked into that gender and not eligible for any post season event for the other gender. The same would be true for the NYS Federation event. The committee will discuss and decide at the next meeting.

Future Items/Meeting:

- 1. Update on criteria for State Championship
- 2. Wrestling Style
- 3. Representation Rule
- 4. Maximum number of contests vs post season tournaments.
- 5. Next Meeting: June 20th at 10am



NYSPHSAA BOYS GOLF State Committee
April 4, 2023 at 10:00 am
MEETING MINUTES



ATTENDEES:

NYSPHSAA Staff: Dr. Robert Zayas, Joe Altieri, Todd Nelson, Kristen Jadin, Chris Joyce, Chris Watson, Joe deGuzman

COMMITTEE: Tom Gladd (State Coordinator/Section 2 Coordinator), Adam Lodewick (Section I), Garrett Olds (Section III), Doug Courtright (Section IV Coordinator), William McDermott (Section V), Carolyn Shields (Section VI), John Glinski (Section VII), Anthony Brancato (Section VIII), Bill Gotsch (Section X), Jorma Tompuri (Section IX), Kevin Finnerty (Section XI)

1. Attendance & Introductions

Meeting called to order 10:04 am by Coordinator Tom Gladd

Tom introduced Kevin Finnerty and William McDermott as new coordinators.

2. NYSPHSAA Staff Reports

Dr. Robert Zayas, Executive Director

- a. Reviewed NYSPHSAA Strategic Plan approved in July. He noted the four initiatives NYSPHSAA would be focused on the next five years: growth in student participation, officials' recruitment/retention, financial stability, and diversity/equity/inclusion (DEI).

Joe Altieri, Assistant Director

- a. Nominations for the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame - submissions required to be online by January 29 each year and anyone can submit a nomination in the coach, athlete, administrator, official or contributor categories. Visit nysphsaa.org.
- b. Participation Certificates – A proposal to go to digital participation certificates is set to go to vote at the May Executive Committee meeting. If passed, it will be in effect for 2023-24.
- c. State Tournament Bids – Reported we are in year 2 of 3 of the bid. The 2025-27 bids will be reviewed on June 3, 2023 at the State Tournament.

Todd Nelson, Assistant Director

- a. Reported a meeting between him, Chris Joyce and Joe deGuzman and Andrew Hickey of Golf Genius. He outlined the benefits of the platform for both boys and girls. Todd was expecting a proposal from Golf Genius for the 2023 state tournament. Tom and Doug also supported the platform. Bill Gotsch noted his private club uses it successfully.

Kristen Jadin, Assistant Director

- a. She will work with Tom on the Operations Packet for the 2023 state meet. Feedback is appreciated.

Chris Joyce, Director of Marketing

- a. Outlined the goals of the NYSPHSAA Foundation which includes a 5 K fundraiser run in May
- b. On behalf of Joe deGuzman, he reported Notah Begay is on board with sponsorship for the 2023 tournament. Tom Gladd asked if there was a local qualifier this year. Joe D will follow up with him to answer this.

Chris Watson, Director of Communications

- a. Did not have a report but noted he would start to plan for Golf Genius for the state tournament this spring since he handles that area.
- b. Stated he will update the committee directory on the NYSPHSAA website since Tom noted there are new coordinators.

3. Recap of 2022 State Tournament

a. The 2022 tournament was discussed. Mark Twain Golf Course was praised for the event. The sand traps were an issue and being discussed with the pro at Mark Twain. Otherwise, committee members were pleased with the tournament. Doug Courtright noted it was very smooth considering it was the first time we had to plan a tournament at a new location after 40 years at Cornell.

4. Committee Business

a. Coordinator Duties were reviewed and assigned. Tom will be sending out more information about the assigning of duties in a follow up email.

- Tom asks that when submitting rosters make sure spellings are correct and correctly entered so they can be printed correctly the first time.

b. 2023 State Tournament Hotel – Tom requested everyone send him their room needs for each night. Include king or queen room types. Joe Altieri provided an update on the hotel. He indicated one of the two hotels was under construction and won't be available. Sections 3, 5, 9, 10, 11 submitted specific reservation requests first and will likely be placed in the Hampton Inn, the hotel that is available. Joe noted he is talking with 3-4 other local hotels to place the remaining Sections. He will get the hotel room requests from Tom, via coordinators, to determine a final contract for the second hotel.

c. Tom asks that coordinators respond to his email chains from within the chain itself. Please do not send a separate email answering his questions. Reply within the string of emails. He will be sending out numerous emails after the meeting for follow ups.

d. Tom asked for the state to update the Boys' Golf website with the most current information about coordinators, including names.

e. Hotels- Tom needs a hotel room count. An email will follow the meeting requesting this information. Five sections have already submitted an estimate. Please submit it again in email string.

- One of the hotels (Hilton) is undergoing construction. Other accommodations may need to be made for some golfers.

- Joe is working on another hotel to offset the Hilton being under construction.

- We have also requested a meeting space for athletes and coaches.

f. Practice rounds were discussed. Expect an email with a possible rotation suggestion or assigned tee times.

- Ideas that were brought up include: moving the player meeting to later than 7:00, using split tees, no longer an issue with missing meals.

- Current rotation is: Sections 8, 11, 6, 1, 9, 4, 5, 2, 3, 10, 11

g. Please contact Adam about how your scoring is done during your regular season.

h. The coordinators' information sheet will be "cleaned up" by Tom.

i. A discussion was had about not allowing carts to be used by players during Saturday's practice round. Many coaches voiced support.

j. Cell phone being used as distance measuring devices is moving through the process and may be approved at a meeting on May 3.

- Any changes to the proposal will be required to be completed by this Friday, April, 7th.
- Tom suggested a document to help with starters and explaining to athletes how the new rule will impact their state play. This document will be circulated for adjustment and discussion via email.
- It was discussed to make sure the new guidance is part of the championship packet.
- k. A discussion was held on whether to allow markers to use carts during state play.
 - Some advantages included: can allow for athletes to be brought in quickly in cases of poor weather; will allow some markers who cannot walk 18 holes to be able to mark for their section; some sections are successfully using this practice in sectionals.
 - Some disadvantages included: can cause a distraction to athletes (gas-powered carts); past tournaments have been extremely cautious when it came to possible weather issues; could be a liability to bring an injured athlete back into the clubhouse without medical approval; many people ask every year to use a cart for spectating and this could cause problems.
- l. Water will continue to be available for athletes and markers on the course
- m. Federation Tournament is being held at Bethpage Black on June 10-11.

Annual Committee Meeting for 2023-24

TBA

Meeting was adjourned at 12:01 pm.

--minutes respectfully submitted by Bill Gotsch and Joe Altieri

NYSPHSAA FOOTBALL COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 24th, 10:00am
MINUTES

Attendance: NYS Office- Dr. Robert Zayas- Director, Todd Nelson, Joe Altieri, Kristin Jadin
Chris Joyce- Asst. Directors.

FB Committee- Gary Vanderzee- Chairman, Ken Stoldt-Asst. Chairman/Section 6,
Susan Reid-Section 1, Bob Dorrance- Section 2, Bob Campese, Keith
Kempney-Section 3, Jeff Paske- Section 4, Scott Barker-Section 5, Pat Keleher-
Section 7, Matt McLees-Section 8, Tom Cassata, Dave Coates-Section 9, Matt
Tessmer- Section 10-Absent, Tim Horan-Section 11

1. **6 Classification Discussion:** Keith Kempney and Jeff Paske presented a proposed breakdown of a six-class format including a proposed playoff format. Coordinators were encouraged to discuss within their sections but it is noted this proposal would only move forward if Sections 8 & 11 would agree to join the tournament. At this time, Section 11 has no interest in this proposal. Section 8 is open to the concept but has been clear that keeping the Long Island Championship is a must. The committee will continue exploring ideas that could make it mutually acceptable for both sides.
2. **8 Man Football Proposal:** Ken Stoldt (Section 6), made a proposal (seconded by Pat Keleher-Section 7) to read as follows:
The NYSPHSAA Football Committee recommends extending the brackets in the NYSPHSAA 8 Man Football Tournament to include “ At Large” teams resulting in the Regional Championship Game to be played at the Current 11 Man Championship site starting in 2024. (motion carried- 8 yes, 0-no, 2 abstain (Sections 8 & 11). 1-absent (Section 10). Prior to the meeting, Joe Altieri put in an inquiry about the cost of the extra game in 2024. He noted since this has financial impact, cost needs to be included in the proposal and will work with Ken/Gary on it. Joe also reported the 2023 State Finals at the Carrier Dome will be on Saturday, December 2nd and Sunday, December 3rd due to a Syracuse Men’s Basketball game that Friday.
3. **Other:** Gary Vanderzee brought up concerns over the Safety Committee proposal to amend the heat index policy. All are now in agreement with the proposal and it should be noted that schools are free to use either the WBT or the “Weather Bug” as their tracking method.
Spalding: Dr. Zayas informed the committee that NYSPHSAA is going with Spalding for the new ball adoption contract. He explained some of the negotiations that took place.

Respectfully submitted by,
Gary Vanderzee- Chairman
Ken Stoldt- Asst. Chairman

4/24/23

2023 NYSPHSAA FOOTBALL COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 28th, 10:00am
MINUTES

Attendance: Dr. Robert Zayas, Todd Nelson, Joe Altieri, Kristin Jadin, Chris Joyce, Colette Stone, Chairman-Gary Vanderzee, Asst. Chairman- Ken Stoldt, Susan Reid- Section 1, Bob Dorrance- Section 2, Bob Campese, Keith Kempney- Section 3, Jeff Paske-Section 4, Scott Barker- Section 5, Ken Stoldt-Section 6, Pat Keleher- Section 7, Matt McLees- Section 8, Dave Coates, Tom Cassata- Section 9, Matt Tessmer-Section 10, Tim Horan-Section 11, Patrick English, Tim Arden- NYS Officials, Steve Nolan-Modified, Paul Sealy-NYSHSFCA

1. **NYSPHSAA Staff Reports:** Dr. Zayas gave an update on the ball adoption negotiations noting some concerns. There will be an announcement soon about the new ball contract starting in the 2025-26 school year.
2. **NFHS Rule Changes:** Patrick English reported on two main rule changes for 2023. The first will deal with "Defenseless Receivers" and the second focuses on "Enforcement" with penalties which occur behind the LOS. A concern was brought up from the floor regarding the inconsistency across the state in enforcing the rules of overuse of eye black and pants not covering the knees. The recommendation was made for coaches to continue to enforce with their own teams, and the officials will continue to make it a POE at the stature level.
3. **NYS Football Officials Report:** Ric Hamblin submitted an emailed report prior to the meeting with a recap of the 2022 pilot which allowed for the use of 6 officials at the NYSPHSAA semi-final and championship rounds. Ric's report was favorable, and he noted that he now has video to utilize as teaching aids. Ken Stoldt (Section 6) made the motion to continue the pilot for the 2023 season. Motion was seconded by Bob Dorrance (Section 2). **Motion carried**, Voting total: 8 Yes, 0- No, 2 Abstain (8, 11).
4. **Modified:** Steve Nolan reported that there was a proposal out of Section 5 to make some minor changes to offensive and defensive alignments to make the game closer to a varsity game. Scott Barker (Section 5) was unaware of this proposal which came out of Victor High School. Steve will get the proposal out to the committee then follow up.
5. **Classifications:** Keith Kempney (Section 3) gave an update on classifications and raised a question of possibly increasing the Class D number to 275 from 260 to increase the amount of schools currently in Class D. Section chairs were directed to discuss this within their Sections for our April meeting.
6. **8 Man Football:** Keith Kempney has scheduled a meeting with those sections with 8 Man schools competing in 2023 to discuss the post- season tournament. Meeting will be held via zoom on Wednesday, April 19th at 12:00pm.

7. **NYSHSFCA:** Paul Sealy reported that the NYSHSFCA Clinic went very well. Anyone who may have a lead on speakers for next year should contact him. Paul noted the Annual NYSHSFCA 7 on 7 Tournament will be held at SUNY Cortland on July 15th.
8. **Sections 8/11 Update:** The committee had discussion on the possibility of bringing Section 8 and/or Section 11 into the state tournament. Jeff Paske (Section 4) provided the group with a proposal outlining what the postseason regional rotations and weeks could look like. Matt McLees (Section 8) provided the committee with valuable information identifying possible obstacles which could prevent this from becoming a reality. He stated the importance of the Long Island Championships (8vs11). After discussion, the Football Committee will meet on Monday, April 24th at 10:00am via zoom to discuss. Jeff Paske and Keith Kempney will work together to prepare a revised proposal.
9. **Open Forum:** Bob Campese (Section 3) noted the NYSPHSAA state semifinals will be at Cicero North Syracuse HS. Game times will be at 12:00pm and 3:00pm on Friday unless they host the 8 Man Regional in which case the 8 Man game would be at 12:00pm and the following games would be at 3:00 and 6:00pm. Saturday contests will be at 12:00, 3:00, and 6:00pm. Dave Coates (Section 9) noted his schedule would be the same.
10. **Meeting Adjourned.** Motion by Ken Stoldt, Seconded by Bob Dorrance. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Gary Vanderzee, NYSPHSAA Football State Chairman
Ken Stoldt, NYSPHSAA Assistant Football Chairman

3/29/23

MEETING REPORT

Meeting/Sport: Girls Volleyball

Date: March 21, 2023

Section 1. Diane Swertfager
Section 2 Peggy Seese , Alicia Collier
Section 3 Karla Prince
Section 4 , Des Ford,Rachel Vanscoy
Section 5 Matt Glover
Section 6 Deb Schruefer
Section 7 Vickie McMillian
Section 8 Cathleen Dnyprowsky
Section 9 Steve Boucher
Section 10 Sue McLean
Section 11 Dan Butler absent
Office staff: Robert Zayes, Joe Altieri, Todd Nelson, Kirsten Jadin, Chris Joyce, Chris Watson; Sally Wise (official organization)

Topics Discussed:

State reports: A reminder that bids go out next year for the state tournament.

Ball adoption: Spalding is in its 2nd year of a 3 year contract.

6 classifications- still use 22 officials

Hall of Fame recommendations are due Jan. 29th each year, very few volleyball coaches are recommended.

The introduction of a purple card- to help address spectator behavior.

Digital certificates-a link will be sent to participating schools to print out the athletes certificates.

Mixed competition: the state education department no longer provides guidance on this topic.

Pool play with six classifications , how to speed up the day.

Discussion of moving the tournament to 3 days with pool play.

Motion to change the format of next year's tournament to semi and finals using brackets and 3 out of 5 matches.

MEETING:

Sally Wise asked the committee to allow the officials to use a purple card to address spectator issues. This card would notify the coach and site manager that there is an issue with the spectator behavior. The intention of this card is to speed up the process in which spectator behavior is addressed.

Karla made the motion that the purple card be accepted, Diane seconded the motion. Vote was 9-1. (Section 11 not present)

The proposal will now go to the executive committee. Sally also discussed issues section 1,9,8 were having with officials. The organization is working with these boards. They are asking coaches to make available 4 play dates,(weekend, evenings, half days) where these officials can be trained.

The official organization is also offering virtual training courses for lower level officials. This is a new pathway to be certified.

Six classifications: Peggy, Joe and Alicia will be working together to secure more lodging due to the influx of 4 more teams roughly 32 more rooms.

Follow up on November's meeting of finding ways to speed up the tournament due to adding another class. Peggy and Alicia gave the committee ways to address this problem. Time seemed to be a major concern for some section coordinators. There was a discussion on ways to cut close to an hour off the evening pool play. We also discussed that moving up of the times for Sunday, to help teams get home a little earlier . Finals will be 9,11, and 1.

After this discussion : section 3 brought up the possibility of a 3 day tournament: It was discussed that anything was possible , but that would take a lot of moving parts and planning, and would need more than a few months to make it feasible.

Section 8 and 9 brought up the proposal of going back to bracketed semi final and final 3 out of 5 matches. There was discussion of the lateness of the state tournament, and the possibility of a team not being ethical in pool play. Robert added that thought change is hard , it might not be a bad idea to try it with the 6 classifications for a year and see how it goes.

Cathleen made the motion that the 2023 state championship move to a semifinal and final format. It was seconded by Stephen. The vote was 6 to 5 in favor. Sections, 1,2,4,5,6 not in favor. Sections 3,7,8,9,10 in favor. Section 11 text his in favor vote to Cathleen.

SECTION CONCERNS:

Section 1,2 ,4, 5,6 voiced concern in this abrupt change in format, as they were caught unaware. In the November meeting and minutes we were under the impression we were going to try pool play as it is - with the time adjustments, and revisit the format the following year. Changing the format without discussing the matter with our sections first did not seem right.

Section 1 wants to also again look at the possibility of a super regional. Section 6 questions do we really need a 6 classification? They also inquired about splitting regional sites with section 5. The state has no problem with sections splitting regional sites as long as there is good communication.

Section 5 was asking the State in the possibility of splitting a varsity team in order to fill a tournament if a team suddenly drops out. The state needs to look into this matter further.

Section 10 point of interest: a section 3 class A team will be joining section 10 for girls volleyball.

Section 8 thanked Sally with working with section 8 ad hoc committee and officials organizations.

No concerns for sections 7, 9-11.

POINT OF INTEREST:

Sections/ leagues can determine to not switch sides during a match with section approval.

TOPICS FOR MEETING IN NOVEMBER:

State tournament format, more discussion on trimatches.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Seese

State Coordinator

New York State Public High School Athletic Association
Girls Gymnastics Committee Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2023

Attendance: Kristen Jadin, Marbry Gansle, Vin Collins, Debbie Smarro, Danielle Cerminaro, Becky Volpe, Carol Mancari, Joe Buscaglia, Janice Trudeau, Kim Rhatigan, Joe Mercado, and Pat Acker

Election: Vin Collins nominated Pat Acker for Secretary, Kim Rhatigan seconded. Pat accepted.

2022 State Meet – Thanked Joe and his staff for doing a great Job!

2023 State Meet - Saturday, March 4, 2023 - Joe Buscaglia welcomed everyone to Buffalo.

Kristen reminded coaches the meet was all digital ticketing once again and stated that she would be at the door to assist anyone who needed help purchasing tickets upon arrival.

Kristen thanked Section 6 for hosting.

Gym opens at 9:00 a.m. Open stretch @ 9:30 a.m.

2024 State Meet - Scheduled for March 2, 2024 – Kenmore West High School, Buffalo.

2025 State Meet – Kristen said she was looking for bids for 2025 – 2027 by April to be approved by July. If you have questions please contact Kristen, Joe Altieri or Marbry. Joe asked what would happen if no bids are received Kristen said the State office would reach out to sections.

Janet asked why not bring it back to Albany area again. Deb said she was not interested in hosting the meet.

Joe stated a lot of locations having a problem with locations as many teams are using private facilities and local gyms are not big enough to host a State meet.

Section 5 cannot afford a bigger gym with required equipment.

PSAL stated that LIU may be an option if needed. Kim said she would like a break. PSAL does not have required equipment.

Kim requested revisiting with Danielle, Section 3 when she arrived. Upon her arrival Danielle said she was interested and would reach out to the State Office and begin the bid process. She also said she may not be continuing as Section 3 Coordinator but would assist. Marbry would like to check out Danielle's' private facility and the Nexus arena, Utica. Danielle said she would be Utica Colleges Coach (Congrats Danielle!) and they may possibly be able to Piggyback with College Meet.

2024 State Championships:

Warm-up Schedule – Friday, March 1, 2024

1st Warm-up Block – Sections 1, 5, 6, PSAL

2nd Warm-up Block – Sections 2, 3, 4, 9

3rd Warm-up Block – Sections 7, 8, 11

Teams were happy with going back to 30 minute blocks.

Competition Rules for State Meet

Only change was Jewelry rule – stud earrings are now allowed. No other Jewelry allowed.

Clarification of rule 11A -When on equipment only leotards and shorts are allowed.

When jogging and stretching loose clothing will be allowed. Kim and Marbry will work on wording changes.

Team Rankings - scoring is arbitrary so ranking are no longer required.

Rule Changes –

Maria DeCristoforo proposed the following clarifications/additions to the NYSPHSAA Technical Handbook in regard to Value Part Recognition on Floor Acro passes per attached sheet. This was approved unanimously.

After much discussion on lowering the Handspring vault and all group 1 vaults a motion put forth by Vinnie to lowering the **handspring to 8.5** and keeping all other group 1 vaults at current start values Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, & 11 voted yes, Section 1 voted no. The lower start value will be used for 1 year and revisited next year.

Committee voted to raise a **full on floor exercise to a C** rather than it being a B currently.

Deb requested putting back in .2 bonus for overall composition of routine. It was pointed out by Vin that starting values take care of this and no motion was put forth for a vote.

Coaches Record Update: Marbry mentioned that forms were available on the NYSPHSAA website to have your AD submit your records once you have reached 100 dual meet wins.

National Meet: May 18 – 20, 2023 in Fort Meyers, FL. Coaches said they have not received much interest in this meet. This is only for Seniors. Kim said she would send a link to Coordinators if they have interest.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.



NYSPHSAA GIRLS LACROSSE State Committee
December 6, 2022 at 11:30 am
MEETING MINUTES



ATTENDEES:

NYSPHSAA Staff: Dr. Robert Zayas, Joe Altieri, Todd Nelson, Kristen Jadin, Chris Joyce, Chris Watson, Joe deGuzman

State Committee: Liz Parry (State Coordinator), Rebecca DiSisto-Leslie (I), Nicole Dixson (2), Caitin Byrne (III), Samantha Little (IV) Nate Merritt (V) ,Rick Schmitt (VI), Mike Bongino & Alyssa Kildaire (VIII) , Taryn Brechbiel (IX), Sarah Bullard (X), Jeremy Thode (XI) ,Lisa Volland (State Chairperson of Officials & Rules Interpreter) **Guests:** , Machell Phelps

Absent: Jonathon MacKercher (V) and Jaimie Brown- Site Coordinator

1. **Welcome** by State Coordinator Liz Parry. She introduced new members of the committee.

2. **NYSPHSAA Staff Reports**

Robert Zayas, Executive Director

- a. Explained NYSPHSAA Strategic Plan's four goals
 - 1. Increase student participation
 - 2. Official Recruiting & Retention
 - 3. DEI
 - 4. Long Term Financial Stability
- b. Announced no COVID protocols by NYSPHSAA for 2022-23

Joe Altieri, Assistant Director

- a. State tournament will be in Cortland through 2024. This time next year we will be discussing recommendations for sites for the 2025-27 championships.
- b. Hall of Fame - All submissions required to be online - Deadline Jan 29, 2023 Nominations can be submitted for athletes, coaches, officials, administrators or contributors.
- c. 2023 Meeting Date – Girls Lacrosse will meet earlier next year in October via Zoom. TBD

Kristen Jadin, Assistant Director

- a. Regional /State participation certificates. Committee is unanimous going to digital. Jeremy raised the importance of having the ability to have an athlete's name on it.
- b. Awards - Kristen will work with Liz on where to ship Regional plaques.
- c. Operations Packet – Kristen will work with Liz on this.

Chris Joyce, Director of Marketing & Foundation

- a. Digital Ticketing. This year will be an all-digital ticketing event again. No cash sales. Stated in the Operational Packet. State Office Staff will be on premises to help; will have tablets.

Chris Watson, Director of Communications

- a. Requested Regional Sites and dates for posting on NYSPHSAA website

Todd Nelson, Assistant Director

- a. State Modified Committee

Girls Lacrosse Rep is needed for the State Modified Committee. Beth Starpoli retired and is no longer the rep. Please ask around in your section for interest to serve or consider yourself to serve as girls lax lacrosse rep on this committee. Only 3-4 meetings per year.

- b. Safety Committee

Headgear- No Interest at this time to mandate headgear for New York State. Headgear is currently allowed to anyone that would like to wear it. If NFHS & USA Lacrosse sees the need to mandate headgear down the road than a discussion may open up again. There are medical and legislature individuals that are interested in seeing headgear mandated.

Possession Clock - USA Lacrosse and NFHS are not interested in writing a rule at this time. It was suggested that a sub-committee be formed and be charged to develop a proposal to do a pilot program with a deadline to submit in June to NFHS. Jeremy said he was in favor and is interested in being on the committee.

- c. Classification Cutoff numbers

Executive Committee approved the new formula to start in 2024.

Girls Lacrosse is variation sport and can make a proposal to change its classification numbers.

Todd gave a run down of how the formula would work in lacrosse if we chose to do it. Example:

Class A- Top 60 / Class B & C Equally divided / Class D Bottom 75

If we want new cutoff numbers the request needs to be made at the April meeting.

The committee said it would be interesting to see how it would play out compared to what our cutoff numbers are now. Caitlin (3) said her section looked at it last season and it would have changed 1-2 school's classification. Bed numbers are out so we can see how it works in our own sections.

- d. Todd and Lisa discussed the school0based official program on the modified level. They are looking into the referee prep time to train officials for the modified level. Todd talked about the need for consistency and equal amount of training time across the state to become a school-based official. Lisa spoke on what the training consists of: USA lacrosse certification, one field day to get on the field, USA Lacrosse E-learning official videos

- e. Lisa described officials ratings1/2/3

3. Committee Business

Coaches/Committee Zoom Meeting will be on Thursday June 8, 2023

State Championship June 9th and 10th - All hands on deck

2023 State Championship Schedule is below:

Outbrackets/Regionals

Section 1@ 2 on May 30th or 31st , Section1/2 @9 on June 3rd - Times and site TBD

Section 3 @ 4, Section 3/4 @10

Section 5 @ 6 on June 3rd - Tentative at Williamsville -North HS

Section 11@ 8 on June 4th – Adelphi University

SemiFinals (9am B/ 11am C/ 1pm D/ 3pm A)

9am - B on Red field - Home 3/4/10 vs Away 8-11

9am - B on White field - Home 5-6 vs Away 1-2-9

Same for C/D/A

Finals

White field game winners = Home team

Game times - 9am B/ 11:30 C/ 2pm D/ 4:30 pm A

Girls Lacrosse Rules and changes for 2023- Lisa V→ will be sending the powerpoint slide of rule changes to anticipate for spring 2023

1. Stick check
2. Positioning at the Draw
3. Self starts outside of the CSA
4. Restarts by defense when attack fouls inside CSA (Pick up ball & Go)
5. Opposing team fouls are not offsetting if one team is carded.
6. Goalkeeper Re-entry into goal circle with the ball - GK can run back in with the ball
7. 3 second fouls restart spot
8. Point of Emphasis
 - Sportsmanship
 - Knowledge of Rules
 - Dangerous use of stick

Meeting adjourned at 12:52 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Liz Parry, State Coordinator



NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION INC.
WRESTLING COMMITTEE
STATE WRESTLING COMMITTEE



MINUTES:

SPRING MEETING- CONFERENCE CALL

04/06/23

In Attendance:

NYS Chairman	Marty Sherman	
Section 1 Chair	Jamie Block	Valhalla HS
Section 2 Chair	John Vishneowski	Ravena/Coe/Sel.School
S3 Asst. Chair	Chad Languish	Schenectady HS
Section 3 Chair	Brad Hamer	
S3 Asst. Chair	Bill Kays	Mexico High School
Section 4 Chair	Rick Armstrong	
S4 Asst. Chair	Jeff Nolan	Windsor High School
Section 5 Chair	Bill Hadsell	Geneva High School
Section 6 Chair	Mike DeBarbieri	
S6 Asst Chair	Israel Martinez	Niagara Falls HS
Section 7 Chair	Gary Edwards	Peru High School
Section 8 Chair	John Mankowich	Jericho HS
Section 9 Chair	Jeff Cuiilty	Cape Cod
S9 Asst Chair	Eric Hartmann	Warwick Valley
Section 10 Chair	Randy Morrison	Gouverneur HS
CHS Chair	Tom Straehle	Iona Prep
PSAL Chair	Ken Bigley	

Guests:

NYS Exec Dir	Robert Zayas	
NYS Asst Dir	Joe Altieri	
NYS Asst Dir	Todd Nelson	
NYS Asst Dir	Kristen Jayden	
Dir Communication	Chris Watson	
Dir Foundation/Mkt	Chris Joyce	
NYSWOA	Frank Marotta	
NYSWOA	Fred Brown	
NYSWOA	Matt Smith	
NYSWOA	Gene Tracy	
Assessor	Michael Pilato	
Assessor	Carl Koenig	
Assessor	Jarett Rhoads	
<u>Absent:</u>		
Teall Prop Group	Joe DeGuzman	
S1 Asst. Chair	Bob Bernarducci	Pleasantville HS
S5 Asst. Chair	Chris Bourne	
S7 Asst Chair	Rob Witkiewicz	
Section 11 Chair	Matt DeVincenzo	Comsewogue
S11 Asst Chair	Bob Panariello	
CHS Asst Chair	Pat Kennedy	St Joseph's Collegiate
CHS Asst Chair	Dave Ironman	Msgr Farrell
AIS Chairman	Carmine Giovino	xx
AIS Asst	Jim Regan	
AIS Asst	Jason Edwards	Hackley

AGENDA: (Blue highlighted items= new information for 2023-24)

(Red highlighted items= action needed between now and next meeting)

I. Introductions

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II. Joe Altieri:

- Venue bids will be sent in the fall for the 2024-25 Dual Meet Championships.

III. Robert Zayas:

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IV. Todd Nelson-Wt Certification Issues:

- a. **Discussion of InBody: A separate conference call will be setup with Dan Weaver within the next few weeks to discuss any InBody concerns.** Chairmen will be asked to forward items for this meeting's agenda prior to the meeting. (Current list is in minutes from January meeting).
- b. **The 1.5% weight loss plan: A separate conference call will be setup with Mark Beyer-PIAA Chairman to answer questions about the 1.5% plan and its implementation for NYS.**
- c. The 1.5% weight loss plan: Discussion on a plan for allowing for the option of beginning certifications in October (prior to the season) for wrestlers who would want to get their WLP's (Weight Loss Plans) started early. There would need to be an appeal process. One early cert date could be held Week #18 (Oct 30) where season begins on Week #20 (Nov 13). After lengthy discussion it was determined that NYS will not offer this option in the first year of implementing the 1.5% rule. Logistics of assessor's availability in the fall while football is in season, how payment to assessors would be handled, transportation of wrestlers in the preseason, coaches' availability, determining how many dates should be used, would dates have to be the same for all sections, and how would appeals be completed were all issues that the committee felt could not be resolved in the first year. As NYS has never done this before, we do not know how many wrestlers would even be interested in this type of option. The discussion we will have with Mark Beyers to see how PA has implemented the option for their state should be very informative. **The committee agreed that we will reconsider offering the option in 2024-25, once we get through the first season of implementing the 1.5% plan.**

V. Chris Watson / Chris Joyce/ Kristen Jadin / Joe deGuzman-

- a. Updates are being accepted for the NYS record book.

VI. Frank Marotta / Fred Brown / Matt Smith - (NYS Officials)

- a. Matt Smith will be replacing Fred Brown (retiring) as NYS Officials secretary.
- b. September 24 will be the Upstate Chapter of the National Hall of Fame recognition ceremony in Syracuse. Honorees will include: Lifetime service awards to: NYSWC member: **Gary Edwards-S7-Peru**, Robert Coppola-S3-Central Square, Kevin Gallagher-S9-Minisink Valley, Dave Hickson-Official, John Leone-S5-Penfield, Tom Stanbro-S4-Greene, Outstanding American to Jack Romagnoli-S3, Stanbro Media Award to James Johnson-S5. **December 1st is the deadline for 2024 nominations.**
- c. Presented evaluation report of 2023 NYS tournament officials.
- d. **Chairmen should forward to Frank each sections final referee evaluations from the 2022-23 season.**

VII. TrackWrestling Reporting Updates: (Jeff Culty)

- a. **The weight class analysis of the lowest weight classes wrestled by each wrestler: NYSWtCerts-WtClassAnalysis-2022-23** has been received from Track and will be completed and emailed when completed.
- b. **Jeff Culty-S9 will send the BEDS request for 2023-24. Chairmen will be asked to verify names and divisions for teams in their sections for 2023-24. (It is understood that updates will still be needed in the fall once Chairmen learn of final mergers and new adds or drops).**

VIII. Handbook Committee Report: (Marty Sherman / Jeff Culty-9, Frank Marotta)

The 2022-23 Handbook will need major updates for 2023-24 as the 50% rule and honor weigh in's are being replaced with the 1.5% weight loss plan.

In addition it is the wish of the NYSWC that the wrestling handbook (once updated) be mirrored exactly in the NYSPHSAA handbook, so that rules and procedures in the handbook will all be enforceable.

To accomplish this a separate Handbook committee will need to meet soon so that all changes will have time to be approved by the appropriate NYSPHSAA committees for inclusion in the NYSPHSAA handbook for the start of next season.

IX. **Seeding/Forfeit Committee:** Jeff Culty, Ed Ramirez, Bill Kays, John Vishneowski

a. Chairmen have the **NYSTournamentSeedingMechanics-23-24-Draft**

No changes that needed to be addressed with respect to the criteria came up during this year's meeting.

A chart for determining the # of wt classes a wrestler moves up will be included in the criteria for determining Placement Points for 2023-24.

DETERMINING THE # OF WT CLASSES THE WRESTLER WENT UP:

As NYS weight classes changed after the 2022-23 season.

The following chart will be used for 2023-24 to determine the number of weight classes the wrestler went up (if any) for determining the appropriate column to use for Placement Points values on the next page.

If the 2022-23 Wt Class was:	If the 2023-24 Wt Class is	If the 2023-24 Wt Class is	If the 2023-24 Wt Class is	If the 2023-24 Wt Class is
102	101	108	116	124
110	108	116	124	131
118	116	124	131	138
126	124	131	138	145
132	131	138	145	152
138	138	145	152	160
145	145	152	160	170
152	152	160	170	190
160	160	170	190	215
172	170	190	215	285
189	190	215	285	
215	215	285		
285	285			
For 2023-24 you are considered to be:	Same Wt	Up 1 Wt	Up 2 Wts	Up 3 Wts

At his time, no other changes need to be made to the Seeding Document.

X. **2023 Tournament: Auto Qualifiers** (Jeff Culty)

Auto-Qualifiers Sub-Committee: Marty Sherman, John Vishneowski-2, Bill Kays-3

Izzy Martinez-6 and Jeff Culty-9,

- a. The original two-year pilot was for 2020-21 and 2021-22. As the procedure was not able to be used in 2020-21 it still counted as a year towards the pilot. The committee voted in May 2022 to extend the pilot for the now concluded 2023 season. **The committee will now ask NYS PHSAA to officially continue to use the Auto-Qualifier method going forward from now on.**

- b. Matt DeVincenzo-S11-Do we want to change which qualifiers earn the points?

With respect to calculating points for the 3-year average currently **Only one wrestler per section will be allowed to earn Power Points for placing** The **Section Champ** will be the one designated to earn the points (as each Section has a champ and this should give more equal treatment to the points earned). Example: If Section Champ is eliminated, and both the #2 and #3 entries from the same section both place at the weight, the section will not earn any power points as their champ did not place. The original reason for the rule was to equate the chances for earning points between the sections with 2 & 3 qualifiers, to that of the sections that only get 1 qualifier. During the discussion

some felt that allowing the highest placer to be the point earner was a better way to determine the strength of a section.

Motion: To have the highest placer at each weight determine the sections power points value:

In Favor Section 2,3,5,6,8, 11 Against: 1,4,7,9,10 **Motion passes.**

Going forward the highest placers points will be used. (The section champ points will still be used for the years already completed).

- c. Now that two full years have been used and the pilot has officially ended, now would be the time to change the point values going forward, if the committee feels the change is warranted.

Discussion: Based on email input from committee members

We have the current system for determining Power Points:

Current system uses: 3 year totals using: 16,12,9,7,5,3,2,1 METHOD

There are 5 other options to consider:

Option 1: 3 year totals using: 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 METHOD

Option 2: 2 year totals using: 16,12,9,7,5,3,2,1 METHOD

Option 3: 2 year totals using: 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 METHOD

Option 4: 3 year WEIGHTED totals using: 16,12,9,7,5,3,2,1 METHOD

Option 5: 3 year WEIGHTED totals using: 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 METHOD

For Options 4&5: the weighted plan assigns:

100% to last year's tournament points

75% of the point total for 2 years ago

and 50% of the point total for 3 years ago.

Jeff Culty presented an analysis of how the qualifiers would be allocated based on all 6 options. The number of the option was left blank so the committee had a chance to see totals under each method without actually knowing what the method was.

It was decided to vote separately on each of the following and based on the three votes, the option going forward would be determined.

Decision #1- Do we want to continue with 16,12,9,7,5,3,2,1 or change to 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1

In favor of the 16-12-9 point system:

Sections 1,3,4,5,6,7,9,10 Against Sections 2,8 Absent Section 11

The 16,12,9,7,5,3,2,1 point values will be used.

Decision #2- Do we want to count 3 years of data or just 2 years of data.

In favor of using 3 years:

Sections 1,2,4,6,8,9,10 Against Sections 3,5,7 Absent Section 11

Three years of data will be used.

Decision #3- Should prior years be worth the same or less than the current year.

In favor of using the weighted method where:

Current year =100%, Prior year =75% and 2 years prior =50%:

Sections 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 Absent Section 11

The weighted system with Current year =100%, Prior year =75% and 2 years prior =50% will be used.

Based on the 3 separate votes: NYWC will use Option 4 for determining power points beginning in 2023-24:

Option 4: 3 year-WEIGHTED totals using: 16,12,9,7,5,3,2,1 METHOD

- d. The 3-year power point average has been updated to reflect the scoring of the Champions only for the 2022-23 tournament.

Major change will be in D1 where Section 9 now qualifies 3 and Section 8 qualifies 2.

Major change will be in D1 where Section 4 now qualifies 2 and Section 1 qualifies 1.

Major change will be in D2 where Section 3 now qualifies 3 and Section 5 qualifies 2.

POWER POINTS: 16,12,9,7,5,3,2,1 3-Yr WEIGHTED METHOD

DIVISION 1				DIVISION 2			
	CHANGE FROM LYr	POWER POINTS	# QUALIFIERS		CHANGE FROM LYr	POWER POINTS	# QUALIFIERS
SECTION 9	UP 3	226.00	3	SECTION 3	UP 2	227.25	3
SECTION 11	DOWN 1	206.75	3	SECTION 4	DOWN 1	218.25	3
SECTION 8	DOWN 1	191.50	2	SECTION 5	DOWN 2	198.50	2
SECTION 2	UP 3	141.75	2	SECTION 2		155.50	2
SECTION 5	DOWN 2	139.25	2	SECTION 6		154.50	2
SECTION 6		104.25	2	SECTION 11	UP 1	115.75	2
SECTION 4	UP 1	82.00	2	SECTION 8	DOWN 1	89.25	2
SECTION 3	UP 1	68.75	1	SECTION 10	UP 3	36.25	1
SECTION 1	DOWN 4	67.00	1	SECTION 9	UP 1	23.25	1
SECTION 10		0	1	SECTION 1	DOWN 2	21.00	1
CHSAA 12		N/A	1	SECTION 7	DOWN 2	20.25	1
PSAL 13		N/A	1	PSAL 13		N/A	1
TOTALS			21	AIS 14		N/A	1
				TOTALS			22

- e. The Analysis of Auto-Qualifiers (not including champs) will be sent to Chairmen when it is completed.

XI. State Dual Meet Championship: (Brad Hamer-3, Bill Kays-3)

The NYS State Dual Meet Tournament will be held on: Saturday 1/27/24.

- a. **NYSDualMeetTournament-2023-24-Draft document-attached** for discussion of any needed changes. **Document will be reviewed again in the fall.**
- b. Bill Kays-S3- For discussion: As wrestlers are allowed to change weight classes from the date of their Section Dual meet tournament to the NYS Dual meet tournament, shouldn't they also be allowed to change weight classes in their Sectional Dual meet tournament (if their Sectional Duals are not held on back-to-back days)? Resolved that because the Sectional Dual meet tournament is the same tournament (spread over 1 or more days) you must weigh-in on day one for the tournament and that weight will lock you into the weight class for the event.
- c. Bill Kays-S3- For discussion: As wrestlers who may have been ineligible on the date of their Section Dual meet tournament can compete in the NYS Dual meet tournament (if they become eligible by then), shouldn't they also be allowed to be eligible in the second day of their Sectional Dual meet tournament (if their Sectional Duals are not held on back-to-back days)? If they were ineligible for Day 1, should they then be allowed to wrestle on Day 2 if they then become eligible? Example: Skin problem Day 1 is cleared on or before Day 2. (However, this would not apply if their original reason for being ineligible was a behavior issue). Resolved that because the Sectional Dual meet tournament is the same tournament (spread over 1 or more days) you must weigh-in on day one for the tournament and that weight will lock you into the weight class for the event.
- d. Bill Kays-S3- For discussion: **Teams that are entered into the tournament must all be cleared to wrestle as of the date of the seeding meeting.**
This will be added to the NYSDualMeetTournament-2023-24-Draft document.
- e. Bill Kays-S3-For discussion: Any replacement teams to the tournament must be done by the Wednesday prior to the tournament. **Resolved: Because this is a state level event, and a BYE in one of the pools is not a desired outcome, the committee will put a time limit on when a replacement team can be entered. Each section has the right to determine the team they will send. If a section cannot fill their allotted spot, the At-Large procedure will be used to determine the next available team in. The seeding committee will work its way down the list until a team willing to accept the At-Large invitation is found. This will be added to the NYSDualMeetTournament-2023-24-Draft document.**

XII. Girls Wrestling:

- a. An official State Championship for girls will begin in 2024-25. Next season the 2023-24 NYSPHSAA Girls invitational will mirror what was done last year on the Friday prior to the boys NYS Duals. **A Federation event with CHSAA and PSAL girls could occur the Thursday prior to the start of the boy's event from 9 am-4 pm. The priority is that the girl's event be completed by noon or 1 pm so that the boys teams do not lose arena work-out times.**

XIII. 2024 Tournament: MVP Arena

- a. **Discussion: Rearrange the D1 and D2 10-mat configuration for 2023-24 to determine if the attached floor plan would be more beneficial to spectators.** There were comments that the length of the 5 mats for each division made it difficult to view the action on the farthest mats. The end seating in the arena was also basically empty. Going to one division on each end of the arena may make it more "fan friendly". After we use the newly attached floor plan for 2023-24 we then we can decide for 2024-25 which of the two prior year configurations worked best.
- b. Proposed time schedule for 2023-24 attached based on actual times used in 2022-23.
NYSTournament-Times-DivisionsOnEachEnd-2024 (attached)
- c. **The printed schedule on the back of the credentials needs to be updated.**
Marty Sherman will provide the NYSPHSAA office with the time frame well in advance of the date the credentials go to print.
- d. From Jeff Howard: What wrestleback bracket should he program for Track? Different options are available for cross bracketing losers. Once selected and published it should be locked in for that tournament. **John V-2 will present a bracket to the committee for consideration at the January meeting.**

- e. Discussion on video review. Video review is for semifinals and finals for misapplication of a rule only, not for judgement calls. The National Federation does not allow for video review in high school.

XIV. Modified Committee:

- a. John Richards: Submitting a proposal to add the ultimate ride out to the OT procedure for Modified. Currently on feet for 30 seconds if no score match ends. **The proposal is to follow the 30 second neutral and then add a 30 ultimate ride-out. The proposal is awaiting approval.**

XV. Old Business-(Marty Sherman)-

- a. Regional Proposal-Jeff Nolan-S4

Link: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ztBBW6g3-addzNugJGQ8ewpl8m5cYf60yVUDVEj7cao/edit#gid=428511347>

Tabled from January meeting: Marty will determine if a sub-committee needs to be setup to look into this further?

XVI. New Business:

- a. Jamie Block-S1-Discussion: Going to 30 minutes between bouts vs 45 minutes. (This is a proposed rule change for consideration at the Federation level)
- b. Jamie Block-S1-Discussion: Out of Bounds Rule to mirror college. The Federation is currently **against it but if the Committee, NYS Coaches and NYS officials are in favor, NYS can apply for a waiver of the rule.**

AJOURNMENT

-Today's Meeting: Start time: 10:00 a.m. End Time: 1:30 p.m. (3 hrs. 30 minutes)

Next meeting(s):

1.5% Plan Conference call: TBA

InBody Conference call: TBA

Handbook Committee Conference Call: TBA

Fall Zoom Meeting: Wednesday September 20, 2023 at 10:00 am

SPRING MEETING

04/06/23

Summary of (Red) Action Items that need to be taken care of before Fall meeting:

Chairmen need to:

Chairmen should forward to Frank each sections final referee evaluations from the 2022-23 season.

December 1st is the deadline for 2024 nominations for Upstate chapter for National Hall Of Fame.

John V-2 will present a bracket to the committee for consideration at the January meeting.

For NYS DUALS:

NYSDualMeetTournament-2023-24-Draft document- will be updated with items discussed during the meeting.

For NYS Tournament:

Marty will discuss the "corral placement" for the on-deck wrestlers with the officials to determine the best way to implement having each division on each end of the arena.

Jeff Cuilty needs to:

The weight class analysis of the lowest weight classes wrestled by each wrestler:

NYSWtCerts-WtClassAnalysis-2022-23 has been received from Track and will be completed and emailed when completed.

Jeff Cuilty-S9 will send the BEDS request for 2023-24. Chairmen will be asked to verify names and divisions for teams in their sections for 2023-24. (It is understood that updates will still be needed in the fall once Chairmen learn of final mergers and new adds or drops).

The Analysis of Auto-Qualifiers (not including champs) will be sent to Chairmen when it is completed

Marty Sherman needs to:

Seek approval for a proposal to officially continue to use the Auto-Qualifier method going forward from now on.

A separate conference call will be set up with Dan Weaver within the next few weeks to discuss any InBody concerns. Chairmen will be asked to forward items for this meeting's agenda prior to the meeting.

A separate conference call will be set up with Mark Beyer within the next few weeks to discuss the implementation of the 1.5% rule.

A separate conference call will be set up with the Handbook Committee within the next few weeks to discuss the revisions needed to the handbook.

Determine who may want to serve on a sub-committee to discuss the Regional Plan for possible future implementation.

Marty Sherman will provide the NYSPHSAA office with the time frame well in advance of the date the credentials go to print.

SPRING MEETING

04/06/23

Summary of (Red) Action Items that need to be taken care of before Fall meeting:

(continued)

NYSPHSAA office needs to:

Todd Nelson-Update the committee on the status of the possible Girls Federation event preceding the Individual Boys Nys Tournament.

Todd Nelson-Update the committee on the status of the Modified OT proposal.

NYSWOA needs to:

Determine if the NYSWC, NYS Coaches and NYS officials are in favor of NYS adopting the out of Bounds Rule to mirror college and if NYS should apply for a waiver of the rule.

APPENDIX I



SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT SECTION VI FOOTBALL 2023

Chairperson: Jay Sirianni
Assistant Chairpersons: Ken Stoldt

Committee members

Chairman-Jay Sirianni (Southwestern)

Assistant Chairman – Ken Stoldt (Retired)

Division Chairmen:

AA – Don Bass	Niagara Falls
A1 – Ron Luders	Williamsville North
A2 – Al Cavagnaro	Starpoint
B1 – Scott Zipp	Cheektowaga
B2 – Doug Ames	Retired
B3 - TBD	
C – Glenn Graham	Cleveland Hill
C North - Eric Valley	Medina
C South – Scott Greenough	Forestville
D - Chris Payne*	Panama
Buffalo - Mike House/Pat Ricci	Buffalo
At-Large – Adam Erickson	Williamsville South

Committee meeting dates: TBA

Classification Breakdown

AA – 1025 and up
A – 665-1024
B – 385-664
C – 261-384
D – 260 and down

Sectional Alignments: (see attached)

First Day of Practice: Saturday August 19, 2023

Preseason Meeting: Tuesday August 15, 2023 6:00 pm – In person/Virtual

Post Season Information

At this time I would suggest keeping the same weekends reserved.

FOOTBALL

Seeding Meeting	Oct. 22	Virtual Meeting
Week # 8 Playoffs	Fri.-Sat. Oct. 27,28	Home school
Semifinals:	Fri.-Sat. Nov 3,4	Divisional Champion's home site or Higher Seed
Finals Bowl games:	Thurs. Nov 2	Higher seed
Finals:	Fri. Nov.10	Highmark Stadium Classes & Times TBA
	Sat. Nov 11	Highmark Stadium Classes & Times TBA
Regionals:	Fri. Nov. 17	Section VI Hosts, Classes & Times TBA
	Sat. Nov. 18	Section VI Hosts, Classes & Times TBA
State Western Semifinals:	Fri. Nov. 24	@ Cicero-North Syracuse
	Sat. Nov. 25	@ Cicero-North Syracuse
State Finals:	Fri. Dec 1	Carrier Dome, Syracuse
	Sat Dec 2	Carrier Dome, Syracuse

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

TBD at State Meetings end of March

Rule Changes/Points of Emphasis for 2023 -

TBD

Football Rules Changes – 2023

TBD

Other Pertinent Data – Schedule to be released soon.

Respectfully submitted 2/27/23
Jay Sirianni, Ken Stoldt
Section VI Football Chairmen



2023 PRE-SEASON REPORT BOYS SOCCER Chairperson: Todd Marquardt

Committee members (voting*)

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All-Star Selections WNYHSSCA All-WNY	Kevin Beale (above)		
All-Star Selections NSCAA All- American	Kevin Beale (above)		

Committee meeting date(s)

Mid May.....Mid July.....Seeding Mtg Oct 14

Classification Breakdown

AAA: 1090+ AA: 719-1089 A: 412-718 B: 261-411 C: 144-260 D: 1-143

Recommendations for next season & proposed dates

Each school participating at a neutral site must have 2-3 security personnel monitor their particular schools supporting fans before, during and after the contest. All Sectional Semi's, Finals and Regionals are tentatively scheduled for West Seneca.

Dates/Times/Locations will be TBD along with discussion C Durr and the girls schedule to avoid conflicts.

SOCCER BOYS Sportchair Todd Marquardt (c) 903-5875 www.arbitersports.com			
Seeding meeting			
Pre-Quarters	AA, A1, A2		
Pre-Quarters	B1, B2, C		
Quarters	AAA, AA, A1, A2		
Quarters	B1, B2, C		
Semifinals	A1 & A2		
	B1 & B2		

	D		
	C AAA, AA		
Finals	B1 & B2		
	AAA, A1 & A2		
	C & D		
	AA		
State Qualifier	A & B		
Regionals	AAA, AA, A, B,C,D	11/3 & 11/4	Tentatively West Seneca
States		11/10 – 11/12	Hosted by Section IX Middletown

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

Boys soccer will pilot a 4,5,6 power point system for all classifications during league games for the 2023 and 2024 season.

A 6th classification (AAA) has been approved and added (2023-24)

Rule Changes for 2021

The 2023-24 NHFS boys soccer rules have not yet been posted

Respectfully submitted 2/20/2023

Todd Marquardt, Section VI Boys Soccer Sports Chair

2023**October**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
25	26	27	28	29	30	01
02	03	04	05	06	07	08
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Pre-Quarters B1,B2,C Higher Seed	18 Pre-Quarters A1,A2,AA Higher Seed	19 Quarters B1,B2,C Higher Seed	20 Quarters A1,A2,AAA,AA Higher Seed	21	22
23 Semi Finals B1,B2 West Seneca	24 Semi Finals A1,A2 West Seneca	25 Semi Final AA,C West Seneca	26 Semi Final AAA West Seneca	27 Finals B1,B2 West Seneca	28 Finals A1,A2,AAA,AA West Seneca	29
30 Finals C,D West Seneca	31 State Qualifier A,B West Seneca	Notes:				

2023

November

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
30	31	01	02	03	04 Far West Regional D,B	05 Far West Regional C,AAA,A,AA
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	01	02	03
04	05	Notes:				

SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT

BOYS VOLLEYBALL 2023

Chairperson: Walt Stefani

March 1, 2023

Committee members (voting*)

Chairperson - **Walt Stefani***

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At Large Representatives:

Ricky Albano	ECIC I	Orchard Park	(S) 209-6243
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League Chairpersons

Robert Pierce - ECIC

Luke Hogdsons - NFL

Committee meeting date(s)

** Pre-Season Meeting - August @ ECIC Fall Meetings - Site TBA

** E.C.I.C./N.F.L. 2023 League play ends Tues. Oct. 24, 2023

** Post-Season All WNY/All Star Meeting – 11-20-2023 Site TBA

Classification Breakdown

2023 Season - cut-off #'s - Div 1: 900+, Div 2: 0-900 **or by new numbers if classifications change**

Post Season Information

VOLLEYBALL BOYS Sportchair Walt Stefani (c) 903-5389			www.arbitersports.com
Start of Season	Mon. Aug. 21, 2023	Practices can begin (follow scrimmage/contest regulations)	
Seeding Meeting	Weds. Oct. 25, 2023	By phone 6:30 pm	
Qualifiers (if needed)	Thurs. Oct. 26, 2023	Higher Seed 6:00 pm	
Pre-Quarters	Fri. Oct. 27, 2023	Higher Seed 6:00 pm	
Quarterfinals	Weds. Nov. 1, 2023	Higher Seed 6:00 pm	
Semi-finals – Div. 1	Fri. Nov. 3, 2023	Higher Seed 6:00 pm	
Semi-finals – Div. 2 A & B	Sat. Nov. 4, 2023	Higher Seed 2:00pm	
Finals – D2A, & D2B	Tues. Nov. 7, 2023	Lackawanna HS – D2A 7:30 pm, D2B 5:30 pm	
Champ. Playoff D2A/2B	Thurs. Nov. 9, 2023	Lackawanna HS or TBA– D2A Champ (vs) D2B Champ 7:30 pm	
Finals – D1	Thurs. Nov. 9, 2023	Lackawanna HS or TBA – D1 5:30 pm	
NYS Regionals	Sat. Nov. 11, 2023	Lackawanna HS or TBA – D1 1:00 pm – D2 3:00pm	
NYS Championship	Sat. Nov. 18, 2023	Albany Capital Center, Albany, NY Times TBA	

Other Pertinent Data

** Spaulding **Boys TF-VB5** red, white, and blue ball for Sectional/State Competition

**** Need to have 20 of each per team → Blue and Red Patches and Certificates**

**** Champion Shirts should be 3XL and 17L per Championship Team**

Classification break at 900 (Division I: 901+, Division II: 0-900 5/19)

Division 1:

1. Niagara Falls	1547
2. Kenmore West/KE	822/645
3. Lancaster	1230
4. Orchard Park	1083
5. Frontier	1035
6. Lockport	1007
7. Williamsville North	981
8. Hutch Tech	944
9. Clarence	936

Division 2A: (Will adjust if schools combine or added)

1. Niagara Wheatfield	872
2. West Seneca West	830
3. Sweet Home	789
4. North Tonawanda	749
5. Hamburg	747
6. Williamsville East	711
7. Starpoint	699
8. Grand Island	666
9. Amherst	650
10. Will South	573

Division 2B: (Will adjust if schools combine or added)

1. West Seneca East	557
2. Iroquois	467
3. East Aurora/Holland	371/195
4. Cheektowaga	513
5. Lake Shore	512
6. Maryvale	482
7. City Honors	446
8. Eden/North Collins	282/123
9. Tapestry	264
10. Olmstead	***

Please CHECK that all Division 2 teams are represented – Thank You!

Budget 2023:

To be provided by Section VI Treasurer, Don Scholla

Respectfully submitted 3/1/2023

Walt Stefani. Section VI Boys Volleyball Sportchair



**SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT Fall Cheerleading
2023 Game Day
Chairperson: Justina Grudzinski**

Committee meeting date(s): May (TBD) **Coaches Meeting:** Week of Sports open in August

Pre-Season Information: Game Day will be Fall. Competitive will be Winter. Training will be available.

Competitive Cheer: Mark DiFilippo			
Sectionals	October 21 st	TBD (starpoin- hopefully)	
State Invitational:	October 28 th	Section IV	Binghamton,NY

Number of Schools Participating/ Sectional Alignments:

Currently following girls lacrosse BEDS numbers for GAME DAY cheer

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season:

Sectional Championship in Fall – unsure if we will send 1st and 2nd to states or just 1st. Will find out during committee meeting in May.

State Championship for Game Day In October

Rule Changes for 2023-2024:

Small changes based on recommendations from the Cheer Committee. 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.



CROSS COUNTRY 2023 PRE-SEASON REPORT

Sport Chairs: BOYS – Jason Longo/Walt McLaughlin, GIRLS – Pete Szymanski

Committee members (voting*)

Section VI Chairpersons		School	Cell
Boys	Jason Longo	Will South	308-6654
	Walt McLaughlin	East Aurora	829-9282
Girls	Pete Szymanski.....		480-2333

Boys League Representatives		School	Cell
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Buffalo	*Andrew Grine	Hutch Tech	877-9737
NFL	*Tim Willett,	Lockport	998-7200
NO	*Paul Dersarkissian,	Barker	860-7147
CCAA	*Tim O'Donnell,	Gowanda	270-7685

Girls League Representatives		School	Cell
ECIC	*Walt McLaughlin,	East Aurora	829-9282
Buffalo	*Christine Piscopo	Riverside	480-5976
NFL	*Tim Willett	Lockport	998-7200
NO	*Mike Heitzenrater	Newfane.....	860-7147
CCAA	*Kathy Stamets, All/Lime	375-6606	498-8615
At Large	Sean Ode	Randolph	499-2995

Committee meeting date(s) Specific dates to be announced.

Classification Breakdown

4 classes: A: 815+, B: 450 - 814, C: 255 - 449, D: 0-254

2023 Season Information

Sectionals:	Fri. Nov. 3	Bemus Point Golf Course
	Girls	D-10:00 am, A- 10:30 am, B- 11:00 pm, C- 11:30 pm
	Boys	D-12:00 pm, A- 12:30 pm, B- 1:00 pm, C- 1:30 pm
States:	Sat. Nov. 12	Verona-Vernon-Sherill HS (Section 3)
NYS Federation Meet	Sat. Nov. 19	Bowdoin Park, Wappingers Falls (Section 1)

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

Rule Changes for 2022-2023

Other Pertinent Data

- The sectional course will be available for inspection only on Friday, November 3rd starting at 9:00 am. Only varsity teams will be participating.
- The State Meet to be held at VVS High School on November 12.
- Sectional awards ceremonies will be broken up into class ceremonies following each of the races: 5, 6, 7, 8. Committee members will be needed to help run their specific award ceremonies.

Respectfully submitted 2/16/2023,
 Jason Longo/Walt McLaughlin Section VI Boys Cross Country Chairmen
 Pete Szymanski, Section VI Girls Cross Country Chairman

SECTION VI 023 PRE-SEASON REPORT FIELD HOCKEY

Chairperson: Judith Coleman-Otto

Committee members (voting*):

Judith Coleman- Otto*, Section VI Sport Chairperson
 ECIC Representative: Peter Tonsoline* & Dawn Kauderer-Kromer
 N-O League Representative :Amber Cleveland Medina Central
 NO League Representatives: Rob Mucha Barker Central School *

Section Coordinator- Judith Coleman-Otto*, **Barker retired** (C) 716-812-3078 jotto1952@gmail.com

ECIC Chairperson Pete Tonsoline* Iroquois H-681-8153

		Date	Site and Times
All times and venues for the Fall 2023 Season are tentatively scheduled and are subject to change			
Seeding Meeting		Thursday October 19,2023	
Pre-Quarters	B	Friday, October 20,2023	Higher Seed times TBA
Quarter-finals	CAB	Tuesday, October 24, 2023	Higher Seed times TBA
Semi-finals	CAB	Thursday October 26, 2023	all games must be played on Turf fields with the higher seed being the home team
Finals:	CAB	Wednesday, November 1, and 2023	Vets Park in Medina
Regionals at Section 5		Saturday November 4, 2023	TBA
States:		November 11 and 12, 2023	At Centereach High School Long Island

Classification Breakdown: Remains the same.

Number of Schools Participating: 22

Score Differential Policy- I would like to recommend a Score Differential Policy be researched for Field Hockey and a pilot program instituted. I will sending out information from some sections that already have a program in place. Also it has been suggested that an additional overtime be added so that we can possibly eliminate ties. Further discussion will be recommended.

Respectfully submitted, 2/23/2023
 Judith Coleman-Otto, Section VI Field Hockey Chairperson)

**PRE-SEASON REPORT
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL 2023
Chairperson: Debby Schruefer
March 2023**

Committee members (voting*)

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Committee meeting date(s):

June 2023

Recommendations for next season & proposed dates/sites

VOLLEYBALL GIRLS Sportchair Debby Schruefer © 716-445-8521 www.arbitersports.com

*** 2023 Proposed Post Season Schedule Seeding Meeting October 21**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location & Time</u>
Last league game	October 20	
Qualifiers	October 23	Higher Seed 6:00 PM
Pre-qualifiers	October 24	Higher Seed 6:00 PM
Quarterfinals	October 27	Higher Seed 6:00 PM
Semifinals	October 30	Higher Seed 6:00 PM
Finals B1, B2	November 1	TBD B1 6:00 PM B2 8:00PM
Finals C1, C2	November 1	TBD C1 6:00 PM C2 8:00 PM
Finals AA/A/D	November 2	TBD AA 6:00 PM A: 8:00 PM TBD D: 6:00 PM
Finals B/C	November 3	TBD: B: 8:00 PM C: 6:00 PM
Finals AAA	November 3	TBD 6:00 PM
Far West Regionals	November 10, 11	TBD
State Championships	November 18-19 2023	Cool Insuring Arena Section 2

Respectfully submitted 2/28/2023

Debby Schruefer, Section VI Girls Volleyball Chair

SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT

GIRLS SOCCER 2023

Chairperson: Chris Durr

March 2023

Committee members (voting*)

Section Chairperson:

Chris Durr* Williamsville East H – 316-3892

Assistant Chairperson:

Joanna Fildes Amherst Central C – 908-9550 H – 836-2627

Consultants:

Steve Sabo Meadow Elementary (N.T.) H – 228-7362

ECIC Joanna Fildes* (see above)

ECIC Mike Graffeo Orchard Park C – 359-1665

CCAA Dale MacArthur* Allegany-Limestone HS H – 372-5447

CCAA Kevin Rice Silver Creek C – 560-3479

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Bill Sciolino Buffalo Officials Representative C – 912-1200

Committee meeting date(s) March 12th (Zoom meeting)

Classification Breakdown

Proposed Classes 2023: AAA, AA, A1, A2, B1, B2, C, D

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

Pre-Season Coaches Meeting for August 22nd at 6pm at Boces (no remote option)

Committee proposes to implement the seeding pilot that Girls and Boys Basketball implemented – see minutes

Rule Changes for 2023

No major rules changes - minor edits

Other Pertinent Data

Discussed 6 classification and the effects on the sectional schedule

Discussed solutions and procedures regarding the Southwestern/Falconer seeding issue from last season.

Discussed the issue of the number of opt outs and the splitting or not splitting of classifications – see minutes

Section VI “Pink the Field” Event is scheduled for October. This will be the 14th year.

Season Dates

First Practice - 8/21

First Game - 8/28

First Scrimmage - 8/28

Last Scheduled League Game - 10/12

Seeding Meeting - 10/14

Post Season Information

See attached minutes

Respectfully submitted 3/15/22

SECTION VI GIRLS' SOCCER

2023 Sectional Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October	10	11	12	12 Last Scheduled League game Cut-Off Date	13	14 Seeding Meeting
15	16	17 <u>Pre- ¼</u> 3:30 or 6 pm at Higher seed AA, A1, A2	18 <u>Pre- ¼</u> 3:30 or 6 pm at Higher seed B1, B2, C	19 <u>Quarters</u> 3:30 or 6 pm at Higher seed AA, A1, A2	20 <u>Quarters</u> 3:30 or 6 pm at Higher seed B1, B2, C	21 <u>Quarters</u> 11 am at Higher seed AAA (if needed)
22	23 <u>Semis</u> D at Dunkirk 5:30 & 7:30 A1 & A2 at TBA 5:30 & 7:30	24 <u>Semis</u> C at Dunkirk 5:30 & 7:30 AA at TBA	25 <u>Semis</u> AAA at TBA 4:30 B1 & B2 at TBA 5:30 & 7:30	26	27	28 <u>Finals</u> AA, A1, A2, B1, B2 at TBA 10, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00 C & D at Dunkirk 11 & 1:15
29	30 <u>Finals</u> AAA at TBA 6:00	31 <u>Crossover</u> <u>Finals</u> A & B at TBA 5 & 7	1	2	3 <u>REGIONALS</u> @ Section 5	4 <u>REGIONALS</u> @ Section 5
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 STATES @ Cortland (Section 3)
12 STATES @ Cortland (Section 3)						

SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT

GIRLS SWIMMING 2023

Chairperson: Nathan Bourke
Assistant Chairperson: Paul Cary
March 1, 2023

Committee members (voting*)

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At Large:	TBA			

Recommendations for next season & proposed dates/sites*

Class Championships Swim and Diving	Wed-Sat, Oct 26-29	Diving all rounds- one or two member schools Swim Prelims- three multiple member schools Swim Finals- one or two more member schools
Sectional Championship / State Qualifier Diving	Thursday, Nov 2	4:00 PM Warm-up 6:00 PM Start Location TBD
Sectional Championship / State Qualifier Swimming	Friday, Nov 3	4:00 PM Warm-up 6:00 PM Start Location TBD (College Facility)
State Championship	Nov. 16-18	Webster Aquatic Center, Webster, NY

Committee meeting date(s) via ZOOM May and August 2023

Classification Breakdown The Committee recommends that schools are assigned to three Classes based on BEDS classification. The Committee recognizes that BEDS numbers do not always correlate to a team's strength and performance. Therefore, utilizing proposed crossover meets opportunities in the 2022 postseason report will help to strengthen competition and build programs.

Sectional 6 Classification Championship Meets / State Qualifier Meet The format used for Class championships hosted by member schools as a three-day format (swim prelims, diving, swim finals) worked well for the girls in 2022. A timed final state qualifier meet held at a college facility, recognizing overall Section champions in each event, was also very successful and should be continued.

State Qualifying Times for 2023: The May 2023 state committee meeting will review qualification times based on 2021, 2022, and 2023 data. The current time standards are below.

**NYSPHSAA
QUALIFYING STANDARDS FOR
GIRLS' SWIMMING & DIVING**

EVENT	STANDARD
200 Medley Relay	1:52.35
200 Freestyle	1:57.24
200 Individual Medley	2:12.84
50 Freestyle	24.84
Diving (11 dive)	440.00
100 Butterfly	1:00.02
100 Freestyle	54.36
500 Freestyle	5:14.65
200 Freestyle Relay	1:41.69
100 Backstroke	1:00.42
100 Breaststroke	1:08.60
400 Freestyle Relay	3:42.73

Rule Changes for 2023: None available at this time. The 2022 rule changes were related to guidelines for new pool design recommendations.

Other Pertinent Data/recommendations:

1. The State Championships will be held in Webster again this year. The Hilton Garden Inn will again host the Section VI team. The location used last year (2022) worked well with the ability to have large section meals on site.
2. The Girls and Boys Swim Committees continue to recommend mandatory online reporting of all results by member schools.
3. The Committee will discuss cut times for Class Championships at its May meeting.

Respectfully submitted Date: March 1, 2023
Nathan Bourke & Paul Cary

PRE-SEASON REPORT SECTION VI GIRLS TENNIS 2023
Chairperson: Kristin Janese

Committee members (voting*)

Girls Chairperson **Kristin Janese*** Edward Town Middle School (Niagara Wheatfield) 215-3167(S) 471-5537(C) 215-3160(Fax) kjanese@nwcsd.org

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Committee meeting date(s)

Seeding meeting for Team Sectionals, Saturday September 16th, 2023 (Virtual) 10am
 Seeding meeting Individual Sectionals, Sunday, October 8th, 2022 @10am Zoe Restaurant on Transit Rd.
 Each league chair meets with his/her coaches during their individual pre-season meeting. Committee meetings are not held prior to the sectional tournament unless something comes up that requires discussion.

Classification Breakdown (Not necessarily accurate - will update when I know for sure)

According to the 2022-2023 BEDS, we have 25 Division 1 schools and 24 Division 2 schools

Division 1 (600+) 25 Schools	Division 2 (<599) 24 Schools
CCAA (2) Jamestown Olean	CCAA (7) Fredonia, Southwestern, Salamanca, Falconer, Frewsburg, Chautauqua Lake, and Maple Grove
ECIC (13) Lancaster, Clarence, Will North, Orchard Park, Frontier, West Seneca West, West Seneca East, Hamburg, Sweet Home, Will East, Starpoint, Will South, & Amherst	ECIC (10) Iroquois, Cheektowaga, East Aurora, Maryvale, Lakeshore, Depew, Springville, Tonawanda, Alden, Eden
NFL (7) Niagara Falls, Lockport, Niagara Wheatfield, Ken West, North Tonawanda, Grand Island, Ken East	NFL (1) Lew-port
BUFFALO (3) Hutch Tech/Emerson/Culinary Arts, Burgard/McKinley, DaVinci/South Park	BUFFALO (6) City Honors, MST/East, I-prep/Lafayette/Riverside, LBJ Bennett/Middle Early College/Alt Ed., Olmsted, Research Lab

Post Season Information

TENNIS GIRLS Sportchair Kristin Janese (C) 716-471-5537		
Individual Sectionals Seeding Meeting:	Sun. Oct. 8th 10:00AM	Zoe Restaurant 5711 Transit Rd. E. Amherst 639-4550 10:00am
Team Sectionals:	Sept 23rd & Sept.26th	Locations TBD Preferable locations with 8 courts
Individual Sectionals:	Fri.-Sat. Oct. 13-14, 2023	Miller Tennis Center, Williamsville, NY Friday is 12PM start and Saturday is 3PM start
Regionals:	Saturday Oct. 21st, 2023	@ Section 5 Location and times to be provided by Section 5
Individual States:	Thursday, October 26th – Saturday, Oct. 28 th , 2023	Sportime Tennis Schenectady, Schenectady, NY
Team States:	Friday Nov. 3rd	Drumlins Tennis Club, Syracuse NY (pending Executive meeting May 3rd)
Team OPT OUT Deadline	Sept. 1st	Email needs to be sent to both the league chairperson and sectional chairperson

Team Sectional Championship - Year 3

Of Special Note:

1. 42 out of 54 schools opted out of the tournament in 2022 - This is the lowest % of all the Sections in the State again.
2. Teams need to make sure that they have scheduled enough matches for players to be eligible. They need to have played 6 matches in order to be eligible for sectional play.
3. The committee proposes a top 8 format for each division because of low participation with teams from each league being represented fairly. The committee would like some flexibility in case more or less teams choose to participate.
4. Clarification of practice/line-up rules will again be made prior to the tournament.
5. Opt Out date will be earlier to accommodate the new format and have less changes.

- In the Section VI Team Championship tournament, we will use the following format to match the format at the state level.
 - Division 1 - 3 singles and 4 doubles (11 players) If you do not have enough players to field all positions, you will forfeit at that position.
 - Division 2 - 3 singles and 2 doubles (7 players just like our regular season)

Team Sectionals

Day 1 - Saturday September 23rd: Quarterfinals and Semifinals

8 Team Bracket - Single elimination Draw

This will be a regular scoring, best 2 out of 3 set matches.

Seeds will be based on team record up until Sept. 16th, BEDS, perceived strength according to chairpersons, and may consist of UTR, past performances, or other information available at that time. The goal is to have a fair and equitable tournament for all teams in order to send our strongest team to Regionals.

Once a site is determined (Division 1 must be at a site with 8 courts if at all possible), a schedule of time will be made available.

Day 2 - Tuesday September 26th: Finals

This will be a regular scoring, best 2 out of 3 set match using the format listed above.

The winners will advance to Regionals vs. Section V on October 21st, 2023.

In case of rain, we will use the next available day to get the matches in. In some cases, we may need to use a Sunday, or more sites/multiple days.

Sectional Championship matches will take precedence over league matches.

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

For the Individual Sectionals each league will send reps as follows:

ECIC (7), NFL (3), CCAA (3), Buffalo (3). If Buffalo again does not send a full field, the next highest seeded players amongst the CCAA, NFL and ECIC (as agreed upon by the committee) will fill in the brackets.

For the 2023 NYSPHSAA Individual Tournament, Section 6 will send 3 singles qualifiers and 3 doubles teams. (we do not have an extra spot this year)

Continuation of Team Sectionals, Regionals and a State Team Championship.

Rule Changes for 2023-2024:

We will follow the most up-to-date safety information and protocols (if any) regarding Covid-19.

Other Pertinent Data

1. A joint proposal for boys and girls tennis was approved which states that all NYSPHSAA tennis players are **required** to claim their profile in the Universal Tennis Rating (UTR) system prior to the season. Coaches/schools are also required to claim their teams and update their rosters. This provides NYSPHSAA and member sections a comprehensive system to properly seed its tournaments..
2. Coaches will be **required** to report scores using the UTR website as our official score reporting site. This is free and step by step instructions will be given. The UTR is the most important number when it comes to seeding players at the State level and for many sections, at the section level as well.
3. We will hold our Section 6 individual tournament at the Miller Tennis Center in Williamsville. MTC has committed to hosting the event and has agreed to the proposed tentative start times. They have agreed to all 8 courts on Friday and 4 courts on Saturday.
4. Section V will be hosting the Section VI vs. Section V Regional matches this year on October 21st and a location to be determined as well as times.
5. The Individual State tournament will be held Thursday October 26th to Saturday October 28th, 2023, at Sporttime in Schenectady, NY. I am awaiting confirmation on a block of 10 rooms at the host hotel, The Crowne Plaza -Desmond, Schenectady for 2 nights beginning Wed. Oct 25th and checking out on Friday October 27th. The State has secured this host hotel at a rate of \$130/night **which does not include breakfast.**
6. The transportation/meal/hotel policy has worked out very well for years now and I would again recommend continuing with this policy.
7. The State committee seeding meeting at the State Tournament will be held on Wednesday October 25th.

Respectfully submitted 2/28/23

Kristin Janese, Section VI Girls Tennis Sportchair



**PRE-SEASON REPORT
GIRLS GYMNASTICS 2023
Chairperson: Joe Buscaglia
March 2023**

Committee members (voting*)

The Girls Gymnastics Committee consists of one representative from each of the 10 participating schools. Each representative has one vote.

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Coach: Williamsville South High School

Committee meeting date(s)

August 2023 & November 2023

Recommendations for next season & proposed dates

PROPOSED DATES 2023

GYMNASTICS GIRLS Sportchair Joe Buscaglia (c) 228-0340 www.arbitersports.com			
Sectionals:	November 3, 2023	Kenmore (Kenmore Middle School)	
States:	March 1-2, 2024	Kenmore West High School – Section 6 Buffalo, NY	

Number of Schools Participating/Divisional Alignments -

10 Schools in the following 2 divisions.

Division I: Chris Watson

Clarence
Frontier/Lake Shore
Lancaster
Orchard Park
Williamsville East

Division II: Kathy Nardini

Hamburg
Kenmore/Sweet Home
Maryvale
Williamsville North
Williamsville South/Amherst

Changes in Policy/Practice for the upcoming season

- None

Rule Changes for 2023

- None

Other Pertinent Data

- Judging: Chris Bagneschi- President of Judging Association and Assignor
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Respectfully submitted 03/01/23

Joe Buscaglia

Section VI Girls Gymnastics Sportchair



Boys Basketball Post Season Report 2022-2023

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

LEAGUE	DIVISION	SCHOOL	INDIVIDUAL
Buffalo League	Large Small	McKinley MST	Jordan David-Lewis Tyeon Sanford
CCAA League	Division 2 East	Catt-Little Valley	Donnie Seamon
CCAA League	Division 1 East	Cassadaga Valley	Hunter Johnson
CCAA League	Division 1 West	Olean	Jack DeRose
CCAA League	Division 2 West	Maple Grove	Jack Mansfield
ECIC League	Division 1	West Seneca West	Greg McOwen
ECIC League	Division 2	Amherst	Josh Bugiera
ECIC League	Division 3	East Aurora Pioneer	Charlie Meyer Kyle Stover
ECIC League	Division 4	Eden	Liam Schrecengost
Niagara Frontier League		Grand Island Kenmore East	Dylan Andrews Michael Bly
Niagara Orleans League		Wilson	Mike Bubar
Charter School		Global Concepts	Darius Brown

***NEW Coaches Sportsmanship Selections: 2022-23** Nick Bertrando - Fredonia

Report on changes in policy or practice: Glens Falls returned for our tournament site for the second year. Bids are being taken and voted on this fall for anyone wanting to host the State Championships.

Problems encountered/concerns:

Looking forward to next season, Health Sciences will play in the Buffalo Public Schools league, while Global Concepts and Tapestry Charter schools will play in the ECIC league. This will allow them to play a "league schedule" and not have to play as an "independent" school. The only Charter schools that will play as "independents" will be Buffalo Academy of Science and Maritime Charter. Our recommendation as a Committee will be to place Health Sciences from Class B to Class AA, and Tapestry Charter from Class B to Class A. This would be similar to last season, but the #'s have changed moving to 6 classifications.

Other pertinent data:

We will expand to a 6th Class next season – Class AAA – with our ONLY members being Niagara Falls and Lancaster high schools. We will discuss how this will affect Sectional play and scheduling at our post-season meeting in May. Many schools will be moving from one Class to another as NY State has expanded to this 6th Classification. It will affect how we schedule games for Sectional play, both in pre-quarter and quarterfinals games, as well as semi-final and Finals venues. As things currently stand, with the combining of schools and the anticipated re-classification of both Health Sciences and Tapestry Charter, here is what the breakdown would look like.

Class AAA - 2 schools Class AA - 18 schools Class A - 23 schools (A1 & A2) Class B 26 schools (B1 & B2) Class C - 16 schools Class D 6 schools - so 8 Classes for seeding purposes, and 2 crossover games in Classes A and B

Three officials on ALL Sectional games worked well. It did require some adjustments in scheduling because of the limited availability of qualified/competent officials, but we were able to make it work.

The new policies in relation to seeding/point system/tie-breakers worked very well. We want to propose another change for next season (one that will be discussed in May and presented after that meeting) that would take “most league wins” and “fewest league losses” completely OUT of the tiebreaker format. We would also suggest discussing our current playoff "double bye" format. We would like to discuss whether or not we should go back to a 1 vs 16, 2 vs 15, etc format that the girls still use. We thought this might be the right time for the change since we are making the move to 6 Classes, and the "numbers" are all changing in Classes AA, A, B, C, and D. Just about every classification will have more teams, with the exception of Classes AAA & D

Next season will begin on Monday, November 13, 2023 (week 20 of NYSPHSAA Calendar)

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results:

Sectional Champions

Class AA – Niagara Falls

Class A1 - McKinley

Class A2 - Amherst

Class B1 - Lewiston Porter

Class B2 – Fredonia

Class C - Randolph

Class D - Panama

Overall Class A - Amherst

Class B - Fredonia

Regional Champions

Class C - Randolph

State Champions

Class C - Randolph

Recommendations for next season (including dates/sites): Buffalo State and Jamestown CC remain outstanding venues for our semi-final and Finals. All sites and dates are listed below. Section 6 will host the Boys Regional Finals next season @ Buff State.

MORE RECOMMENDATIONS - As stated earlier, we will discuss more in-depth at our spring meeting, but we would like to see the tie-breaker system condensed even more, and have "most league wins" and "fewest league loses" eliminated. Allow the tie-breaker to be:

1 league winning percentage

2 head to head (including non-league games)

3 overall winning %, including non-league contests.

Again, we will discuss this at our meeting and decide if we want to make it a formal proposal.

Lastly, the schedule below must be revamped since we are adding the 6th Class. We will work on that during our committee meeting and I will send you what we come up with. We (Section 6) will also be hosting Regional play next year, also at Buffalo State on March 9th, but looking at a possible 2 day Regional option with that 6th Class, a possible Friday/Saturday situation.

Basketball (Boys): Larry Jones				
Last regular season game		Wednesday, 2/14		
Seeding meeting		Saturday, 2/17	Erie 1 Boces	9:00 a.m.
	Class(es)	Date	Site	Time(s)
1 st Round	All	Tue., 2/21	Higher Seed	7:00 pm
2 nd Round	All	Wed., 2/22	Higher Seed	7:00 pm
Quarters*	Class C, D, B1	Friday, 2/24	Higher Seed	7:00 pm
	Class A2, A1, B2	Sat, 2/25		1:00 pm
Semi-Finals	Class D	Monday, 2/26	Jamestown CC	6:00, 7:45
	Class B1	Monday, 2/27	Buffalo State	6:00, 7:45
	Class C	Tuesday, 2/27	Jamestown CC	6:00, 7:45
	Class A1(2), A2	Tuesday, 2/28	Buffalo State	5:15, 6:45, 8:15
	Class AA, A2	Wed, 3/1	Buffalo State	5:15, 6:45, 8:15
	Class B2	Thur. 3/2	Buffalo State	6:00, 7:45
Finals	Class D, C	Friday, Mar 3	Jamestown Comm. College	6:00, 7:45
Finals	Class B2, B1, AA, A2, A1,	Sat. Mar 4	Buffalo State Arena	Noon, 1:45, 3:30, 7:00, 8:30
Regional Qualifier	Class C, B, A	Tues, Mar 10	Buffalo State Arena	5:15, 6:45, 8:15
Far West Regionals	Class D, C, B, A, AA	Sat. Mar 11	Buffalo State Arena	12:00, 1:45, 3:30 7:00, 8:30
States	All	Mar 17-19	Glens Falls Civic Center	TBA
Fed.Trny	Class AA, A, B	Mar 24-26	Fordham University	TBA

Respectfully submitted
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Girls Basketball Post-Season Report 2022-23

All-WNY Sportsmanship Winners

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>INDIVIDUAL</u>
BUFFALO Div 1	Not Submitted	
BUFFALO Div 2	Not Submitted	
CCAA West 1	Allegany Limestone	Madison Callen
CCAA West 2	Chautauqua Lake	Natalie Gilkinson
	Clymer	Alexys Neckers
	Portville	Avery DeFazio
	Frewsburg	Madigan Colliver
CCAA East 2	North Collins	Cate Ayers
ECIC 1	Not Submitted	
ECIC 2	Not Submitted	
ECIC 3	Depew	Mya Bush
ECIC 4	Cleveland Hill	Lauryn Patterson
NFL	Not Submitted	
NO	Not Submitted	
Independent	Not Submitted	

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented:

Implemented the overall win % as a tiebreaker – used once
Implemented the 4-5-6 point value for all games.

Problems encountered/concerns:

17 teams dropped out of Sectionals - Discussion regarding setting the classifications after/before the teams opt out.

Other pertinent data:

Frank Martin Person/Coach of the Year Award – Inga Welty (Portville)

Recommendations for next season & proposed dates/sites:

1. Dates and Sites will be discussed at a late April Pre-season meeting

- a. Sectional Calendar to be provided with pre-season report
- b. All classifications Semis and Finals times and/or dates were rotated (on Calendar)

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results:

Sectional Champions:

AA – Lancaster
A1 – Hamburg
A2 – Williamsville South
B1 – Depew
B2 – Eden
C – Randolph
D – Panama

Regional Champions:

Class C – Randolph
Class D – Panama

State Champions:

Class C – Sherman (Finalist)

Submitted, Date 4/20/22
Chris Durr, Section VI Girls Basketball Chairman



Boys Ice Hockey
Post Season Report
2022-2023

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

		<u>School</u>	<u>Athlete</u>
Ice Hockey	Division NFL	Lew-Port	Rocco Randazzo
	Division ECIC I	Orchard Park	Chris Berdysiak
	Division ECIC II	Hamburg	Gavin Baumgartner

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented:

- All games were scored live using electronic scoring. No scoresheets were used for the 16 league games. Using iPads the off-ice officials scored the game, on-ice officials verified the game end results, and the data was immediately reflected on the website.
- This was the second year for our divisional alignment. Four divisions were established that followed the pattern of the existing leagues schools presently complete in. The ECIC group was 14 schools and therefore it was broken into two divisions based on the BEDS numbers.
- A new stats adjustment form was established for coaches to request that the league approve and correct any stats for players that were reported incorrectly. In total 26 requests were made from 11 different school out of 230 league and non-league games.
- A new feedback form was developed by Executive Committee Officials' Liaison Brett Banker. This form was general in nature and gave coaches and AD's the opportunity to voice concerns or suggestions. Four comments were received and all four were discussed at an Executive Committee meeting and responses were provided.
- The league hosted a senior all-star game for the first time. 52 senior athletes participated. It was very successful.

Problems encountered/concerns:

- There were some live scoring problems and a small number of games. Very few were technology problems. The majority were human error. Therefore, there will be a mandatory training session for scorekeepers and coaches conducted in November of 2023 before the league games begin.
- There are also some software edits to the system that need to be made for next year so that certain specific data can be recorded accurately. The website is also being updated for next season. This will include a secure area for coaches and AD's to access documents and forms.

Recommendations for next season including proposed calendar:

- We will continue to fine tune the electronic scoring procedure games. The distribution, maintenance and collection of equipment also needs to be addressed. A better system must be implemented to make this process more manageable.
- The start date for the season is November 13, 2023. Section VI will host the NYS Championships scheduled for March 9 & 10, 2024.
- We will reduce the league schedule so that all teams receive 15 games. This allows each division to play a balanced schedule within their division and reduce the number of cross-over games.
- Due to the reduction of 1 game, we recommend reducing the league dues to \$5,500 for the 23-24 season.
- The three official system will again be used for the sectionals and finals. This is in line with the NYSPHAA decision to use three officials for regionals and the state tournament.
- NYSPHAA has been petitioned to allow a running clock in the 3rd period of a game when the score reaches or exceeds 8 goals. The decision will be in September.
- NYSPHAA has been petitioned to allow regular season OT to be 4 on 4 or 3 on 3 should a Section desire. The decision will be in September.

Section VI Boys Hockey Divisions for the 2023-2024 Season (*3rd year of a 3 year alignment approval)

<i>Private</i>	<i>NFL</i>	<i>ECIC I</i>	<i>ECIC II</i>
Canisius	Grand Island	Lancaster	Will. East
St. Joes	Lew-Port	Clarence	Hamburg
St. Francis	Niagara-Wheatfield	Will. North	Will. South
Timon	Ken-East	Orchard Park	Amherst
St. Mary's	Ken-West	Frontier	Iroquois/Ald.
Nichols	N. Tonawanda	Sweet Home/Depew	W. Seneca E.
	Lockport/NF	W. Seneca W.	Starpoint

- NOTE: The final determination on the number of games played within the division and those played across divisions will not be confirmed until May 2nd.

Divisional Champions and Post Season Results:

<i>Division</i>	<i>Champion</i>
ECIC I	Orchard Park
ECIC II	Starpoint
NFL	Niagara Wheatfield
Monsignor Martin	Nichols

Sectional Results:

D I Champion – Orchard Park
D II Champion – Starpoint
Monsignor Martin Champion- Nichols

Date	Time	SiteName	LevelName	Class	HomeTeams	Score	AwayTeams	Score
2/16/2023	5:30 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	D 1	Clarence High School	7	Lockport High School, Niagara Falls High School	1
2/16/2023	8:00 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	D 1	Williamsville North High School	3	Frontier Senior High School	2
2/20/2023	6:00 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Semi-Final	D 1	Orchard Park High School	4	Williamsville North High School	0
2/20/2023	8:30 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Semi-Final	D 1	Lancaster High School	1	Clarence High School	5
2/27/2023	8:45 PM	KeyBank Center	Sectional Final	D 1	Orchard Park High School	4	Clarence High School	1
3/4/2023	3:00 PM	Harbor Center	Regional	D 1	Orchard Park High School	2	Pittsford High School	4
2/15/2023	8:20 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Pre-Quarter Finals	D 2	Williamsville South High School	3	Iroquois Central High School, Alden Central School	5
2/17/2023	5:30 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Pre-Quarter Finals	D 2	Niagara Wheatfield High School	15	North Tonawanda High School	1
2/17/2023	8:00 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Pre-Quarter Finals	D 2	Kenmore West High School	10	West Seneca East High School	3
2/18/2023	1:00 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Pre-Quarter Finals	D 2	West Seneca West High School	3	Amherst Central High School	1
2/18/2023	3:30 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Pre-Quarter Finals	D 2	Williamsville East High School	4	Hamburg Central High School	3
2/18/2023	6:00 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Pre-Quarter Finals	D 2	Kenmore East High School	5	Lewiston-Porter	1
2/18/2023	8:30 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Pre-Quarter Finals	D 2	Grand Island Central High School	7	Sweet Home High School, Depew High School	0
2/21/2023	6:00 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	D 2	Kenmore West High School	1	Kenmore East High School	6
2/21/2023	8:30 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	D 2	West Seneca West High School	3	Williamsville East High School	2
2/21/2023	5:30 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	D 2	Starpoint Central High School	10	Iroquois Central High School	1
2/21/2023	8:00 PM	Northtown Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	D 2	Niagara Wheatfield High School	3	Grand Island Central High School	2
2/23/2023	6:00 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Semi-Final	D 2	Starpoint Central High School	5	Kenmore East High School	2
2/23/2023	8:30 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Semi-Final	D 2	Niagara Wheatfield High School	4	West Seneca West High School	3
2/27/2023	3:45 PM	KeyBank Center	Sectional Final	D 2	Starpoint Central High School	8	Niagara Wheatfield High School	3
3/4/2023	12:00 PM	Harbor Center	Regional	D 2	Starpoint Central High School	3	Salmon River Central	4
2/16/2023	6:30 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	Private	St. Mary's High School	0	Canisius High School	5
2/16/2023	9:00 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Quarter Finals	Private	St. Joseph's Collegiate Inst	5	Bishop Timon-st Jude High School	3
2/22/2023	6:00 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Semi-Final	Private	Nichols School	1	St. Joseph's Collegiate Inst	4
2/22/2023	8:30 PM	Harbor Center	Sectional Semi-Final	Private	St. Francis High School	1	St. Mary's High School	0
2/27/2023	6:15 PM	KeyBank Center	Sectional Final	Private	Nichols School	4	St. Francis High School	1



SECTION VI POST-SEASON REPORT
Girls Ice Hockey 2022-23
Chairperson: Rick Hopkins
April 2023

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

West Seneca/Hamburg/Eden/Holland

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented

The WNYGVIHF in its 13th season added four schools to existing teams. Holland joined West Seneca/Hamburg/Eden, Franklinville merged with Frontier/Orchard Park/Lakeshore, Alden was added to Lancaster/Iroquois/Depew, and Lockport combined with Kenmore/Grand Island. The NYSPHSAA Championship weekend was pushed out a week which allowed much more flexibility when putting the regular season schedule together.

Problems encountered/ concerns

Some teams were only able to secure game ice that started at 4pm. This makes it a challenge for some visiting teams to make. The league managed and there were no games curfewed. Snow postponements were quickly rescheduled.

Recommendations for next season including proposed calendar

The girl's league has continued to thrive due to the high level of interest and exposure. The cooperation between high school coaches and travel coaches has again helped with development of the student-athletes and the league. The playoffs are being moved to Buffalo State, a neutral site and a more central location.

Ice Hockey (Girls) Rick Hopkins 626-8608, 631-2906 - 2023-24 Sectional & Post Sectional Schedule			
Section VI Quarterfinals	Tues. Feb. 6.	Buffalo State Arena	
Section VI Semifinals	Thurs. Feb. 8	Buffalo State Arena	
Section VI Championship	Mon. Feb. 12	Buffalo State Arena	
NYSPHSAA Quarters	Wed. Feb 14	TBA	
NYSPHSAA Semifinals	Fri. Feb. 16	Playland Ice Rye, NY	
NYSPHSAA Finals	Sat. Feb. 17	Playland Ice Rye, NY	

Player of the Year Carolyn Bourgeault Sr Goalie KenGIPort

First Team All Federation

Hailey Cooper HHEWS Def. Jr.

Molly Martin WMSV, Def, Sr.

Riley Andzel HHEWS Fwd, Sr.

Sydney Radecki LIDA Fwd Sr.

Madison Flory KenGIPort Fwd Sr.

Kerrigan McCarthy FFLOP, Goalie Jr.

Second Team All Federation

Maya Griffin FFLOP Fwd So
 Emiliana Cassillo KenGIPort Fwd Sr
 Sam Latini NC Fwd So
 Emery Fitzery FFLOP Def. Sr
 Madeline Marzec KenGIPort Def. So
 Ella Buczynski HHEWS Goalie 8th grade

Coach of the Year – Eric Cooper - Hamburg/Holland/Eden/West Seneca

Rusin Award – Named in honor of Jim Rusin recognizing commitment and dedication to Girls Varsity Ice Hockey in Western New York. 2023 Recipient Pete Tonsoline– Lancaster/Iroquois and West Seneca

Courage Award - Anna Meyer - Williamsville Goalie

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

Submitted to Section VI Treasurer Beth Fadeley

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results

Section VI Quarterfinals

Tues. Feb. 7 4:30 PM	#7 - CASH	2	4	#2 - NC	Northtown
Tues. Feb. 7 6:00 PM	#6 - FFLOP	1	2	#3 - HHEWS	Northtown 2OT
Tues. Feb. 7 7:30 PM	#5 - LIDA	2	3	#4 - WMSV	Northtown

Section VI Semifinals

Thurs. Feb. 9 4:30 PM	#4 - WMSV	1	4	#1- KenGIPort	Northtown
Thurs. Feb. 9 6:30 PM	#3 - HHEWS	1	2	#2 - NC	Northtown 3OT

Private School Championship

Mon. Feb. 13 6:00 PM	STM	0	2	MMAA	Cornerstone
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Section VI Championship

Mon. Feb. 13 8:00 PM	#2 NC	0	4	#1 KenGIPort	Cornerstone
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NYSPHSAA State Tournament Nexus Center Utica, NY

Fri. Feb. 17 6:00 PM & 8PM

Sec. 2/7 - Adirondack United 4 Sec. 10 - Canton-1

Sec. 3 - Clinton-4 Sec. 6 - KenGIPort-2

Respectfully submitted 4/28/23 - Rick Hopkins, Section VI Girls Ice Hockey Chair



Boys/Girls Bowling Post-Season Report 2022-2023

Report on changes in Policy or Practice:

There were no Changes in Policy or Practice this season.

1. Recommended Championship Dates for '23-'24 Season:

Boys Sectional Tournament: Thursday, February 14, 2024 – AMF Airport Lanes, Cheektowaga
 Girls Sectional Tournament: Wednesday, February 15, 2024 – AMF Airport Lanes, Cheektowaga
 Snow Date / Make-up Date: Friday, February 16, 2024 - AMF Airport Lanes, Cheektowaga
 State Tournament: Fri-Sun, March 8-10, 2024 – Hosted by: AMF Strike N' Spare Lanes, Syracuse

Sectional/State Tournament for '22-'23 Season:

Bowling B- Dan Kaplan (c) 868-5051 G- Joe Biondo (c) 479-2736				
		<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	
Sectionals:	Girls	Wed 2/15/23	AMF Airport Lanes	Cheektowaga
	Boys	Thu 2/16/23	AMF Airport Lanes	Cheektowaga
States:	Large Schools	Fri 3/10/23	AMF Strike N Spare Lanes	Syracuse
	All-Section (2 squads)	Sat 3/11/23	AMF Strike N Spare Lanes	Syracuse
	Small Schools	Sun 3/12/23	AMF Strike N Spare Lanes	Syracuse

2023 Sectional Results: (6 Game Totals)

<u>Class</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Total Pins</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Total Pins</u>
A	Frontier*	6376	Kenmore	5324
B	Grand Island	5981	North Tonawanda*	5429
C	West Seneca East**	5964	Maryvale**	5124
D	Salamanca	5623	Forestville	4733

* Division I Champion – Represented Section VI at the NYSPHSAA Championships

** Division II Champion – Represented Section VI at the NYSPHSAA Championships

*** State Champion

All Section Team - Boys

<u>Bowler</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Total Pins</u>
Nick Brady	Starpoint	12	1435
Aiden Strack	Niagara Falls	12	1404
Talon Newton	Grand Island	12	1354
Lane Marlatt	Williamsville South	12	1351
Jake Willard	Kenmore	12	1324
John Coram	Grand Island	9	1313

All Section Team - Girls

<u>Bowler</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Total Pins</u>
Jillian Yarnes	Orchard Park	10	1230
Sarah Zulick	Clarence	10	1195
Abbie Derby	Jamestown	11	1182
Kaelynn Weber	Kenmore	12	1164
Brenna Forsha	Tonawanda	12	1157
Hailee Zalwsky	Allegany-Limestone	12	1134

2023 NYSPHSAA Championship Results:**Team**

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Total Pins</u>	<u>Placement</u>
North Tonawanda	Division 1	4918	7th
Maryvale	Division 2	4781	4th
<u>Boys</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Total Pins</u>	<u>Placement</u>
Frontier	Division 1	6005	5th
West Seneca East	Division 2	6329	1st
<u>All-Star Composite Team</u>		<u>Total Pins</u>	<u>Placement</u>
Girls		6284	1st
Boys		6507	2nd

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Kaplan, Section VI Boys Chairman
Joe Biondo, Section VI Girls Chairman



Boys Swimming & Diving Post-Season Report 2022-2023 - progress 4/25/23

2022-2023 Coaches Sportsmanship Nomination:

Bruce Johnson, Coach of the Frewsburg-Southwestern team for over 45 years.

Report on changes in policy or practice that were implemented:

- League Championships, Class Championships, and a State Qualifier Time Finals meet were held locally, and the 2023 state meet occurred at Ithaca College.
- The section continued to use [Swimcloud.com](https://www.swimcloud.com), originally known as collegeswimming.com, this site serves as the number one recruitment site for college coaches. This continues to be a tremendous asset to athletes, parents, coaches, and section coordinators.

Thank you to Paul Cary who once again was instrumental in the success of our season who helped to ensure statistics were accurate, and was our tech liaison with SwimCloud.

Problems encountered/concerns:

- None.

Class Meet Results:

Class A Champions: Orchard Park



Class B Champions: Frewsburg-Southwestern



Class C Champions: Alden



Sectional VI State Qualifier Meet: SUNY Buffalo
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Approximately 25 additional athletes qualified for the NYS Championship at this event. A special thank you to the Staff at the University at Buffalo, for adjusting his schedule to accommodate our championship meet.

Section VI State Qualifier 1st Place Finishers		
200 Medley Relay	Gannon Moore Brady Lindstrom, Grady Moore, Miles Moore	Frewsburg-Southwestern
200 Free	Max Anderson	Williamsville East
200 IM	Aaron Gasiewicz	Lancaster
50 Free	Gannon Moore	Frewsburg-Southwestern
Diving	Alexander Pitts	Frewsburg-Southwestern
100 Fly	Jacob Winfield	East Aurora
100 Free	Kyle Priset	Clarence
500 Free	Max Anderson	Williamsville East
200 Free Relay	Jaxon Bruzugul, Liam Clark, Carter Marks Jayden Bruzgel	Orchard Park
100 Back	Connor Dean	Jamestown
100 Breast	Aaron Gasiewicz	Lancaster
400 Free Relay	Jaxon Bruzugul, Liam Clark, Austin Carducci, Jayden Bruzgel	Orchard Park

200 Medley Relay	Gannon Moore Brady Lindstrom, Grady Moore, Miles Moore	Frewsburg-Southwestern
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SECTION 6

Ryan Manning	SR	Clarence	Aidan Hurley	SR	Niagara Wheatfield
Kyle Priset	JR	Clarence	Jackson James	SR	Niagara Wheatfield
Adam Fred	SR	Dunkirk	Paul Wissel	SR	Niagara Wheatfield
Cameron Ignatowski	SR	East Aurora	Dominic Zuccari	FR	Niagara Wheatfield
Jacob Winfield	JR	East Aurora	Jaxon Bruzugul	JR	Orchard Park
Landon Frederes	8	Frewsburg	Jayden Bruzugul	SO	Orchard Park
Logan Hren	SR	Frewsburg	Austin Carducci	SO	Orchard Park
Brady Lindstrom	SR	Frewsburg	Aiden Carr	FR	Orchard Park
Gannon Moore	SR	Frewsburg	Dennis Choroser	JR	Orchard Park
Grady Moore	FR	Frewsburg	Liam Clark	FR	Orchard Park
Miles Moore	FR	Frewsburg	Carter Marks	JR	Orchard Park
Alexander Pitts	JR	Frewsburg	Benjamin Wichhart	SR	Starpoint
Conner Dean	SO	Jamestown	Jackson Conley	SO	Tonawanda
Aidan McCleery	JR	Jamestown	Jackson Amenta	SO	Williamsville East
Aaron Gasiewicz	SR	Lancaster	Max Anderson	FR	Williamsville East
Luke Heary	JR	Lancaster	Nathan Eaton	SR	Williamsville East
Liam Marlowe	JR	Lancaster	Samuel Kappel	JR	Williamsville East
McKean Vallely	SR	Lancaster	Peter Lajeunesse	JR	Williamsville East
Nicholas Voit	FR	Lancaster	Nicholas Lemmo	SO	Williamsville East
Aidan Morgan	SR	Lockport	Roman Tedeschi	JR	Williamsville East
Vincent Ciruolo	SR	Niagara Wheatfield			

Aaron Gasiewicz	Lancaster	State Champion: 200 IM, 100 Fly <i>Section Record 200 IM, 1:49.04</i> 100 Fly 48.85
Gannon Moore	Frewsburg-Southwestern	Sportsmanship Award

Section VI Records				
As of <i>March 2023</i>				
<u>Event</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>
200 Medley Relay	Patrick McCrone Luke Sapio Drew Descovich Joshua Stegner	1:34.56	Orchard Park	2021
200 Freestyle	John Hodge	1:39.77	Williamsville North	1985
200 Individual Medley	Aaron Gasiewicz	1:49.04	Lancaster	2023
50 Freestyle	Charlie Rommel	:20.46	Clarence	2011
One Meter Dive (6)	Terry Butler	375.70	Kenmore East	1987
One Meter Dive (11)	Shawn Hoffman	606.35	North Tonawanda	2008
100 Butterfly	Aaron Gasiewicz	:48.85	Lancaster	2023
100 Freestyle	Matt Marsh	:45.40	Jamestown	2015
500 Freestyle	Jamie Miller	4:35.75	Frontier	2002
200 Freestyle Relay	Barden, Rommel, Case, Urschel	1:24.54	Clarence	2010
100 Backstroke	Phil Aronica	:49.52	Orchard Park	2010
100 Breaststroke	Jacob Lauzonis	:56.66	Lewiston-Porter	2022
400 Freestyle Relay	Quinn, M. Stone, Orser, Jimenez	3:09.95	Orchard Park	1998

Recommendations for next season, including proposed calendar:

- Continue awarding patches by class (A, B, C) for the Section Class Championships Meets
- Continue to support funding meets at ECC & UB.
- The tentative calendar below reflects the 2023-2024 championship format which may change as a result of the May 2023 State Section Coordinator's meeting.

- Qualifying times will be studied and adjusted as appropriate to better meet the needs and talents of our Section VI athletes

2023-2024 Boys Swimming & Diving Championship Dates -

	<u>Meet</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Times</u>
Class Championships	Prelims & Diving	February 8/9/10	TBA	TBA
State Qualifier	Diving Swim Finals	February 13/14/15	TBA SUNY Buffalo	TBA
NYSPHSAA Championships	Travel Swim prelims Diving Swim Finals	Thu. February 28 Fri. March 1 Fri. March 1 Sat. March 2	Kelsey Partridge Bird Natatorium @ Ithaca College	TBA departure Meet Times: TBA

2022-2023 Combining of Schools Report Review:

Sport	Host School	Combined Schools	Level	
Swim BG	Royalton-Hartland	Barker	V	Ok
Swim B	Dunkirk	Fredonia, Forestville	V	Did not submit report. Ok
Swim B	East	Burgard, MST, Pathways	V	Ok
Swim B	Eden	Gowanda	V	Ok
Swim B	Frewsburg	Southwestern	V	Ok
Swim B	Hutch Tech	Emerson, Buffalo Culinary	V	Did not submit report. Ok
Swim B	Jamestown	Falconer	V	Ok
Swim B	Kenmore East	Kenmore West	V	Ok
Swim B	LJ Bennett	MEC, Research Lab, Alt Ed	V	Ok
Swim B	Olean	Allegany-Limestone & Franklinville	V	Ok
Swim B	Panama	Maple Grove, Chaut Lake	V	Ok
Swim B	West Seneca West	West Seneca East	V	Ok

Respectfully submitted,

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

Cheerleading
Post-Season Report
Winter 2023

Report on changes in policy or practice that were implemented:

- Section VI will only approve one (1) Outside Agency and one (1) League competition on the same day if there are enough officials for both. This is to ensure that Officials are available for each competition. If there cannot be two in one day, it will be first come first serve.
- For Outside Agency contests, the host school is responsible for payment of officials as per their contract.
- Section VI will only approve member school competitions in the fall with competitive divisions. All outside agency competitions that are being approved need to offer Game day divisions only.

Recommendations for next season including proposed calendar:

- Section VI has previously been approved to allow top two winners of each division to move onto states. (10 teams total). If divisions stay the same, we would like to continue to send TOP 2. However, we would like the consideration of the sport of cheerleading to use different division breakdown
- Coaches would like the Athletic Directors to look at the divisions surrounding the sport of cheerleading. In section VI we would like to move to classification throughout the state of NY numbers. ABC, CO ED
- Game Day Sectional , Game Day States for 2023

Cheerleading – Justina Grudzinski c:913-7592 sec6cheerleading@gmail.com			
Proposed 2023-24 Calendar			
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
Game Day Sectionals	10/29/2023	Starpoint HS	10AM
State Championship	11/5/2023	Binghamton	
Competitive Cheer Sectionals			
Comp Cheer State Championship	3/3/2024	Binghamton	

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures): *all was submitted to following the Sectional championship*

Winter 2022 Winners

D1 Small:

1st: Clarence

Runner Up: Lockport

D1 Large:

1st: Frontier

Runner Up: Hamburg

D2 Small:

1st: Maryvale

Runner up: Tonawanda

D2 Large:

1st: Starpoint

Runner up: Iroquois

Co ed:

1st: Lewiston Porter

Runner up: Williamsville South



**Section 6
Wrestling
Post Season Report 2022-23**

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners: Ryan Carpenter – Randolph HS (D2) / Dylan Gagnon – North Tonawanda (D1)

Important Dates for 2022-2023:

First Practice – Nov. 13th

Initial Weight Certifications: Nov. 17th-21st

Report on changes in policy or practice that were implemented:

1. Wrestling coaches were required to enter all weigh-ins on TrackWrestling as a precursor to the implementation of the 1.5% weight descent rule for the 2023-24 season. We only had a few instances where coaches did not enter their weights in a timely manner. When that happened, the Trackwrestling software safeguards were triggered. Those coaches were temporarily “locked out” (that is, they were unable to enter additional weigh-ins as the system only allows 1 “open weigh-in”) of the system as a warning to keep on task with weigh-in entry.

Problems encountered/concerns:

1. Having to move the Sectionals in a 3-day window was extremely difficult (due to the suspension of the Starpoint Wrestling program); they were scheduled to be Sectional hosts. Special thank you to the North Tonawanda Wrestling coaches, team members, parents, AD and maintenance staff for hosting on such short notice. The D1 tournament was quite successful.

New policies for 2023-24

1. 50% weigh in rule has been eliminated by NYSPHSAA.
2. 1.5% weight descent plan has been implemented, NYSPHSAA will create webinars for all coaches. These webinars will explain all processes involved.
3. Honor weigh-ins have been eliminated. All weigh-ins will take place matside before dual matches.

New Proposals for 2023-24

None.

2023 Post Season Calendar (Sites: TBA). We will continue to look for potential host sites for our postseason tournaments.

Wrestling Co-Chairs Mike DeBarbieri (c 378-1190) & Israel Martinez (c 628-0664)			
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
Weight Certification	Nov. 17-21	As per Mike Pilato - TBA	As per Mike Pilato - TBA
Section 6 Duals	Jan. 6 th	Lancaster and Will North have expressed interest.	10:00 start
<i>Class Tournaments</i>	Feb 3rd	AA – Will North A – TBA B – CSAT or Albion C/D - TBA	9:00 start – all sites
Qualifier: Div 1 &2	Feb 10	D1 – TBA D2 – TBA	9:00 a.m. start
Dual States:	January 27	Onondaga Comm College	9:30 a.m.
Ind. States	February 23-24	Albany MVP Arena	9:30 a.m.

Section 6 Champions* (NYS Place finish):

DIVISION 1				(NYS place)
102	*CULLEN EDWARDS	FRONTIER	9	
102	TREVOR DELLAPENTA	HAMBURG-EDEN	9	(8th)
110	*EIAN PETERSON	NIAGARA FALLS	10	
110	EVAN AZBELL	NIAGARA WHEATFIELD	8	
118	*KEN SCHMITZ	HAMBURG-EDEN	12	(8th)
118	BRYCE DELLAPENTA	HAMBURG-EDEN	9	
126	*JADEN CRUMPLER	NIAGARA FALLS	12	(1st)
126	AMARFIO REYNOLDS	NIAGARA FALLS	12	(4th)
132	*TREMELL MATHEWS	NIAGARA WHEATFIELD	12	
132	AJ DIDAS	CLARENCE	10	
138	*TE'SHAUN MATHEWS	NIAGARA WHEATFIELD	11	(5th)
138	CHASE RICHARDS	NIAGARA WHEATFIELD	9	
145	*CAMERON CATRABONE	WILLIAMSVILLE NORTH/EAST	11	(1st)
145	GARRETT CHASE	NIAGARA WHEATFIELD	10	
152	*DYLAN GAGNON	NORTH TONAWANDA	11	
152	CAMERON MILLENDER	SWEET HOME	12	(8th)
160	*MICHAEL SYPOSS	NIAGARA FALLS	12	(7th)
160	JOSEPH CICCIO	NIAGARA WHEATFIELD	11	
172	*LUKE SMEADER	HAMBURG-EDEN	12	(5th)
172	MIKEY SCHAEFER	LANCASTER	11	
189	*JACK MACDONALD	ORCHARD PARK	11	(7th)
189	EVAN STENCEL	LANCASTER	12	
215	*CASEY ROBINSON	NIAGARA WHEATFIELD	12	

215	CAMERON HALL	NIAGARA FALLS	12	
285	*TOMMY CARLSEN	LANCASTER	12	(5th)
285	BRYCE HAWES	CLARENCE	11	

DIVISION 2

102	*JAKOB LUCINSKI	NEWFANE	11	(4th)
102	DYLAN NEWMAN	FALCONER	8	
110	*KENJI WALTERS	SOUTHWESTERN	11	
110	DOMINICK CALLARA	MEDINA	12	
118	*CARMINE CALIMERI	SOUTHWESTERN	9	(7th)
118	VICTOR CUSATIS	WILSON	9	
126	*JORDAN JOSLYN	CHAUTAUQUA LAKE	11	(1st)
126	BLAKE HAGEMAN	LAKE SHORE	12	
132	*AIDAN GILLINGS	NEWFANE	10	(2nd)
132	AYDEN BUTTERY	NEWFANE	10	(6th)
138	*XANDER KIRSCH	PIONEER	12	
138	MARTIN OHLSSON	CHAUTAUQUA LAKE	12	
145	*AUSTIN CHASE	FALCONER	12	(7th)
145	TRENT BURCHANOWSKI	CHAUTAUQUA LAKE	12	
152	*JOHN WATSON	CHAUTAUQUA LAKE	11	(6th)
152	ALEX SCHIFFHAUER	IROQUOIS	9	
160	*JACOB STEPHENSON	WILSON	10	
160	BRODY LITTLE	FALCONER	12	
172	*TAVIO HOOSE	SOUTHWESTERN	9	(1st)
172	BRADY HECKATHORN	PIONEER	12	
189	*MATT TRIM	MAPLE GROVE	11	(8th)
189	MASON MARING	CHAUTAUQUA LAKE	10	
215	*TREVOR BARRY	IROQUOIS	11	(3rd)
215	ISON SHIRLEY	CHAUTAUQUA LAKE	11	
285	*RYAN CARPENTER	RANDOLPH	12	
285	HAMZA MERRICK	WILSON	10	(8th)

Team Dual Championships:

Section 6 D1 Team Champion - Starpoint (NYSPHSAA Dual Team State Champions)

Section 6 D1 Team runner up - Niagara Wheatfield

Section 6 D2 Team Champion - Chautauqua Lake

Section 6 D2 Team runner up - Newfane

Class Tournament Champions:

Class AA – Williamsville North

Class A – Niagara Wheatfield

Class B - Falconer / Cassadaga Valley

Class C/D - Chautauqua Lake

Potential post season schedule for 2023-24:

January 6 - Section 6 Dual Team Championships

January 27 – NYSPHSAA Dual Team State Championships

February 3rd –Class tournaments.

February 9-10 – Section 6 Individual Championships

February 23-24 – NYSPHSAA Individual State Championships

Respectfully submitted.

Mike DeBarbieri and Israel Martinez, Section VI Co-Chairmen

Female Wrestling

Post Season Report 2022-23

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners: NA (They only recognize sportsmanship winners at state championships)

Important Dates for 2022-2023:

First Practice – Nov. 13 th

Initial Weight Certifications: Nov. 17 th -21 st

Report on changes in policy or practice that were implemented:

This year we had 874 NYSPHSAA female wrestlers that were weight certified for the 2022-23 season. There were over 1,000 if you count the PSAL, CHSAA, and the AIS. Because of the number of athletes AND the amount of teams that signed on as “All Women” wrestling teams, we were granted “Emerging Sport” status for the 22-23 season. This prompted the NYSPHSAA office to have an “Invitational State Championship” held at Onondaga Community College in Syracuse.

Wrestling coaches were required to enter all weigh-ins on TrackWrestling. **We are unsure if we will be implementing the 1.5% weight descent rule for the 2023-24 season.**

Problems encountered/concerns:

Our season ran very smoothly. We did have some schools fail to read communication sent out repeatedly concerning the selection process for the State Meet and, because of this, athletes were NOT considered for the selection process into the NYSPHSAA “Invitational State Tournament”. Hopefully this does NOT occur again next year. (We will be doing a very similar process.) There was also an athlete who was NOT selected which caused some issues, but this was rectified when an athlete had to pull out of the tournament which opened up a slot and our section 6 young lady was selected to represent us at the state meet.

The only other real issue was not handing patches out at the “End of season” tournament held at Chautauqua Lake. Because it was an invitational tournament, rather than a “Section 6 Championship” tournament, no patches were given out. This caused some minor issues with parents but was quickly dealt with when it was explained that school districts need to step up and start stand-alone Women’s teams so we CAN have a true Sectional Championship where patches can be earned.

New policies for 2023-24

I believe we will be following the same NEW weigh-in policies as the boys except for the 1.5% descent plan. (I am unsure of this) This would include the elimination of the "Honor Weigh-in" and would make every event a matside weigh-in.

As far as our Championship series (2024):

NYSPHSAA Invitational: NYSPHSAA will be holding another Invitational on January 26 th at the

SRC Arena in Syracuse NY. This event will be held in conjunction with the Boys Dual Meet Championship. NYSPHSAA will use the same format with 16 person brackets with athletes submitting their names for consideration. The wrestling committee will set the final invitational list. Sections are permitted to have qualifying tournaments to help determine their allotments. The NYSPHSAA event is not a qualifying event.

To include the entire State:

NYS Federation Invitational: As you are aware, NYS has 4 HS Athletic Associations. NYSPHSAA is the largest. PSAL is the public schools in NYC. The CHSAA are the catholic schools in NYC and Buffalo. The AIS are the independent schools in NYC. The PSAL was not happy they were not invited to participate in last year's event. NYSPHSAA would still like to hold our NYSPHSAA event for our member schools. For 2023-2024 the state organization would like to host a NYS Federation Invitational to accommodate all 4 athletic associations. This tournament would be held on February 22, 2024. This would follow a similar format as the NYSPHSAA event. Each association would receive 4 allocations to the tournament. If an association did not use the allocation then they would be given to the other associations. NYSPHSAA would rely heavily on the results of the NYSPHSAA Invitational but would not be locked into those results to give out our allocations. The NYS Federation tournament would be on the Thursday before the Boys Individual Tournament. The female athletes would be able to practice on Wednesday afternoon.

New Proposals for 2023-24

2023-24 Post Season Calendar

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
Weight Certification	Nov. 17-21	As per Mike Pilato - TBA	As per Mike Pilato - TBA
Section 6 State qualifying event	TBD depending on the deadline for entrance into the State Invitational tournament	TBD based on availability of venue once a deadline has been decided upon	TBD
NYSPPHSAA Invitational State Tournament	Friday, Jan. 26 2024	SRC Arena, Onondaga Community College	TBD
Section 6 Sectional Championship event	TBD (Possibly Feb 3rd weekend Depending on the Boys Class schedule.)	TBD based on availability of venue	TBD
NYS Federation State Tournament	Thursday, Feb. 22, 2024	Albany MVP Arena	TBD

Section VI Culminating Event Results (2/18/23 at Chautauqua Lake):

The “END OF SEASON” tournament, hosted by Chautauqua Lake was tremendous. We had 87 young ladies enter the event with representation from 4 different Sections. (Sections 3, 4, 5, and 6) It was run as an invitational tournament, rather than a “Section 6 Championship” tournament so that young ladies who competed in the Boys championship series were able to attend this tournament provided they had 2 contact points available. Our hope is to have a Section Sanctioned Sectional Tournament for the 2023-24 season.

Section 6 State Championship Results (1/27/23 SRC Arena):

In total, we ended up with 35 Section 6 wrestlers entered into the State tournament and 10 place-finishers.

Of the 35, only 7 of them were seniors. Of the 10 place finishers, only 1 was a senior.

State Tournament Participants:

94 Meyah Aponte Fredonia – 11th
94 Lily Pieczonka - Niagara Wheatfield – 8th
100 Leah Waite Fredonia – 9th
100 Gabriella Barone - Niagara Wheatfield – 7th
100 AJ Johnson - Fredonia – 11th
107 Hannah McCarley - North Tonawanda – 11th
107 Brenna McCarley North Tonawanda – 11th
107 Brooklyn Pyrrl - Falconer – 12th
114 Maleah McKinney-Updegraph - Lockport – 12th
114 Marissa Tara - Orchard Park – 10th
120 Emma Schindler - Gowanda – 12th
120 Madison Szymanowski - Chautauqua Lake – 11th
120 Riley Hjemdahl-Monsen - Springville Griffith
126 Gabriella Testa - Chautauqua Lake – 10th
126 Alexa Doxey - Newfane – 7th
132 Ke'ya Stevens - Gowanda – 12th
132 Mia Smith - Chautauqua Lake – 10th
132 Alexiya Thuman - Lake Shore – 10th
138 Gwyneth Edwards - Lewiston Porter – 12th
138 Avery White - Frontier – 10th
138 Nevaeh Senik - Niagara Wheatfield – 8th
138 Sophia Gervasio - Chautauqua Lake – 11th
145 Christina Evans - West Seneca West/East – 11th
145 Meghan Edwards - Lewiston Porter – 12th
145 Caroline Aphthorpe - Chautauqua Lake – 11th
145 Lillian Hyde - Chautauqua Lake – 7th
152 Michaela Thomas - Iroquois – 9th
152 Bella Andes - Lockport – 9th
152 Eva Colon-DeJesus - Dunkirk – 9th
165 Gianna Scirri - Niagara Wheatfield – 12th
165 Ava Bragg - Lockport – 9th
185 Doris Baker - North Tonawanda – 11th
185 Marea Palka - Springville Griffith – 11th
185 Khamya J' Maxwell - Lockport – 10th
235 Gabi Freeburg - Chautauqua Lake – 10th

State Tournament Place finishers:

CHAMPION:

At 100 lbs - 7th grader, Gabriella Barone from Niagara Wheatfield who pinned her way through the tournament

2nd place finishers:

At 126 - 7th grader, Alexa Doxey from Newfane

At 145 - 11th grader, Christina Evans from West Seneca West/East

3rd place finishers:

152 - 9th grader, Michaela Thomas from Iroquois

165 - 9th grader, Ava Bragg from Lockport

185 - 11th grader, Doris Baker from North Tonawanda

4th place finisher:

107 - 11th grader, Hannah McCarley from North Tonawanda

5th place finishers:

145 - 12th grader, Meghan Edwards from Lewiston-Porter

185 - 10th grader, Khamya J'Maxwell from Lockport

6th place finisher:

235 - 10th grader, Gabrielle Freeburg from Chautauqua Lake

Potential post season schedule for 2023-24:

January TBD - Section 6 Qualifying Event for State Invitational

January 26 (Friday) – NYSPHSAA Women's Invitational State Championships

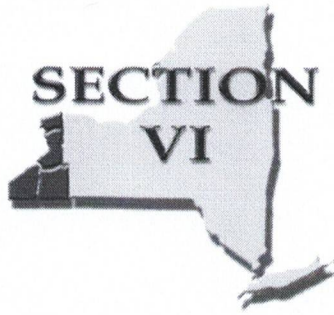
Feb TBD - Section 6 Sectional Championship tournament

February 22 (Thursday) – NYSPHSAA Women's Federation Individual State Championships

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Conti, Chairman

Date Apr 27, 2023



**Indoor Track
Post-Season Report
2022 - 2023**

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners:

	Athlete	School
Boys Indoor Track	Daunte Townsell	Tapestry
Girls Indoor Track	Loretta White	Depew

***NEW → Coaches Sportsmanship Selections:** Kyle Brown – Hamburg - Boys
Emily Bradley – Starpoint - Girls

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented: None that were specified.

Recommendations for next season: Keep the same schedule if possible – As always, have many of our meets at Houghton College makes a world of difference

David Reinhardt did all the Timing through Finish Lynx – FAT.
Feedback from all the coaches on David Reinhardt doing the Timing all season long was AWESOME!!

The timing at Houghton College was much more efficient with the Scoreboard and David Reinhardt added another piece to his timing system – Coaches, Athletes and Parents were able to receive LIVE Results immediately after such events were completed.

We feel as a League – There is no need to remove the Catholic Teams as this time – David Reinhardt and we feel that we were able to handle all situations in which there were minimal issues.

Recommendations for Houghton College: No Recommendations – This place was clearly an advantage for all of Section VI – Indoor Track & Field (We were definitely on the same playing-field as all other Sections from across the State).

Other pertinent data: Post-Season Meeting will be Monday, March 20th – @ West Seneca West – 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
Next year's NYPHSAA/Federation will once again be held at Ocean Breeze on Staten Island. Plans call for leaving on Thursday, February 29th – 2024 leaving at 10:30 AM through Saturday, March 2nd – 2024 – I will get you the Itinerary soon.

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):
Report to be submitted by Beth Fadley, Treasurer

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results:

2021-2022 Indoor Track Section VI Qualifier Results

	Boys/school	Time	Girls/School	Time
55M Hurdles	Emmett Forrestal – Clarence	7.96	Linnea Neureuther – Springville GI	8.76
55M Dash	Landon Stormer Falc/CV/Frews/Randolph	6.54	Mia Finch – Health Science Charter	7.44
300M Run	Landon Stormer Falc/CV/Frews/Randolph	35.28	Tyyetta Herman – Allegany- Limestone/Olean. Frankville/Portville	41.72
600M Run	Atlen Newark - Salamanca	1:24.05	Jillian O'Rourke – Orchard Park	1:38.61
1000M Run	Sidney Norris – Kenmore East	2:35.61	Angelina Napoleon – Allegany- Limes/Olean/Frankville/Portville	2:50.30
1600/1500M Run	Roan Kelly Falc/CV/Frews/Randolph	4:21.08	Lillie Bogdan - Frontier	4:36.65
3200/3000M Run	Cameron Bogdan - Frontier	9:29.58	Lillie Bogdan – Frontier	9:56.71
Long Jump	Daunte Twonsell – Tapestry	29' 08"	Amari Hall – Sweet Home	16' 11"
Triple Jump	Matthew Fitzner – Hamburg	44' 90 ½"	Amari Hall – Sweet Home	37' 1 ¾"
High Jump	Brenton Baker – Sweet Home	6' 5"	Angelina Napoleon – Allegany- Limes/Olean/Frankville/Portville	5' 5"
Shot Put	Brad Johnson - Amherst	50' 6 ¾"	Nyla Willson-Epps - Tapestry	35' 1"
Pole Vault	Anthony Mancabelli – Orchard Park	12' 6"	Corinne Inkley Falc/CV/Frews/Randolph	10' 9"
4x200M Relay	Collin Riel Talon Rowland Jacob Constantino Landon Stormer Falc/CV/Frews/Randolph	1:32.47	J'Nysha Cary Jhonnea Harris Kiersten Grace Jayla Scott – Niagara Falls	1:51.33
4x400M Relay	Jordan Lockett Lucas Lawrie Alex Procknal Johne Thomas - Dunkirk	3:31.44	Tyyetta Herman Jenna Wyant Jessica Daley Angelina Napoleon – Allegany- Limestone/Olean/Frankville/Portville	4:12.71
4x800M Relay	Andrew Zielinski Brad Tobin Nicholas Koch Kristopher Mihalofski – Hamburg	8:27.67	Emilia O'Lea Reiley Pierce Hope Owens Kailyn Houghton – Holland/EA	9:40.50
1500M Race-walk			Talia Christopher - Amherst	7:22.50
Weight Throw	David Litten – Niagara Falls	64' 11"	Brooke Christensen – Grand Island	44' 6"

State Champions: Boys/School - Branton Baker– NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION CHAMPION
High Jump– 6' 5"

State Medalists: Boys/School:

Daniel Richardson - Cheektowaga – NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION – *BRONZE MEDALIST* – 3rd
High Jump – 6' 5"

Landon Stormer – NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION BRONZE MEDALIST – 3rd
Falconer/CV/Frewsburg/Randolph
300 Meters – 34.70

David Litten – Niagara Fall – NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION MEDALIST: 6th
Weight Throw – 60' 8"

Brad Johnson – Amherst – NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION MEDALIST – 6th
Shot Put – 49' 2 ¼"

Roan Kelly - NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION MEDALIST – 7th
Falconer/CV/Frewsburg/Randolph
1600 Meters – 4:18.04

Quinn Soimmons – West Seneca East – NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION MEDALIST – 8th
Shot Put – 47' 9"

4 x 200 Meter Relay - NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION MEDALIST – 8th
Falconer/CV/Frewsburg/Randolph – 1:37.17

Collin Riel
Talon Rowland
Jacob Constantino
Landon Stormer

Boys Team – Finished 9th among the NYSPHS Sections (11 Sections) – 34 Points
-- Finished 11th among the NYSPHSAA/Federation Sections (14 Sect) - 22 Pts.
-- Medaled in 8 Events

State Champions: Girls/School Angelina Napoleon – NYSPHSAA/FERATION - CHAMPION
Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Franklinville/Portville
1000 Meters: Time: 2:50.46

State Medalists: Girls/School:

Lillie Bogdan - NYSPHSAA/FERATION - SILVER MEDALIST – 4th
3000 Meters – 9:38.67 – NEW SECTION VI – RECORD

Lillie Bogdan - NYSPHSAA/FERATION - SILVER MEDALIST – 4th
1500 Meters – 4:33.00 – NEW SECTION VI – RECORD

Linnea Neureuther - NYSPHSAA/FERATION - SILVER MEDALIST – 4th
Triple Jump – 38' 3 ¾"

Lorreta White - NYSPHSAA/FERATION - SILVER MEDALIST – 4th
Weight Throw – 44' 11"

Taylor Nugent - NYSPHSAA/FERATION - SILVER MEDALIST – 7th
1500 Meter Race-Walk – 7:15.88

Girls Team – Finished 8th among the NYSPHSAA Sections (11 Sections) – 32 Points
-- Finished 10^{6h} among the NYSPHSAA/Federation Sections (14 Sections) – 37 Pts.
-- Medaled in 6 Events

Respectfully submitted:

Pete Szymanski, Boys Indoor Track Chairman and Emilio Mancino, Girls Indoor Track Chairman

Section VI - Boys Entries:

Last:	First:	Grade	Gender:	School:	Event(s):	Seed/Performance:
Forrestal	Emmett	12	M	Clarence	55 High Hurdles	8.05 - Prelims - 13th
Pennella	Jason	11	M	Williamsville North	55 High Hurdles	8.69 - Prelims - 28th
Lewis	Kyle	12	M	Starpoint	55 Meters	6.58 - Prelims - 12th
Stoudemire	Neil	12	M	Sweet Home	55 Meters	6.59 - Prelims - 13th
Stoudemire	Camren	11	M	Sweet Home	55 Meters	6.67 - Prelims - 31st
Bogdan	Cameron	12	M	Frontier	3200 Meters	9:31.39 - 16th
Spatorico	Peyton	12	M	Starpoint	3200 Meters	9:44.06 - 25th
Rung	Owen	11	M	Holland/EA	1000 Meters	2:36.80 - 17th
Morris	Sidney	12	M	Kenmore East	1000 Meters	2:38.64 - 21st
Newark	Arlen	11	M	Salamanca	600 Meters	1:23.81 - 12th
Donner	Andrew	11	M	Hamburg	600 Meters	1:26.52 - 22nd
Kelly	Roan	11	M	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frank/Port.	1600 Meters	4:18.04 - 7th
Bertola	Joseph	12	M	Orchard Park	1600 Meters	4:24.55 - 18th
Stormer	Landon	11	M	Falconer/CV/MG/Frewsburg/Randolph	300 Meters	34.70 - Prelims/34.70 - Finals - 3rd
Rowland	Talon	11	M	Falconer/CV/MG/Frewsburg/Randolph	300 Meters	35.47 - Prelims
Baker	Brenton	10	M	Sweet Home	High Jump	6'5" - NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION Champion
Richardson	Daniel	11	M	Cheektowaga	High Jump	6'5" - 3rd
Townsend	Daunte	12	M	Tapestry	Long Jump	19' 7 1/2" - 24th
Konter	Tyler	11	M	Hollan/EA	Long Jump	18' 11 3/4" - 27th
Fitzner	Mathew	11	M	Hamburg	Triple Jump	41' 7" - 19th
Townsend	Daunte	11	M	Tapestry	Triple Jump	41' 6 1/2" - 20th
Reinhart	David	12	M	Kenmore East	Pole Vault	12' 6" - 15th
Crouse	Clayton	12	M	Falconer/CV/MG/Frewsburg/Randolph	Pole Vault	12' 0" - 20th
Mancabelli	Anthony	10	M	Orchard Park	Pole Vault	12' 0" - 17th
Litten	David	12	M	Niagara Falls	Weight Throw	60' 8" - 6th
Goodman	Xzaiver	12	M	Olmsted	Weight Throw	56' 6 1/2" - 10th
Christensen	Miahael	12	M	Grand Island	Weight Throw	55' 0 - 16th
Johnson	Brad	12	M	Amherst	Shot Put	49' 2 1/4" - 6th
Hawes	Austin	12	M	West Seneca East	Shot Put	47' 9" - 8th
Higgins	Erik	12	M	Amherst	Intersectional Relay	9:20.62
Lewis	Kyle	12	M	Starpoint		2:43.43
Morris	Henry	12	M	Kenmore East		:24.30
Reid	Thomas	12	M	Lancaster		1:25.25
Bogdan	Cameron	12	M	Fronter		4:48.48
Donner	Andrew	11	M	Hamburg	4 x 800 Meter Relay	8:36.28
Zielinski	Andrew	12	M	Hamburg		2:12.16
Koach	Nicholas	11	M	Hamburg		2:11.98
Mihallofski	Kristopher	12	M	Hamburg		2:06.36

Tobin Neudeck	Bradley John	12 11	M M	Hamburg Hamburg	2:05.10
Lockett Lawrie	Jordan Lucas	12 11	M M	Dunkirk Dunkirk	4 x 400 Meter Relay 3:30.97 - 16th
Procknal	Alex	12	M	Dunkirk	
Hthomas	Johne	10	M	Dunkirk	
Hasbun	Jodge	11	M	Dunkirk	
Constantino Riel	Jacob Collin	12 12	M M	Falconer/CV/MG/Freensburg/Randolph Falconer/CV/MG/Freensburg/Randolph	4 x 200 Meter Relay 1:30.82 - Prelims - 7th/1:37.17 - Finals - 8th
Rowland, Talon Seville		11	M	Falconer/CV/MG/Freensburg/Randolph	
Stormer	Landon	11	M	Falconer/CV/MG/Freensburg/Randolph	
Stearns	Gavin	11	M	Falconer/CV/MG/Freensburg/Randolph	
Kelly	Roan	11	M	Falconer/CV/MG/Freensburg/Randolph	
Baker	Brenton	10		Sweet Home	1:35.50 - 21st
Stoudemire	Carmen	11		Sweet Home	
Myree	Ervin	11		Sweet Home	
Stoudemire	Neil	12		Sweet Home	
Evans	Mykel	10		Sweet Home	
Day	Ilias	11		Sweet Home	

NYSPHSAA/Federations - Section VI - Indoor Track & Field - Girls Results:

Last:	First:	Grade	Gender:	School:	Event(s):
Neureuther Burget	Linnea Miranda	11 12	F F	Springville Williamsville North	55 High Hurdles 55 High Hurdles
Finch Towns	Mia Melia	11 11	F F	Heath Science Charter Lockport	55 Meters 55 Meters
Herman Wyant	Tyvetta Jenna	11 11	F F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frank/Portville Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frank/Portville	300 Meters 300 Meters
Bogdan O'Leary Zugelder	Lillie Emilia Shannon	10 10 9	F F F	Frontier Holland/East Aurora Starpoint	3000 Meters 3000 Meters 3000 Meters
Napoleon Barlette	Angelina Noel	12 11	F F F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frank/Portville Orchard Park	1000 Meters 1000 Meters
Nugent Christopher	Taylor Talia	10 11	F F	Sweet Home Amherst	1500 meer Race-Walk 1500 meer Race-Walk
O'Rourke Kupchanko	Jillian Melia	12 9	F F	Orchard Park Williamsville Noth	600 Meters 600 Meters
Bogdan Melnik Barlette	Lillie Kirsten Noel	10 10 11	F F F	Frontier Springville GI Orchard Park	1500 Meters 1500 Meters 1500 Meters
Napoleon Sansone Ellsworth Neureuther Hall	Angleina Aaliyah Adriana Linnea Amari	12 11 12 11 12	F F F F F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frank/Portville Springville GI Sweet Home Springville GI Sweet Home	High Jump High Jump High Jump Triple Jump Triple Jump
Hall Bush Bernas Waldron Inkley Burgett Wilson-Epps White Christensen	Amari Madyson Abigail Emily Corrine Miranda Nylas Lorrta Brooke	12 11 11 9 12 12 10 12 10	F F F F F F F F F	Sweet Home Starpoint Orchard Park Starpoint Falconer/CV/Fres/Randolph Williamsville North Tapestry Depew Grand Island	Long Jump Long Jump Pole Vault Pole Vault Pole Vault Shot Put Shot Put Weight Throw Weight Throw

Lazarz	Brooklyn	9	F	Pioneer	Intersectional Relay
Wierer	Hannah	12	F	Orchard Park	
Blachowicz	Arrianna	12	F	Iroquois	
Zugelder	Shannon	9	F	Starpoint	
Bush	Madysen	11	F	Starpoint	
Houghton	Kailyn	9	F	Holland/East Aurroa	4 x 800 Meter Relay
O'Leary	Emilia	10	F	Holland/East Aurroa	
Owens	Hope	9	F	Holland/East Aurroa	
Pierce	Reiley	8	F	Holland/East Aurroa	
Peirick	Acadia	10	F	Holland/East Aurroa	
Schoeneman	Catherine	10	F	Holland/East Aurroa	
Collins	Ashlyn	11	F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frnak/Portville	4 x 400 Meter Relay
Daley	Jessica	10	F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frnak/Portville	
Herman	Tyvetta	10	F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frnak/Portville	
Hickman	Dakota	11	F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frnak/Portville	
Napoleon	Angelina	12	F	Allegany-Limestone/Olean/Frnak/Portville	
Cary	J'Nysha	9	F	Niagara Falls	4 x 200 Meter Relay
Harris	Hjhonnea	10	F	Niagara Falls	
Groce	Kiersten	11	F	Niagara Falls	
Scott	Jyala	11	F	Niagara Falls	
Lamar	Ellana	9	F	Niagara Falls	

Seed/Performance:

8.77 - Prelims - 11th
9.05 - Prelims - 19th
7.45 - Prelimse - 20th
7.74 - Prelims - 34th

42.10 - 25th
43.01 - 29th

9:38.67 - 4th - New Section VI - Record

10:06.35 - 11th
10:09.11 - 14th

NYSPHSAA/FEDERATION CHAMPION 2:50.46

2:57.66 - 15th

7:15.88 - 7th
7:19.69 - 9th

1:37.97
1:38.93

4:33.00 - 4th - New Section VI - Record

4:50.05 - 14th
4:53.69 - 18th

5' 2" - 10
5' 2" - 12th
5' 2" - 13th
38' 3 3/4 - 4th
36' 2 3/4 - 10th

16' 7 1/2"
15' 10 3/4"
10' 6" - 9th
10' 6" - 10th
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34' 5 3/4" - 10th
32; 11 1/2" - 16th
44' 11" - 4th
42' 2 1/4" - 12th

10:30.29 - 3rd

3:08.82

1:41.70

:26.85

5:15.57

9:42.73 - 10th

2:27.05

2:22.04

2:27.50

2:26.15

4:18.02 - 13th

1:51.88 - 18th

Boys - NYSPHSAA-FEDERATION
Championships - 2022[illegible]

NYSPHSAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Ocean Breeze – Staten Island, NY

Saturday

3/04/23

TEAM SCORING

BOYS

1.	Section 1	-	81 Points
2.	Section 5	-	75
3.	Section 11	-	73
4.	Section 8	-	68
5.	Section 2	-	59
6.	Section 9	-	57
7.	Section 3	-	40
8.	Section 4	-	40
9.	Section 6	-	34
10.	Section 7	-	0
11.	Section 10	-	0

NYSPHSAA FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOYS

1.	CHSSA	-	100 Points
2.	Section 11	-	81
3.	Section 8	-	71
4.	Section 5	-	66
5.	Section 1	-	63
6.	PSAL	-	58
7.	Section 9	-	55
8.	Section 2	-	54
9.	Section 3	-	42
10.	Section 4	-	35
11.	Section 6	-	32
12.	AIS	-	4
13.	Section 7	-	2
14.	Section 10	-	0

NYSPHSAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Ocean Breeze – Staten Island, NY

Saturday

3/04/23

TEAM SCORING

GIRLS

1.	Section 11	-	97 Points
2.	Section 2	-	89
3.	Section 9	-	85
4.	Section 5	-	78
5.	Section 8	-	66
6.	Section 1	-	65
7.	Section 3	-	41
8.	Section 6	-	32
9.	Section 4	-	6
10.	Section 7	-	0
11.	Section 10	-	0

NYSPHSAA FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

GIRLS

1.	Section 2	-	96 ½ Points
2.	Section 9	-	93 ½
3.	Section 11	-	90
4.	Section 5	-	76
5.	Section 8	-	72
6.	Section 1	-	67 ½
7.	CHSAA	-	63 ½
8.	PSAL	-	56
9.	Section 3	-	40
10.	Section 6	-	37
11.	Section 4	-	9
12.	AIS	-	1
13.	Section 7	-	0
14.	Section 10	-	0



Rifle Post-Season Report 2021-2022

All-WNY Sportsmanship Winners

	<u>Division</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Individual</u>
Rifle	ECIC	Pioneer	Seth Higgins
	NFL	Kenmore	Alex Juliano

Coaches Sportsmanship Selections: Justin Luksch (Alden)

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented:

-Handbook was updated to eliminate NYSPHSAA

Problems encountered/ concerns: none

Recommendations for next season including proposed calendar:

Rifle – Kristina Brown (c) (716) 998-8953			
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	
Sectionals:	02/10/24	Kenmore East High School	
Regional Invitational:	TBD	Lancaster HS or West Point	

Other pertinent data:

-State invitational next season will either take place at Lancaster HS or West Point. We would like expenses to be distributed among participating schools, as they had been in the past with State competitions.

-We are still discussing Federated vs League status for Rifle.

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

None this season

Results (next page)

Section VI Rifle Sectionals

February 11, 2023

Kenmore East HS

Results of the 2023 Section 6 Rifle Sectionals in which 7 schools, 6 high school teams, and 72 individuals participated in Three-Position (3P) Air Rifle and 30 Shot Standing Air Rifle.

Team Rankings

30 Shot Standing Air Rifle		Three-Position Air Rifle	
Lancaster	1144-48*	Lancaster	1152-60
Clarence	1129-47	Pioneer	1146-53
Pioneer	1123 -45	Orchard Park	1137-59
Orchard Park	1098 - 31	Clarence	1123-37
Kenmore	1079 - 31	Alden	1114-39
Alden	1064-22	Kenmore	1100-31

Section 6 High School Champions – Lancaster (Standing Air & 3P)

Individual Sectional Champions:

** denotes Section VI Record*

Prone:	Jayden Eckert	Lancaster	100-8
Offhand:	Tyler DeKruger	Lancaster	98-5
Kneeling:	Miranda Leach	Lancaster	100-08*
3P Aggregate:	Tyler DeKruger	Lancaster	292-17
30 Shot Standing:	Tyler DeKruger	Lancaster	290-14

Individual Winners - Shields are awarded to the following:

Prone 1st - Jayden Eckert, La, 100-8 2nd- Kathleen Moran, OP, 99-9 2nd - John Martzlof, La, 99-9 4th - Karlee Greenfield, Pi, 99-8 4th - Tyler DeKruger, La, 99-8 4th - Seth Higgins, Pi, 99-8	Offhand 1st - Tyler DeKruger, La 98-5 2nd - Carlina Monin, Al, 97-7 3rd - Cohen Lyons, Pi, 96-6 4th - John Martzloff, La, 94-4
Kneeling 1st - Miranda Leach, La, 100-8* 2nd - Cohen Lyons, Pi, 98-7 3rd - Jaclyn Principe, Al, 97-7 4th - Jamis Caselli, OP, 97-5	Three-Position Aggregate 1st - Tyler DeKruger, La, 292-17 2nd - Cohen Lyons, Pi, 290 - 16 3rd - Miranda Leach, La, 289-16 4th - Seth Higgins, Pi, 289-15
30 Shot Standing Air 1st - Tyler DeKruger, La, 290-14 2nd - Cohen Lyons, Pi, 288-12 3rd - Miranda Leach, La, 286-13 4th - Noah Servis, Cl, 286-15	Section All Stars Standing: Seth Higgins (Pio), Cohen Lyons (Pio) Three-position: Seth Higgins (Pio), Cohen Lyons (Pio)

Scores have been ranked according to their appropriate order. Ties have been broken and standings are official. Thanks to all the coaches for their cooperation. Special thanks to Brett Banker, Lindsay Bergman, Nate Bourke, Steve Viglietti, Ken-Ton Staff, and Kenmore-Tonawanda Schools for their assistance and use of facilities. Section 6 Team, will compete in the NYS Rifle Invitational on March 11, 2023 at Lancaster HS –

30 shot standing & 3P Air rifle: Lancaster (Megan Powell, Jessie Holm, John Martzoff, Tyler DeKruger, Miranda Leach, Jayden Eckert) and All Stars- Cohen Lyons (Pioneer) Seth Higgins (Pioneer).
Kristina Brown (Rifle Chairperson)

Respectfully submitted

Date: 4/21/2023

Kristina Brown, Section VI Rifle Chairperson



Alpine Skiing Post-Season Report 2022-2023

All WNY Sportsmanship Winners

*NEW → Coaches Sportsmanship Selections

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented

No changes

Problems encountered/ concerns

Number of Participating schools: Ellicottville (public), Gow (private), Williamsville (public), Clarence 1
Racer trained with Williamsville

Recommendations for next season: Received donation from Ski Company of 75 race bibs

Proposed 2022-2023 Dates

Alpine Skiing Sport Chair Kelly Fredrickson			
	<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time & Site</u>
Last league game	NA	2/15/23	Holiday Valley 6:00pm
Seeding Meeting	NA	2/15/23	
Pre-Quarters	NA		
Quarter-finals	NA		
Semi-finals	NA		
Finals:	NA		
Regional	NA		
States:		2-27 & 2-28-2023	Bristol Mountain, Canandaigua, NY

Other pertinent data:

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Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results 2022:
GIRLS:

Last Name	First	School	RANK
Carls	Emmylu	Ellicottville	1
Bush	Bianca	Ellicottville	2
Conroy	Cait	Ellicottville (ALCS)	3
Lester	Brigid	Williamsville	4
Sears	Jillian	Williamsville	5
Klein	Harper	Ellicottville	6
Frankhouser	Hailey	Williamsville	7
Ness	Mackenzie	Williamsville	8
Northrop	Riley	Ellicottville	9
Lombardo	Nina	Williamsville	10
Tighe	Olivia	Ellicottville	11
Myers	Reese	Williamsville	12
Shah	Vidyd	Williamsville	13
Frankhouser	Abby	Williamsville	14

BOYS:

Coleman	Declan	Williamsville	2
Carls	Coleman	Ellicottville	1
Held	Thatcher	Williamsville	3
Rung	Cooper	Williamsville	4
Jacobson Coolidge	Emmitt	Ellicottville	5
Sivic	Jacob	Clarence	6
Kelsch	Joseph	Williamsville	7
Joesel	Kaiser	Ellicottville	8
LaCroix	Jaxon	Ellicottville	9
Tu	Luke	Williamsville	10
Whitin	Wyatt	Gow	11
Kinkade	Kyle	Williamsville	13
Morris	Loren	Gow	12
Jahnke	Michael	Gow	15
Fitzpatrick	Jack	Gow	14
Maus	Peter	Gow	16

Lester	Henry	Williamsville	17
Shea	Ryan	Gow	18
Falco	Federico	Gow	19
Lhuillier	Julien	Gow	20
Mercede	Matthew	Gow	21
millar	kellen		

2023 State Championships: Held at Bristol Mountain

New York State Championships results for Section IV Athletes			Place	
Last Name	First	School	Slalom	Giant Slalom
GIRLS				
Carls	Emmylu	Ellicottville	17	DNF
Conroy	Cait	Ellicottville	33	DNF
Bush	Brianca	Ellicottville	43	DSQ
Lester	Brigid	Williamsville	51	44
Sear	Jillian	Williamsville	53	40
Klein	Harper	Ellicottville	DNF	43
BOYS				

Coleman	Declan	Williamsville	29	25
Rung	Cooper	Williamsville	38	22
Held	Thatcher	Williamsville	39	33
Sivic	Jacob	Clarence	40	DNF
Kelsch	Joe	Williamsville	43	39
Carls	Coleman	Ellicottville	DSQ	21

Respectfully submitted Date: 5/1/2023
Jason Lehmbeck Section VI Alpine Skiing Chairman



Unified Bowling Post Season Report 2023

Coaches Sportsmanship

West Seneca - Lauren Clark

Report on changes in Policy or Practice that were implemented:

Reinforce who's eligible to participate on teams as partners.

Problems encountered / concerns:

1. Encourage & highly recommend enforcing all rules of the game during play
2. Encourage more schools to utilize their full game day rosters for competition.
3. Participating schools must follow the NYSPHSAA guidelines & regulations with regards to scoring system. Substitutions / Equal mix of athletes & partners
4. Practice site not available or limited time slots for matches - House Leagues
5. Final culminating tournament as teams increase - add a second day / Snow days.
6. Final culminating event schools should bring own bowling gear.
7. Schools not rescheduling canceled matches due to transportation.
8. Bowling lanes "house" not easily accessible for handicapped students

Recommendations for next season:

1. Possible split for Culmination Event - North & South Divisions
2. Due to winter break allow schools to begin early competition prior to break.
3. Two Day Tournament Day 1 #1- #28 Day 2 #29 - #52 with snow days scheduled.
4. Schools with large rosters - recommend a second BoE approved team.
5. Bracket selection by season fallen pin totals based on division competition.
6. Character Awards by Mike Masters / Cross Training Athletics
7. Awarding Certificates to Conference Champions / Divisional Winners

Calendar for 2024

UNIFIED Bowling Chairperson: Doug Ames		
Event	Date	Location and Time
Practice Begins	1/08/2024	
Rosters Due	1/22/24	
Matches	1/24/24 - 3/01/24	Home Team – 4:30 PM
Opt - Out Date	2/27/24	
Final Culmination Event	1st day 03/04/24 2nd day 03/05/24	Airport Lanes 3754 Genesee Street Buffalo NY 14225

Other pertinent data:

2023 Teams

City Honors, Frederick Olmstead, Hutch Tech, OTC, Research Lab
Alden, Amherst, Cheektowaga, Clarence, Depew, E Aurora, Frontier, Hamburg, Holland, Iroquois
Lackawanna, O Park, Starpoint, Sweet Home, West Seneca, Williamsville
Gr Island, Kenmore East, Kenmore West, Lewiston Porter, Niagara Falls, Niagara Wheatfield
Akron, Lockport, Medina, Newfane, North Tonawanda, Pembroke
Cassadaga Valley, Catt / Little Valley, Dunkirk, Eden, Fredonia, Frewsburg, Lake Shore, Pine Valley,
Salamanca, Silver Creek, Southwestern, Springville

2022 Teams

City Honors, Middle Early College, Hutch Tech, Olmsted
Alden, Amherst, Cheektowaga, Clarence, Depew, Dunkirk, Eden, Iroquois, Lackawanna,
Orchard Park, Starpoint, Sweet Home, West Seneca, Williamsville
Grand Island, Kenmore East, Kenmore West, Lockport, Niagara Falls, Niagara Wheatfield
Newfane, Akron, Medina, Pembroke

Fredonia, Holland, Salamanca, Pine Valley, Silver Creek, Springville

2021 Teams (Virtual)

Alden, Amherst, Grand Island, Silver Creek, Fredonia, Orchard Park & West Seneca Akron, Medina, Newfane, Niagara Falls, Starpoint, Sweet Home, Clarence, Cheektowaga, Iroquois, Lackawanna, Olmsted, Williamsville, Depew, Eden, Salamanca & Holland

2019 Teams

Akron, Clarence, Medina, Newfane, Niagara Falls, Starpoint, Sweet Home, Williamsville, Cheektowaga, Depew, Eden, Holland, Iroquois, Lackawanna, Olmsted, & Salamanca

2018 Teams

Akron, Clarence, Medina, Newfane, Niagara Falls, Sweet Home, Cheektowaga, Eden, Holland, Iroquois, Lackawanna, Olmsted, & Salamanca

Financial summary (receipts/expenditures):

Nothing to report. To be submitted by the Section VI Treasurer

Sectional and Post-Sectional Results:

Division Fallen Pin Totals at Airport Lanes in Cheektowaga

Dunkirk - 2999	Alden - 2375	Frontier - 2162	Silver Creek - 2006
Medina - 2784	Hamburg - 2345	Amherst - 2142	Lake Shore - 1997
Ken West - 2764	Springville - 2289	Lockport - 2239	Lew-Port - 1992
Pine Valley - 2690	Clarence - 2267	Sweet Home - 2097	OTC - 1931
North Tona - 2575	Eden - 2258	Frewsburg - 2094	Salamanca - 1930
Nia Wheat - 2542	Gr Island - 2245	Depew - 2085	City Honor - 1917
Akron - 2489	East Aurora - 2240	Newfane - 2085	Nia Falls - 1904
Cheektowaga - 2476	Fredonia - 2225	Holland - 2064	Southwestern - 1900
Iroquois - 2447	Pembroke - 22182	West Seneca - 2064	Catt / Little Valley- 1887
Williamsville - 2424	Starpoint - 2172	Orchard Park - 2051	Research Lab - 1882
Lackawanna - 2405	Ken East - 2164	Olmstead - 2021	Cass Valley - 1802
			Hutch-Tech - 1732

Division Champions:

D-A Medina, D-B Iroquois, D-C Dunkirk, D-D North Tonawanda, D-E Starpoint, D-F Springville D-G Pine Valley D-H Frontier, D-I Eden, D-J Aden, D-K Lake Shore, D-L Research Lab

Conference Champions:

Olmstead, Cheektowaga, Holland, Kenmore West, Medina, Fredonia, Pine Valley

Section VI Unified Bowling Committee for 2023

Cheektowaga: Brian Payne
Iroquois: Sean Lauber
Olmsted: James Bartram
Sweet Home: Kristy Neeson & Lisa Floreano
Salamanca: Madison Nelson
Newfane: Justin Balcom
Fredonia: Alex Conti

A special thank you to the following individuals for making our sixth season of Unified bowling a great success:

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Todd Nelson; NYSPHSAA Assistant Director of Unified Sports
Mark DiFilippo; Section VI Executive Director
Mike Masters; Character Training Awards
Corrie Murray; FOUS Parent Representative

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Ames, Section VI Unified Sports Chairman 3/13/23