

ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 19, 2008 AGENDA ITEM 13.0

AMENDED 11/13/08
SECTION VI PRE-SEASON REPORT
GIRLS LACROSSE 2009
Co-Chairpersons: Janet Battaglia & Rick Schmitt

ECIC Rep – Doug Kohler (Clarence)

NFL Rep – Mark DiFilippo (NW)

A. Number of Schools Participating –

- 22 Varsity teams (includes new team Niagara Falls)
- 21 JV teams (not sure if Springville Griffith is entering a JV team this year. They did not last year.)

B. Change in Policy/Practice –

The proposal for league alignment suggested by section chairs and respective league reps which involved federating the sport and aligning in 4 divisions involving the ECIC and NFL has been rejected after being presented to the ECIC AD s and the Sectional Intersectional Committee. Instead the alignment will follow the individual leagues. The NFL will consist of 5 teams and the ECIC will have three divisions as such:

NFL – Niagara Wheatfield, North Tonawanda, Grand Island, Niagara Falls, Lockport
ECIC-

Div I – Lancaster, Frontier, Orchard Park, Clarence, Will North, West Seneca West

Div II - Hamburg, Sweet Home, Lakeshore, West Seneca East, Williamsville East, Iroquois

Div III - Williamsville South, Amherst, Springville Griffith, East Aurora, Eden

Please note that the two leagues will be scheduling independently of each other, non-league games will be scheduled by individual schools. Postseason will follow with a tournament in each of the three classifications organized by league powerpoints.

C. Proposed Dates

LACROSSE (Girls)	DATE	LOCATION
Section 6 Preseason Meeting	TBA	Site
First Day of Practice	March 2, 2009 (Section)	
First League Contest	April 2, 2009	
Last League Contest	May 19, 2009	
Seeding Meeting	May 19, 2009	Amherst Middle
Pre Quarters	May 21, 2009	Higher seed
Quarterfinals	May 27, 2009	Higher Seed
Semifinals	May 29, 2009	Higher Seed
Finals	June 2, 2009	TBD
Far West Regionals @ Sec V	June 6	Section 5
State Tournament	June 12 and 13, 2009	SUNY Cortland, Section 3

D. www.wnygirlslax.com is our website created for WNY girls lacrosse. It will include rosters, stats, schedules for all teams in our area. It is only structured for Section 6 at this time. It is currently a link on the Section 6 website.

E. Rule Changes and Other Pertinent data will be updated after our State Meeting on Dec. 4, 2008

Respectfully Submitted, Janet Battaglia