

## Voting Items for the July 2024 NYSPHSAA Central Committee Meeting:

- **Ticket prices - NYSPHSAA Championships 2024-2025**

**Motion:** Consider approval of a \$.50 increase in NYSPHSAA Championship Ticket Prices beginning in the 2024-25 school year.  
**Effective Start Date:** September 1, 2024  
**Rationale:** Due to rising championship expenses, NYSPHSAA is seeking ways to increase revenue.
- **Handbook Committee- Forfeit Exception for Football**

**Motion:** Consider approval to add the following to the note for the Maximum Number of Contests in the NYSPHSAA Handbook, "Exception: In the sport of Football, when a team receives a forfeit win, the forfeit win will ***not*** count towards the maximum number of contests. The team who accepts the forfeit can reschedule a game that will count towards the maximum number of contests."  
**Effective Start Date:** Fall 2024  
**Rationale:** Many schools have lost out on homecoming games due to teams forfeiting. Additionally, two Section VI teams lost 25% of their season due to forfeits.
- **NYSPHSAA Transfer Form for Waivers & Exceptions**

**Motion:** Consider approval to require the use of the NYSPHSAA Transfer form for waivers and exemptions only.  
**Effective Start Date:** Immediate implementation upon approval  
**Rationale:** In the past, the NYSPHSAA Transfer Form was available for optional use by the Sections. It was not required. Sections asked the NYSPHSAA Transfer Committee to adapt the form to ensure Sections effectively address the concerns and circumstances of those involved and to align the form with the verbiage included in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
- **Cheerleading: Early Start Date**

**Motion:** Consider approval for Cheerleading to start practice in week number 7 to coincide with the football start date.  
**Effective Start Date:** Fall 2024  
**Rationale:** Starting on the Wednesday of week number 7 allows the team to hold a tryout and start to develop the skills necessary to prepare for the upcoming season. The development of the skills can be done in a way that progresses to help reduce risk to the student athletes. As most cheerleading teams do not have scrimmages this allows teams to prepare to attend clinics and camps held during late August and early September. These clinics and camps are very valuable in preparing a team for competition during the season.
- **Cheerleading: Update Required Coaching Course**

**Motion:** Consider approval to update the additional required coaching course to reflect the replacement of the AACCA Safety course and the New NFHS Cheerleading Rules course.  
**Effective Start Date:** Fall 2024  
**Rationale:** The NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approved the requirement that the AACCA Safety course be added to the required courses Cheerleading coaches must take. This course was required every 4 years. The AACCA course has been replaced by the USA Cheer Safety Course offered on the NFHS website. A coach would be required to take this course once. The new course that is being recommended that coaches take yearly is the NFHS Cheerleading Rules course offered by USA Cheer, which is updated annually to cover the rules changes. This course will educate all coaches on the updated rules and skills that have been changed by the NFHS Spirit Rules Committee.

- **Girls Team Tennis:**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-2028
- **Boys Soccer:**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-2028
- **Girls Soccer:**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-2028
- **Field Hockey:**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-2028
- **Girls Volleyball:**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-2028
- **Girls Volleyball:** Revise State Tournament Format Back to Pool Play  
**Motion:** Consider approval to revert back to a pool play format for the 2024 State Tournament.  
**Effective Start Date:** Fall 2024  
**Rationale:** Pool play guarantees that each team will play six (6) sets of volleyball (competing against all teams in their class) over an extended period of time, whereas bracket play only guarantees a minimum of 3 sets against one team) which can sometimes be completed in as little as 45 minutes. Student-athletes work tirelessly their entire career with dreams of making it to the NYSPHSAA Final Four. Teams across the state are accustomed to pool play during regular season multi-team tournaments. The pool play format will provide student-athletes a more memorable experience rewarding the hard work and dedication that they have endured to make it to the final four. While pool play and bracket play both have their flaws in determining the two state finalist teams, our committee feels that pool play will ultimately lead to the top two teams in the state facing off in the final match.

Once the committee experienced the length of time it took for six classes playing bracketed play, the initial concern for the length of time it took to add another team to pool play was no longer a concern.

- **Football: 11 Man**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-2029
- **Football: 8 Man**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to Move 8-Man Regional Championship to Week #22 & conduct the game at the Dome, during 11 Man Finals. Establish Regional Rotation
- **Football: Revision to the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Penalty**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to revise the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Penalty for the sport of football. Any player disqualified by a sport official for unsportsmanlike behavior or flagrant foul will be ineligible for the next two consecutive halves,  
**Effective Start Date:** 2024-2025 school year  
**Rationale:** Currently, a student-athlete could be disqualified on the first play of a game and would have to sit out that entire game and the following game. This could equate to 25% of their season, based on an 8-game schedule. This is not equal, compared to all other NYS high school team sports. All other sport teams that have 16 or 20 games would only sit out 12.5% or 10% of their season. This rule will make it 12.5% for an 8-game schedule and 10% for a 10-game schedule. More than 75% of all football playing schools only participate in 8 games. This would mirror what the penalty is for a disqualification for targeting currently in the NYSPHSAA handbook.



- **Boys Wrestling: Early Weight Certification Date**

**Motion:** Consider approval to allow Sections to have an early weight Certification date starting no earlier than the Monday of Week #17.

**Effective Start Date:** 2024-2025 school year

**Rationale:** NYSPHSAA has approved the 1.5% weight loss descent plan for all wrestlers competing in the boys season as of the 2023-2024 season. The weight loss descent plan locks wrestlers into a specific weight based on their certification weight at the beginning of the season. The descent plan is based on a student losing a maximum of 1.5% of their bodyweight each season. Unfortunately, some wrestlers were not able to compete for a majority of their season because their descent plan did not allow them to get to an eligible weight based on the certification at the beginning of the year. Other wrestlers were not eligible for a desired weight because their plan maxed out right above a particular weight class. If a Section was allowed to have an earlier certification date, then some wrestlers would be able to get certified and then start their weight descent plan 6 weeks prior to the season therefore maximizing their participation. If an earlier start date was allowed this would mean that the Section consultants would have to organize their staffs on two different time periods to certify the wrestlers prior to the season starting. There is also no guarantee that a wrestler will follow the descent plan and be at the desired weight class at the beginning of the season.

- **Girls Wrestling: Representation Rule**

**Motion:** Consider approval to amend the current Representation Regulation for Girls Wrestling in the following manner.

**NOTE:** For individual, individual/ team sports, when a school district does not have a team designated for each singular gender, the Section Executive Director may grant a waiver of the Representation Standard for Sectional Competition when a student has met the qualification for participation in the current school year's NYSPHSAA Championship event. ***In the sport of Girls Wrestling, if a school does have a team for both genders the female wrestlers may choose to compete in either the boys post season or the girls post season but not both.***

**Effective Start Date:** 2024 - 2025 Season

**Rationale:** The sport of girls wrestling continues to grow across NYS. Some schools are reluctant to start a girl's teams for a variety of reasons because girls are allowed to compete on the boy's team and still be eligible to compete in the girls post season. Data from across the country and shown that many more girls will wrestle if the school offers a girl only team. Until the sport grows to wear female wrestlers can practice and compete against other girls there is still a need for some wrestlers to compete and practice on boys' teams. The committee feels this recommendation will encourage schools to offer a girl's team and still accommodate female wrestlers that have been wrestling on boys teams for many years.

- **Girls Wrestling: Waiver of the Maximum Number of Tournaments**

**Motion:** Consider approval to continue the waiver of the limitation of 6 tournaments during the regular season. The waiver is for girl only tournaments.

**Effective Start Date:** 2024- 2025 Season

**Rationale:** Currently there are not enough complete teams in the Sections to justify having dual meets during the regular season. The waiver allows girls to participate in as many competitions without going over the maximum number of contests allowed during the regular season.

- Girls Wrestling: Waiver of the NFHS 1.5% Weight Loss Plan**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to waive the NFHS 1.5% weight loss plan.  
**Effective Start Date:** 2024- 2025 Season  
**Rationale:** The Girls Wrestling Committee believes that there are other biological factors that affect girls weights as opposed to boys and this rule could have a negative impact on a female wrestler.
- Girls Wrestling: Adopting the USA Junior Rules**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to adopt the Juniors rules in the USA Wrestling Rulebook.  
**Effective Start Date:** 2024- 2025 Season  
**Rationale:** The Girls Wrestling Committee recommended and the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approved using the USA Wrestling Rulebook for Freestyle wrestling. The juniors section of the rulebook is most appropriate for the HS level competition.
- Boys Ice Hockey: Revision to Goalie Warm-up**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to remove the language in the NYSPHSAA handbook under 14.10 #10 which states, "If, in the judgement of the official, he feels that a goaltender's warm-up has been made to give his team a stoppage of play or rest period, the official may assess a minor penalty for delay of game."  
**Effective Start Date:** 2024-2025 season  
**Rationale:** The official has no way of determining what the intent of the coach was when making the substitution therefore this language is not enforced and puts the official in a no-win situation.
- Boys Ice Hockey: OT during Regulation Season**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to revise the language in the NYSPHSAA Handbook under 14.08 #11 letter b to mirror the OT procedure used during the post season. This would only be used when a winner is necessary.  
**Effective Start Date:** 2024-2025 season  
**Rationale:** The Committee feels that the same procedure that is used in the post season should be used during the regular season when a winner is necessary. This provides consistency for players, coaches, and officials.
- Girls/Boys Bowling: Split Composite Division into D1& D2**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to establish two divisions for its Composite Division-Division 1 and Division 2-for competition during the State Tournament.  
**Effective Start Date:** Winter (March) 2025  
**Rationale:** Splitting the existing composite division by the current division enrollment numbers creates equitable opportunity to qualify for the state championship. The composite division awards state champions for Individuals as well as section teams. With 17,253 varsity bowlers in NYS in 2022-24, bowling would still be within its 5-8% range, per Championship Philosophy.
- Girls/Boys Bowling: Modify D1/D2 School Team Division-6 Man Format**  
**Motion:** Consider approval to modify the bowling format of the Division 1 and Division 2 school team events during the State Tournament to utilize a 6-man format.  
**Effective Start Date:** Winter (March) 2025  
**Rationale:** The existing format uses a 5-man format on a single pair of lanes (10 bowlers across 2 lanes). All five (5) scores currently count towards the team game total. While the 6-man format increases bowler participation with the additional competing player, the lowest individual score is dropped from the team total. The 6-man format also utilizes an additional pair of lanes (12 bowlers across 4 lanes) resulting in a more efficient tournament and better



experience for student-athletes and fans instead of long days.

- **Outdoor Track & Field: Establish Cut-Off Numbers for 2025**

**Motion:** Consider approval to adopt the following classification cut-off numbers starting in 2025.

Class A	800 & Above	156 teams (24%)	8,066 athletes (39.76%)
Class B	799 to 400	168 teams (25.88%)	6,090 athletes (30%)
Class C	399 & below	325 teams (50%)	6,126 athletes (30.2%)

**Effective Start Date: Spring 2025**

**Rationale:** 3 divisions were approved. Need cut off numbers.

- **Unified Sports – Sport offering/Rules Modification**

**Motion:** Consider approval to for the following sport offering/rules modifications:

Unified Soccer - Rules Modifications

Unified Tennis – Rules Modifications

Unified Bocce – Sport Offering/Rules Modifications

**Effective Start Date: Fall 2024**

**Rationale:** NYSPHSAA/SONY has been looking to offer a Fall sort to our Unified Sports program for several years. Some Sections have piloted programs in these sports and would like to have the sport/rule modifications officially adopted by NYSPHSAA to be placed in the handbook. Bocce would have to be approved as a NYSPHSAA Unified Sport. All of our sport offerings are administered through the local Section/leagues.

- **Cheerleading – Game Day Participation Fall and Winter Season**

**Motion:** Consider approval

**Effective Start Date: Fall 2024**

**Rationale:** By the NYSPHSAA guidelines, Game Day and Competitive are not separate sports, they are separate events within the same sport. The Game Day Championship is scheduled in the fall and the Competitive Championship is scheduled in the Winter. Therefore, within Fall Cheerleading and Winter Cheerleading, teams may compete within multiple events in the same competition for both Game Day and Competitive. There may be different individuals that compete in each of those events, similar to track, swimming, and gymnastics.

As Game Day is a lower progression within the sport of cheerleading, it may be more appropriate and safer for some developing programs to have a winter Game Day performance, rather than a Competitive performance. As Programs progress, they can develop Competitive performances alongside their winter Game Day performance.

- Note: Chairpeople are not looking for a Section or State Championship for Game Day in the Winter season. Game Day Cheerleading: Is currently only allowed in the Fall Season, in Section IX. Game Day competition is currently allowed in New York Sections 1, 4, 8, and 11 in the Winter Season. These sections allow their Game Day teams to compete at UCA/NCA regional and national competitions in the Winter.

# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024

## SECTIONAL CONCERN

**“Schools without boundaries” participating in the current postseason NYSPHSAA structure**

**Presenter:**

Section 1

**Sectional Concern:**

“Schools without boundaries” participating in the current postseason NYSPHSAA structure.

“Schools without boundaries” are defined as schools whose majority of the student population extends beyond a district defined boundaries.

Under the current structure, we feel the NYSPHSAA statement of “providing equitable and safe competition for the students or its member schools” is not an accurate statement.

**Addressing the Sectional Concern:**

- “Schools without boundaries” maintain full membership and benefits of the NYSPHSAA.
- All “schools without boundaries” will remain members of their league and section.
- As aligned with the NYSPHSAA Strategic Plan, this would increase opportunities for championships to more student-athletes in the state.

*Some suggestions or thoughts:*

- “Schools without boundaries” would compete in a separate classification, with the final structure of sectional and state competition to be developed by the Ad-Hoc committee.

In the end, the ad-hoc committee must review data and examine all possibilities. Membership can share suggestions, however, it is a larger discussion than simply one proposal to address a sectional concern.

**Rationale:**

Since the last time this concern was addressed in 2016, the landscape has changed. For example, as recent as the 2024 NYSPHSAA Girls Basketball State Championships, 4/6 teams that were named a state champion, were teams defined as “schools without boundaries”. We feel a structure that is equitable and inclusive can be attained and allow for members to compete against “like” schools.

**Budgetary Impact:**

Cost for schools and the state for postseason

**Notes:**

This is a grassroots effort of several Athletic Administrators from multiple sections, who have met to discuss “schools without boundaries”. Discussions have centered on inclusivity in creating an equitable and safe playing field for all schools. This concern does not have a finished proposal, it is our goal to reconvene the 2016 Ad-Hoc Committee and to restart the conversation to find a resolution that benefits all students in New York State. We seek a win-win for all student-athletes in New York State, one in which “schools without boundaries” with full membership and benefits of the NYSPHSAA.

**Attachments:** n/a

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# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## **SECTIONAL CONCERN**

### **Defining days of the week for NYSPHSAA Sub Regionals and Regional Finals**

**Presenter:**

Section 1

**Sectional Concern:**

NYSPHSAA does not have defined days of the week for subregional and regional competitions creating the potential for inequitable competition and logistical challenges for the traveling section/school.

**Addressing the Sectional Concern:**

As defined in the NYSPHSAA Championship Philosophy document, “in the interest of equitable competition,...and logistical concerns, including but not limited to travel...”, we are proposing adopting parameters for the purpose of defining specific days of the week to host the NYSPHSAA Sub Regional and Regional Finals.

For example, all sub regionals must be scheduled on either the Tuesday or Wednesday of the week prior to the state championships. All regional finals must be scheduled on the Saturday or Sunday prior to the state championships in the respective sport.

**Rationale:**

We recognize that securing facilities and staffing can be challenging and while the current structure provides autonomy to the host section, it creates inequities across the same state tournament.

For example, there have been numerous instances that have created inequitable scenarios and/or a (actual or perceived) competitive advantage.

- a. Without defined days of the week, sections/teams are not provided equitable night’s rest creating an unfair competitive advantage.
- b. The inconsistency and lack of consideration to traveling sections/teams
- c. In certain sports, the traveling sections/schools have waited until the Thursday or Friday before a Saturday regional final to find out when and where they are playing.

Adopting a set of parameters will bring consistency across the state tournament, assist to level the playing field, and will benefit the overall planning and facilitation of the state tournament. Furthermore, it will provide sections with a true understanding of when regionals must occur to plan the best possible section tournament at the local level.

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

Note: Football would still utilize the Friday/Saturday model currently in place.

**Attachments:** n/a

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*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## **SECTION IV CONCERN – TRANSFERRING ON MERGED TEAMS**

**Presenter:**

Douglas Wyant, Jr. Superintendent @ South Kortright CSD

**Sectional Concern:**

We have had several of our smaller schools (Class D) merge in the past year as well as a few schools who have had merged teams for more than a decade. These mergers have been necessitated due to low student athlete participation. By merging athletic programs, student opportunities for participation in athletics has been maintained where otherwise those opportunities would be lost.

However, current language in Section 31 Transfer of the NYSPHAA Handbook prevents a student who is currently participating on a merged athletic team from transferring to the corresponding school district as a non-resident student without losing one year of eligibility.

**Addressing the Sectional Concern:**

Section IV recommends amending Exemption to (b) under Section 31 to read: 7. A student, currently participating on a Section approved merged athletic team, may transfer to the corresponding school district as a non-resident student. A merged athletic team does not include teams of one (1) or teams of two (2).

**Rationale:**

The transfer rule exists to prevent student athletes and high school athletic teams from gaining an advantage by accepting students from other districts to improve their level of athletic performance. In this case, there is no athletic advantage gained by allowing a student to transfer to the educational institution who is currently participating on a merged athletic team. The situation remains the same since the athlete is already a member of the merged team.

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

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**Attachments:**

None



# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024

## GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING – QUALIFYING STANDARDS FOR 2024-2025 SEASON

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Diane Hicks-Hughes, NYSPHSAA Girls Swimming & Diving State Coordinator  
Meg Kaplan, NYSPHSAA Girls Swimming & Diving Assistant State Coordinator

**Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Girls Swimming & Diving Committee will continue to use the same State Qualifying Standards for the 2024-25 school year as they did in 2023-2024 due to participation staying between 5%-8%, per Championship Philosophy Committee requirements.

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

Number of girls participating in Swimming & Diving 5,198  
Number of girls participating in NYSPHSAA Championships 351 (6.8% of total participation)

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

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

**CAC Feedback:**

N/A

As of 4/2/2024

# New York State Public High School Athletic Association

*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING – QUALIFYING STANDARDS FOR 2024-25 SEASON

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**  
Peter Hugo, NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving State Coordinator

**Proposal:**  
The NYSPHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving Committee will continue to use the same State Qualifying Standards for the 2024-25 school year as they did in 2023-24 due to participation staying between 5%-8%, per Championship Philosophy Committee requirements.

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

Number of boys participating in Swimming & Diving: 4,500  
 Number of boys participating in NYSPHSAA Championships: 363 (8% of total participation)  
*\*CAC/CPC Standard requires 5-8% of participation*

**Effective Start Date:**  
Winter 2024-25

**CAC Feedback:**  
N/A



# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## Ticket Prices

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Tim Mullins, NYSPHSAA Budget/Audit Committee Chair

**Proposal:**

Consider approval of a \$.50 increase in NYSPHSAA Championship Ticket Prices beginning in the 2024-25 school year.

**Effective Start Date:**

September 1, 2024

**Rationale:**

Due to rising championship expenses, NYSPHSAA is seeking ways to increase revenue.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Budget/Audit Committee Meeting

**Budgetary Impact:**

Based on 100,000 attendees at NYSPHSAA Championships each year, there is an anticipated \$50,000 increase in revenue.

**Notes:**

The GoFan fee structure is \$1 plus 5% of the ticket price, so a \$10.50 ticket would carry a \$1.53 fee and the final price will be \$12.03 for all GoFan venues.

Those venues that do not permit the use of GoFan will continue to allow for cash sales, where the final ticket prices will be \$10.50 plus fees. Tickets for the JMA Wireless Dome and MVP Arena would be \$12.50 due to their current \$2 fee per ticket sold. Tickets sold through contractually obligated platforms such as Ticketmaster or SeatGeek will have additional fees added on, which is outside the control of NYSPHSAA.

Ticket prices were streamlined for NYSPHSAA to net \$10 per ticket in the 2021-2022 school year, with the approval of the all-digital ticketing platform.

# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## **Handbook – Forfeit Exception for Football**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Pat Pizzarelli, NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee Chair

**Proposal:**

Consider approval to add the following to the note for the Maximum Number of Contests in the NYSPHSAA Handbook, “Exception: In the sport of Football, when a team receives a forfeit win, the forfeit win will not count towards the maximum number of contests. The team who accepts the forfeit can reschedule a game that will count towards the maximum number of contests.”

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

**Rationale:**

Many schools have lost out on homecoming games due to teams forfeiting. Additionally, two Section VI teams lost 25% of their season due to forfeits.

**Proposal Originated:**

Section VI Section Concern with support from the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

**Budgetary Impact:**

None.

**Notes:**

The team that receives the forfeit win has the opportunity to schedule another game. The Sections will determine how the games count towards league standings/seedings. The NYSPHSAA Football Committee supports this proposal.

**Attachments:**

None.

# New York State Public High School Athletic Association



*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## **NYSPHSAA Transfer Form for Waivers & Exemptions**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Dr. Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director

**Proposal:**

Consider approval to require the use of the NYSPHSAA Transfer form for waivers and exemptions only.

**Effective Start Date:**

Immediate implementation upon approval

**Rationale:**

In the past, the NYSPHSAA Transfer Form was available for optional use by the Sections. It was not required. Sections asked the NYSPHSAA Transfer Committee to adapt the form to ensure Sections effectively address the concerns and circumstances of those involved and to align the form with the verbiage included in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Transfer Committee

**Budgetary Impact:**

None at this time.

**Notes:**

The Transfer Committee would like the NYSPHSAA Staff to examine and explore potential ways to provide digital options for this form in the future.

**Attachments:**

NYSPHSAA Transfer Form



# NYSPHSAA TRANSFER NOTIFICATION

This form must be completed for all transfer students **requesting a waiver or exemption**



**THE STUDENT CANNOT PARTICIPATE IN A CONTEST/SCRIMMAGE UNTIL APPROVED BY THE SECTION.**

Please check one: **(Required supporting documentation must be attached)**

### Waiver Request

\_\_\_\_\_ **Health & Safety:** Appeals are considered for safety, mental health, personal relationships and other similar circumstances. Written documentation is required from Superintendent of Schools or High School Principal of the sending school indicating the specific circumstances which necessitated the transfer. Supporting documentation from a third party outside of the school may be submitted (ex. police report).

\_\_\_\_\_ **District of Residency:** (No change of residence. School registration change only.) Student is returning to a school within the district boundaries of his/her residence.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Hardship:** 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.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Financial:** Requires documented proof of a significant loss of income or a significant increase in expenses.

### Exemption Request

\_\_\_\_\_ **Divorced/Legally Separated Parents:** A student from divorced or legally separated parents who moves into a new school district with one of the aforementioned parents is exempt provided it occurs 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.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Homeless:** Student declared homeless by the Superintendent under McKinney-Vento Legislation [NYSSED 100.2].

\_\_\_\_\_ **Other:** Exemptions (six) as denoted in NYSPHSAA Rule #31 (Transfer). Exemption: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Residency Change** NYSPHSAA transfer/residency policy states: Refer to By Law & Eligibility Standards #31. (A residency is changed when one is abandoned and another one established through action and intent. Residency requires one's physical presence as an inhabitant and the intent to remain indefinitely. The mere renting of property within the District does not confer residency. **The Superintendent determines residency for enrollment, but this more restrictive requirement is needed for athletic eligibility per NYSPHSAA regulations.**

**By signing this document, I attest the information provided is accurate and correct; I have understanding the falsification of information could lead to ineligibility; the immediate family will be physically residing at the current address as inhabitants and intend to remain indefinitely; the student has transferred without inducement or recruitment.**

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

## PART ONE

### TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENT'S RECEIVING SCHOOL

Receiving School: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Transfer: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Entered 9<sup>th</sup> Grade: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Student/Family Previous Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student/Family Present Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Names and Current Address(es)

**(Parent I name & address):** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Parent II name & address):** \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sending School \_\_\_\_\_ Did student participate in athletics at sending school? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

The receiving school's administration is responsible for abiding by all NYSPHSAA Eligibility standards.

Athletic Director's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Principal's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Superintendent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

**\*\* DO NOT COMPLETE BELOW - SECTION USE ONLY \*\***

**SECTION APPROVAL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SECTION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION DENIAL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

**PART TWO**  
 TO BE COMPLETED **BY SCHOOL STUDENT PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED**  
 AND RETURNED TO STUDENT'S PRESENT SCHOOL

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date entered 9<sup>th</sup> grade \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ - \_\_\_

Did student repeat any grades? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, which grade(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School(s) Attended Prior to Transfer \_\_\_\_\_

Date of entrance to this school \_\_\_\_\_ Date of withdrawal from this school \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ - \_\_\_

Student's address while attending the above school \_\_\_\_\_

With whom did student reside at this address (name)? \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of this (these) person(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

**PART THREE**  
**TRANSFER STUDENT SPORT HISTORY**  
 (Please include all sports student participated)

	YEAR	SPORT	LEVEL	SCHOOL
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____

The undersigned has no knowledge the student named has transferred to his/her present school without inducement or recruitment.

Athletic Director's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ - \_\_\_

Principal's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ - \_\_\_

Superintendent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ - \_\_\_

**PART TWO**

TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL STUDENT PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED  
AND RETURNED TO STUDENT'S PRESENT SCHOOL

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date entered 9<sup>th</sup> grade \_\_\_-\_\_\_-\_\_\_

Did student repeat any grades? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, which grade(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School(s) Attended Prior to Transfer \_\_\_\_\_

Date of entrance to this school \_\_\_\_\_ Date of withdrawal from this school \_\_\_-\_\_\_-\_\_\_

Student's address while attending the above school \_\_\_\_\_

With whom did student reside at this address (name)? \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of this (these) person(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

**PART THREE**

**TRANSFER STUDENT SPORT HISTORY**  
(Please include all sports student participated)

	YEAR	SPORT	LEVEL	SCHOOL
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____
	_____	_____	V ___ JV ___ FR ___ MOD ___	_____

The undersigned has no knowledge the student named has transferred to his/her present school without inducement or recruitment.

Athletic Director's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_-\_\_\_-\_\_\_

Principle's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_-\_\_\_-\_\_\_

Superintendent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_-\_\_\_-\_\_\_



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*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## **Cheerleading: Fall Start Date**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Jen Simmons, NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Coordinator

**Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee is recommending starting on the Wednesday of week number 7 to coincide with the football start date.

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

**Rationale:**

Starting on the Wednesday of week number 7 allows the team to hold a tryout and start to develop the skills necessary to prepare for the upcoming season. The development of the skills can be done in a way that progresses to help reduce risk to the student athletes. As most cheerleading teams do not have scrimmages this allows teams to prepare to attend clinics and camps held during late August and early September. These clinics and camps are very valuable in preparing a team for competition during the season.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

In the past Cheerleading has traditional started the same time as the football teams.

**Attachments:**

None

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*Executive Committee Meeting – May 1, 2024*

## **Cheerleading: Update Required Coaching Course**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

### **Presenter:**

Jen Simmons, NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Coordinator

### **Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee is recommending updating the additional required coaching course to reflect the replacement of the AACCA Safety course and the New NFHS Cheerleading Rules course.

### **Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

### **Rationale:**

The NYSPHSAA Executive Committee approved the requirement that the AACCA Safety course be added to the required courses Cheerleading coaches must take. This course was required every 4 years. The AACCA course has been replaced by the USA Cheer Safety Course offered on the NFHS website. A coach would be required to take this course once. The new course that is being recommended that coaches take yearly is the NFHS Cheerleading Rules course offered by USA Cheer, which is updated annually to cover the rules changes. This course will educate all coaches on the updated rules and skills that have been changed by the NFHS Spirit Rules Committee.

### **Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Committee

### **Budgetary Impact:**

The USA Cheer Safety Course costs \$85 (AACCA was \$75 every 4 years) to take and the Rules Changing course cost \$18 annually.

### **Notes:**

None

### **Attachments:**

None

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## **GIRLS TEAM TENNIS: Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-28** **Using Guiding Principles**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Chris Horgan, NYSPHSAA Girls Team Tennis State Coordinator

**Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee is seeking approval for a new regional rotation for 2024-28 using the guiding principles approved by the Executive Committee.

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

**Rationale:**

With the assistance of the NYSPHSAA Office, each team sport committee was charged with developing new regional rotations, following the approval of new guiding principles for regional rotations, to focus on equity.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Girls Tennis Committee April 2024

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

This NYSPHSAA State Committee voted 8-0 in favor of supporting this proposal.

**Attachments:**

See proposed regional rotation.

**CAC Feedback:**

Voted 10-0 to support this proposal at its April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.



		FINAL - READY FOR CAC/EC									
<u>GIRLS TENNIS TEAM TOURNAMENT 2024-28 (Includes Guiding Principles)</u>											
		2024		2025		2026		2027		2028	
		Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final
East	4 @ 1	4/1 @ 9	9 @ 4	5 @ 6	5 @ 6	4 @ 9	5/6 @ 3	9 @ 1	9 @ 1	9 @ 4	9/4 @ 2
West		5 @ 6	6 @ 5	5 @ 6	5 @ 6	5/6 @ 3	6 @ 5	6 @ 5	6 @ 5		5 @ 6
South		8 @ 11	11 @ 8	11 @ 8	11 @ 8	8 @ 11	8 @ 11	11 @ 8	11 @ 8		8 @ 11
North		3 @ 2	2 @ 3	2 @ 3	2 @ 3	1 @ 2	3 @ 2	3 @ 2	3/2 @ 4		1 @ 3
<u>Committee Vote:</u>											
8-0 in favor											
<u>Concerns:</u>											
None											
<u>Girls Tennis INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT - At Large Rotation (approved in 2022)</u>											
		2022	2023	2024	2025						
Singles	5 & 6	9 & 11	3 & 4	7 & 8							
Doubles	7 & 8	1 & 2	5 & 6	9 & 11							
<i>as of April 2, 2024</i>											

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## **BOYS SOCCER: Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-28** **Using Guiding Principles**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Mike Andrew, NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer State Coordinator

**Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee is seeking approval for a new regional rotation for 2024-28 using the guiding principles approved by the Executive Committee.

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

**Rationale:**

With the assistance of the NYSPHSAA Office, each team sport committee was charged with developing new regional rotations, following the approval of new guiding principles for regional rotations, to focus on equity.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Committee in March 2024

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

This NYSPHSAA State Committee voted 6-5 in favor of supporting this proposal.

**Attachments:**

See proposed regional rotations

**CAC Feedback:**

Voted 8-2 in support of this proposal at its April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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## **BOYS SOCCER: Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-28 Using Guiding Principles** **CONCERNS FROM COMMITTEE**

### Section 1 (Matt Allen – voted NO)

This vote comes with trepidation as I understand the work that went into this. But, I feel like this is one of those that really need to properly be looked at and committing to a five year program here is a lot. It should have been condensed to one or three years at most. Here are some concerns from Section 1:

Concern #1 - Think the amount of teams in each section should be more carefully looked at. Feel like that was ignored a bit in the process. As an example, Section IV and Section IX will play at most 2 games in their Sectional final brackets whereas Section 1 will play 5 games. At the same time, Section IV has a ton of Class C teams whereas Section 1 has 5. Think regional rotations should reflect that a lot more. Fairly certain the basketball committee is figuring out their brackets in that format where total teams per class became a consideration when appropriating who gets an "out bracket" game.

Concern #2 - I'm all for a 5/6 and 8/11 rivalry. It makes sense to me. Been playing together for years but then again so have other sections. It's still bothersome to me that some rivalry groups are maintained and some aren't. To make this equitable and to truly make this fair, everyone should be treated equally. In all reality, there should be an East Region, a South region, a North Region and a West. With this, the historical connections do need to be altered. \*This plays itself out most in Class C where Section 1 has an out bracket game (Subregional) during all five years of the championship but yet Sections 5/6 will not play one subregional game during that time span.

Concern #3 - Very disappointed in the process. Two nights on a google zoom with a spreadsheet on the screen with like 2-3 other spreadsheets is really not the way a professional organization should function. I received the first email on April 1st at 4:43PM. Had very little time to digest all of this and to really delve into the games, home games, brackets and ramifications of travel. I'm with Rob...a one year trial should be implemented rather than a whopper of committing to five years.

### Section 2 (Ernie Clapper – Voted NO)

I am voting no because of the process and let me say that from the time I began serving on the state committee, it has been an awesome experience and I have been blessed to work with individuals who care about the game and the players who play it.

The first issue for me is the timing of the process. Something this important, that spans a five year period needs more time than getting a proposal on a Monday afternoon at 4:45 PM and then meeting two nights later in a zoom meeting to discuss.

I have found over my 16 years in school administration and over my coaching and teaching career that proposals that come from the grass roots up are much more well received and effective than "top down" proposals. I say that, not to in any way diminish the efforts of Mike and Joe and Joe in this. If the individual soccer committees from each section could have first had time to meet and look for concerns in the proposal and then bring those concerns back to the state committee for



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discussion, I feel that the final product ( which will affect our student-athletes over the next five year period of time) would have been one of richer quality.

I am not sure of the reasons for the time crunch, nor am I aware of the need for non- transparency in sharing this with our section committees. I am sure many other concerns could have been addressed if section committees had input into this document. As it was, all we really addressed were “home and away” concerns, and I fear many of the issues brought up by Section One were left unanswered. Kids getting home from a game at 2:30 AM is still unacceptable.

Thanks to everyone who took time from what was a “vacation week” for many to work on this and I certainly respect that, and my thanks to all for reading my response. It is an honor to work with people who truly care about kids. I apologize for a “no” vote, but I feel we can all do better.

### Section 7 (Rob McAuliffe – voted NO)

- I believe the process for a decision of such magnitude was rushed and not thoroughly vetted.
- Due to receiving the brackets on Monday and being asked to vote on Wednesday, some members of our committee were not able to attend.
- This was a decision that did not allow for a coordinator to discuss this with coaches, AD's, administrators of the section they represent. This was a decision solely made by the coordinator without input of the members they are asked to represent.
- I believe we could have developed a rotation for one year (2024) that would have sufficed and met the Guiding Principles as opposed to five years.
- We as a boys soccer committee did not ask for the rotations to be changed as we were mandated. It is likely that most coordinators would have approved staying with the current rotation.
- I do believe we have exchanged a set of problems for another set of problems. I do expect, now that the brackets have been adjusted, we will see other issues arise.
- To be fair, Section 7 clearly benefits from this new rotation, but I don't believe the rest of the sections can say the same.

**FINAL - READY FOR CAC/EC**

**BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER 2024-28 (includes GUIDING PRINCIPLES)**

	2024		2025		2026		2027		2028	
	Sub-Regional	Regional/Final	Sub-Regional	Regional/Final	Sub-Regional	Regional/Final	Sub-Regional	Regional/Final	Sub-Regional	Regional/Final
<b>Class AAA</b>	4 @ 1	1/4 @ 9 2 @ 3 5 @ 6 11 @ 8	8 @ 11	8/11 @ 1 9 @ 4 6 @ 5 3 @ 2	5 @ 6	5/6 @ 3 4 @ 9 1 @ 2 11 @ 8	2 @ 3	2/3 @ 4 9 @ 1 6 @ 5 8 @ 11	4 @ 9	4/9 @ 1 5 @ 6 11 @ 8 2 @ 3
<b>Class AA</b>	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 1 4 @ 9 5 @ 6 2 @ 3	1 @ 4	1/4 @ 9 3 @ 2 6 @ 5 8 @ 11	2 @ 3	2/3 @ 4 9 @ 1 5 @ 6 11 @ 8	6 @ 5	6/5 @ 3 4 @ 9 1 @ 2 8 @ 11	9 @ 4	9/4 @ 1 5 @ 6 11 @ 8 3 @ 2
<b>Class A</b>	9 @ 1	9/1 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	8 @ 11	8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3 10/7 @ 2	9 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	9/4 @ 2 11/8 @ 1 5/6 @ 3 7 @ 10	4 @ 1	4/1 @ 9 8 @ 11 6 @ 5 3/7 @ 2/10	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 9 1 @ 4 5 @ 6 7 @ 10 approved 4-5 2 @ 3 2/3 @ 7/10
<b>Class B</b>	9 @ 1	9/1 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	8 @ 11	8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3 10/7 @ 2	9 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	9/4 @ 2 11/8 @ 1 5/6 @ 3 7 @ 10	4 @ 1	4/1 @ 9 8 @ 11 6 @ 5 3/7 @ 2/10	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 9 1 @ 4 5 @ 6 7 @ 10 approved 4-5 2 @ 3 2/3 @ 7/10
<b>Class C</b>	11 @ 8** 1 @ 9 7 @ 10	11/8** @ 1/9 2 @ 7/10 3 @ 4 5 @ 6	8 @ 11 9 @ 1 4 @ 3	9/1 @ 8/11** 10 @ 7 4/3 @ 2 6 @ 5	11 @ 8** 1 @ 9 2 @ 3	11/8** @ 1/9 7 @ 10 2/3 @ 4 5 @ 6	8 @ 11 9 @ 1 10 @ 7	9/1 @ 8/11** 7/10 @ 2 4 @ 3 6 @ 5	11 @ 8** 1 @ 9 4 @ 2	11/8** @ 1/9 7 @ 10 2/4 @ 3 5 @ 6 8 @ 11 (only if both)

Class D	2024		2025		2026		2027		2028	
	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final
11 @ 2**	11/2 @9	11 @ 9**	11/9 @ 2	2 @ 11**	2/11 @ 9	9 @ 11**	9/11 @ 2	11 @ 2**	11/2 @ 9	
	10 @7	7 @10	7 @10	10 @7	10 @7	7 @10	7 @10		10 @7	
	3 @4	4 @3	4 @3	3 @4	3 @4	4 @3	4 @3		3 @4	
	5 @6	6 @5	6 @5	5 @6	5 @6	6 @5	6 @5		5 @6	

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## **GIRLS SOCCER: Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-28** **Using Guiding Principles**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Joe Vas, NYSPHSAA Girls Soccer State Coordinator

**Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Girls Soccer Committee is seeking approval for a new regional rotation for 2024-28 using the guiding principles approved by the Executive Committee.

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

**Rationale:**

With the assistance of the NYSPHSAA Office, each team sport committee was charged with developing new regional rotations, following the approval of new guiding principles for regional rotations, to focus on equity.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Girls Soccer Committee in March 2024

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

This NYSPHSAA State Committee voted 10-1 (Section 1 ) in favor of supporting this proposal.

**Attachments:**

See proposed regional rotations

**CAC Feedback:**

Voted 8-2 in support of this proposal at its April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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## **GIRLS SOCCER: Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-28 Using Guiding Principles** **CONCERNS FROM COMMITTEE**

### Section 1 (Matt Chappas voted NO)

Just to be clear - we're looking for equity in travel and opponents. Sections 5/6 and 8/11 have much easier travel and matchups over the 5-year period. Section 1 has to play 2,3,4,9,8,11 at various points in the rotation. We do not see this as equity in travel. We would love a consistent 1/9 match up in subs and finals like 8/11, 5/6.

Our road to the final four has been much more difficult than some of our neighboring sections. Again, we are simply looking for equity across the board.

### Section 3 (Peter Lautensack voted YES)

After yesterday's call I agreed with the improved travel rotations for our Section 3 schools. Without the benefit of having the final modified brackets in front of me I did not have the opportunity to speak to the equity of hosting Home Regional Final games. Upon review I see that Section 3 Travels away for 17 Regional Finals and is only home for 13 Regional over the 5-year span.

We would travel for 6 Sub-Regionals and only be home for 4 games. Thus, we would travel to 23 total games (presuming we win all the sub-regional matches) and only be home for 17 for the 5-year period. Section 3 would only be the home school 43% of the time and would be the traveling for 57% of the competitions.

I would like to ask that for equity 1 sub-regional pairing game host be reversed and 2 Regional game hosts be reversed. This would result in us traveling for 5 sub-regional and hosting 5 sub-regional games. It would also allow us to travel for 15 regional and be home for 15 regional finals, presuming we won the sub-regionals.

### Section 6 (Chris Durr voted YES)

1. The 7/10 regional finals in class AA and A have very low numbers in comparison to the other regions...that is not equitable!
2. Would like to recommend the sub regionals be played on Wednesdays and the Regional finals on Saturdays! Game times should be sensitive to the traveling team's distance.
3. Regional finals sites need to be posted by certain date so that teams can plan the travel ahead of time should they win the sub regional.
4. Request that all sections work together to set the host sections games to help to shorten travel time when planning sub regional and regional final sites.

### Section 7 (Tim Mulligan voted NO)

Pairing section 7 with section 3 for subregional play should never occur. It is a 5-hour trip from Plattsburgh to Syracuse. While the map shows our sections are contiguous, there is a 6-million-acre Adirondack Park between us.

While the pairings in A-C on some years favor our section, I cannot support something I've adamantly argued against in the past. That is a final four representative from "region" with only a handful of teams. 7-10 in class A, B, and C should not be playing a regional final to get to the final four. The same situation occurs with 8 and 11 in class B getting a regional final. We fixed this issue last year at the state meeting, and now this new schedule goes right back to allow for the inequity. I'm sure there are other situations where the pool of teams in a region needs to be looked at more closely, but there was not time to do so in this process.

**FINAL - READY FOR CAC/EC**  
**BOYS AND GIRLS SOCCER 2024-28 (includes GUIDING PRINCIPLES)**

	2024		2025		2026		2027		2028	
	Sub Regional	Regional/Final	Sub Regional	Regional/Final	Sub Regional	Regional/Final	Sub Regional	Regional/Final	Sub Regional	Regional/Final
<b>Class AAA</b>	4 @ 1	1/4 @ 9 2 @ 3 5 @ 6 11 @ 8	8 @ 11	8/11 @ 1 9 @ 4 6 @ 5 3 @ 2	5 @ 6	5/6 @ 3 4 @ 9 1 @ 2 11 @ 8	2 @ 3	2/3 @ 4 9 @ 1 6 @ 5 8 @ 11	4 @ 9	4/9 @ 1 5 @ 6 11 @ 8 2 @ 3
<b>Class AA</b>	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 1 4 @ 9 5 @ 6 2 @ 3	1 @ 4	1/4 @ 9 3 @ 2 6 @ 5 8 @ 11	2 @ 3	2/3 @ 4 9 @ 1 5 @ 6 11 @ 8	6 @ 5	6/5 @ 3 4 @ 9 1 @ 2 8 @ 11	9 @ 4	9/4 @ 1 5 @ 6 11 @ 8 3 @ 2
<b>Class A</b>	9 @ 1	9/1 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	8 @ 11	4 @ 9 8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3	9 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	9/4 @ 2 11/8 @ 1 5/6 @ 3	4 @ 1	4/1 @ 9 8 @ 11 6 @ 5	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 9 1 @ 4 5 @ 6
<b>Class B</b>	9 @ 1	9/1 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	8 @ 11	4 @ 9 8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3	9 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	9/4 @ 2 11/8 @ 1 5/6 @ 3	4 @ 1	4/1 @ 9 8 @ 11 6 @ 5	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 9 1 @ 4 5 @ 6
<b>Class C</b>	11 @ 8** 1 @ 9 7 @ 10	11/8** @ 1/9 2 @ 7/10 3 @ 4 5 @ 6	8 @ 11 9 @ 1 4 @ 3	9/1 @ 8/11** 10 @ 7 4/3 @ 2 6 @ 5	11 @ 8** 1 @ 9 2 @ 3	11/8** @ 1/9 7 @ 10 2/3 @ 4 5 @ 6	8 @ 11 9 @ 1 10 @ 7	9/1 @ 8/11** 7/10 @ 2 4 @ 3 6 @ 5	11 @ 8** 1 @ 9 4 @ 2	11/8** @ 1/9 7 @ 10 2/4 @ 3 5 @ 6

8 @ 11 (only if both)



Class D

11 @ 2**	11/2 @ 9 10 @ 7 3 @ 4 5 @ 6	11 @ 9**	11/9 @ 2 7 @ 10 4 @ 3 6 @ 5	2 @ 11**	2/11 @ 9 10 @ 7 3 @ 4 5 @ 6	9 @ 11**	9/11 @ 2 7 @ 10 4 @ 3 6 @ 5	11 @ 2**	11/2 @ 9 10 @ 7 3 @ 4 5 @ 6
Sub Regional	2024 Regional Final	Sub Regional	2025 Regional Final	Sub Regional	2026 Regional Final	Sub Regional	2027 Regional Final	Sub Regional	2028 Regional Final

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## **FIELD HOCKEY: Establish New Regional Rotation for 2024-28** **Using Guiding Principles**

- Action Item
- Discussion Item
- Informational Item

**Presenter:**

Bev Hooper, NYSPHSAA Field Hockey State Coordinator

**Proposal:**

The NYSPHSAA Field Hockey Committee is seeking approval for a new regional rotation for 2024-28 using the guiding principles approved by the Executive Committee.

**Effective Start Date:**

Fall 2024

**Rationale:**

With the assistance of the NYSPHSAA Office, each team sport committee was charged with developing new regional rotations, following the approval of new guiding principles for regional rotations, to focus on equity.

**Proposal Originated:**

NYSPHSAA Field Hockey Committee April 2024

**Budgetary Impact:**

None

**Notes:**

This NYSPHSAA State Committee voted 7-1 (Section 1 opposed, Section 2 absent) in favor of supporting this proposal.

**Attachments:**

See proposed regional rotations

**CAC Feedback:**

Voted 9-1 in support of this proposal at its April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

FINAL - READY FOR CAC/EC

FIELD HOCKEY 2024-28 (includes Guiding Principles)

2024		2025		2026		2027		2028	
Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final	Sub-Regional	Regional Final
6 v 3 in Sect 5	6/3 @ 5	4 @ 9	4/9 @ 1	6 @ 5	6/5 @ 3	8 @ 11	8/11 @ 1	1 @ 2	1/2 @ 3
	Class C: Regional Final is 3 @ 6		8 @ 11		11 @ 8		9 @ 4		11 @ 8
	11 @ 8		3 @ 2		4 @ 2		2 @ 3		6 @ 5
	9 @ 1		5 @ 6		1 @ 9		5 @ 6		4 @ 9
	2 @ 4		Class C: Atl 4 @ 6		Class C Atl 1 @ 6		Class C Atl 2 v 6 @ 5		Class C Atl 9 @ 6
	Class B: Atl 11 @ 1		Class B: Atl 6 @ 1		Class B: Atl 6 @ 1		Class B: Atl 8 @ 4		Class B: Atl 3 @ 9
<p><i>* If Section 5 has a Class C team, the At Large team for that year advances to the next year.</i></p> <p><i>* If Section 9 has a Class B team, the At Large team for that year advances to the next year.</i></p>									
<b>Committee Vote:</b>									
7-1 (Section 1 opposed) in favor on March 25, 2024 (Section 2 absent)									
<b>Concerns:</b>									
* Section 1 is opposed to their section playing different opponents during term									
* Numerous sections concerned about Long Island Championships being a required matchup in sub or reg final. Not written in principles.									
as of March 25, 2024									