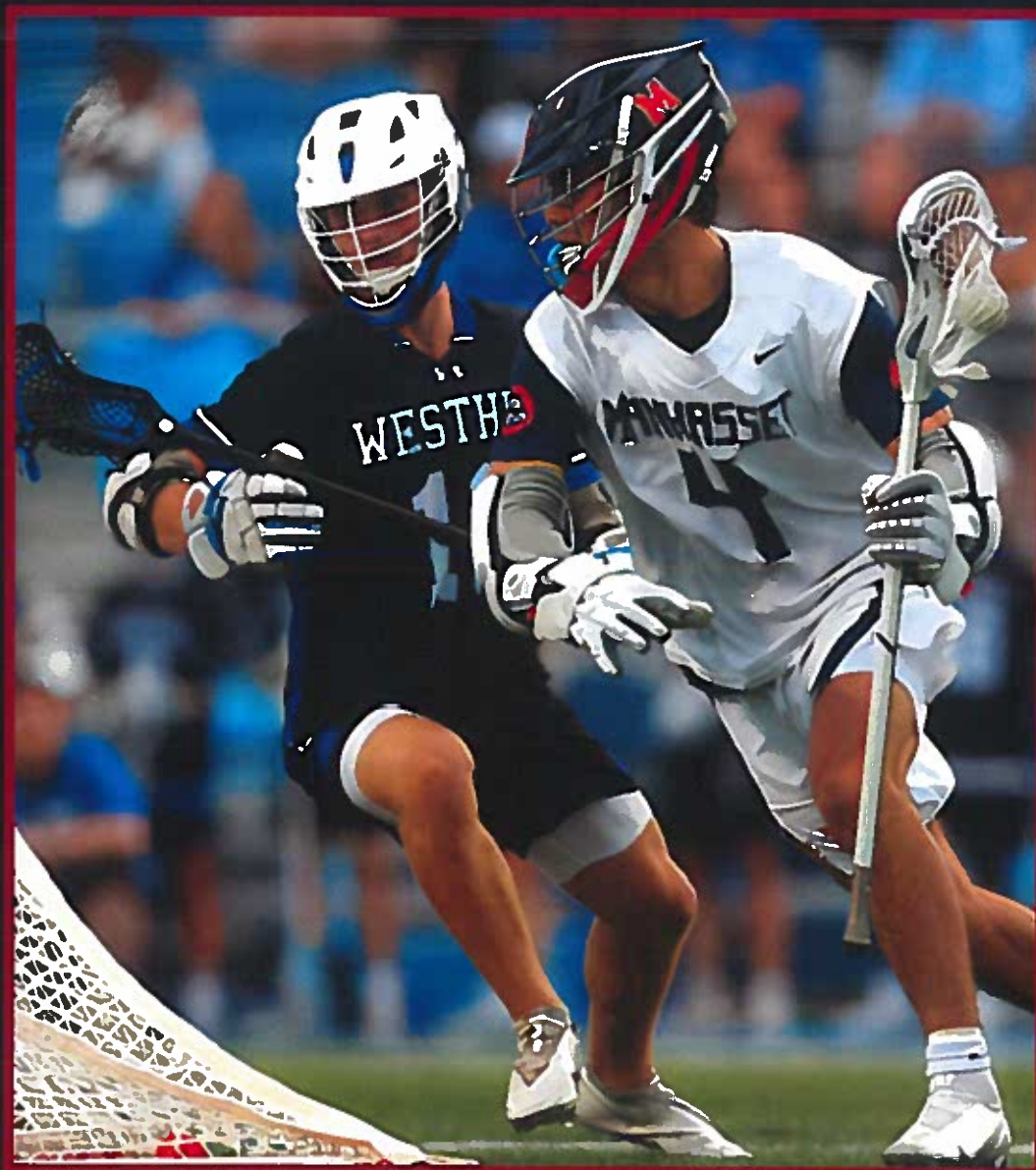


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NILCA

The National Interscholastic Lacrosse Coaches Association

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING THIS ORGANIZATION

How does the NILCA Support HS Lacrosse?

- The NILCA encourages development of High School coaches to responsibility teach, promote, and maintain the growth of lacrosse in accordance with the highest interscholastic ideals of fair play.
- The NILCA promotes and develops quality leadership for lacrosse programs by recognizing key and significant professional contributions to the sport of High School lacrosse including: Coach of the Year, Man of the Year, Man of the Year, and the Hall of Fame.
- The NILCA educates coaches by providing current coaching techniques, establishing regional HS focused coaching clinics and maintaining key relationships with the IMLCA (college association), NFHS, and USA Lacrosse.
- The NILCA supports an annual meeting at the IMLCA Meeting (usually held in December) - open to all HS coaches.
- The NILCA sponsors **Lacrosse Coach Newsletter**, published 5 times a year- a veritable clinic sent via email to members.
- The NILCA seeks to incentivize active participation by serving on their national committees.
- Members include: Middle School Coaches, 9th Grade Coaches, JV Coaches, Varsity Assistants, and Varsity Head Coaches.

Thus, The NILCA seeks to encourage, promote, educate, support, sponsor and incentivize its members to achieve quality coaching mentorship in High School Lacrosse.

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Coaches Code of Ethics

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The function of a coach is to educate students through participation in interscholastic competition. An interscholastic program should be designed to enhance academic achievement and should never interfere with opportunities for academic success. Each student should be treated with the utmost respect, and his or her welfare should be considered in decisions by the coach at all times. Accordingly, the following guidelines for coaches have been adopted by the NFHS Board of Directors.

The coach shall be aware that he or she has a tremendous influence, for either good or ill, on the education of the student and, thus, shall never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest ideals of character.

The coach shall uphold the honor and dignity of the profession. In all personal contact with students, officials, athletic directors, school administrators, the state high school athletic association, the media, and the public, the coach shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct.

The coach shall take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse.

The coach shall avoid the use of alcohol and tobacco products when in contact with players.

The coach shall promote the entire interscholastic program of the school and direct his or her program in harmony with the total school program.

The coach shall master the contest rules and shall teach them to his or her team members. The coach shall not seek an advantage by circumvention of the spirit or letter of the rules.

The coach shall exert his or her influence to enhance sportsmanship by spectators, both directly and by working closely with cheerleaders, pep club sponsors, booster clubs, and administrators.

The coach shall respect and support contest officials. The coach shall not indulge in conduct which would incite players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of officials or players is unethical.

The coach should meet and exchange cordial greetings with the opposing coach to set the correct tone for the event before and after the contest.

The coach shall not exert pressure on faculty members to give student special consideration.

The coach shall not scout opponents by any means other than those adopted by the league and/or state high school athletic association.

EFFORT, SPORTSMANSHIP and RESPECT

For the past number of years I have been the Chairman of the Section VIII Sportsmanship Committee...

My committee and I have had to deal with many Sportsmanship issues and concerns...

This past fall might have been the worst, as my committee and I had to deal with some "racial slur" issues... NOT GOOD!!!

For the past few years on the cover of our Boys Lacrosse Handbook we have had the words EFFORT and SPORTSMANSHIP on the both sides of a lacrosse action picture.

This year I have added the word RESPECT...

In any sport and our great sport there is no room for racial slurs or bigotry.

Aside from the X's and O's and game strategies that you all teach...

I am asking that you take the time...from time to time...to discuss Sportsmanship and in particular "racial slurs" and "bigotry behaviors".

As Educators (Coaches) we should set the example for the very best of behavior of ourselves and our Student-Athletes.

There should be a "ZERO TOLERANCE" for any type of Unsportsmanlike Behavior.

"...racist thought and action says far more about the person they come from than the person they are directed at."

A quote by Author, Chris Crutcher

Thank you, Jim Amen Jr. Section VIII Coordinator

A Mediocre Coach Tells

A Good Coach Explains

A Superior Coach Demonstrates

A Great Coach Inspires

“A dad asked his son’s coach after a pre-season practice scrimmage, “How are we going to do this season, coach?” The coach thought for a moment and responded, “I am not certain Mr. Jones. I won’t know how successful they’re gonna be till they come back to visit in twenty years. Then I’ll be able to see what kind of husbands they are. I’ll be able to see what kind of fathers they are. I’ll be able to see what they’re doing in the community.” The father managed to smile and get out something about how nice that was. But he still looked somewhat perplexed as he politely excused himself.”

-From the book *A Season of Life*, by Jeffrey Marx and Joe Ehrmann

The 7 Lessons for Referee Respect

Like with sportsmanship and teamwork, referee respect is an important value that needs to be specifically taught to athletes, parents, and coaches. However, even though there are referees at every game, there is virtually never a direct conversation about the expectations for respecting referees. Teaching respect for referees doesn't have to be hard, hokey, or time-consuming, as long as you can remember the seven lessons for referee respect:

1. REFEREES HAVE MORE TRAINING THAN PLAYERS AND SPECTATORS

No matter how experienced or knowledgeable an athlete or parent is, it's important to remember referees have specific training in the rules of the game, how to observe the game, and how to make difficult calls. They are also often in a better position to see the play, especially compared to parents on the sidelines or in the stands. If you're still convinced you can do a better job, leagues are always hiring.

2. MORE FOCUS ON THE REF MEANS LESS FOCUS ON THE GAME

There are many aspects of sports that are unpredictable and out of a player's control. However, there are some things an athlete can control. Players, spectators, and coaches can't control officiating, but if players are overly focused on how the officials are calling the game, they are likely less focused on playing the game to the best of their abilities. Similarly, coaches should advocate for their team, but focus more on instructing and guiding players than haranguing referees. For parents in the stands, you could spend your time focused on the ref, or spend that time focused on watching and encouraging your young athletes to do their best with the one thing they can control: their own performance.

3. REFEREES SHOULD BE TREATED LIKE COACHES

One of the ways coaches can model respect for officials is to make an effort to personally greet referees before the game, just as you would the coach of the opposing team. And while it may not be practical for every player to greet the officials, encourage captains at the pre-game meeting or coin flip to introduce themselves to the officials. These efforts help turn nameless, faceless referees into people, particularly people to be respected, in the eyes of young players.

4. RUDE TEAMS DON'T GET CLOSE CALLS

Referees do their best to call games objectively, but they are still human. On a tough call that could go either way, a referee may be more likely to rule in favor of a team whose players (and coaches) have been respectful and focused on fair play throughout the game. It's a natural bias to reward favorable behavior and the people who have treated them respectfully.

5. YELLING AT OFFICIALS MODELS POOR COMMUNICATION SKILLS

For parents and coaches, it's important to think about what yelling at refs teaches young athletes. Youth sport advocacy organization Play by the Rules has outlined several different ways yelling at refs hurts kids by communicating to them that:

- Mistakes are not acceptable
- There's no need to take accountability for your own performance when you can blame others
- It's acceptable to disrespect an authority figure whenever you disagree with their decision
- Even though it's rude, disruptive, and distracting to others, yelling is acceptable behavior

6. TRY IT BEFORE YOU CRITICIZE

Having athletes and parents try officiating during scrimmages at practices is a great way of illustrating the difficulties referees face. It's the old "walk a mile in someone else's shoes" lesson, but it's effective for helping parents and athletes be more empathetic toward referees.

7. REMEMBER IT'S JUST A GAME

No missed call during a youth sports game is going to make or break an athlete's career. Youth sports are an environment for learning about and falling in love with sports, not heaping pressure on athletes, coaches, and officials. And in the off-chance a player, coach, or parent makes a mistake and is disrespectful to an official during the game, make an effort to resolve the conflict after the game with a face-to-face conversation with the referee. This helps illustrate to young athletes that after a conflict with another person it is important to take responsibility for your actions and make amends with the other person.

Source: TRUE SPORT

WOODEN ON LEADERSHIP™

PYRAMID OF SUCCESS

"Success is peace of mind which is a direct result of self-satisfaction in knowing you made the effort to become the best of which you are capable."

COMPETITIVE GREATNESS

"Perform at your best when your best is required. Your best is required each day."

POISE

"Be yourself. Don't be thrown off by events, whether good or bad."

CONFIDENCE

"The strongest steel is well founded self belief. It is earned, not given."

CONDITION

"Ability may get you to the top, but character keeps you there - mental, moral, and physical."

SKILL

"What a leader learns after you've learned it all counts most of all."

TEAM SPIRIT

"The star of the team is the team. We 'supercede' it."

SELF-CONTROL

"Control of your organization begins with control of yourself. Be disciplined."

ALERTNESS

"Constantly be aware and observing. Always seek to improve yourself and the team."

INITIATIVE

"Make a decision! Failure to act is often the biggest failure of all."

INTENTNESS

"Stay the course. When thwarted try again, harder, smarter. Persevere relentlessly."

INDUSTRIOUSNESS

"Success travels in the company of very hard work. There is no trick, no easy way."

FRIENDSHIP

"Strive to build a team filled with camaraderie and respect. Comrades in arms."

LOYALTY

"Be true to yourself. Be true to those you lead."

COOPERATION

"Have utmost concern for what's right rather than who's right."

ENTHUSIASM

"Your energy and enjoyment, drive and dedication will stimulate and greatly inspire others."

12 LESSONS IN LEADERSHIP

1. Good Values Attract Good People
2. Love Is The Most Powerful Four-Letter Word
3. Call Yourself A Teacher
4. Enotion Is Your Enemy
5. It Takes 10 Hands To Make A Basket
6. Little Things Make Big Things Happen
7. Make Each Day Your Masterpiece
8. The Carrot Is Mightier Than A Stick
9. Make Greatness Attainable By All
10. Seek Significant Change
11. Don't Look At The Scoreboard
12. Adversity Is Your Asset

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STEP I - CALL 997-4861

STEP II - TELL THE OPERATOR WHETHER YOU ARE FROM A SCHOOL OR ARE AN OFFICIAL

STEP III - TELL THE OPERATOR WHETHER THIS REFERS TO A BOYS GAME OR A GIRLS GAME.

STEP IV - TELL THE OPERATOR WHERE YOU CAN BE REACHED BY PHONE.

STEP V - WE WILL CONTACT YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

POLICY RE: MEDICAL DOCTORS AT FOOTBALL GAMES

*Adopted by Athletic Council 5/29/91 Adopted by Superintendents' Board 6/6/91
Amended May 2005*

"Each member school shall be responsible for providing at their home football games professional medical coverage of **their choice**. This coverage must consist of a medical doctor, physician assistant, certified EMT or AMT or a NATA certified trainer. If a **visiting school** insisted that a medical doctor be present at football games in which their school district participates in, then it would be the responsibility of the visiting school to assume the obligation to pay for a medical doctor that is sent to the away game if the home school provided medical coverage with other professionals e.g. physician assistant, EMT, AMT or trainer."

"All schools should declare in writing prior to the start of the season what type of coverage their school district will provide for their home football games. This information would be made available to all member schools through the Executive Office of Section VIII. Each school district would then be able to make a decision as to whether or not they wish to send a medical doctor to away games if one is not being provided by the home school."

NOTE: If the visiting school does provide a medical doctor, that doctor is only responsible for the visiting team's players.

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NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
GUIDELINES AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CODES OF BEHAVIOR FOR COACHES, PARTICIPANTS,
SPECTATORS AND ADMINISTRATORS IN INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION

I. INTRODUCTION

It is the duty of all those concerned with high school athletics to emphasize the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play under all circumstances. The values to be derived from playing the game fairly should be stressed and any actions which tend to destroy those values should be discouraged. Courtesy should be shown toward opponents, officials, supervisors, spectators, and administrators. Efforts must be made to achieve a thorough understanding and acceptance of the rules of the game and the standards of eligibility and to respect the integrity and the judgment of the sports officials. It is important for all to recognize that the purpose of athletics is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of the individual players. Most of all it is the duty of all concerned with high school athletics to remember that an athletic contest is only a game and should be kept in that perspective.

II. THE COACH is expected to:

1. Set a positive example both on and off the playing area.
2. Be aware that you are representing a school district, a school, and a student body. Impressions made are lasting and hard to live down.
3. Recognize that athletic competition is a means toward an end, not an end. Specifically, athletics should lead to the development of healthy, well-adjusted young men and women.
4. Approach competition as a healthy and constructive exercise, not as a life and death struggle that requires victory at any price. It should be fun and enjoyable.
5. Recognize that the participants in individuals or team sports are young men and women with human frailties and limitations who can make mistakes.
6. Be prepared to win or lose. Be positive. Encourage peak performance within the rules of the game.
7. Command respect by personal attitude and behavior.
8. Be well-groomed. Wear appropriate attire be it casual or otherwise.
9. Refrain from the use of crude or abusive language with players, opponents, officials, or spectators.
10. Respect the judgment of the officials. Although it is reasonable for the coach to question officials' decisions, and even to disagree, the officials' decisions must be accepted graciously. Questionable decisions may be referred to the Section VIII Protest Committee.
11. Dissatisfaction with officiating can be handled quietly and efficiently using the rating cards supplied by BOCES.
12. Avoid behavior that will incite players, opponents, or spectators.
13. Instruct players to respect officials. Questions concerning rules or interpretations should be made by the team captain as the team representative during the contest.
14. Encourage good sportsmanship and remove players from competition who demonstrate unacceptable behavior.
15. The athletic program is a total part of the educational opportunities provided for all students. It should be treated as just that.
16. Refrain from shouting disapproval of calls made by officials.

III. THE ATHLETE is expected to:

1. Understand and abide by the rules and regulations of the game, and to respect the integrity and judgment of the officials.
2. Always conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen.
3. Always demonstrate self-control and mutual respect. Uncontrolled emotion can be self-defeating.
4. Should not use crude or abusive language or gestures in dealing with opponents, officials, or spectators.
5. Accept victory with grace and defeat with dignity. Poor winners or losers do a disservice to themselves.
6. Set an example in word and deed, both on and off the playing area. Remember that athletes assume a role of leadership and that the young emulate their role models.
7. As a representative of the school, be well-groomed, both on and off the field. Improper behavior while in uniform reflects badly upon yourself, your school and your community.
8. Observe training regulations and requirements of physical fitness for better personal performance and greater contribution to the team effort.
9. Place athletic competition in its perspective. It represents only one part of the learning process and should not be pursued to the exclusion of everything else.
10. Remember that participation in athletics is a privilege that should not be abused.
11. Refrain from shouting disapproval of calls made by officials.

IV. THE SPECTATORS are expected to:

1. Refrain from using noisemakers. The use of noisemakers is prohibited at all events.
2. Conform to accepted standards of good sportsmanship and behavior.
3. Respect officials, coaches and players and extend all courtesies to them.
4. Refrain from the use of crude or abusive language or gestures with players, opponents, officials, and spectators.
5. Obey the regulations of the building and grounds and those who do not conform should be brought to the attention of the building authorities.
6. Understand that schools are responsible for the conduct of their respective spectators, whether at home or away.

V. THE ADMINISTRATORS

1. The Athletic Director may delegate certain responsibilities and authority to the Site Supervisor, but ultimate responsibility rests with the Athletic Director, Principal, Superintendent and Board of Education.
2. The Athletic Director or his/her designee is responsible for the conduct of coaches, players, spectators, and other employees of the school.
3. The Athletic Director or his/her designee assumes responsibility for informing these groups of the code of behavior expected during participation in Section VIII Athletic Events.
4. General Recommendations for Home Contests:
 - a. The visiting school should be provided with information on directions to the school, game times, physical layout including parking area, locker facilities and specific school regulations affecting visiting teams.
 - b. The home school is responsible for excluding from athletic events students whose past behavior indicates an unacceptable risk for trouble.
 - c. Adequate supervision must be provided in the gymnasium area as well as in hallways, bathrooms, and outside areas where students may congregate. Supervision should include male and female adults at all events.
 - d. Separate seating areas should be designated for visiting team spectators.
 - e. Request cooperation of the Nassau County Police Department and/or Auxiliary Police units whenever the anticipated crowd size or previous relationship between schools indicate the potential for trouble.
 - f. Confer with coaches, cheering advisors, supervisors, and custodial help on your expectations for their behavior and on ways to handle difficult situations.
 - g. Direct the A.D. to meet with game officials to emphasize the importance of keeping the game under control.
 - h. Direct supervisor in charge to immediately report to police any information regarding student possession of weapons, drugs, or alcohol. Students under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol shall be removed from the game and reported to the administration.
 - i. Direct supervisors to remain on duty until all spectators and visiting teams have left the premises, including parking lots.
 - j. Problems with students, coaches and spectators should be communicated to the other Athletic Director and the Principals, and when appropriate, to the Section VIII Executive Director.
5. Requirement for Schools/Teams Participating in Playoffs at Neutral Sites:

It is required that any school/team participating in a Section VIII playoff activity at a neutral sites provide adequate supervision for that activity. The supervisor(s) must be easily identifiable and maintain a visible presence throughout the activity.
6. General Recommendations for Visiting Teams:
 - a. Visiting teams must be properly always supervised at the host school.
 - b. At spectator events, the visiting school should provide a supervisor for its spectators. When a Varsity-Junior Varsity doubleheader is held, the team not playing should be supervised in the stands.
 - c. Clarify with the host Athletic Director the best area for parking and access into locker facilities. Also arrange for exiting after the event with at least one home school supervisor in the area to supervise.
 - d. Report in writing to the host Athletic Director any incident involving players, spectators, supervisors, etc., that deserves follow-up by the home school.
 - e. Refrain from shouting disapproval of calls made by officials.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE VISITING SCHOOL:

1. **Athletic Director**
 - a. Contact the Athletic Director of the home school and request the following:
 - (1) Directions and best route to the school.
 - (2) Location of parking area and recommended area for bus parking.
 - (3) Will there be a charge for spectators and is there a specific area for them to sit in.
 - (4) Do they require supervisors for the visiting school and if so, how many.
 - b. Inform the Athletic Director of the home school of the following:
 - (1) If there will be a cheerleader and/or spectator bus in addition to the athletes' bus.
 - (2) Will the additional buses be accompanied by one or more supervisors.
 - (3) You expect the home school to provide supervision of athletes, cheerleaders, and spectators to your buses at the end of the contest.
 - (4) What type of identification your supervisors will be equipped with.
 - c. Inform the coach of the team of the particulars in a and b above.
 - d. Inform supervisors of the above information and ask them to inform persons on the bus they are responsible for, of the pertinent information.
 - e. Inform the student body of any necessary details by public address system and/or bulletin.
2. **Coach**
 - a. Consult the Athletic Director for the above information.
 - b. The head coach of each sport should disseminate the information above for each school to his or her junior varsity and junior high school team coaches.
 - c. Follow the recommendations for Code of Behavior for Coaches in Section VIII.
 - d. Require team members to follow Section VIII Guidelines for Good Sportsmanship.
3. **Supervisors**
 - a. Should be persons who are familiar with the visiting school's student body.
 - b. Should be well-informed of what their responsibilities are and be capable of enforcing regulations and encouraging proper behavior.

Amended June 8, 2015

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES AT SECTION VIII ATHLETIC CONTESTS

I. RESPONSIBILITIES OF HOME AND VISITING SCHOOLS

1. If athletic teams are fielded and home contests scheduled, adequate paid supervision must be provided, even if a school district is on an austerity budget.
2. Supervisors should be given specific assignments and instructions, preferably in writing, and coached on proper behavior.
3. Supervisors must wear some type of identifying clothing such as jackets, hats or armbands.
4. A school administrator or his/her designee must be in charge on the site of all home contents and the visiting school person informed of the name of that person.
5. All spectators must be seated in designated areas.
6. Only supervisors and designated officials should be allowed on sidelines and a list of those persons should be in the hands of the person in charge.
7. Supervision should be provided at away contests by the visiting school at the discretion of the Athletic Director and those supervisors should wear some type of identification and be made known to the person in charge at the home school.
8. Supervision should be requested from visiting schools, particularly where large groups of visiting or home spectators are expected and/or rivalry is particularly intense.
9. The visiting school is responsible for the condition of any exclusive use of facility in the home school i.e., locker room, classroom, etc. Exclusive use facilities should be inspected by the visiting school's coach and the home school's athletic director or designee before and after using the facility.
10. Section VIII Athletic Directors should distribute to all coaches and supervisory staff members the Revised May 2002 approved copy of "Code of Conduct Section VIII - Nassau County." Coaches and supervisory staff members should use this document for all situations not covered in items 1-9.

II. PROCESS FOR RESOLUTION OF COMPLAINTS

The following chain of action is to be followed in attempting to resolve all complaints.

1. School to school communication. Within twenty-four (24) hours or next school day if complaint is lodged on weekend or holiday.
2. Referral to the Executive Director of Section VIII for review.
3. Formal complaint to Ethics Committee within five (5) days of notification from step two.
4. Ethics Committee will meet within seven (7) school days or refer the complaint to the Executive Committee. Each school will be entitled to representation. The Ethics Committee and/or Executive Committee will:
(1) Resolve the problem or (2) Make recommendation to the Athletic Council.
5. The Executive Committee will hear the complaint within seven (7) school days. Each school will be entitled to representation. Disciplinary actions that may be imposed by the Executive Committee are:
 - a. one year suspension of school from all Section VIII sponsored activities.
 - b. withholding of entire schedule for that sport for following season (school will not compete in that sport for that season).
 - c. withholding of entire schedule for that sport for following season (all games to be played away).
 - d. forfeits of full schedule for that sport for remainder of season.
 - e. forfeits of home schedule for that sport.
 - f. forfeits of athletic contest in question.
 - g. letter of censure.
6. Disciplinary action imposed by the Executive Committee may be appealed in the following manner:
 - a. a Notice of Appeal must be filed with the Executive Director within five (5) days of notice of disciplinary action.
 - b. a check for \$250.00 made payable to Section VIII Athletic Council must accompany Notice of Appeal.
 - c. within seven (7) school days of receipt of Notice of Appeal, complaint will be adjudicated by Superintendents Board - Section VIII.

NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION/ SECTION VIII CODE OF CONDUCT GUIDELINES

BE LOUD - BE PROUD - BE POSITIVE

Approved 6/9/21

I. The Coach is Expected to:

1. Set a positive example both on and off the playing area.
2. Be aware that he/she is representing a school district, a school, and a student body.
Impressions made are lasting and hard to live down.
3. Recognize that athletic competition is a means toward an end, not an end. Specifically, athletics should lead to the development of healthy, well-adjusted young men and women.
4. Approach competition as a healthy and constructive exercise, not as a life and death struggle that requires victory at any price. It should be fun and enjoyable.
5. Recognize that the participants in individual or team sports are young men and women with human frailties and limitations who can make mistakes.
6. Be prepared to win or lose. Be positive Encourage peak performance within the rules of the game.
7. Command respect by personal attitude and behavior.
8. Be well groomed. Wear appropriate attire.
9. Refrain from the use of crude, racist or abusive language or gestures with players, opponents, officials, or spectators. (6/21)
10. Create an environment where diversity, equity and inclusion are present. (6/21)
11. Respect the judgment of officials. Although it is reasonable for the coach to question officials' decisions, and even to disagree, the officials' decisions must be accepted graciously. Questionable decisions may be referred to the Section VIII Protest Committee.
12. Handle dissatisfaction with officiating quietly and efficiently using the rating cards supplied by BOCES.
13. Avoid behavior that will incite players, opponents, or spectators.
14. Instruct players to respect officials. Questions concerning rules or interpretations should be made by the team captain as the team representative during the contest.
15. Encourage good sportsmanship and remove players from competition who demonstrate unacceptable behavior.
16. Support and treat the athletic program as a total part of the educational opportunities provided for all students.

II. The Athlete is Expected to:

1. Understand that the student athletic program is a total part of the educational opportunities provided for all students. It should be treated as just that.
2. Always conduct himself/herself as a gentleman/lady.
3. Always demonstrate self-control and mutual respect. Uncontrolled emotion can be self-defeating.
4. Refrain from the use of crude, racist or abusive language or gestures with players, opponents, officials, or spectators. (6/21)
5. Practice diversity, equity, and inclusion within their team. (6/21)
6. Accept victory with grace and defeat with dignity. Poor winners or losers do a disservice to themselves.
7. Set an example in word and deed, both on and off the playing area. Remember that athletes assume a role of leadership and that the young emulate their role models.

III. The Spectators are Expected to

1. Refrain from using noisemakers. The use of noisemakers is prohibited at all events.
2. Conform to accepted standards of good sportsmanship and behavior.
3. Respect officials, coaches and players and extend all courtesies to them.
4. Refrain from the use of crude, racist or abusive language or gestures with players, opponents, officials, or spectators. (6/21)
5. Obey the regulations of the building and grounds. Those who do not conform should be brought to the attention of the building authorities.
6. Understand that schools are responsible for the conduct of their respective spectators whether at home or away.

IV. The Administrators and Supervisors

1. The Athletic Director may delegate certain responsibilities and authority to the site supervisor, but ultimate responsibility rests with the Athletic Director, Principal, Superintendent, and the Board of Education.
2. The Athletic Director or his/her designee is responsible for the conduct of coaches, players, spectators, and other employees of the school.
3. The Athletic Director or his/her designee assumes responsibility for informing these groups of the code of behavior expected during participation in Section VIII athletic events.
 - a. Any negative sportsmanship or communication by a spectator directed at officials, it is the job of the supervisor or athletic administrator to alert the spectator of possible removal or removal from the contest.
4. General Recommendations for Home School
 - a. The visiting school should be provided with information on directions to the school, game times, physical layout including parking area, locker facilities and specific school regulations affecting visiting teams.
 - b. The home school is responsible for excluding, from athletic events, students whose past behavior indicates an unacceptable risk for trouble.
 - c. Adequate supervision must be provided in the gymnasium area as well as in hallways, bathrooms, and outside areas where students may congregate.
 - d. Separate seating areas should be designated for visiting team spectators.
 - e. Request cooperation of the Nassau County Police Department and/or Auxiliary Police units whenever the anticipated crowd size or previous relationships between schools indicate the potential for trouble.
 - f. Confer with the coaches, cheering advisors, supervisors, and custodial help on expectations for their behavior and on ways to handle difficult situations.
 - g. Direct the Athletic Directors to meet with game officials to emphasize the importance of keeping the game under control.
 - h. Direct supervisor in charge to immediately report to police any information regarding student possession of weapons, drugs, or alcohol. Students under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol shall be removed from the game and reported to the administration.
 - i. Escort the officials to their cars if requested by the sport official.
 - j. Direct supervisors to remain on duty until all spectators and visiting teams have left the premises, including parking lots.
 - k. Problems with students, coaches and spectators should be communicated to the other Athletic Director and the Principal, and when appropriate, to the Section VIII Executive Director.
5. Requirement for Schools/Teams Participating in Playoffs at Neutral Sites

It is required that any school/team participating in a Section VIII playoff activity at a neutral site provide adequate supervision for that activity. The supervisor(s) must be easily identifiable and maintain a visible presence throughout the activity.

6. General Recommendations for visiting Teams

- a. Visiting teams must be properly always supervised at the host school.
- b. At spectator events, the visiting school should provide a supervisor for its spectators. When a varsity/junior varsity doubleheader is held, the team not playing should be supervised in the stands.
- c. Clarify with the host Athletic Director the best area for parking and access into locker facilities. Also, arrange for exiting after the event with at least one home school supervisor in the area to supervise.
- d. Report in writing to the host Athletic Director any incident involving players, spectators, supervisors, etc. that deserves follow-up by the home school.

V. Recommendations for the Visiting School

1. Athletic Director

- a. Contact the Athletic Director of the home school and request the following:
 - (1) Directions and best route to the school.
 - (2) Location of parking area and recommended area for bus parking.
 - (3) Will there be a charge for spectators and is there a specific seating area for visitors.
 - (4) Does the home school require supervisors for the visiting school and if so, how many.
- b. Inform the Athletic Director of the home school of the following:
 - (1) Whether there will be a cheerleader and/or spectator bus in addition to the athletes' bus.
 - (2) Whether additional buses will be accompanied by one or more supervisors.
 - (3) Whether the home school is expected to provide supervision of athletes, cheerleaders, and spectators to visiting buses at the end of the contest.
 - (4) What type of identification supervisors of the visiting team will be equipped with?
- c. Inform the coach of the team of the particulars in a. and b. above.
- d. Inform supervisors of the above information and ask them to inform persons on the bus, they are responsible for, of the pertinent information.
- e. Inform the students of any necessary details by public address system and/or bulletin.

2. Coach

- a. Consult the athletic director for the above information.
- b. The head coach of each sport should disseminate the information above for each school to his or her junior varsity and junior high school team coaches.
- c. Follow the recommendations for Code of Behavior for Coaches in Section VIII.
- d. Require team members to follow Section VIII Guidelines for good sportsmanship.

3. Supervisors

- a. Should be persons who are familiar with the visiting school's student body.
- b. Should be well informed of what their responsibilities are and be capable of enforcing regulations and encourage proper behavior.

OFFICIALS CODE OF ETHICS

Officials at an interscholastic athletic event are participants in the educational development of high school students. As such, they must exercise a high level of self-discipline, independence, and responsibility. The purpose of this Code is to establish guidelines for ethical standards of conduct for all interscholastic officials.

Officials shall master both the rules of the game and the mechanics necessary to enforce the rules, and shall exercise authority in an impartial, firm, and controlled manner.

Officials shall work with each other and their state associations in a constructive and cooperative manner.

Officials shall uphold the honor and dignity of the profession in all interaction with student-athletes, coaches, athletic directors, school administrators, colleagues, and the public.

Officials shall prepare themselves both physically and mentally, shall dress neatly and appropriately, and shall comport themselves in a manner consistent with the high standards of the profession.

Officials shall be punctual and professional in the fulfillment of all contractual obligations.

Officials shall remain mindful that their conduct influences the respect that student-athletes, coaches, and the public hold for the profession.

Officials shall, while enforcing the rules of play, remain aware of the inherent risk of injury that competition poses to student-athletes. Where appropriate, they shall inform event management of conditions or situations that appear unreasonably hazardous.

Officials shall take reasonable steps to educate themselves in the recognition of emergency conditions that might arise during competition.

Officials shall maintain an ethical approach while participating in forums, chat rooms and all forms of social media.

SPORTSMANSHIP

Students learn immeasurable unique lessons through interscholastic athletic participation.

Educators universally agree, of all the goals established as outcomes for secondary students involved in school sports, **sportsmanship is primary.**

Students who learn to value and practice sportsmanlike behavior are developing the characteristics of good citizenship. Honesty, generosity, self discipline, a sincere concern for others, ethical behavior and a commitment to fair play are all demonstrated in sportsmanship.

Nassau County Public High School Athletic Association member schools make sportsmanship a premier concern.

NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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Overview

The Sportsmanship Committee strongly recommends that all athletic directors review the Sportsmanship Policy with their coaches, players, and event supervisors. All coaches must understand that all incidents of unsportsmanlike behaviors/disqualifications must be reported. The completed reports must be submitted by the respective athletic directors and electronically mailed to the Office of the Executive Director.

Reporting Procedures

The Athletic Directors from both teams involved and the officials assigned to the contest are to file written reports of the incident to the Office of the Executive Director no later than the morning of the next working day following the contest/match.

- It is the responsibility of the coach to ascertain from the official that the incident leading to the suspension or ejection is considered misconduct and, if so, it is the coach's responsibility to suspend the player from the team's next contest.
- Failure of the official to report to the Section VIII Office or failure of the Section VIII Office to forward the report to the Athletic Director, or failure of the Athletic Director to notify the coach does not relieve a coach of the responsibility to suspend the player.
- If a suspended player or coach participates in a contest, he/she is deemed ineligible, and that contest is considered forfeited.

Request for Appeal

A request for an appeal must be made to the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of the contest/incident. The appeal process is a three-step process. Any questions regarding these procedures should be directed to either the Office of the Executive Director or the Chairperson of the Sportsmanship Committee.

- Sportsmanship Committee
- Athletic Council
- State Appeals Committee

Sportsmanship Committee Procedures for Addressing an Appeal

- All incident reports are submitted to the Sportsmanship Chairperson whom upon reading reports will communicate to the Committee the nature and scope of the incident.
- Upon review of the charge(s) by at least a quorum of the Sportsmanship Committee of Section VIII, it will be determined by most of the quorum whether "probable cause" exists. If such a determination is made a written statement specifying the charges in detail shall be immediately forwarded to the athletic director of the accused coach, official, player, school personnel or member school. Note: While an appeal is being processed, a student(s) may participate in practice sessions commencing from the date the appeal was filed. State Handbook page 91.

- A request for an appeal of a penalty imposed by the Sportsmanship Committee must be filed within three (3) working days following the decision of the Sportsmanship Committee to the Office of the Executive Director. The inexcusable failure to notify the Executive Director of Section VIII of such desire for a hearing within three days of the receipt of the charges will be deemed a waiver of the right to a hearing before the Athletic Council.
- Athletic Council Appeals Process – Upon receipt of a written Notice of Appeal to the Executive Director a check for \$250 made payable to the Section VIII Athletic Council must accompany Notice of Appeal. At least a quorum of the Athletic Council of Section VIII will determine by most of the quorum of the Athletic Council whether “probable cause” exists. If such determination is made, a written statement specifying the charges in detail shall be immediately forwarded to the accused coach, official, player, school personnel or member school.

Videotaping Policy

- A. The Sportsmanship Committee will not accept a video tape(s) for a judgment call, because there is no such thing as an “official tape” that can be provided by either team, parents, etc. The review process for an appeal on a judgment call should be based solely upon the documents presented to the committee.
- B. The Committee will accept a videotape pertaining to an incident. If such tape is to be presented the following must be adhered to:
 - 1) An appeal for an incident in which a videotape is to be submitted must follow the Reporting Procedures Guidelines as stated above.
 - 2) Said tape must contain the entire contest.
 - 3) A quorum (6 members of the Sportsmanship Committee and Executive Director) must be convened within 3 working days of the written request for an appeal to an incident. Upon review of the charge(s) by at least a quorum of the Sportsmanship Committee of Section VIII, it will be determined by most of the quorum whether “probable cause” exists. If such a determination is made a written statement specifying the charges in detail shall be immediately forwarded to the athletic director of the accused coach, official, player, school personnel or member school. Note: While an appeal is being processed a student(s) may participate in practice sessions commencing from the date the appeal was filed.

Revised 2004

SPORTSMANSHIP: NYSPHSAA SPORTSMANSHIP EXPECTATION

“NYSPHSAA understands and recognizes officials, just like student athletes and coaches, are not going to be perfect 100% of the time. Officials, just like student athletes and coaches, are essential to interscholastic sports programs. Without officials, NYSPHSAA and its member schools would not be able to provide interscholastic sports in the manner that is desired and expected by student athletes, coaches, and parents. Spectators are expected to “Be Loud, Be Proud, and Be Positive”. Negative comments and inappropriate behaviors by spectators are required to be addressed by all and any school supervisors and administrators, as a member of NYSPHSAA. Spectators may be prohibited from attending current and future interscholastic contests based on their behavior.”

SPORTSMANSHIP: NYSPHSAA SPECTATOR SPORTSMANSHIP REGULATION

“Any negative, inappropriate, derogatory comments or actions that brings direct attention to a supervisor or school administrator by a spectator or group of spectators are required to be addressed by the host school in the following non-sequential order depending on the comments or behaviors.”

- First warning – Directing the spectator or group of spectators to refrain from any negative comments or actions.
- Second warning – A personal discussion with the spectators or group of spectators on the above NYSPHSAA expectations and reminding the spectators or group of spectators of the next step, removal of the game or event, will be utilized if the behavior continues.
- Removal from the contest – The spectator or group of spectators will be directed to leave the facility for the remainder of the game or event. If the spectator or group of spectators refuse to leave the game or event, play will be stopped until they vacate the premise.

Penalty for being removed from a game or event: Any spectator removed from a game or event will have a minimum penalty if completing the NFHS Parent Credential course and a one game suspension before they are allowed to attend any interscholastic event, home or away. Once the course is completed the spectator will provide a certificate of completion to the athletic department office. Schools are required to communicate with the offending spectator on the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Spectator Expectations.

- Depending on the severity of the behavior/comments or future disqualifications by the offending spectator, NYSPHSAA and the Section may get directly involved in the situation.

SECTION VIII SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY

The NYSPHSAA and Section VIII recognizes and appreciates that the influence and responsibility of the school administration regarding good sportsmanship extends to all levels of competition. However, it must also be seen that the NYSPHSAA and Section VIII has been vested with the responsibility to ensure that all contests under its jurisdiction are conducted satisfactorily. This standard applies to all regular season and post season play.

As of July 1, 2013, the Dignity for All Students Act (Dignity Act-Section 52.2, Part 80 and 57-4) is to provide all public-school students with an environment free from harassment, bullying (including cyber bullying) and discrimination, as well as to foster civility in public schools. The Dignity Act focuses on the prevention of discrimination behaviors, including harassment/bullying through the promotion of educational measures meant to positively impact school culture and climate, which includes the interscholastic programs. While the Dignity for all Students act mentions its efforts to keep an environment free of discrimination and bullying; diversity, equity and inclusion are very important to us. It is imperative that we can provide an environment where all kids feel safe, no matter their race or ethnicity. This should always apply, no matter if it's a practice, scrimmage, regular season game or a play-off game.

The High School Athletic Association of Section VIII established the Sportsmanship Committee as a sub-committee of the Athletic Council to address incidents of unsportsmanlike conduct and flagrant misconduct. The purpose of the Sportsmanship Committee is to take proactive measures to minimize inappropriate behavior at all Section VIII events and to promote positive sporting behavior throughout the county.

A. What is to be reported:

1. A Player who is ejected from a contest for flagrant misconduct and/or unsportsmanlike conduct.
2. A Spectator who acts in a disruptive abusive or inappropriate manner.
3. A Coach who conducts himself/herself in an inappropriate or unsportsmanlike manner.
4. An Official who demonstrates unsportsmanlike conduct or inappropriate behavior unbecoming of a sport official.
5. A School that permits spectators to conduct themselves in an abusive, disruptive or harassing manner. This also includes schools that do not provide adequate supervision at home or away contests to control their spectators.

B. Responsibility for reporting:

1. Coaches must report all incidents to their respective athletic directors, even if only one player/team was cited for misconduct.
2. Athletic Directors must file reports with the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of any disqualification, ejection, or incident of unsportsmanlike behavior.
3. Officials must file reports with the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of any disqualification, ejection, or incident of unsportsmanlike behavior.

C. Reporting Procedure:

1. All unsportsmanlike incidents are to be reported by the coach (or by both coaches) to their respective athletic directors immediately following the contest.
2. The Athletic Directors of both schools involved are to file reports with the office of the Executive Director as soon as possible, but no later than the morning following the contest/incident (or the next school day).
3. The Officials assigned to the contest are to file a report with the Office of the Executive Director as soon as possible, but no later than the morning following the contest/incident (or the next school day).
4. The Office of the Executive Director will forward copies of all reports to the Sportsmanship Committee Chairperson, Sport Coordinator, and the appropriate VP of Male/Female Sports.

D. Committee Actions:

1. All member schools including individuals representing member schools who are involved in unsportsmanlike conduct are subject to consequences deemed appropriate by the Sportsmanship Committee.
 - a. The Sportsmanship Committee may recommend action in instances of unsportsmanlike conduct and is authorized to recommend consequences which may include, but are not limited to: Censure, Reprimand, Suspension, Loss of Eligibility, or any other actions that are deemed appropriate by the Sportsmanship Committee.
 - b. All recommendations of the Sportsmanship Committee will be filed with the Office of the Executive Director and forwarded to the Athletic Director(s) of the school(s) involved.
 - c. All actions of the Sportsmanship Committee are subject to review by the respective Athletic Director(s). Schools may impose additional consequences.
 - d. Copies of all reports of the Sportsmanship Committee shall be kept on file with the Sportsmanship Chairperson, the Executive Director, and the Sport Coordinator.

E. Penalties:

1. Player/Spectator Expulsion:

Any player who commits a serious violation of game rules or takes part in flagrant misconduct during play shall be subject to ejection from the contest and disciplinary action. Ejection from a contest result in mandatory one (1) game suspension from the next regularly scheduled contest, including post-season play. Disqualifications from one season will carry over to the player's next season of participation. Any player suspended from participation may not be on site or involved in any capacity (spectator, timekeeper, scorekeeper, etc.) on the day of suspension. Failure to comply will result in additional sanctions being levied against the individual, coach and/or team. Any spectator(s) who acts in a manner causing the contest to be suspended or the spectator removed from the site would be disqualified from the next contest. Such spectator(s) would not be allowed to be on site or involved in any capacity (timekeeper, scorekeeper, etc.) at the next contest. Failure to comply will result in additional sanctions being leveled against this spectator(s) by school district as well as Section VIII.

2. Second Occurrence of Misconduct:

In the same sport – NYSPHSAA requires a two-game suspension for the second (2nd) ejection and a third (3rd) ejection in the same sport will result in the loss of the season.

Any person (coach, player, spectator, school official, etc.) who is ejected from a second contest in the same sport for unsportsmanlike conduct shall require the Sportsmanship Committee to review the matter. This may lead to more severe disciplinary action including suspension for the remainder of the season. Such disciplinary action could carry over into subsequent sports seasons. Additional consequences may also be recommended by the Sportsmanship Committee.

3. Intentional Physical Contact by a Player:

Any member of the squad who strikes, shoves, kicks, or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass, or intimidate an official, another player, a spectator, coach, school district employee or supervisor, etc. shall be expelled from the game immediately and banned from further participation in all sports for a period to be determined by the Section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense. **NOTE:** Members of the squad include players, managers, score keepers, timers, and statisticians. The incident must be reported to the Office of the Executive Director who will in turn forward to the Sportsmanship Committee and respective Sports Coordinator. Consequences may include but are not limited to: Censure, Reprimand, Suspension, Loss of Eligibility, or another action that is deemed appropriate by the committee.

4. Team Members/Non- Participant/Pre-or Post-Game Misconduct:

Any act of unsportsmanlike/flagrant misconduct by either a team member, non- participant before or after (pre- and post-game) will be excluded from play in and/or subject to removal from the site of the contest. Any player, coach or spectator who commits a serious violation of the sportsmanship rules or takes part in flagrant misconduct as a non-participant after the contest has concluded (post-game) will be suspended from participation in or attendance at the next regularly scheduled contest including the post-season.

5. Spectators:

Any spectator who acts in a disruptive, abusive, or unsportsmanlike manner may cause the game to be suspended or the spectator removed from the site. A letter from the Sportsmanship committee may be sent the appropriate Athletic Director(s), Building Principal(s) and Superintendent(s). Continued incidents of disruptive behavior may result in additional disciplinary action by the Sportsmanship Committee.

6. Coaches:

Any coach excluded by a certified official from an interschool competition for unsportsmanlike conduct, including taunting, is ineligible to coach any interschool competition in that sport until after the next previously scheduled contest at the same level (e.g., junior varsity, varsity, etc.) has been completed. In individual sports a multi-day contest is a contest. Disqualification from one season carries over to the next season of participation. The coach may not be present at the game site nor communicate in any manner during the contest with any person present at the site.

NOTE: "Not being physically present at the site" means a disqualified coach is not to be present in the locker room, on the sidelines, in the stands or site area before, during or after the game/meet. Any coach that does not serve the penalty for violating the Sportsmanship Standard will be ineligible to participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests. If the coach continues to not serve the penalty, the matter will be referred to the Section for further action. If the coach is involved in the NYSPHSAA play-offs, the matter will be referred to the Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA.

7. Intentional Physical Contact:

A coach who strikes, shoves, kick or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate another person (e.g., official, another coach, player, fan) shall be expelled immediately and banned from further participation or coaching in all sports for a period to be determined by the section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense.

8. Officials:

An official who demonstrates inappropriate or unsportsmanlike conduct will be reported to the Sportsmanship Committee. The Sportsmanship Committee may recommend disciplinary action to be taken against the official by the official's organization.

9. Taunting:
Taunting includes, but is not limited to, any actions or comments by coaches, players, or spectators which are intended to bait, anger, embarrass, ridicule, or demean other players, coaches, or game officials. Included in this is conduct that berates, needles, intimidates, or threatens based on gender, ethnic origin or background and conduct that attack religious beliefs, size, economic status, speech, families' special needs, or personal matters. Examples of taunting that would lead to ejection include, but are not limited to, physical and verbal intimidation outside the spirit of the game ("trash talking"), reference to sexual orientation, "in-the-face confrontation" by one player to another, standing over, straddling a tackled or fallen player, etc.
10. Bench Clearing:
If an altercation occurs during a contest and members of either team leave their respective bench or sideline area or playing positions and go onto the playing field/court participation area, they will be immediately ejected from the contest for unsportsmanlike behavior.
11. Due Process:
Students, coaches, and schools have the right to be heard by the Sportsmanship Committee. However, appeals will only be held regarding a misapplication of the sport rules and/or an ejection of a misidentified player. This right must be claimed within 24 hours of the incident occurring and must be made to the Office of the Executive Director of Section VIII. All actions of the Sportsmanship Committee may be appealed by a member school. Any such appeal will be heard by the Section VIII Athletic Council.

Team Up for Unity Mission Statement (updated May 1, 2021)

Section VIII, in partnership with the Long Island Nets of the NBA G League, recognize and value the experiences individuals from diverse backgrounds bring to education-based interscholastic athletics on Long Island. We are committed to bringing equity and inclusivity to all students in our athletic programs.

As part of this commitment, we will engage in a partnership cultivating the unique gifts and talents of all student athletes, free from racism and all forms of negative bias.

We have planned a zero-tolerance policy regarding harmful actions taken by adults in and around Long Island sporting events, while furthering the education of student-athletes who might behave in an equally unwanted manner.

Regarding student-athletes: An incident that is determined to go against the mission of Team Up for Unity ("...[sports] free from racism and all forms of negative bias."), the chair of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion subcommittee will be empowered to organize a Restorative Vision session with the parties involved in the incident. **Failure to attend the Restorative Vision session will result in a one contest ban in addition to any penalties already set forth by the Sportsmanship Committee and the Section VIII bylaws.**

RESTORATIVE VISION

"The restorative vision for schools is about cultural transformation. A big part of the transformation is the engagement of all voices in decision-making. The restorative philosophy asserts that there is wisdom in each of us and that the collective wisdom is always greater than the wisdom of any individual. Restorative processes are particularly effective at allowing voice for every person and at accessing the collective wisdom of a group.

"Schools are nested communities. The classroom is a community within the community of a particular school which is a community within the community of the district. At each level of community, it is important for the stakeholders to engage in conversation about the values and principles of restorative philosophy – to talk about how we are going to live together. The specifics of implementation are designed to meet the needs of that community. Self-governance is a very important principle of the restorative framework. Sharing power happens at every level. Teachers share power with students. School administration shares power with teachers and parents. District administration shares power with schools. Sharing power is necessary to access collective wisdom!

"Experience across the country suggests that the individual school level is the critical unit for implementation. Sustainable implementation requires grassroots engagement of staff, students, parents, and administrators at the school level with support from district administration. Experience also suggests that training alone is not sufficient. A restorative culture in a school requires major behavior change of the institution. It takes time. It requires role modeling and coaching. It requires practice.

"In my own journey with restorative justice I have had to pay more attention to how I show up every day. Am I bringing my 'best self' to my interactions with others? Am I listening with an open heart and an open mind? Can I stay in a place of curiosity rather than jumping to judgment when I do not like what I am hearing or seeing? I have had to pay attention to what is going on inside me. The circle process helps me to slow down and notice my thoughts, my assumptions, my judgments so I can then be more intentional about my actions.

"The underlying concepts of a restorative approach are not new. They are indeed ancient and go by many names. Restorative practices are designed to allow us to live together as humans in a good way. For many people they are intuitive. The articulation of this philosophy and the development of specific restorative practices has given us a way to be more intentional about living together in a good way.

Addition to the Section 8 Sportsmanship Policy

In the event a racial, ethnic, or gender slur is heard by an Administrator, Coach, Official, or Supervisor at any Section VIII competition the event will be stopped. Every effort must be made to identify the person(s) responsible for the slur. The person(s) must be immediately removed from the contest. In the event the person (s) responsible for the slur cannot be identified the responsible staff are expected to remove as many spectators as deemed necessary to ensure that the person(s) has/have been removed from the event. The ejection(s) and name(s) of the ejected must be reported to Section VIII and include carryover suspension from attendance at the next competition.

**NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

SECTION VIII UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR/INCIDENT/DISQUALIFICATION REPORT

This report is to be completed and submitted by game officials and athletic directors of both schools within 24 hours of the incident and/or violation. This must be completed and sent to SECVIII.

Sport: _____ Level: _____ Date of the Event: _____

Home School: _____ vs. Opponent: _____

Player(s) / Coach(es) / Official(s) / Spectator(s) Involved:

Name: _____ School: _____ Number: _____

Name: _____ School: _____ Number: _____

Brief Description of the Incident (use additional sheets if necessary): _____

Action taken: _____

Supervisor(s):

Name: _____ School: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ School: _____ Phone: _____

Official(s) assigned:

Name: _____ Number: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Number: _____ Phone: _____

Person filing this report:

Name: _____ Position: _____ School: _____

Return to: Section VIII - Interscholastic Athletics
George Farber Administrative Center
71 Clinton Road - P.O. Box 9195
Garden City, N.Y. 11530
FAX: 516-997-2916 or 2018
PPIZZARELLI@NASBOCES.ORG

Athletic Director's _____
(or acting administrator)

OR

Game Official's Signature _____

Date Received _____

LOP SIDED SCORES

DO NOT RUN UP THE SCORE

Good Sportsmanship and Educational Sensitivity

Dictate that Stronger Teams Do Not Run Up the Score

Against Weaker Opponents...

**As Section VIII Boys Lacrosse Coordinator and
Chairman of the NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Committee**

I am asking that all of our

Nassau County Boys Lacrosse Coaches do the very best they can

this year NOT TO RUN UP THE SCORE...

**There are many ways to manage the game and manage the score of
the game...**

WIN WITH DIGNITY AND CLASS

Jim Amen Jr.

SOME FACTORS TO BE REMINDED OF WITH REGARD TO LOP-SIDED SCORE ISSUES

Boys' lacrosse has a new rule regarding a team ahead of their opponent by more than 12 goals.

This is in affect assists with the Lop-Sided scores that we occasionally see in boys' lacrosse.

After the first half, any time the score differential reaches 12 goals or more, starting with the whistle resuming play, the clock will only be stopped for a team time-out, official's time-out, or an injury time-out. No longer will normal play resume if the goal differential is reduced to fewer than 12 goals.

Once the 2nd ½ begins the winning team should begin to substitute (if not already having done so).

The ***losing team should recognize*** when the ***winning team is substituting*** and should recognize that the winning team does not want to embarrass his team. Losing team should understand and acknowledge that winning team is trying to be sportsmanlike.

In ***addition***, once losing team recognizes that winning team has substituted, losing team should do this as well.

Be Mindful, this running clock may cause limited playing time in these types of games where winning team carries many participants.

There are situations that exist that 2nd and 3rd teams of winning teams are more skillful that opponent's 1st team. Therefore, losing team may feel it is necessary not to substitute.

In all cases coaches should make sure they do not embarrass their opponents' players and coaches. ***Excessive celebration should be discouraged.*** Coaches should speak with their players so that they understand and recognize these situations.

As with any sport including lacrosse, play the game the way it should be played...Respect the Game and Play in a Sportsmanlike manner

**Score Differential Policy
Pilot Program
2021 – 2022**

Philosophy: “Section VIII Athletic Programs are educationally based designed to encourage safety, participation and sportsmanship.” Contributors of Section VIII for all playing levels, (V, JV, JH) feel that this policy will serve to provide a wider range of players with additional playing time while keeping the game competitive.

Guidelines: Each sport coordinator will be charged with writing guidelines, to be included in the sport overview, for coaches to follow while competing during season play. This policy will enforce the written guidelines for each sport.

First Reported Incident: If the score exceeds the written sport guidelines, a report must be submitted online on the SECTION VIII UNSPORTSMANLIKE Behavior/INCIDENT/DISQUALIFICATION REPORT

This report is to be completed and submitted by game officials and athletic directors of both schools within 24 hours of the incident and/or violation. The form will include recording the score and a statement to be made by the sender: In your opinion, was this an infraction of the sport guidelines set for the score differential, YES or NO. A notification of this report will be sent to schools athletic director, principal, and superintendent. If report indicated YES, it will be reviewed by the sport coordinator, coach’s association president and office of the executive director and if warranted, a letter of warning will be issued by the office of the Executive Director to the athletic director, principal and superintendent of the offending school.

Second Reported Incident (In the Same Season):

A second reported incident involving a coach will be communicated to all the listed above, but the details involved will be addressed by a committee of: Sport Coordinator, Coaches Association President, office of the Executive Director, HSAA President, Sportsmanship Chairperson, and OCC President. The committee will consider evidence (scorebooks, video, written/verbal reports from both coaches and officials) to determine if an adequate attempt was made to mitigate the score. The coach will be suspended during the pending review by this committee, pending appeal from the athletic director. A letter of reprimand with a recommendation of consequences will be issued by the office of the Executive Director to the athletic director, principal, and superintendent of the offending schools.

Third Reported Incident (In the Same Season):

A third reported incident involving a coach will be referred to the committee that met in the second incident, with an immediate suspension with no appeal from the athletic director until the incident is ruled upon. This may lead to more severe disciplinary action including suspension for the remainder of the season. Such disciplinary action could carry over into subsequent sports seasons. Additional consequences may also be recommended by the office of the Executive Director.

SECTION VIII SCHOOL ENROLLMENT – 2022-2023

<u>ENROLLMENT</u>		<u>ENROLLMENT</u>		<u>ENROLLMENT</u>	
FREEPORT	1,862	GREAT NECK SO.	882	MINEOLA	617
UNIONDALE	1,733	GREAT NECK NO.	822	CLARKE	614
SYOSSET	1,583	ELMONT	818	V.S. SOUTH	611
MASSAPEQUA	1,455	GARDEN CITY	808	NORTH SHORE	573
FARMINGDALE	1,286	ROSLYN	782	LAWRENCE	569
HEMPSTEAD	1,286	SEWANHAKA	782	ISLAND TREES	527
HICKSVILLE	1,277	KENNEDY-BELLMORE	774	LOCUST VALLEY	499
OCEANSIDE	1,256	SOUTHSIDE	773	SEAFORD	497
WESTBURY	1,194	GLEN COVE	752	ACADEMY CHRTR.	431
PORT WASHINGTON	1,167	LEVITTOWN DIV.	737	MALVERNE	422
BALDWIN	1,158	CAREY	732	WEST HEMPSTEAD	407
PLAINVIEW	1,149	ROOSEVELT	731	COLD SPR HBR.	405
EAST MEADOW	1,098	HEWLETT	730	WHEATLEY	369
V.S. CENTRAL	1,056	MANHASSET	699	OYSTER BAY	321
HERRICKS	984	BETHPAGE	671	EAST ROCKAWAY	273
LONG BEACH	963	V.S. NORTH	654	FRIENDS ACDMY.	273
MEPHAM	928	FLORAL PARK	635	CARLE PLACE	272
MACARTHUR	920	PLAINEDGE	633	ACADEMY-SH & UNIONDALE	226/185
JERICO	906	WANTAGH	633	EVERGREEN CHRT	65
NEW HYDE PARK	905	LYNBROOK	623	VILLAGE SCHOOL	20
CALHOUN	894				

Total includes Grades 9 and 10 plus the average of 9th and 10th.

Five Class Numbers

Class AA 965-UP
 Class A 500-964
 Class B 270-499
 Class C 150-269
 Class D 149-Below

(Soccer, Basketball, Baseball, Softball)

Three Class Number

Class A 800-UP
 Class B 400-799
 Class C 0-399

2022-2023 Individual Sports

Division I 600-UP
 Division II 0-599

CLASSIFICATION VARIATIONS

(As approved by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee)

Cross Country

Class A 815-UP
 Class B 450-814
 Class C 255-449
 Class D 254-Below

Girls Volleyball

Class AA 950-up
 Class A 598-949
 Class B 368-597
 Class C 221-367
 Class D 220 & Below

Field Hockey

Class A 915-UP
 Class B 450-914
 Class C 449 & Below

Girls Lacrosse

Class A 1060-UP
 Class B 775-1059
 Class C 465-774
 Class D 464 & Below

Boys Lacrosse

Class A 1060-UP
 Class B 765-1059
 Class C 430-764
 Class D 429 & Below

Boys Volleyball

Div. I 901-UP
 Div. II 900 and Below

Cheerleading

Div. I 750-UP
 Div. II 749 Below

Squad Size

Small 5-16
 Large 17-32
 Co Ed 5-32

SECTION VIII SCHOOL ENROLLMENT - 2023-2024

<u>ENROLLMENT</u>		<u>ENROLLMENT</u>	
FREEPORT	1,817	GLEN COVE	737
UNIONDALE	1,671	KENNEDY- BELLMORE	725
SYOSSET	1,644	BETHPAGE	722
MASSAPEQUA	1,427	HEWLETT	707
HICKSVILLE	1,308	V.S. NORTH	648
HEMPSTEAD	1,307	MINEOLA	645
OCEANSIDE	1,293	FLORL PARK	630
FARMINGDALE	1,229	LYNBROOK	630
PLAINVIEW OBP	1,229	PLAINEDGE	630
PORT WASHINGTON	1,218	WANTAGH	626
WESTBURY	1,179	V.S.SOUTH	597
BALDWIN	1,146	CLARKE	597
V.S. CENTRAL	1,097	NORTH SHORE	579
EAST MEADOW	1,091	LAWRENCE	560
HERRICKS	1,047	ISLAND TREES	534
MEPHAM	992	SEAFORD	483
LONG BEACH	980	MALVERNE	482
MACARTHUR	926	LOCUST VALLEY	453
JERICHO	894	COLD SPRING HBR.	407
GREAT NECK SO.	879	WHEATLEY	392
SEWANHAKA	866	WEST HEMPSTEAD	380
NEW HYDE PARK	863	ACADEMY-SH & UNIONDALE	369/356
GREAT NECK NO.	858	OYSTER BAY	321
CALHOUN	839	FRIENDS ACDMY.	297
GARDEN CITY	810	EAST ROCKAWAY	285
ELMONT	809	CARLE PLACE	275
CAREY	788	EVERGREEN CHRT	140
ROSLYN	753		
DIVISION AVE	746		
MANHASSET	746		
ROOSEVELT	740		
SOUTHSIDE	740		



NYSPHSAA/Section VIII Boys Lacrosse



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COMBINING OF TEAMS - The joining together of students from two or more member schools in the same district or close proximity to form a single team shall be permitted subject to the following conditions:

1. Permission must be obtained from their league and section on an annual basis.
2. Section approval must be reported to the NYSPHSAA, Inc. Executive Committee.

NOTE: If a combined school team goes beyond sectional level competition their boys

and girls grades 9-11 enrollment shall be combined, *using the below criteria*, for state level competition.

*a. The school(s) with the higher(est) classification number will have a percentage of the other school(s) classification number added according to the graduated scale below. The percentage is dependent upon the association's "5 sport classification cut off numbers." **Beginning with the 2018-19 school year, the graduated scale is used for up to 3 "team" mergers and mergers with 4 or more "teams" take 100% of their BEDS. ONLY in team sports.***

b. 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

Classification	2018-19	2019-20 (Sports Specific Classification Numbers)
Class AA	100%	Five Classes (100%, 100%, 100%, 40%, 30%)
Class A	100%	Four Classes (100%, 100%, 40%, 30%)
Class B	100%	Three Classes (100%, 40%, 30%)
Class C	40%	Two Divisions (100%, 40%)
Class D	30%	

No contest or interschool scrimmage may be scheduled in Section VIII by a member school on the following dates:

HOLY DAY OBSERVANCE
2022-2023

*SEPTEMBER 26-27, 2022	ROSH HASHANAH
*OCTOBER 5, 2022	YOM KIPPUR
DECEMBER 24-25, 2022	CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY
*APRIL 6, 2023	FIRST DAY OF PASSOVER
APRIL 7, 2023	GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 9, 2023	EASTER SUNDAY

*Indicates that student athletes must be able to be home by 6:00 p.m. on the day preceding these dates.

SIGNIFICANT DATES TO CONSIDER
2022-2023

SEPTEMBER 5, 2022	LABOR DAY
**SEPTEMBER 11, 2022	PATRIOT DAY
OCTOBER 10, 2022	COLUMBUS DAY
NOVEMBER 8, 2022	ELECTION DAY
NOVEMBER 11, 2022	VETERANS DAY OBSERVED
NOVEMBER 24, 2022	THANKSGIVING DAY
JANUARY 16, 2023	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY
FEBRUARY 20, 2023	PRESIDENTS DAY
MAY 29, 2023	MEMORIAL DAY
JUNE 19, 2023	JUNETEENTH

**In recognition of those who perished on September 11, 2001, in the tragedy of the World Trade Center, it is recommended that each school playing on this day provide a moment of silence in memory and tribute.

ELIGIBILITY DATES FOR 2022-2023

DATE OF BIRTH:

ANY ATHLETE WHO WAS BORN **ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2003** IS **ELIGIBLE** FOR THE **2022-2023** SCHOOL YEAR.

DATE OF ENTRY INTO 9TH GRADE:

ANY STUDENT/ATHLETE THAT ENTERED THE NINTH (9TH) GRADE **PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 2019** IS **INELIGIBLE** TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS UNLESS AN EXTENSION OF ELIGIBILITY REQUEST HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE APPEALS COMMITTEE.

SECTION VIII
TABLE OF ACTIVITIES – APPROVED MAXIMUM
2022-2023

Approved June 2022

ACTIVITY	APPROVED MAXIMUM		
	SPORT	VARSITY	JV
Badminton	16	15	11
Baseball	20	19	11
Basketball	20	19	11
Bowling	20	19	11
Cheerleading	12	11	11
Cross Country	16	-	8
Fencing	20	-	-
Field Hockey	16	15	9
Football	**9	8	6
Golf	16	15	-
Gymnastics	16	-	8
Lacrosse	16	15	9
Rifle	16	-	-
Soccer	16	15	9
Softball	20	19	11
Swimming	16	-	11
Tennis	16	-	11
Track	16	-	8
Winter Track	16	-	8
Volleyball	20	19	11
Wrestling	*20pts	*20 pts	10 pts

* 6 Tournament maximum

**** FOOTBALL**

Only for teams that do not make playoffs
 Cannot be played prior to week 1

JUNIOR VARSITY:

Three (3) scrimmages will be permitted prior to the first game provided they are approved by the Athletic Director.

MODIFIED:

Two (2) scrimmages will be permitted prior to the first game provided they are approved by the Athletic Director.

2022-2023 COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATORS' OFFICERS

President	DAVID VIEGAS	Hewlett/Woodmere
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SECTION VIII

HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULING INFORMATION 2022-2023

SPORT	# of practices prior to first scrimmage/contest TEAM	FIRST PRACTICE	FIRST SCRIM/ CONTEST	MIN TIME BETWEEN CONTESTS OR SCRIMMAGES	{C=CONTEST, M=MATCH} IND. CONTEST LIMITATIONS PER DAY	MAX # CONTESTS	NY STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
B BADMINTON	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	3 M/1 C	16	10/27-
CHEERLEADING	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	1 COMP.	12	10/29
B/G CROSS COUNTRY	6	8/29	9/6	2 NIGHTS	5000 M or 3.1 ml.	16	11/12
FIELD HOCKEY	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	1 C	16	11/12-13
FOOTBALL	10	8/22	9/3	4 NIGHTS	1 C	**9	12/2-4
B GOLF	TRAINING	8/29	PRACTICE RECOMMENDED	1 NIGHT	1 M/ 2-9 HOLE M NON SCHOOL DAYS	16	-
B SOCCER	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	1 C	16	11/12-13
G SOCCER	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	1 C	16	11/12-13
G SWIMMING	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	4 EVENTS/ 1 C	16	11/18-19
G TENNIS	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	2 M	16	11/4
B VOLLEYBALL	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	2 M/DAY	20	11/19
G VOLLEYBALL	6	8/29	9/6	1 NIGHT	2 M/DAY	20	11/19-20
B/G BASKETBALL	6	11/14	11/21	1 NIGHT	1 C	20	3/17-19
B/G BOWLING	TRAINING	11/14	PRACT. RECOMMENDED	1 NIGHT	6 GAMES	20	3/110-12
CHEERLEADING	6	11/14	11/21	1 NIGHT	1 COMP.	12	3/4
B/G FENCING	6	11/14	11/21	1 NIGHT	3 C	20	2/25
GYMNASTICS	10	11/14	11/28	1 NIGHT	4 EVENTS/1C	16	3/4
RIFLE	6	11/14	11/21	1 NIGHT	1 C	16	-
B SWIMMING	6	11/14	11/21	1 NIGHT	2 C	16	3/3-4
B/G WINTER TRACK	6	11/14	11/21	1 NIGHT	3 EVENTS/1C	16	3/4
WRESTLING	10	11/14	11/28	1 NIGHT	* 4 BOUTS	20*	2/25-26
G BADMINTON	6	3/20	3/27	1 NIGHT	3 M/1 C	16	5/24-
BASEBALL	10	3/13	3/24	1 NIGHT	2 C	20	6/9-10
B GOLF	TRAINING	3/20	PRACT. RECOMMENDED	1 NIGHT	1 M/2 - 2 9 HOLE M NON SCHOOL DAYS	16	6/3-5
G GOLF	TRAINING	3/20	PRACT. RECOMMENDED	1 NIGHT	1 M/2 - 2 9 HOLE M NON SCHOOL DAYS	16	6/2-4
G LACROSSE	6	3/13	3/20	1 NIGHT	1 C	16	6/9-10
B LACROSSE	6	3/13	3/20	1 NIGHT	1 C	16	6/10
G SOFTBALL	6	3/13	3/20	1 NIGHT	2 C	20	6/10
B TENNIS	6	3/20	3/27	1 NIGHT	2 M	16	6/9
B/G TRACK	6	3/13	3/20	1 NIGHT	4 EVENTS/1C	16	6/9-10

*Wrestling - 6 Tournament Maximum, 5 BOUTS TOURNAMENT ONLY

NOTE: First scrimmage and first game dates are based on using Saturdays and holidays as practice days. (Except Thanksgiving Day and the days of Jewish holidays.)

In 2022 practice on Labor Day may count towards the minimum practice days required prior to the start of scrimmages and contests. For fall season sports. Thanksgiving day may not count as a required practice day to achieve the minimum practice days required. Prior to the start of scrimmages and contests for winter season sports.

Standard Calendar of Weeks (NYSPHSAA State Championships - 7 Year Calendar)

Wk #	# of Wks	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024	Fall 2025	Fall 2026	Fall 2027	Fall 2028
7	N/A	8/20	8/19	8/24	8/23	8/22	8/21	8/19
8	N/A	8/22	8/21	8/26	8/25	8/24	8/23	8/21
18	11 Wks.	11/4	11/3	11/8	11/7	11/6	11/5	11/3
17	10 Wks.	10/29	10/28	11/2	11/3	10/31	10/30	10/28
17	10 Wks.	10/27-10/29	10/26-10/28	10/31-11/2	10/30-11/1	10/29-10/31	10/28-10/30	10/26-10/28
19	12 Wks.	11/12	11/11	11/16	11/15	11/14	11/13	11/11
19	12 Wks.	11/12-11/13	11/11-11/12	11/16-11/17	11/15-11/16	11/14-11/15	11/13-11/14	11/11-11/12
19	12 Wks.	11/12-11/13	11/11-11/12	11/16-11/17	11/15-11/16	11/14-11/15	11/13-11/14	11/11-11/12
20	13 Wks.	11/18-11/19	11/17-11/18	11/22-11/23	11/21-11/22	11/20-11/21	11/19-11/20	11/17-11/18
20	13 Wks.	11/19	11/18	11/23	11/22	11/21	11/20	11/18
20	13 Wks.	11/19-11/20	11/18-11/19	11/23-11/24	11/22-11/23	11/21-11/22	11/20-11/21	11/18-11/19
21	14 Wks.	11/25-11/26	11/24-11/26	11/29-11/30	11/28-11/29	11/27-11/28	11/26-11/27	11/24-11/25
22	15 Wks.	12/2-12/4	12/1-12/3	12/6-12/8	12/5-12/7	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/1-12/3
23	N/A	12/5	12/4	12/9	12/8	12/7	12/6	12/4
Scholar-Athlete Deadline- Fall								

Wk #	# of Wks	Winter 2022-23	Winter 2023-24	Winter 2024-25	Winter 2025-26	Winter 2026-27	Winter 2027-28	Winter 2028-29
20	N/A	11/14/2022	11/13/2023	11/18/2024	11/17/2025	11/16/2026	11/15/2027	11/13/2028
30	11 Wks.	1/28	1/27	2/1	1/31	1/30	1/29	1/27
32	13 Wks.	2/17-2/18	2/16-2/17	2/21-2/22	2/20-2/21	2/19-2/20	2/18-2/19	2/16-2/17
34/35	15 Wks.	2/27-2/28	2/26-2/27	2/24-2/25	2/23-2/24	2/22-2/23	2/28-2/29	2/26-2/27
34/35	15 Wks.	3/4	3/2	3/1	2/28	2/27	3/4	3/3
34	15 Wks.	2/24-2/25	2/23-2/24	2/28-3/1	2/27-2/28	2/26-2/27	2/25-2/26	2/23-2/24
35	16 Wks.	3/3-3/4	3/1-3/2	3/7-3/8	3/6-3/7	3/5-3/6	3/4-3/5	3/2-3/2
35	16 Wks.	3/4	3/2	3/8	3/7	3/6	3/4	3/3
35	16 Wks.	3/4	3/2	3/8	3/7	3/6	3/4	3/3
36	17 Wks.	3/10-3/12	3/8-3/10	3/14-3/16	3/13-3/15	3/12-3/14	3/10-3/12	3/9-3/11
36	17 Wks.	3/11-3/12	3/9-3/10	3/15-3/16	3/14-3/15	3/13-3/14	3/11-3/12	3/10-3/11
37	N/A	3/13	3/11	3/17	3/16	3/15	3/13	3/12
37	18 Wks.	3/17-3/19	3/15-3/17	3/21-3/23	3/20-3/22	3/19-3/21	3/17-3/19	3/16-3/18
38	19 Wks.	3/24-3/26	3/22-3/24	3/28-3/30	3/27-3/29	3/26-3/28	3/24-3/26	3/23-3/25
	Presidents Day	20-Feb	19-Feb	17-Feb	16-Feb	15-Feb	21-Feb	19-Feb
	Easter Sunday	9-Apr	31-Mar	20-Apr	5-Apr	28-Mar	14-Apr	1-Apr

Week #	# of Wks	Spring 2023	Spring 2024	Spring 2025	Spring 2026	Spring 2027	Spring 2028	Spring 2029
37	N/A	3/13	3/11	3/17	3/16	3/15	3/13	3/12
47	N/A	5/22	5/20	5/26	5/25	5/24	5/22	5/21
48	12 Wks.	6/1-6/3	5/30-6/1	6/5-6/7	6/4-6/6	6/3-6/5	6/1-6/3	5/31-6/2
48	12 Wks.	6/4-6/5	6/2-6/3	6/8-6/9	6/7-6/8	6/6-6/7	6/4-6/5	6/3-6/4
48	12 Wks.	6/4-6/5	6/2-6/3	6/8-6/9	6/7-6/8	6/6-6/7	6/4-6/5	6/3-6/4
29	13 Wks.	6/7	6/5	6/11	6/10	6/9	6/7	6/6
49	13 Wks.	6/9	6/7	6/13	6/12	6/11	6/9	6/8
49	13 Wks.	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/9-6/10	6/8-6/9
49	13 Wks.	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/9-6/10	6/8-6/9
49	13 Wks.	6/9-6/10	6/7-6/8	6/13-6/14	6/12-6/13	6/11-6/12	6/9-6/10	6/8-6/9
49	13 Wks.	6/10	6/8	6/14	6/13	6/12	6/10	6/9
49	13 Wks.	6/10	6/8	6/14	6/13	6/12	6/10	6/9
	Memorial Day	29-May	27-May	26-May	25-May	31-May	29-May	28-May



**NASSAU COUNTY LACROSSE
COACHES ASSOCIATION**
James Amen, Jr., Coordinator
John Calabria, President



2023 OVERVIEW FOR BOYS' LACROSSE

Date: September 20, 2022

After discussion with the NCLCA Executive Committee, the following proposal will be brought forward to the NCLCA and the Section 8 Athletic Director's for adoption

2023 PROPOSED ALIGNMENT

CLASSIFICATIONS:

CLASS A 1026 AND ABOVE	CLASS C 431-733
CLASS B 734-1025	CLASS D 430 AND BELOW

Valley Stream District	Combined Enrollment by State Formula is 1562 = Class "A"
Malverne/East Rockaway	Combined Enrollment by State Formula is 503 = Class "C"
Carle Place/Wheatley	Combined Enrollment by State Formula is 450 = Class "C"

CLASS A:	13 TEAMS	8 GAMES	8 NON-LEAGUE GAMES-
CLASS B:	17 TEAMS	8 GAMES	8 NON-LEAGUE GAMES-
CLASS C/D:	21 TEAMS	8 GAMES	8 NON-LEAGUE GAMES-

Class A 1026-Above	Class B 1025-734	Class C 733-431	Class D 430-Below
13 TEAMS	17 TEAMS	17 TEAMS	4 TEAMS
8 PLAYOFF	10 PLAYOFF	10 PLAYOFF	3 PLAYOFF
1862 FREEPORT	984 HERRICKS	732 H.F.CAREY	407 WEST HEMP
1733 UNIONDALE	962 LONG BEACH	729 HEWLETT	405 CSH
1583 SYOSSET	926 MEPHAM	699 MANHASSET	321 OYSTER BAY
1562 VALLEY STREA	920 MACARTHUR	671 BETHPAGE	273 FRIENDS ACAD
1455 MASSAPEQUA	906 JERICHO	635 FLORAL PK	
1286 FARMINGDALE	905 N H PARK	633 PLAINEDGE	
1286 HEMPSTEAD	894 CALHOUN	633 WANTAGH	
1277 HICKSVILLE	879 G N SO.	621 LYNBROOK	
1265 OCEANSIDE	818 ELMONT	617 MINEOLA	
1167 PORT WASH	818 G N NO.	614 W.T. CLARKE	
1158 BALDWIN	807 GARDEN CITY	573 NORTH SHORE	
1148 PLAINVIEW-JFK	782 ROSLYN	569 LAWRENCE	
1097 EAST MEADOW	782 SEWANHAKA	527 ISLAND TREES	
	774 JFK BELL	503 MALVERNE/ER	
	773 SOUTH SIDE	498 LOCUST VAL	
	752 GLEN COVE	497 SEAFORD	
	737 LEV DIVISION	450 WHEAT/CP	
		731 ROOSEVELT *JV	
		431 ACAD CHAR*JV	

PLAYOFF CRITERIA is as follows: Criteria for Playoff contention would be Record within Conference (Classification); Strength of Schedule; Head-to-Head Competition and Common Opponents. All these factors will be considered by **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**.

*Executive Committee strongly suggest that schools play some **NON-CONFERENCE** games within their conference/classification. This would help in end of year analysis for playoff seeding.*

SPRING BREAKS are different from school district to school district (e.g. Manhasset& Garden City = 4/6-4/14; CSHarbor 4/3-4/10; Syosset = 4/10-4/16.

NO CONTESTS on Thursday April 6th (Passover) or Friday April 7th (Good Friday); Wednesday 4/5 nothing after sundown (Passover)

As per BOCES.... once drop-dead date for changes in schedule is stated...there will be NO CHANGES in your schedule after that date=DATE TBD

Suggested Calendar: For Regionals and

State Playoffs we follow the 2020 Schedule as per NYSPHSAA

March 13 th	1 st Day of Practices
March 20 th	1 st Day for Allowable Competition
May 19 th	Start of Playoffs Class B and Class C 1 st Rd. games (higher seed)
May 22 nd	Playoffs Class A & B ¼ Finals (Higher Seed)
May 23 rd	Playoffs Class C ¼ Finals (Higher Seed)
May 25	Semi-Finals of NC Tourney @ Hofstra Class A/B---3:30pm/5:30/7:30pm
May 26	Semi-Finals of NC Tourney @ Hofstra B/C/D 2pm/4pm/6pm/8pm
May 27th	<i>NCAA SEMI FINALS CHAMPIONSHIP @ Lincoln Financial Field, Phila. PA</i>
May 30 th	County Finals @ Hofstra Class A & B 5pm/7:30pm
May 31 st	County Finals @ Hofstra Class C & D 5pm/7:30pm
June 3 rd	Regionals @ Hofstra U. Class A/B/C/D @ 10/12:30/3pm/5:30pm
June 7 th	State Semi-Finals (East at U Albany; West at SUNY Cortland)
	East Semis @ U Albany=
	Class A @ 3pm Fallon Field
	Class B @ 6:30pm Ford Field
	Class C @ 5:30pm @ Fallon Field
	Class D @ 4pm @ Ford Field
	Ford Field is Football Stadium Field
	West Semis @ Cortland
	Class A @ 3pm @ White Field
	Class B @ 6:30pm @ Red Field
	Class C @ 5:30pm @ White Field
	Class D @ 4:00pm @ Red Field
	Red Field is Football Stadium Field
June 10 th	State Finals @ Hofstra U. 10/12:30/3pm/5:30pm) Class A,B,C,D)

Note: We can adjust our own Sectional tournament dates as best as possible to avoid conflicts with Girls Lacrosse Sectional Tournament as we have tried to do in the past.

JV Boys Lacrosse – 2023

It was brought up at one of the last HSAA meetings by Jonathan Bloom Athletics Director for Freeport Schools. Discussion did ensue at that meeting. Lacrosse has done as good a job as any sport to develop fair and equitable schedules. There is not much parity in boys lacrosse across the county. As a result over the summer several members of the NCLCA and also discussed at a summer NCLCA Executive Committee meeting we will try to address this situation which also exists in other sports as well.

JV teams will be ranked and grouped by ability

Rationale: After speaking with coaches around the county and looking into 2022 scores, it has been determined that many of the scheduled Junior Varsity league games that mirror their Varsity schedule produced imbalanced scores. Since the JV schedule does not end in a playoff format, we feel that it is best for JV teams to play more teams of a similar ability. This will help to keep team and individual morale high, while also retaining more athletes moving forward. **It is very difficult for the middle and higher seeds to compete with the top seeds in Varsity lacrosse, but an even tougher task for the JV teams to compete since the middle and higher seeds must bring up their best 9th and 10th grade players to the Varsity.**

Teams will be ranked using the following factors:

- Survey filled out by all Nassau County Lacrosse Coaches
- JV scores from the 2022 season
- School Size
- **Ability to pull up from 8th grade**

Groups will consist of 8 teams in each group

- Each team in the group will play twice (Home/Away)
- A set schedule of 14 games of like-ability opponents will be created
- Teams may then schedule 2 more games of their choosing

Games will be scheduled for Thursday and Saturday

- These dates will help with the official shortage in Nassau County
- We are staying away from Monday/Tuesday so as not to conflict with Track

NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE CALENDAR 2023

MARCH 12	13 1 ST Practice	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 NL1	25
26	27	28 C1	29 A/B1	30	31 NL2	1

APRIL 2	3 C2	4 A/B2	5 Passover Starts	6 Passover	7 Good Friday	8 NL3
9 EASTER	10	11 C3	12 A/B3	13	14 NL4	15
16	17	18 A/B 4	19 C4	20	21 NL5 (Mandated)	22
23	24	25 C5	26 A/B 5	27	28 NL6 (Mandated)	29

30	MAY 1	2 A/B6	3 C6	4	5 NL7	6
7	8	9 C7	10 A/B7	11	12 C8	13 A/B8
14	15 C9	16 B9	17 A9	18	19 1 ST Round Playoffs	20
21	22 ¼ Finals	23 ¼ Finals	24	25 NC Semis	24 NC Semis	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30 NC Finals	31 NC Finals	JUNE 1	2	3 LIC
4	5	6	7 NYS Semis	8	9	10 NYS Finals

NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE

2023 CONFERENCE A SCHEDULE

Wed 3/29	Tues 4/4	Wed 4/12	Tues 4/18	Fri 4/21
7 @ 12	1 @ 5	1 @ 7	4 @ 1	7@6
9 @ 13	12 @ 4	5 @ 4	3 @ 2	9@8
11 @ 10	13 @ 7	13 @ 12	11 @ 5	
6 @ 8	3 @ 6	8 @ 10	7 @ 9	
	10 @ 9	2 @ 6	13 @ 10	
	8 @ 2	11 @ 3	8 @ 12	
1-5 - Bye	11 - Bye	9 - Bye	6 - Bye	

Wed 4/26	Fri 4/28	Tue 5/2	Wed 5/10	Sat 5/13	Wed 5/17
8 @ 1	6@5	1 @ 3	1 @ 6	2 @ 1	9 @ 1
2 @ 7	8@7	2 @ 4	4 @ 8	4 @ 3	5 @ 2
4 @ 6		5 @ 7	10 @ 2	5 @ 9	3 @ 7
9 @ 3		9 @ 11	3 @ 5	7 @ 11	10 @ 4
12 @ 11		10 @ 12	12 @ 9	13 @ 8	11 @ 8
13 @ 5		6 @ 13	11 @ 13	6 @ 10	12 @ 6
10 - Bye		8 - Bye	7 - Bye	12 - Bye	13 - Bye

Seed	Team	Seed	Team
1	Massapequa	8	East Meadow
2	Farmingdale	9	Baldwin
3	Port Washington	10	Freeport
4	Syosset	11	Valley Stream
5	Oceanside	12	Uniondale
6	Hicksville	13	Hempstead
7	Plainview		

**NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE
2023 CONFERENCE B SCHEDULE**

Wed 3/29	Tues 4/4	Wed 4/12	Tues 4/18	Fri 4/21
7@11	1@3	1@7	1@5	7@6
8@14	2@4	2@8	2@6	9@8
10@17	7@5	3@9	3@7	11@10
15@12	16@15	4@10	4@8	13@12
16@13	6@8	5@11	17@9	
	17@14	6@12	16@10	
	13@9	13@17	15@11	
	12@10	16@14	14@12	
1-6,9 - Bye	11 - Bye	15 - Bye	13 - Bye	

Wed 4/26	Fri 4/28	Tue 5/2	Wed 5/10	Sat 5/13	Tue 5/16
6@1	6@5	2@1	1@8	4@1	9@1
7@2	8@7	6@4	3@2	5@2	10@2
4@3	10@9	17@16	10@6	3@6	11@3
9@5	12@11	5@3	5@4	12@17	12@4
8@10		14@15	11@16	9@15	13@5
11@17		7@13	9@7	10@14	14@6
12@16		8@12	14@13	11@13	15@7
13@15		9@11	17@15		8@16
14 - Bye		10 - Bye	12 - Bye	7,8,16 - Bye	17 - Bye

Seed	Team	Seed	Team
1	Garden City	10	Jericho
2	South Side	11	Glen Cove
3	Calhoun	12	New Hyde Park
4	Long Beach	13	Great Neck South
5	MacArthur	14	Division
6	Roslyn	15	Great Neck North
7	Herricks	16	Sewanhaka
8	Mephram	17	Elmont
9	JFK-Bellmore		

**NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE
2023 CONFERENCE C/D SCHEDULE**

Tues 3/28	Mon 4/3	Tues 4/11	Wed 4/19	Fri 4/21
14@21	1@8	1@5	2@1	7@6
20@15	2@7	2@6	6@3	9@8
19@16	9@3	3@7	5@4	11@10
18@17	4@6	10@4	7@9	13@12
	11@5	8@12	14@8	15@14
	18@10	9@13	16@10	17@16
	12@14	11@15	17@11	
	13@17	14@18	18@12	
	21@15	16@20	19@13	
	20@19	17@21	21@20	
	16 - Bye	19 - Bye	15 - Bye	

Tues 4/25	Fri 4/28	Wed 5/3	Tues 5/9	Fri 5/12	Mon 5/15
1@6	6@5	4@1	7@1	1@3	9@1
5@2	8@7	3@2	8@2	2@4	10@2
4@3	10@9	5@9	3@5	5@7	11@3
7@11	12@11	14@6	12@4	8@6	4@8
16@8	14@13	13@7	6@10	9@11	13@5
9@17	16@15	8@10	15@9	10@12	12@6
10@14		19@11	11@13	13@15	15@7
20@12		12@16	20@14	16@14	21@16
21@13		15@17	18@16	17@19	20@17
15@19		21@18	19@21	18@20	19@18
18 - Bye		20 - Bye	17 - Bye	21 - Bye	14 - Bye

Seed	Team	Seed	Team
1	Manhasset	12	Mineola
2	Cold Spring Harbor	13	Locust Valley
3	Wantagh	14	North Shore
4	Plainedge	15	Wheatley/CP
5	Lynbrook	16	Friends Academy
6	Island Trees	17	Malverne/ER
7	Floral Park	18	Oyster Bay
8	Carey	19	Clarke
9	Seaford	20	West Hempstead
10	Bethpage	21	Lawrence
11	Hewlett		

**NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE
2023 MATCHUP SCHEDULE - 1**

FRIDAY APRIL 21				
A – CLASS	B –CLASS		C/D - CLASS	
7@6	7@6	11@10	7@6	13@12
9@8	9@8	13@12	9@8	15@14
			11@10	17@16

FRIDAY APRIL 28				
A – CLASS	B –CLASS		C/D - CLASS	
6@5	6@5	10@9	6@5	12@11
8@7	8@7	12@11	8@7	14@13
			10@9	16@15

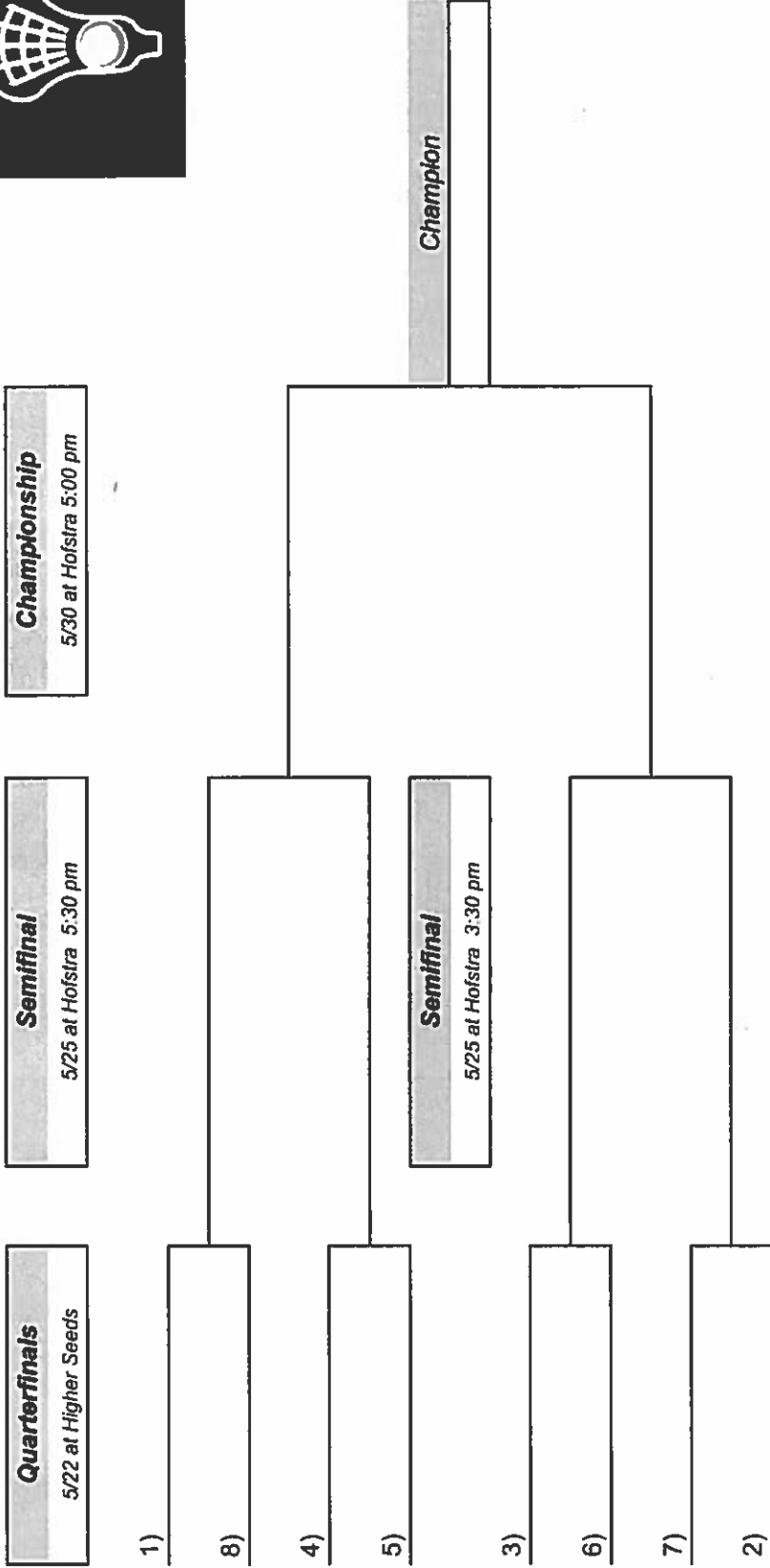
**NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE
2023 MATCHUP SCHEDULE - 2**

Sat 3/25	Sat 4/1	Sat 4/8	Sat 4/15
1@5	1@6	1@8	1@7
2@6	2@5	2@7	2@8
9@3	10@3	12@3	11@3
10@4	4- Bye	11@4	12@4
7@11	8@11	5@10	6@10
8@12	7@12	6@9	5 - Bye

Sat 4/22	Sat 4/29	Sat 5/6	Free Schedule
11@1	12@1	9@1	10@1
12@2	11@2	10@2	9@2
3@5	4@5	3@7	4@7
4@6	3@6	4@8	3@8
7 - Bye	8 - Bye	5@11	6@11
8@10	7@10	6@12	5@12

Seed	Team	School
1	A-10	Freeport
2	A-11	Valley Stream
3	A-12	Uniondale
4	A-13	Hempstead
5	B-14	Great Neck South
6	B-15	Great Neck North
7	B-16	Sewanhaka
8	B-17	Elmont
9	C-18	Oyster Bay – 4 Games Only
10	C-19	Clarke
11	C-20	West Hempstead
12	C-21	Lawrence

2023 NASSAU COUNTY CLASS A PLAYOFFS



2023 NASSAU COUNTY CLASS B PLAYOFFS

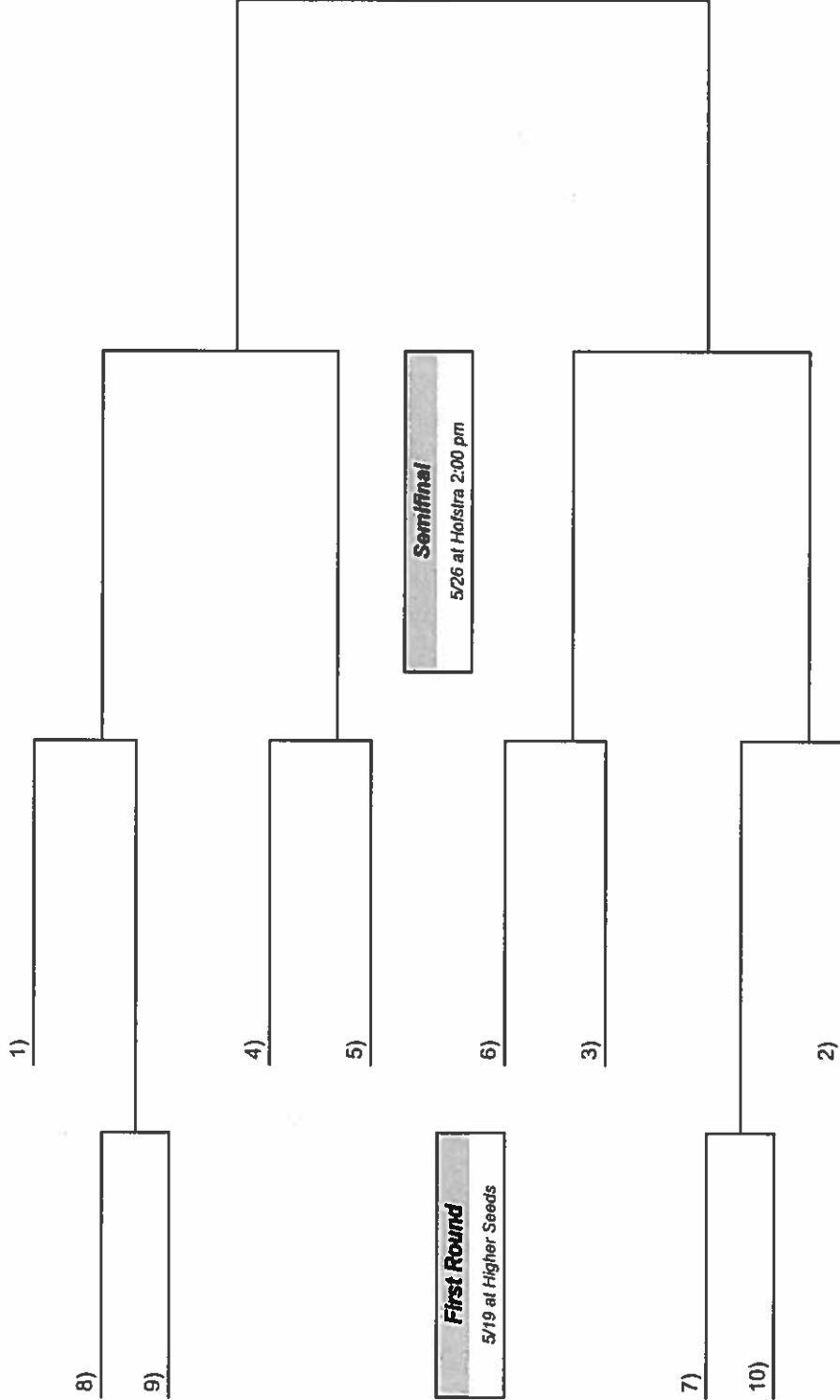


First Round
5/19 at Higher Seeds

Quarterfinals
5/22 at Higher Seeds

Semifinal
5/25 at Hofstra 7:30 pm

Championship
5/30 at Hofstra 7:30 pm



2023 NASSAU COUNTY CLASS C PLAYOFFS

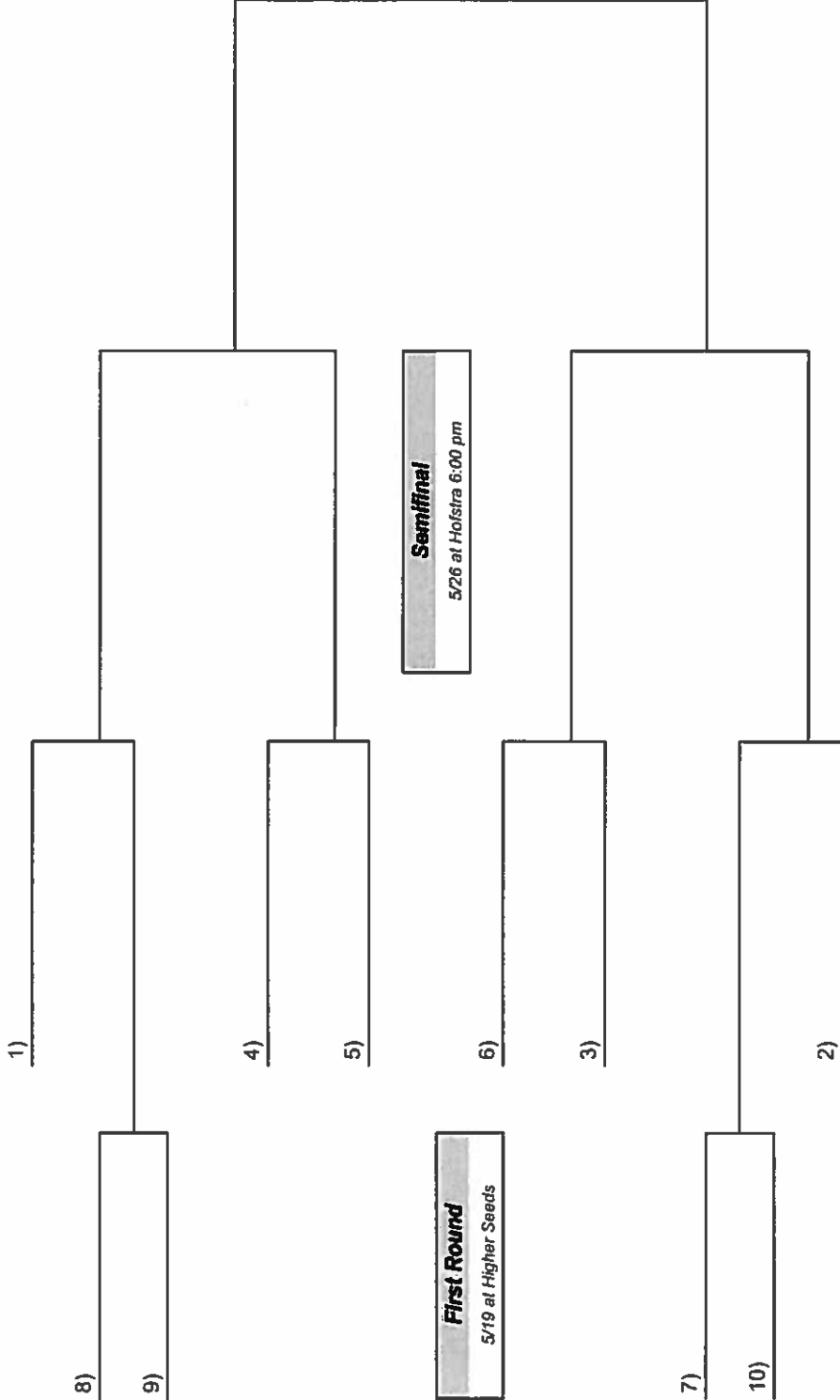


First Round
5/19 at Higher Seeds

Quarterfinals
5/23 at Higher Seeds

Semifinal
5/26 at Hofstra 4:00 pm

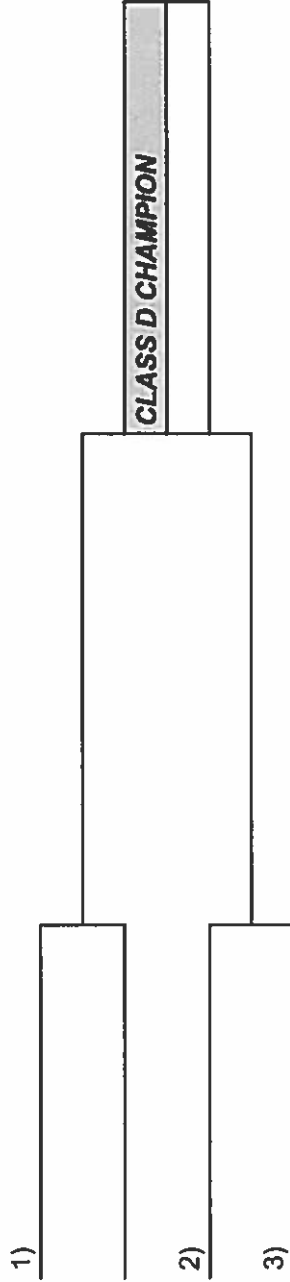
Championship
5/31 at Hofstra 5:00 pm



2023 NASSAU COUNTY CLASS D PLAYOFFS

Semifinals
5/26 at Hofstra 8:00 pm

Championship
5/31 at Hofstra 7:30 pm



2023 NYSPHSAA BOYS LACROSSE TOURNAMENT

<u>OUTBRACKET</u>	<u>REGIONAL GAMES</u>	<u>WEST CHAMPIONSHIP</u>
<p>Wednesday, <u>May 31st</u></p> <p>Section 10 @ Section 4 Class C & D 5&7:30 pm @ Johnson City HS</p>	<p>Saturday, June 3rd</p> <p>Section 4/10 @ Section 3 12:30pm (A) 3:00pm (C) @ CNS</p> <p>Section 4/10@ Section 3 12:30 (B) 3pm (D) @ West Genesse</p>	<p>Wednesday, <u>June 7th</u></p> <p>Section 3/4/10 vs. Section 5/6 Class D @ 4pm Red Field Class A @ 3pm White Field Class B @ 6:30pm Red Field Class C @ 5:30pm White Field @ Cortland (Red Field is Stadium)</p>
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<p><u>WEST</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONFERENCE</p>	<p>Saturday, June 3rd</p> <p>Section 6 @ Section 5 10:00 AM (A) 12:30 PM (B) 3:00 PM (C) 5:30 PM (D) @ St. John Fischer</p>	
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<u>OUTBRACKET</u>	<u>REGIONAL GAMES</u>	<u>EAST CHAMPIONSHIP</u>
<p>Wednesday, <u>May 31st</u></p> <p>Section 2 @ Section 9 Class A & B @ 4:30pm/6:30pm @ Middletown HS</p> <p>Class C & D @ 4:30pm/6:30pm @ James I. O'Neill HS</p>	<p>Saturday, June 3rd</p> <p>Section 2/9 @ Section 1 10:00 AM (A) - 12:30 PM (B) 3:00 PM (C) - 5:30PM (D) @ MAHOPAC HS</p>	<p>Wednesday, <u>June 7th</u></p> <p>Section 1/9/2 vs. Section 8/11 Class A @ 3pm Fallon Field Class D @ 4pm Ford Field Class B @ 6:30pm Ford Field Class C @ 5:30pm Fallon Field Ford Field is Football Stadium</p>
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<p><u>EAST</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONFERENCE</p>	<p>Saturday, June 3rd</p> <p>Section 8 @ Section 11 10:00 AM (A) - 12:30PM (B) - 3:00 PM (C) - 5:30 PM (CD) @ Stony Brook U.</p>	

⇒ STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ⇐

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH

10:00 AM (A) 12:30 PM (B) 3:00 PM (C) 5:30PM (D)

@ **HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY**



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2023 Boys Lax State Semifinals Schedule

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Mon, Sep 19, 2022 at 10:51 AM

Jim, Tim,

Below is the proposed rotation for State Semifinals at UAlbany and Cortland. Jim and I talked about swapping the classes so there's a rotation for classes on each field each year. The only other thing to possibly consider is rotating times in addition to fields but we don't have to complicate this. Any concerns? LMK.

2023 NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Championships	
East Semifinals - University at Albany	West Semifinals - SUNY Cortland
Wednesday, June 7	Wednesday, June 7
John Fallon Field	White Field
Class A - 3:00 p.m.	Class A - 3 :00 p.m.
Class C - 5:30 p.m.	Class C - 5:30 p.m.
Bob Ford Field	Red Field
Class D - 4:00 p.m.	Class D - 4:00 p.m.
Class B - 6:30 p.m.	Class B - 6:30 p.m.

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2021-22 Sport Coordinator Report

Sport: LACROSSE

Girls Boys

Coordinator: Jim Amen Jr.

2021-22 State Champions:
Class A: Baldwinsville (3) defeats Northport (11) 10-7
Class B- Garden City (8) defeats Canandaigua Academy (5) 8-1
Class C-Manhasset (8) defeats Westhill (3) 13-5
Class D-Cold Spring Harbor (8) defeats Chenango Forks (4) 17-1

2022-23 State Championship
Hofstra U. Location:
6/10/23 Date(s):
Notes About Upcoming Championship:

2021-22 State Championship Finances:
Attendance: _____
Admission Price: \$ _____
Expenses: \$ _____
Revenue: \$ _____
Outstanding Invoices

Current Issues Impacting Sport:
PACE of PLAY...Shot Clock Neede...Comment by Committee:
I would like your thoughts on adding a 90 second shot clock to our game. We can start off as a experiment at the varsity level. For budget issues in the experimental stage, the head referee and table can keep shooting time. I joy the time away from the job.
Best regards
Mike-endorsed by myself and committee

Future Items For Consideration/ Interest:
Thoughts by our Committee to breakout RFP's going further to have different Sections HOST Finals....Example 2025 perhaps St. John Fisher; 2026 perhaps CNS; and perhaps some other Section would like to host...

CHAMPIONSHIP PHILOSOPHY

QUALIFYING STANDARD (to get in Sectionals) Each sport, has qualifying criteria that was developed by the coach's association and sports coordinator. The criteria have been approved by the Nassau County High School Athletic Association and the Championship Advisory Committee:

- Any sports that participate in the NYSPHSAA Championships, will provide a sectional post-season competition in which teams compete within their respective classifications. Sports that do not compete as part of the NYSPHSAA Championships, may develop a championship format and present to the High School Athletic Association.
- When there is only one team in a classification, there will be no post-season tournament for that school. However, that team will be given the opportunity to play the winner of the higher classification tournament to get a combined champion. Example: 'D' classification has one school. They would play 'C' classification to determine a C/D champion.
- When there is a situation of 2, 3, or 4 teams in a classification:
 - 2 Teams: A championship game will be played.
 - 3 or 4 Teams: The recommendation for a semifinal would come from the sports committee of that specific sport. The coordinator would present how this was to be done as part of the sports overview before the High School Athletic Association.
- Every school, regardless of their placement in a conference, will have the "opportunity" to qualify for post-season play within Section VIII based on the criteria set forth by the sports committees.
 - The above provision excludes conferences/leagues/divisions that are strictly "developmental". In other words, developmental teams are not eligible for post-season play with non-developmental teams that compete in the regular sectional championship tournament(s)
 - Alternative for the "DEVELOPMENTAL" TEAMS
 - No post-season play at all.
 - A "DEVELOPMENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP" for finishers in the DEVELOPMENTAL LEAGUE" (based upon recommendation of the sports committee).

SECTION VIII PLAYOFF POLICY

The following formula would be used to establish the number of teams that would qualify for “post-season play” based upon the total number of teams in each classification. The same formula would be used by sports that do not use classifications. The purpose of these changes is to create an equitable and fair number of teams to make the playoffs for each classification.

1 Team:	Class Representative to Section VIII to New York State Regnal Game
2 Teams:	2 team brackets
3 or 4 teams:	3 or 4 team brackets
5-8 teams:	4 team brackets
9-11 teams:	6 team brackets
12-16 teams:	8 team brackets
17-20 teams:	10 team brackets
21-24 teams:	12 team brackets
25-28 teams:	14 team brackets
29-32 teams:	16 team brackets
33-36 teams:	18 team brackets
37-40 teams:	20 team brackets

This would allow for a minimum of 50% of the teams/schools that offer a specific varsity sport to qualify for post-season play.



NYSPHSAA/Section VIII Boys Lacrosse



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Lacrosse Scrimmage Rules: as per NYSPHSAA

1. A lacrosse scrimmage must have modified time periods. Scrimmages must also include one or more of the following:
 2. Alternate possessions.
 3. Start the scrimmage with either a Draw (girls) or a Face-off (boys).
 4. Include the following game situations:
 - a. Face-off/Draws – Boys/Girls
 - b. Clears and Rides – Boys/Girls
 - c. Extra Man and Man-Down– Boys/Girls
 - d. Fast Breaks – Boys/Girls

NOTE: A COMBINED PRACTICE WITH ANOTHER TEAM BEFORE THE FIRST 6 DAYS IS NOT ALLOWED

Mandatory Equipment Rule

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Memorandum

To: State Boys Lacrosse Contacts
From: James Weaver
Subject: Boy's Lacrosse Equipment Certification Guidance
Date: February 4th, 2022

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Boy's Lacrosse Equipment Certification Guidance on Cups/Pelvic Protectors

Prepared by NFHS and USA Lacrosse

February 3, 2022

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TO: SECTION VIII ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS

FR: James Amen Jr.-Section VIII Boys Lacrosse Coordinator/NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Coordinator

RE: Several Important Items

1. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022, jerseys shall be of contrasting colors for opposing teams. The **home team** shall wear light colored jerseys and the **visiting team** shall wear its dark-colored jerseys.
NOTE: Beginning in 2022, the **home team** will be required to wear **WHITE** jerseys, and the **visiting team** will be required to wear **NON-WHITE** jerseys.
2. If ordering new Jerseys....**Please consult NFHS Rule Book for 2020**
Numbers 0-99 can be used. **NOT ALLOWED are 01, 02, 03 etc., etc.**
3. Beginning in January 1, 2021 **Goalkeeper Chest protection** designed for lacrosse that meets **NOCSAE ND200** lacrosse standard at the time of manufacture shall be used by all goalkeepers.
4. Beginning in January 1, 2022, field players must wear shoulder pads that meet the NOCSAE ND200 lacrosse standard for Chest Protection.

Thank you, Jim

2023 Points of Emphasis •

Sportsmanship: Keep the lines of communication with coaches and site administrators positive and open. Avoid negative engagement with spectators. Defer to school administrators to handle unruly spectators.

- **Player Safety:** Continued emphasis is needed on players wearing the helmet securely.... have chin straps buckled.

- **Eyeshades: Solid stroke and may not include words numbers, logos or other symbols. Review with coach during pre- game. If seen during game warn and instruct player to leave field and remove...second time for team will result in UNS penalty.**

- **Faceoffs:** Review with FO players during pre-game. Play the ball first, may clamp with back of stick but must be moved and raked or directed immediately. A player may not lie on the ball or trap it with the crosse longer than necessary to control the ball and pick it up in one continuous motion. A player may not use his crosse to hold or pin down his opponents crosse. •

Running Clock Penalty: Under a running clock when a penalty expires during a faceoff period, the player may not enter the game until the Faceoff is completed.

PROPERLY LINED FIELD FOR BOYS LACROSSE

1-2-1: ART. 1 . . . PENALTY: Failure to have a clearly marked center line that runs the entire width of the field, and continuous side and end lines is illegal procedure assessed against the home team. Rationale: Logos running through the endzone of many football fields are often placed on the endline for lacrosse. The endline for lacrosse is just as important as the midline. The penalty for not having a solid endline or sideline is illegal procedure. If the home team cannot fix the situation prior to the start of the game, the home team will be assessed a one - time technical foul by awarding possession at the start of the game.

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Rationale: Logos running through the endzone of many football fields are often placed on the endline for lacrosse. The endline for lacrosse is just as important as the midline. The penalty for not having a solid endline or sideline should also be illegal procedure against the home team if the situation cannot be fixed prior to the start of the game.

1-2-7, 1-2-8: ART. 7... Where physically possible, the scorer's table should be placed at least 6 yards from the sideline at the center line. Two lines shall be drawn on either side of the center line 5 ~~10~~ yards from the center line and extending past the scorer's table. The area bounded by the sideline, the two lines perpendicular to the sideline and the scorer's table shall be referred to as the table area. Only players serving penalty time, players ready to substitute on the fly, the chief bench official, and official scorers and timers are allowed in the table area.

ART. 8 ... The coaches' areas shall be located on either side of the table area. Each coaches' area shall extend from the table area 20 ~~15~~ yards parallel to the sideline. It shall be bounded by the sideline, the table area, a dotted line 6 yards from and parallel to the sideline, and a dotted line extending from the sideline, parallel to and 20 ~~15~~ yards from the table-area line.

Rationale: Standardizes the box with other rules codes including NFHS Girls Lacrosse and NCAA Men's Lacrosse. Increases the amount of control an

1-7-1: ART. 4... ... The crosse shall be made of....The pocket/net shall be completely attached to the head and the side walls, having no holes or gaps larger than 1.68 inches in diameter (i.e. an American golf ball).

Rationale: There has been an increased use of a stringing technique which allows for trapping the ball in such a manner where the stick will pass a stick check, but when force is applied stretches the mesh net to entrap the ball.

1-8: . . .No player shall use a crosse that does not meet the specifications of Sections 6 and 7. The crosse shall not have protrusions or sharp edges. ...

Rationale: Recent innovations by stick manufacturers could hook or catch on a player's helmet or facemask, thereby potentially causing injury.

1-9-1g: ART. 1g

g. Shoes shall be worn which are designed for the sport of lacrosse. Metal spikes are not permitted.

Rationale: Modern design has standardized the shoe used for outdoor field sports and this section is no longer needed in the detail currently in use.

4-3-1: ART. 1 . . .Play shall be started at the beginning of each period and after each goal by facing the ball at the Center.

EXCEPTIONS:

- . Player-advantage or a flag down creating a player-advantage
- . Player or team commits a foul before any faceoff
- . Player at any faceoff delays resumption of play
- . Player moves the crosse or body after "set" is said gaining an advantage

Rationale: Restarting the game has been unclear due to the way the rule was written. This rewrite simplifies the rule direction and places clarifications back in the situations.

RESTARTS 4-22

4-24-1: ART. 3 . . . An official may suspend play at ~~his~~ their discretion. If a player loses any of ~~his~~ their mandatory personal equipment in a scrimmage area or a player is apparently injured, play shall be suspended immediately. A goalkeeper, when outside the crease, is treated like a field player.....

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Other Rules Affected 4-24-8: ART. 8 ... Play shall be suspended immediately if the goalkeeper's stick or any other mandatory goalkeeper's equipment becomes broken in the crease.

Rationale: The current rules did not define what happens when a goalkeeper is injured when away from his crease and outside the scrimmage area.

6-10-2: ART. 2 The stall warning remains in effect until a goal is scored; a shot is taken above the goal-line extended hits the goal pipes, goalkeeper, or his equipment; the defensive team gains possession of the ball; or the period ends resulting in a faceoff. After the team has been warned, stalling shall be called if the ball leaves the goal area in any manner other than as a result of a shot ~~on goal~~ or a touch by the defending team.

Rationale: Clarification on when stalling shall be called.

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Rationale: Clarification on when stalling shall be called.

2023 NFHS Boys' Rules Interpretation on Vimeo

In case you are not aware, the rules committee decided to go back to the "slow-whistle" because of the cascading effects of this rule on other rules. Please monitor this page: <https://www.nfhs.org/articles/2023-corrections-and-interpretations/>

Correction to Situations:

4.5.3 SITUATION A: During normal play, A1 makes a pass to A2. While the ball is in flight, B1 commits (a) a technical foul or (b) a personal foul. **RULING:** In (a), the official calls out "play on" and the "play on" is over if the pass is completed. If the pass is not completed, award the ball to Team A. In (b), Flag down, immediate slow whistle.

This situation is returning to the previous version from 2022. The committee will review this change at the summer of 2023.

4.24.7 SITUATION: A1, in possession of the ball, is running down the field in Team A's attack half of the field with no player from Team B near A1 and loses any mandatory equipment.

RULING: The official should be ready to stop play immediately to prevent a potential injury even if a scoring play is in progress.

6.5.2 SITUATION D: During the course of play, goalkeeper B1's stick becomes broken or any other mandatory equipment becomes broken or dislodged.

RULING: The officials will stop play as soon as they notice the problem, ~~regardless of whether the goalkeeper is in or out of the~~ if the goalkeeper is in the crease. However, if a shot is already in flight when the equipment becomes broken or dislodged, the shot will be allowed to come to its normal conclusion before the whistle blows to stop play.

From: James Amen
Sent: Friday, March 3, 2023 12:20 PM
To: Brendan Wallace
Subject: Re: Question about the penalty for player playing without / with broken equipment

Thank you Brendan and thank you for attending our meeting. Best regards. Jim

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 3, 2023, at 11:38 AM, Brendan Wallace <bwallace23@verizon.net> wrote:

Hello Jim,
I just wanted to follow up with you about the penalty for a player playing without required equipment or with broken equipment, specifically as it pertains to the goalkeeper.

There are several "**SITUATIONS**" regarding this question that are covered in the Rules Book under **Rule 6 - Technical Fouls / SECTION 5 - ILLEGAL PROCEDURE** (Pages 71-75)

SITUATIONS AND RULINGS (Pages 73-75)

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RULING: The officials will stop as soon as they notice the problem if the goalkeeper is in the crease. However, if a shot is already in flight when the equipment becomes broken or dislodged, the shot will be allowed to come to its normal conclusion before the whistle blows to stop play. **NOTE:** In the Rules Book it's written wrong. What I just wrote above is the corrected wording.

6.5.2 SITUATION E: the goalkeeper's crosse becomes broken while the goalkeeper is within the goalkeeper's goal crease. Should play be suspended?

RULING: Yes, and award the ball to the same team that had possession when play was stopped, outside the defensive/goal area. If the ball is loose inside the crease, award it to the defensive team.

6.5.2 SITUATION F: The goalkeeper's throat protector becomes broken and falls down below the chest while in the goal crease. Should play be suspended?

RULING: Yes, and award the ball to the same team that had possession when play was stopped. If the ball is loose outside the crease, award by "alternate possession". If the ball is loose inside the crease, award it to the defensive team.

6.5.2 SITUATION J: B1 participates or attempts to participate in play without a crosse.

RULING: Technical foul. This also applies to goalkeeper while in or out of the crease.

6.5.2 SITUATION K: A1, with possession of the ball in Team A's attack half of the field, is checked by B1, whose crosse breaks. A1 continues toward goal and shoots, scoring a goal.

RULING: Legal goal. If B1 pursues A1, slow-whistle technique and flag is dropped. If B1's play creates a potentially dangerous injury situation, play is stopped and a technical foul is called against B1. Once B1's crosse breaks, B1 shall either get a new crosse from the bench or table area or substitute out of the game. He may carry the broken crosse off the field or leave it on the field, but the officials will stop play immediately if they feel either creates a dangerous situation. There is no penalty assessed unless B1 participates in the play in some manner.

6.5.2 SITUATION R: Goalkeeper B1, seeking to stop play in an unsettled situation, (a) intentionally breaks required equipment or drops a glove; or (b) yells to the officials that B1's equipment is broken when B1 broke it intentionally in order to stop play.

RULING: The officials stop play and assess a two-minute, non-releasable unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on B1.

Let me know if I covered everything or you have additional questions.

Officially yours,

Brendan Wallace, NCLOA Rules Interpreter



2023 NFHS BOYS LACROSSE RULES INTERPRETATIONS

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2023 NFHS Boys Lacrosse Rules Book Corrections: (Underlining shows additions; ~~strikethrough~~ shows deletions.)

Page 6, Boys Lacrosse Field Diagram: The Boys Lacrosse Field Diagram (attached) has been updated to correspond with other lacrosse rules codes. Specifically, the Table Area, Timer's Area, Coaches Area and Team Area marking were corrected to reflect 2023 rules changes.

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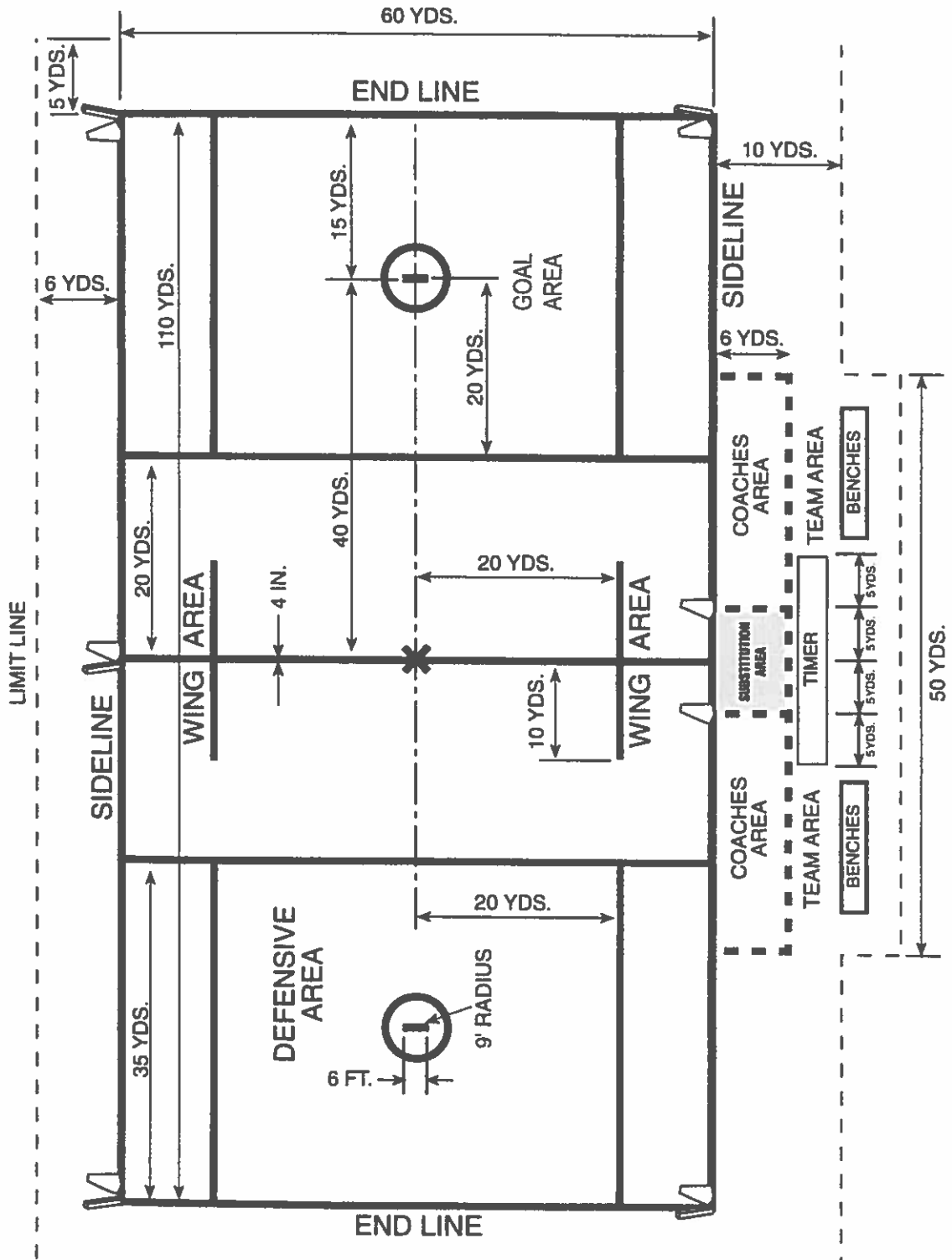
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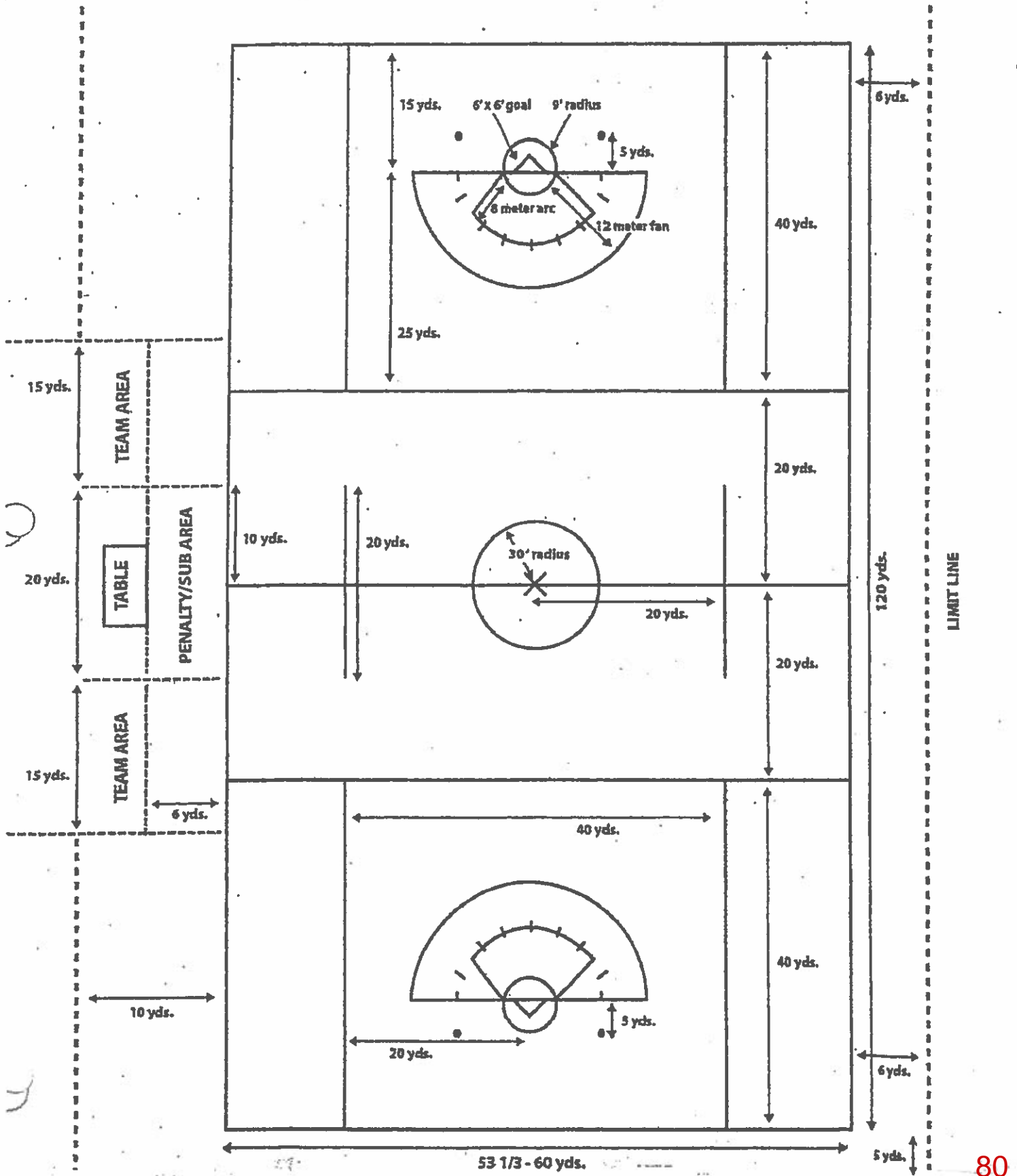
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Boys Lacrosse Field Diagram



BOYS' AND GIRLS' UNIFIED FIELD MARKINGS (120 YARDS)



53 1/3 - 60 yds.



James Amen <jimamen1@gmail.com>

Fwd: Suspension of Play until next day

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Walt <waltmunze@aol.com>

Thu, Jan 19, 2023 at 2:21 PM

Reply-To: Walt <waltmunze@aol.com>

To: "jimamen1@gmail.com" <jimamen1@gmail.com>, "tnelson@nysphsaa.org" <tnelson@nysphsaa.org>

Cc: "rsaulino@rhcsd.org" <rsaulino@rhcsd.org>, "skiplax@juno.com" <skiplax@juno.com>

Todd, Jim, Lets talk the NFHS rule book only has a brief section on Interrupted games...NFHS rules does not get into procedure beyond the situation from the point of interruption. Is there any State/ Section wording on this that would help Richard with his question. Walt m

Section 5 Interruption of Game Rule 3-5 P. 29

If a game is interrupted because of events beyond the control of the responsible authorities, it shall be continued from the point of interruption unless there are conference, league or state association rules to cover the situation. Both teams are permitted to make roster changes. By mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and approval of the referee, any period may be shortened or the game terminated

SITUATION AND RULING RULE 3, SECTION 5 3.5 SITUATION: Because of a situation beyond the control of the responsible authorities (weather, etc.), a game is interrupted. Prior to resuming play, the head coach of Team A requests that the remainder of the game be played with 10-minute quarters. RULING: Provided both head coaches and the referee agree, this would be allowed due to the unusual circumstances.

-----Original Message-----

From: Richard Saulino <rsaulino@rhcsd.org>

To: waltmunze@aol.com <waltmunze@aol.com>

Sent: Thu, Jan 19, 2023 1:51 pm

Subject: Suspension of Play until next day

Walt,

Quick question: where in the rule book does it say what the procedure is for a game that is in progress and has to be postponed to another date (next day) I would like to site the rulebook, if I can, in our Section Handbook.

Thanks,

Rich

Regards,

R. Saulino

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2023 BOYS LACROSSE MODIFIED RULES

Follow NFHS 2023 Rules including the 2023 Rule Changes

WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS

Game Rules:

1. The length of quarters, including a fifth quarter, shall be 10 minutes.
2. In the event of a tie, there shall be one 4-minute sudden victory overtime.
3. A one-arm swing with a crosse, whether contact is made or not, shall be considered a personal foul--slashing. This includes the "over-the-head" check.
4. There shall be no such thing as a "brush" in the modified program. Contact between the crosse and helmet is a personal foul.
5. In a five-period lacrosse game, the "mercy rule" shall be in effect at the end of the third period. Subject to local modifications.
6. Substitutes are permitted whenever the ball goes out of bounds. (Horn allowed) Or may take place during live play according to Rule 4-21 Art.
7. When a goalie gets a penalty, the in-home player may serve the penalty if a second goalkeeper is unavailable.
8. A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the period.
9. For all restarts, ALL players shall be 5 yards or more away from the players in possession of the ball. No running restart.
10. Jersey, Shorts, Under-jerseys, Compression Wear & Sweatpants shall be the same dominant color for all teammates but are not restricted by number size/location/inserts or trim specifications or measurements or manufacturer logos.
11. When there is an existing flag down foul by a team and they commit a second foul under the slow whistle, the officials shall stop play immediately and assess both penalties.



Nassau County High School Athletic Association Section VIII Officiating Report Form

This report is to be completed and submitted by coaches and/or athletic directors within 48 hours of the game/contest.

Sport: _____ Level: _____ Date of Event: _____

Home School: _____ Away School: _____

Official's Name: _____

Description of Officials Performance

Any Specific Examples of Officiating Mechanics (Attach/Send if Needed)

Person Completing Form: _____ Title: _____ Phone Number: _____

Athletic Director: _____ Signature: _____

Please complete form and email to Patrick Pizzarelli at ppizzarelli@nasbores.org

**NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION/SECTION VIII
MEDICAL WAIVER OF NYSPHSAA - REGULATION #25**

"To be eligible for sectional, intersectional or state competition, a team must have competed in six (6) school scheduled contests during the season. To be eligible for sectional, intersectional or state competition, a team must have competed in six (6) school scheduled contests which occurred on six different dates during the season. An individual is eligible for the team if he/she has been an eligible participant on a team in that sport in that school for a minimum of six (6) scheduled contests during the regular season. For football, a student must be an eligible participant for a minimum of three (3) contests. Contestants in individual sports (archery, badminton, bowling, cross country, fencing, golf, gymnastics, rifle, skiing, swimming, tennis, outdoor track, winter track and wrestling) must also have represented their school in six (6) scheduled contests during the season to be eligible. These required contests must occur on six different dates and must be concluded prior to the conclusion of the team's regular schedule. School districts may submit a written request to the Section for adjustment of contests for individual participant based on medical documentation that confirms the individual was not able to participate in the required number of contests. (NYSPHSAA Handbook)

School _____ Sport _____

Athlete _____ Date Request Submitted _____

Nature of Injury/Illness _____

Date of Injury/Onset of Illness _____ Date of Medical Clearance _____

Record of Participation in Competitions (Exclusive of Section Tournaments):

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	*For Wrestling Only
1. _____	_____	* _____
2. _____	_____	* _____
3. _____	_____	* _____
4. _____	_____	* _____
5. _____	_____	* _____
6. _____	_____	* _____

Note:
All pertinent medical documentation must accompany this request before it will be considered. Such material **MUST VERIFY** the date of onset of the illness/injury and date physical activity may resume. **NOTES FROM PHYSICAL THERAPISTS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.**

Medical Documents Attached:

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| 1. _____ | 3. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 4. _____ |

Request and documentation must be received by the sport coordinator and the Section VIII office prior to the last league contest.

Office of Interscholastic Athletics - Fax #997-2916/997-2018
George Farber Administrative Center
P.O. Box 9195 - 71 Clinton Road
Garden City, NY 11530-9195

NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION/SECTION VIII PROCEDURES FOR PROTESTS OF ATHLETIC EVENTS

Approved June 2017

1. The protesting coach will inform the referee and the opposing coach at that point in the game immediately following the situation protested.
2. The time, score and situation will be identified in the scorebook (if applicable) or recorded, by an official or both coaches as soon as the protest is announced to the officials and opposing coach.
3. A subsequent protest in the same game will be required to be announced and recorded, using the same procedures described above for each specific point of protest.
4. The protesting coach is required to notify the sport coordinator within 24 hours of the contest.
5. The athletic director of the protesting school is required to file a written protest giving specific details of the situation, time, and score to the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of the contest. The report must be accompanied by \$75.00 check payable to the Section VIII Athletic Council. The protest will require the signatures of the coach, athletic director, and principal of the school. Copies of the protest must be sent to the sport coordinator, the protest chairperson, and the opposing coach within 24 hours of the contest by the protesting school.
6. The Section VIII sport coordinator will notify the Executive Director of Section VIII who in turn will notify the game officials involved and direct that a written statement from the game officials be filed with the sport coordinator within 24 hours.
7. The sport coordinator will arrange for a meeting as soon as possible. The following should be included or be represented:
 - a. The protesting coach
 - b. The opposing coach
 - c. A rules interpreter
 - d. Sport Coordinator of that sport
 - e. Office of the Executive Director
8. Attendance of the game officials involved in the protested contest will be mandatory unless extenuating circumstances preclude their attendance.

Protest Committee Options:

 - a. To deny the protest
 - b. To uphold the protest and direct that the game be replayed from the point of protest.
 - c. To uphold and protest and direct that the game be replayed in its entirety.
 - d. To deny the protest and recommend some further action by the High School Association.
 - e. To uphold the protest and recommend some further action to the High School Association.
9. An appeal of the decision of the Protest Committee may be made. This request must be filed within 72 hours of notification of this decision to the Section VIII Appeals Committee upon submission of a \$75.00 fee (a second \$75.00 fee if original protestor).
10. In the case of a protest or an appeal that is upheld, the fee will be returned.

SECTION VIII OUT OF SPORTS SEASON ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

To protect all eligible student-athletes from exploitation and coercion, the following principles should be adhered to:

- We, all member districts, do not limit individual students' opportunities to participate in other sports and athletic experiences.
- We do not exert pressure on student athletes to participate in an athletic activity outside of any sport season (as defined by the Section).
- We support and preserve the integrity of each interscholastic sports program by enforcing these principles.

We ensure that the spirit and intent of this policy be understood and adhered to by all members of the Section.

To that end, the following guidelines will be in force replacing the former "Camp and Recreation Rule":

- Section VIII members will conduct programs which are recreational in nature as defined by this regulation. Intramurals, strength and conditioning programs, and recreation programs which are **open to all students** are permitted.
- During any approved activity **individual sport skills** may be taught to students.
- The same opportunity for instruction and personal improvement must be available to all students participating in the activity.
- **Team strategy and roster specific workouts limited to members of an athletic team are prohibited.**
- Recreational activities must be open and publicized to all eligible bona fide students.
- During the summer, Section VIII members may conduct leagues, camps, clinics, and similar activities at their facilities.
- Members shall observe the starting and ending dates of each sports season as set by the Section annually.
- No tryouts for, or practice with professional teams and their affiliates are approved except during the summer vacation. A student who participates in such a tryout is ineligible to represent the school in that sport.

It is also the spirit of this rule that we encourage, enable, and permit athletes to participate in more than one sport during the year. Students should not be coerced to participate in other activities organized during a specified sports season to maintain good standing in an out of season sport. It is the responsibility of the local athletic administrator to regulate, monitor, and require compliance with the tenets of this rule for it to be effectively observed.

All who are concerned with the proper conduct and with the intent and spirit of any interscholastic sport are obligated to report any violation or perceived violation to the Ethics Committee through the Executive Director's office. All violations will be adjudicated by the Ethics Committee which could result in forfeiture of eligibility and/or sanctions of the students, teams, coaches, or schools involved.

It is recommended that this policy and standard be made available to all students, parents, coaches, and other school personnel concerned with the conduct of our interscholastic programs.

Approved June 9, 2004
Athletic Council

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING POLICY

If thunder is heard or lightning is observed, all outdoor activities will be suspended immediately. Shelter should be sought in appropriate locations. Resumption or results of contest(s) should be governed by the rules of the sport. Before resuming contest, officials should wait a minimum of thirty (30) minutes after the last observable lightning strike or thunder heard.

***SECTION VIII VIDEOTAPING POLICY**

The Section recognizes the value of videotaping opponents as athletics teaching tool, but it also recognizes that certain general conditions to regulate videotaping should be observed section wide to protect student athletes and athletic departments.

Videotaping at Section VIII approved and sanctioned athletics contests is permissible. This does not include practices or scrimmages unless approved by the participating teams.

All videotaping will be used for instructional purposes to include scouting. The individual's right to privacy requires that the anonymity of the student athlete's images displayed in the product of the videotaping be maintained and protected unless expressed in written consent to share his/her identity is provided.

Videotaping of any contest may not be used in a commercial enterprise. Specific limitations, regulations, and/or requirements regarding videotaping should be referenced and included in all sport specific handbooks.

****POLICY ON WAGERING**

It is against Section VIII practice or policy and the policy of the individual school district where such event is taking place to permit gambling, wagering, or betting on all Section VIII athletic events at any time.

NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION – SECTION VIII COMMUNICATION PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULE CHANGE POLICY

1. Schedules

- a) An opportunity to make changes and additions is provided to schools after schedules are devised. These changes and additions are accommodated on the Section Website. Schedules **MUST** be checked. **It is important all changes be made prior to the established deadline.**
- b) Schedule changes:
 - (1) All date changes must be **mutually agreed upon.**
 - (2) Host schools must notify visiting schools of changes in times, sites, prior to entry on Website.
 - (3) The Section accepts changes only from the HOST SCHOOL.
- c) From the time assigning process starts to the time finalized schedules are released to schools, additions and changes WILL NOT be accepted.
- d) Finalized schedules (indicating official assignments) must be thoroughly checked by each school to confirm all requested changes and additions have been included.

2. Changes

Changes in schedules made after officials have been assigned create problems.

Please Note:

- a) The Section VIII Office must be notified immediately by the home school of all changes, postponements, cancellations, etc. **(including reason for change).**
- b) **The home school must inform officials of the change and advise them to contact Section VIII for reassignment if they are unavailable to move with the change.**
- c) Schools dropping teams are responsible for notifying all opponents and all officials immediately and before that team's data is deleted from the Website.
- d) Due to numerous changes (turn backs, injuries, etc.), official assignments should be checked by the school daily. **DO NOT RELY on the original assignments to remain unchanged!**

3. Weather Problems or Emergencies

In the case of a postponement due to **rain, snow, or emergency**, the home school must notify the assigned officials and advise them to contact Section VIII for reassignment. **(Rescheduled contests must be scheduled on the next available date.)**

Approved March 21, 2006 – Section VIII Athletic Council

NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
NYSPHSAA HEAT INDEX PROCEDURES

Administration of Heat Index Procedures:

- Feels Like Temperature (heat index) or THI using a Wet Bulb indicator on the field will be checked 1 hour before the contest/ practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 80 degrees (Fahrenheit) or higher.
- Download WeatherBug app to your phone or log into www.weatherbug.com. Schools may also use a Wet Bulb indicator on the field that will be used.
- Enter the zip code or city and state in the location section of the app or on-line or determine the THJ by using the Wet Bulb indicator.
- If the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or the Wet Bulb indicator is 90 degrees or above, the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the Feels Like temperature (heat index) at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or the Wet Bulb indicators is 96 degrees (Fahrenheit) or more, the contest will be suspended.

Please refer to the following chart to take the appropriate actions:

R E C O M M E N D E D	Feels Like Temperature (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator under 79 degrees	Full activity, no restrictions
	Heat Index Caution: Feels Like Temperature (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator 80 degrees to 85 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session.
	Heat Index Watch: Feels Like Temperature (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator 86 degrees to 90 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when Hourly Real Feel temp is lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2 hr. practice = 2 hr. recovery time).
	Heat Index Warning: Feels Like Temperature (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator 91 degrees to 95 degrees	Provide ample water and water breaks every 15 minutes. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when Hourly Real Feel temp is much lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2 hr. recover time). Light weight and loose-fitting clothes should be worn. For practices only Football Helmets should be worn. No other protective equipment should be worn
REQUIRED	Heat Index Alert: Feels Like Temperature (Heat Index) or Wet Bulb indicator 96 degrees or greater	No outside activity, practice or contest should be held. Inside activity should only be held if air conditioned.

NYPHSAA WIND CHILL PROCEDURES

Administration of Wind Chill Procedures:

- Feels Like Temperature (Wind Chill) will be checked 1 hour before the contest/ practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 39 degrees (Fahrenheit) or lower.
- Download WeatherBug app to your phone or log into www.weatherbug.com.
- Enter the zip code or city and state in the location section of the app or on-line
- If the Feels Like temperature (wind chill) is 10 degrees or below, the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the Feels Like temperature (wind chill) at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the Feels Like temperature (wind chill) is -11 degrees (Fahrenheit) or lower, the contest will be suspended.

Please refer to the following chart to take the appropriate actions:

R E C O M M E N D E D	Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) above 40 degrees	Full activity. No restrictions.
	Wind Chill Caution: Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) 39 degrees to 20 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notified coaches of the threat of cold related illnesses. Have students and coaches' dress in layers of clothing.
	Wind Chill Watch: Hourly Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) 19 degrees to 10 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notify coaches of the threat of cold related illnesses. Have students and coaches' dress in layers of clothing. Cover the head and neck to prevent heat loss.
	Wind Chill Warning: Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) 9 degrees to -10 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notify coaches of the threat of cold related illnesses. Have students and coaches' dress in layers of clothing. Cover the head and neck to prevent heat loss. Consider postponing practice to a time when the Hourly Real Feel temp is much higher. Consider reducing the amount of time for an outdoor practice session.
REQUIRED	Wind Chill Alert: Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) -11 degrees or lower	No outside activity, practice, or contest, should be held.

Special Note: Alpine Skiing will be exempt from this policy and will follow the regulations of the host ski center where the practice or event is being held.

NYSPHSAA TRANSFER RULE

TRANSFER: (Foreign Exchange/International #9)

NOTE: The Transfer Rule will be enforced as written with no variations permitted.

- A. A student in grades 9-12 who transfers, with a corresponding change in residence of his/her parents (or other persons with whom the student has resided for at least six months) shall become eligible after starting regular attendance in the second school. A residence change must involve a move from one school district to another. Furthermore, when a student moves from public school district to another public school district for athletic eligibility the student must enroll in the public school district or in a private school within that district's boundaries of his/her parent's residency. For athletic eligibility, a residency is changed when one is abandoned by the immediate family and another residency is established through action and intent. Residency requires one's physical presence as an inhabitant and the intent to remain indefinitely. The Superintendent, or designee, will determine if the student has met district residency requirements.
- B. A student who transfers without a corresponding change in residence of his/her parents (or other persons with whom the student has resided for at least six months prior) is ineligible to participate in any interscholastic athletic contest in a particular sport for a period of one (1) year if as a 9-12 student participated in that sport during the one (1) year period immediately preceding his/her transfer. Students who transfer from any school to the public school district of the residence of his/her parents (or other persons whom the student has resided for at least six months) or a private school within that district's boundaries shall receive a waiver from the Transfer Rule. Such a transfer without penalty will only be permitted once in a high school career. **Schools must submit the required transfer form to the Section office. Athletes are not permitted to practice before the form has been submitted. Athletes are not permitted to compete without approval.** **NOTE:** A student in a foreign exchange program listed by CSJET has a one-year waiver of the Transfer Rule. If such a student elects to stay a second year, he/she becomes a foreign student at the start of the school year with item (b) in effect.

Exemptions to (B): For athletic eligibility a student must enroll in the public school district or in a nonpublic school within that district's boundaries of his/her parent's residency.

Note: Multiple High School Districts - The policies/boundaries of the school district will be followed. If the district has an open enrollment policy, the interpretation to be used will be the same as used for students of K-8 school districts. When a student enrolls in 9th grade, this is the district (building) of their residence. Any subsequent transfer would be subject to the Transfer Rule.

1. The student reaches the age of majority and established residency in a district and can substantiate that they are independent and self-supporting.
2. If a private or parochial school ceases to operate a student may transfer to another private or parochial school of his/her choice. Otherwise, a student must enroll in the public school district of his/her parents' residency.
3. A student who is a ward of the court or state and is placed in a district by court order. Guardianship does not fulfill this requirement.
4. A student from divorced or "legally" separated parents who moves into a new school district with one of the parents. Such a transfer is allowed once every six months. The legal separation agreement must address custody, child support, spouses support and distribution of assets and be filed with the County Clerk or issued by a Judge.
5. A student who is declared homeless by the superintendent pursuant to Commissioner's Regulation 100.2.
6. A student of a military employee who is transferred to an active military base may enroll in the non-public school closest to their residence and maintain eligibility if the student enrolls in a non-public school immediately following the change in residence.

NOTE: It is provided, however, that each school shall have the opportunity to petition the section involved to approve transfer without penalty based on an undue hardship for the student. Educational Waivers will not be considered as an undue hardship effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

Updated June 2013

TRANSFER APPEAL GUIDELINES

NYSPHSAA TRANSFER RULE

For consideration when determining hardship waivers of the Transfer Rule.

Financial

Appeals require documented proof of a significant loss of income or a significant increase in expenses.

- Written description outlining the circumstances that lead to the financial hardship.

Appropriate documentation may include:

- Evidence of loss of income or change in financial obligations (not self-imposed).
- Family W2 forms – pay stubs.
- Notarized statement from a parent.
- Statement from an employer, attorney, accountant, social services or other professional with knowledge of the circumstances.
- Most recent tax returns – past two years.

Health and Safety

Appeals are considered for safety, mental health, personal relationships, and other like circumstances.

- Written documentation from Superintendent of Schools or HS Principal of the sending school indicating the specific circumstances which necessitated the transfer.
- Supporting documentation from a third party may be submitted.
Example: Police report.

Foreign Exchange Student

- Report all through the Section office by using a standardized form.

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APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

School _____

Student's Name _____

Sport(s) in which eligibility extension is requested _____

Reason for request _____

Date of birth _____ Year of entry into 9th Grade _____

Original date of graduation _____ Expected date of graduation _____

Athletic participation record:

	Year	Sport(s)
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____

Date of Injury/Accident: _____ Date cleared for participation: _____

I agree to provide any necessary confidential information requested by the Section VIII Appeals Committee.

Parent's/Guardian's signature _____

Athletic Director's signature _____

Principal's signature _____

Chief School Officer's Signature

(BE SURE TO INCLUDE PERTINENT MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION, TRANSCRIPT, ETC.)

Send original to:

Ralph Amitrano, Chairman, Appeals Committee
Mineola High School
10 Armstrong Rd.
Garden City Park, NY 11040

Send a copy to:

Section VIII - Interscholastic Athletics

George Farber Administrative Center
P.O. Box 9195 - 71 Clinton Road
Garden City, NY 11530
PPIZZARELLI@NASBOCES.ORG

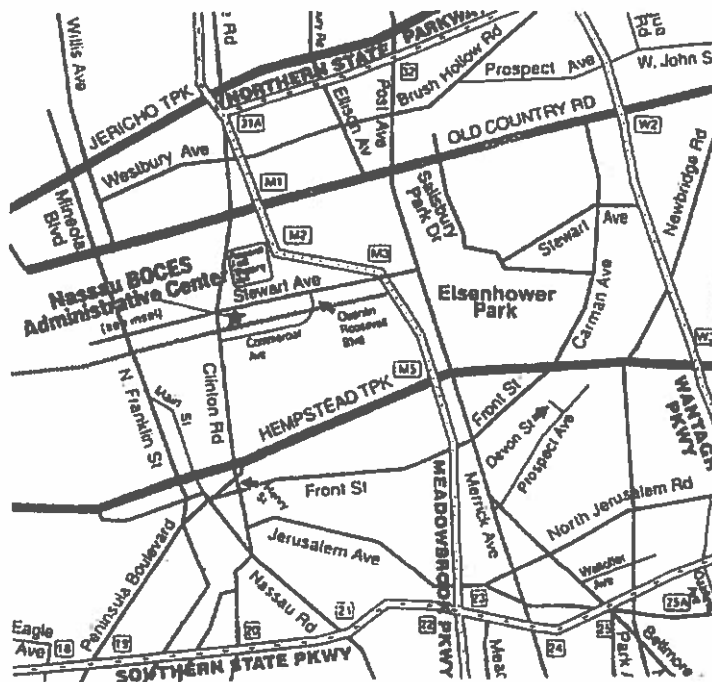
POLICY ON TRANSPORTATION

- (1) Section VIII will supply transportation to and from State Championships.
- (2) Each and every participant representing Section VIII is required to travel by the transportation provided by the Section.
- (3) No Sports Coordinators (or his/her designee), Coach or Supervisor has the authority to release the student/athlete from traveling on the transportation provided by the Section.
- (4) **Exception** - If a student/athlete requests not to travel by Section sponsored transportation, the following procedure **must be followed**:
 - (a) The student/athlete must submit a written request to be released to the custody of their parent/guardian to his/her coach stating the reason for not traveling with the section and signed by the parent/guardian.
 - (b) If the coach **approves** this request, he/she will submit the request to the District Director, Building Director, and Building Principal for their written **approval**.
 - (c) Once the request is approved in writing by those administrators listed in (b), the coach will submit this written approval to the Section Sports Coordinator(s) (or his/her designee) with a carbon copy to the Executive Director.
 - (d) This then relieves the Section and its Sports Coordinator(s) (or designee) of being liable for deciding he/she cannot control.

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Sport Record Reporting Form

A records database for all sports conducted by the NYSPHSAA has been compiled and is held in the NYSPHSAA office. It has been updated with input from state and section sport coordinators, athletic directors, and coaches. New records must be accompanied by supporting documentation such as a news clipping, box score, or copy of the scorebook. If supporting information is not available, please indicate in the appropriate area below. New records or corrections may be submitted to Chris Watson, NYSPHSAA Director of Communications, at cwatson@nysphsaa.org.

RECORD HOLDER:

Sport: _____ Athlete/Coach/Team Name: _____

Athlete/Coach/Team School: _____

Record Category: _____
ex. Career Points, Single Game Goals, Event - 1600m relay, Coaching Wins, etc

Record: _____ Date(s) Accomplished: _____ Still Active (Y/N): _____

Was the record set at a NYSPHSAA State Championship event? (Y/N): _____

Supporting Documents Attached (Y/N): _____

If no supporting documents, explain: _____

Comments/Additional Information: _____

RECORD SUBMITTER:

Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

SIGNATURES:

Coach: _____
Print Name Signature

Athletic Director: _____
Print Name Signature

updated Sept '20

Questions? Contact Chris Watson at 518-690-0771 or cwatson@nysphsaa.org

HELP WANTED

**EVERY ATHLETIC TEAM SHOULD HAVE
A MAN WHO PLAYS EVERY POSITION,
NEVER MAKES AN ERROR, AND
KNOWS JUST WHAT THE OPPOSITION
IS PLANNING... BUT SO FAR THERE'S
BEEN NO WAY TO GET HIM TO PUT
DOWN HIS POPCORN AND COKE TO
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