

SECTION VI 2025-2026

REQUEST for Combining 2 or More Schools for Athletic Participation

School Year **2025-2026** Sport _____
 LEVEL: (check all) Varsity JV Freshman 7/8 7/8/9
 Boys Girls Both Separate B/G when Classifications are unique to B/G

SCHOOLS INVOLVED

School	High School Name	# Participants	Board of Education Approval Date	BEDS	See chart %	Value
1 (host)						
2						
3						
4						
5						
			Total Combined Enrollment:			

New Program all signatures required Existing Program (Supt. signature not required)

HOST _____ Circle one CLASS AAA AA A B C D or Division I or II or SINGLE DIVISION Sport
 Classification within sport (use charts page 2)

SIGNATURES

# High School Name	Athletic Director Signature e-signature = <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Superintendent Signature
(host)		<input type="checkbox"/>
2		<input type="checkbox"/>
3		<input type="checkbox"/>
4		<input type="checkbox"/>
5		<input type="checkbox"/>

Has the respective Sports Chairperson been notified? YES NO
 Date of Notification: _____

LEAGUE & SECTION SIGNATURES

APPROVED

NOT APPROVED

 Name of League

 League

 Signature League President or chair / Date

 League President or chair / Date

 Signature Section VI Exec. Director / Date

 Section VI Exec. Director / Date

 Section VI President / Date

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(Below Sports that do not require league approval – will require Chair approval)

Football, Hockey, Indoor Track & Lacrosse

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- If two or more schools are located within the same physical building, 100% of their BEDS will be used if they are following the Combining of Teams process. 2/2019
- If 4 Schools (or more) for team sports listed 3rd page 100% BEDS for all schools

CLASSIFICATION FOR SECTIONAL COMPETITION OF ABOVE SPORT

The school(s) with higher(est) classification number will have a percentage of the other school(s) classification number added according to the graduated scale shown.

The percentage is sport specific. PLEASE NOTE: Subject to change* Feb or May 2025 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting

2025-2026 Sport Specific #

- Six Classes (AAA, AA, A, B-100%, C-50%, D-40%)
- Five Classes (AA, A, B-100%,C-50%, D-40%)
- Four Classes (A, B-100%, C-50%, D-40%)
- Three Classes (A-100%, B-50%, C-40%)
- Two Division (100%, 50%)

REASON FOR REQUEST (Emerging Sport, Declining Participation and/or Financial):

NOTE: All applications will have three (3) years of participation numbers at all levels of the sport (Modified, Junior Varsity and Varsity), with the grade level of each participant.

- 1.) If this is a re-application, previous records will need to be included with the application. Final approval by the Athletic Council must meet the following deadlines:****FORM due at least 1 week prior to meeting to be added to the AGENDA.**
DEADLINES: Fall Sport: **January 1** b) Winter Sport: **May 1** c) Spring Sport **September 1**
- 2.) A written evaluation will include the end of season roster and season ending record, which must be submitted to the leagues involved and the Section office after the season according to the following schedule:
 a. Fall Season: **November 30** Winter Season: **March 20** Spring Season: **June 20**
- End of Season Report Link** <http://www.section6.e1b.org/CombiningEndofSeasonReport>
- 3.) Combined schools, demonstrating “dominance”, will be provided written notice at the conclusion of the season, with regards to placement and classification for the following school year.

The Combining of Schools Committee will: Utilize the following factors when making decisions on combined teams and determining the level of “Dominance”:

- Won a sectional championship
- High placement at sectionals
- Request by schools /leagues /sport chair
- Transfers
- Determine where teams are appropriately competitive
- Returning players
- Schedule
- Program history Section VI Policy 120.6c

- Ensure that the annual application process is understood by all of the athletic directors.

Below Information is provided for your convenience. Classification for NYSPHSAA championships

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Classification Variations

The graduated scale to be used for up to 3 “team” mergers., **mergers with 4 or more ‘teams’ will take 100%** of their BEDS; this would only be for team sports. Baseball, Basketball, Cheer, Football, Field Hockey, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer & Volleyball

Sport	AAA	AA	A	B	C	D
Basketball Boys	1085+	657-1084	364-656	221-363	120-220	0-119
Basketball Girls	1093+	655-1092	364-654	224-363	127-223	0-126
Baseball	1072+	675-1071	382-674	241-381	138-240	0-137
Softball	1065+	670-1064	379-669	235-378	133-234	0-132
Soccer Boys	1096+	691-1095	407-690	247-406	144-246	0-143
Soccer Girls	1065+	681-1064	382-680	237-381	129-236	0-128
Volleyball Girls	1041+	733-1040	453-732	283-452	174-282	0-173
Sport	AA	A	B	C	D	
Football apr10/24	1025+	651-1024	402-650	273-401	0-272	
Cross Country apr 5/21	---	815+	450-814	255-449	0-254	
Field Hockey	---	915+	450-914	0-449	---	
Game Day Cheerleading 7/23	---	849+	479-848	0-478	---	
Competitive Cheer 7/23	---	1025+	555-1024	250-554	0-249	Coed 1 Div
Flag Football apr 10/24	---	1018+	601-1017	0-600	---	
Lacrosse Boys apr 5/24	---	1035+	728-1035	450-727	0-449	
Lacrosse Girls apr 10/24	---	1035+	728-1035	450-727	0-449	
Outdoor Track & Field apr 7/24	---	800+	400-799	0-399	---	
2 Division Team Sports		Division 1	Division 2	2 Division Individual Sports		
Volleyball Boys apr 5/19	901+	0-900		600+	0-599	
Ice Hockey Boys	1000+	0-999		Bowl, Tennis, Boys Wrestling 100% + 50% unless 4 or more teams = 100%		

Other Individual Sports. For Golf, Gymnastics, Girls Ice Hockey, Indoor Track Rifle, Skiing, Swimming & Diving, Girls Wrestling 100% for all schools