



**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP**

Tuesday, January 14, 2025 - 9:30 AM

**Orange Ulster BOCES
Carl Onken Conference Center Room B/C**

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AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting (December 10, 2024)
2. Section IX Update – Greg Ransom / Jim Osborne
3. OCIAA President’s Report – Mike Bellarosa
 - a. Sharon Delmonico Athletic Trainer of the Year Award
 - b. Ms. Suzanne Lenzian
 - NYSAAA Awards
 1. Athletic Administrator
 2. Distinguished Service
 3. Community Service
 4. Judith Martens Secretarial
 5. Liam Frawley Athletic Administrator
4. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator’s Report – Mr. Christopher Mayo
Items of Concern:
 - a. Section IX Football – Mr. David Coates
 - b. Fall 2025 schedules discussion
 - c. OCIAA Calendar 2025-2026
 - d. Scholar Athlete Awards
 - e. Combining of Teams – Mr. Tim Bult
 - f. NYSAAA – Mr. John Giametta
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 9:30 am
At Orange Ulster BOCES Carl Onken Center Room B/C

Next Section IX Meeting – Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 9:30 am via Zoom

8. Adjourn

VARSITY & JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS SOCCER – 16 GAMES (CLASS AA/A/B/C/D)
2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: August 18th
 Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Aug. 25
 Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Aug. 25
 Labor Day: September 1st
 Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**
 Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**
 Columbus Day: October 13th
 Seed Meeting: **10/23/2025**
 Sectionals: Start: 10/24/2025
 Regionals: 11/3 – 11/8
 States: November 14-16, 2025 @ Middletown HS

Boys Soccer – 16 Games Maximum					
<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>	<u>Division 4</u>	<u>Division 5</u>	<u>Division 6</u>
<u>Class AAA</u> (1096 +)	<u>Class AA</u> (691-1095)	<u>Class A</u> (407-690)	<u>Class B</u> (247-406)	<u>Class C</u> (143-246)	<u>Class D</u> (up to 142)
1. NFA 2. Middletown 3. Monroe Woodbury 4. Kingston 5. Pine Bush	1. Valley Central 2. Washingtonville 3. Warwick 4. Minisink 5. Goshen 6. Cornwall	1. Monticello 2. Beacon 3. Liberty 4. Port Jervis	1. Fallsburg 2. O'Neill 3. Sullivan West*	1. Chester 2. Tri Valley* 3. Burke* 4. S.S. Seward *No JV	1. Eldred* 2. Chapel Field

* = NO JV

Dates:

August: 28
 September: 2, 4, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25, 29,
 October: 3, 7, 9, 15, 17, 20, 22

Notes:

All schools play two times in division. Any additional are non-league games. Div. 5 and Div. 6 combine to play two times. JV Schedules for Divisions 3-6 are matched up based on who is open for a JV game since there are so few JV teams in Div. 5/6.

Below is a link to the Soccer: Boys Varsity Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

Below is a link to the Soccer: Boys JV Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

VARSITY & JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER – 16 GAMES (CLASS AA/A/B/C/D)

2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: August 18th

Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Aug. 25

Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Aug. 25

Labor Day: September 1st

Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**

Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**

Columbus Day: October 13th

Seed Meeting: **10/23/2025**

Sectionals: Start: 10/24/2025

Regionals: 11/3 – 11/8

States: November 14-16, 2025 @ SUNY Cortland

<u>Girls Soccer – 16 Games Maximum</u>					
<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>	<u>Division 4</u>	<u>Division 5</u>	<u>Division 6</u>
<u>Class AAA</u> (1065 +)	<u>Class AA</u> (681-1064)	<u>Class A</u> (382-680)	<u>Class B</u> (237-381)	<u>Class C</u> (129-236)	<u>Class D</u> (up to 128)
1. NFA 2. Middletown 3. Monroe Woodbury 4. Kingston 5. Pine Bush	1. Valley Central 2. Washingtonville 3. Warwick 4. Minisink 5. Goshen 6. Cornwall 7. Monticello	1. Beacon 2. Port Jervis 3. Liberty	1. Fallsburg* 2. O’Neill 3. Sullivan West 4. Chester *No JV	1. Tri Valley 2. Burke* 3. SS Seward* *No JV	1. Eldred* 2. LM/Rosc* 3. Chapel Field *No JV

*** = NO JV**

Dates:

August: 29

September: 3, 5, 9, 11, 17, 19, 26, 30

October: 6, 8, 10, 14, 16, 18, 21

NOTES:

All schools play two times in division. Any additional games vs. each other are non-league games. Div. 5 and Div 6 will combine and play two times. Varsity has 12 – 14 games. JV schedule is a hodge podge for the lower divisions due to lack of teams. But JV Teams have about 10-12 contests.

Below is a link to the Soccer: Girls Varsity Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

Below is a link to the Soccer: Girls JV Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

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GIRLS VARSITY SWIMMING – 16 GAMES

2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: August 18th

Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Aug. 25

Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Aug. 25

Labor Day: September 1st

Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**

Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**

Columbus Day: October 13th

OCIAA's: Diving: Oct 23 @ Wash'ville | Swimming Oct. 24, 2025 @ Wash'ville and NFA

Sectionals: Nov. 6, 7, 8, 2025 @ Valley Central

States: Nov. 21-22 @ Webster Aquatic Center

Girls Swimming / Diving – 16 Matches Maximum	
 = Pool Diving/Swim = Pool Swim only = No Pool/College Pool	
<u>Division I</u>	<u>Division II</u>
1. NFA 2. Kingston 3. Pine Bush 4. Valley Central 5. Beacon 6. Marlboro 7. Rhinebeck 8. Red Hook 9. Lourdes	1. Middletown 2. Monroe Woodbury 3. Warwick*** 4. Washingtonville 5. Minisink 6. Cornwall 7. Goshen** 8. FDR 9. Walkkill 10. New Paltz
% Spackenkill to shadow Beacon * Rondout / Onteora to shadow Kingston	***SS Seward to shadow Warwick **Chester Shadows Goshen

Dates:

September: 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 25, 26, 26, 30,

October: 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15

Notes:

Two divisions. 8 or 9 league meets, 2 – 3 non-league, + Division Championship meet = 11-12

Lack of pools – FDR, Walkkill, – no pools. Goshen uses Goshen Community Pool sparingly. New Paltz uses SUNY New Paltz. Red Hook and Rhinebeck uses Bard College for minimal home meets. Lourdes pool situation TBD but scheduled all away.

Scheduling is either Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday depending on division.

Shadows: SS Seward Shadows Warwick. Chester shadows Goshen. Rondout/Onteora Shadows Kingston?

Below is a link to the Swimming & Diving: Girls Varsity Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

BOYS & GIRLS VARSITY CROSS-COUNTRY – 16 MEETS (CLASS AA/A/B/C/D)

2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: August 18th

Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Aug. 25

Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Aug. 25

Labor Day: September 1st

Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**

Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**

Columbus Day: October 13th

OCIAA's: Oct. 25 @ Warwick

Sectionals: Nov. 7 @ Bear Mtn.

States: Nov. 15 @ Queensbury HS

<u>Cross Country – 16 Meets Maximum</u>				
<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>	<u>Division 4</u>	<u>Division 5</u>
<u>Class A</u> <u>(815+)</u>	<u>Class A</u> <u>(815+)</u>	<u>Class B</u> <u>(450-814)</u>	<u>Class C /Class D</u> <u>C (255-449)</u> <u>D (up to 254)</u>	<u>Non-Scoring</u> <u>Teams</u>
1. NFA 2. Middletown 3. Monroe Woodbury 4. Kingston	1. Pine Bush 2. Valley Central 3. Washingtonville 4. Warwick	1. Minisink 2. Monticello 3. Cornwall 4. Goshen 5. Beacon	1. Fallsburg 2. O'Neill 3. <u>Sullivan West</u> 4. Burke 5. Tri Valley	1. Port Jervis 2. Liberty 3. SS Seward 4. Eldred 5. Liv. Manor/Rosc 6. Tuxedo 7. Homestead

Dates:

September: 4, 9, 16, 25, 30

October: 7, 14,

Notes:

Division scheduling. If schools run each other more than once in division, 1st meet will be Non-League, 2nd meet will count as League meet.

*Tuxedo to shadow Burke, *Chester to shadow SS Seward

Below is a link to the Cross Country: Boys Varsity Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

GIRLS VARSITY TENNIS – 16 MATCHES
2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: August 18th

Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Aug. 25

Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Aug. 25

Labor Day: September 1st

Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**

Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**

Columbus Day: October 13th

OCIAA's: Oct. 15-17 @ Match Point

Sectionals: Oct. 22-24 @ Match Point

Sectional Team Championship:

States: Individual: Oct. 27, 28, 29, 2025 @ **BJK Tennis Center, Flushing, NY** | Team: Nov. 7

<u>Girls Tennis – 16 Matches Maximum</u>		
<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>
<u>Large Schools</u> <u>(600+)</u>	<u>Large Schools</u> <u>(600+)</u>	<u>Small Schools</u> <u>(up to 599)</u>
1. NFA 2. Middletown 3. Monroe Woodbury 4. Kingston 5. Pine Bush 6. Valley Central	1. Warwick 2. Washingtonville 3. Minisink 4. Goshen 5. Cornwall 6. Monticello 7. Beacon	1. Port Jervis 2. Liberty 3. O'Neill 4. Tri Valley 5. Burke Catholic

<u>Girls JV Tennis – 16 Matches Maximum</u>	
1. Newburgh 2. Monroe-Woodbury 3. Middletown 4. Kingston 5. Pine Bush 6. Valley Central	7. Washingtonville 8. Minisink 9. Warwick 10. Cornwall 11. Goshen 12. Beacon

Dates:

August: 27, 29

September: 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 25, 26, 29, 30,

October: 3, 6, 8, 10

NOTES: Div. 1 and 2 are large school division. Div. 3 is small school division. Div. 1 and 2 are one time in division then non-league vs. each other and Div. 3 for a total of 12-13 contests. JV has 12 teams, they have 10 -11 contests. JV opposite Varsity.

Below is a link to the Tennis: Girls Varsity Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

Below is a link to the Tennis: Girls JV Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

VARSITY & JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL – 20 GAMES (CLASS AA/A/B/C)

2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: August 18th

Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Aug. 25

Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Aug. 25

Labor Day: September 1st

Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**

Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**

Columbus Day: October 13th

Seed Meeting: October 30th, 2025

Sectionals: Possible Start: Sat. Nov. 1; Finals: November 7th - 9th

Regionals: Nov. 10 - 15

States: Nov. 22-23 @ _____

Volleyball – 20 Games Maximum					
<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>	<u>Division 4</u>	<u>Division 5</u>	<u>Division 6</u>
<u>Class AAA</u> (1041 +)	<u>Class AA</u> (733-1040)	<u>Class A</u> (453-732)	<u>Class B</u> (283-452)	<u>Class C</u> (174-282)	<u>Class D</u> (up to 173)
1. NFA 2. Middletown 3. Monroe Woodbury 4. Kingston 5. Pine Bush 6. Valley Central	1. Washingtonville 2. Warwick 3. Minisink 4. Goshen 5. Cornwall	1. Monticello 2. Beacon 3. Port Jervis 4. Liberty	1. Fallsburg 2. O’Neill	1. Chester 2. Sullivan West 3. Tri Valley (JV) 4. Burke 5. SS Seward	1. Chapel Field 2. Eldred (JV) 3. LM/Rosc (JV) 4. Tuxedo

Dates:

August:

September: 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 26, 29,

October: 3, 6, 8, 10, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24

NOTES:

All teams play twice in division. Div 3 and 4 combine to play each other twice, Div. 5/6 combine to play each other twice. With non-league matches schools have between 14-16 contests. Three schools are JV Only – Tri Valley, Liv. Manor, Eldred. Chapel Field is Varsity and JV this year, and will play all away.

Below is a link to the Volleyball: Girls Varsity Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

Below is a link to the Volleyball: Girls JV Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

2025 – 2026

MODIFIED FOOTBALL - 7 GAMES

Practice Starts: Sept. 3 or whenever first day of School takes place
Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 10 | Date of First Scrimmage: Sept. 17th
Practices required prior to 1st Game: 10 | Date of First Game: Sept. 17th
Labor Day: September 1st
Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**
Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**
Columbus Day: October 13th

MODIFIED B FOOTBALL 11 MAN (7-8) - 7 GAMES

1. Newburgh	1. Washingtonville
2. Monroe-Woodbury	2. FDR
3. Middletown	3. Minisink
4. Kingston	4. Goshen
5. Pine Bush	5. Port Jervis
6. Warwick	6. Beacon

Dates:

September: 18, 25, 30

October: 7, 14, 21, 28

November:

MODIFIED A FOOTBALL 11 MAN (7-8-9)

1. Valley Central	1. New Paltz
2. Monticello	2. Highland
3. Liberty	3. Marlboro
4. Chester/Florida	4. Red Hook
5. O'Neill	5. Rondout
6. Burke Catholic	6. Saugerties
7. Ellenville	7. Spackenkill
8. Wallkill	8. Dover

Modified A 8 Man Football (7,8,9)

1. Fallsburg	6. Pine Plains
2. Liv Manor/Roscoe	7. Pawling
3. Tri Valley	8. Onteora
4. Sullivan West	9. Millbrook
5. Eldred	

11 man Mod A Dates:

September: 18, 25, 30

October: 8, 15, 22, 29

November:

8 man Dates:

September: 20, 25, 30,

October: 4, 8, 14, 18, 22, 28,

November: 4

Below is a link to the Football: Modified B Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

Below is a link to the Football: Modified A Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

MODIFIED BOYS SOCCER (7-8) - 12 GAMES
2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: Sept. 3 or whenever first day of School takes place
 Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Sept. 11th
 Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Sept. 11th
 Labor Day: September 1st
 Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**
 Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**
 Columbus Day: October 13th

MODIFIED BOYS SOCCER (7-8) - 12 GAMES

<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>	<u>Division 4</u>
1. NFA (B)	1. NFA (G)	1. Port Jervis	1. Liberty
2. MW (P)	2. MW (W)	2. Chapel Field	2. Tri Valley
3. Middletown (M)	3. Middletown (TT)	3. Greenwood Lake	3. Eldred
4. Pine Bush	4. Minisink	4. SS Seward	4. Fallsburg
5. Valley Central	5. Goshen	5. O'Neill	5. Sullivan West
6. Washingtonville	6. Cornwall	6. Chester	6. Liv Manor/Roscoe
7. Warwick	7. Beacon	7. Burke	
	8. Monticello	8. Tuxedo	
		9. West Point MS	

DATES:

September: 16, 18, 26, 29

October: 7, 9, 15, 17, 21, 23, 27, 29,

November: 3

NOTES:

All divisions play 12 games. Dates vary between divisions depending on # of teams. **Different days of week for boys and girls soccer because teams are different between boys and girls - so the divisions do not match up. Also gives us better coverage of officials.**

Below is a link to the Soccer: Boys Modified Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

MODIFIED GIRLS SOCCER (7-8) - 12 GAMES

2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: Sept. 3 or whenever first day of School takes place
Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Sept. 11th
Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Sept. 11th
Labor Day: September 1st
Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**
Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**
Columbus Day: October 13th

MODIFIED GIRLS SOCCER (7-8) - 12 GAMES

Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
1. NFA (B)	1. NFA (G)	1. Port Jervis	1. Liberty
2. MW (P)	2. MW (W)	2. Chester	2. Tri Valley
3. Middletown	3. Minisink	3. Greenwood Lake	3. Eldred
4. Pine Bush	4. Cornwall	4. SS Seward	4. Fallsburg
5. Valley Central	5. Goshen	5. Chapel Field	5. Sullivan West
6. Warwick	6. Beacon	6. Burke	6. Liv Manor/Roscoe
7. Washingtonville	7. Monticello	7. West Point MS	

DATES:

September: 15, 17, 25, 30,

October: 3, 6, 8, 14, 16, 20, 22, 28, 30

November: 4

NOTES:

All divisions play 12 games. Girl's does not line up same as boy's schedule due to less teams in girls.

Different days of week for boys and girls soccer because teams are different between boys and girls - so the divisions do not match up. Also gives us better coverage of officials.

Below is a link to the Soccer: Girls Modified Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

MODIFIED BOYS/GIRLS CROSS-COUNTRY (7-8) - 10 MEETS
2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: Sept. 3 or whenever first day of School takes place
Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Sept. 11th
Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Sept. 11th
Labor Day: September 1st
Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**
Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**
Columbus Day: October 13th

MODIFIED BOYS/GIRLS CROSS-COUNTRY (7-8) - 10 MEETS

Modified Cross Country – 10 Contests Maximum	
1. NFA	13. Goshen
2. Monroe-Woodbury	14. Port Jervis
3. Middletown	15. Liberty
4. Kingston	16. Fallsburg
5. Pine Bush	17. Sullivan West
6. Valley Central	18. Tri-Valley
7. Washingtonville	19. S.S. Seward
8. Minisink	20. Eldred
9. Warwick	21. Greenwood Lake
10. Cornwall	22. West Point
11. Monticello	23. Livingston Manor
12. Beacon	24. Burke Catholic

Dates:

September:
October:

Notes:

9/18 and 10/22 are multi-meets at Orange County Park.

- Travel to same location as Varsity where possible.

Below is a link to the Cross Country: Modified Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.
[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

OCIAA MODIFIED VOLLEYBALL (7-8) – 14 GAMES (7 dates, two games each day)

2025 – 2026

Practice Starts: Sept. 3 or whenever first day of School takes place

Practices required prior to 1st Scrimmage: 6 | Date of First Scrimmage: Sept. 11th

Practices required prior to 1st Game: 6 | Date of First Game: Sept. 11th

Labor Day: September 1st

Rosh Hashanah: **Sunset Monday, Sept. 22 to Sunset Wed, Sept. 24**

Yom Kippur: **Sunset Wed, Oct. 1st to Sunset Thurs. Oct. 2nd**

Columbus Day: October 13th

Modified Volleyball – 14 Games Maximum				
<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>	<u>Division 4</u>	<u>Division 5</u>
1. NFA (B)	1. NFA (G)	1. Minisink	1. Chester	1. Liberty
2. Mdn. Twin Towers	2. Mdn. MNHGN	2. Beacon	2. West Point	2. Sull West
3. MW (P)	3. MW (W)	3. Goshen	3. Tuxedo	3. Fallsburg
4. Pine Bush	4. Warwick	4. Port Jervis	4. O’Neill	4. LM/Rosc
5. Valley Central	5. Washingtonville	5. Cornwall	5. G.L.	5. Eldred
		6. Monticello	6. SS Seward	
			7. Burke	

Teams play a double match and are either 3 home and 4 away or 4 home and 3 away. All Schools have 7.

Dates:

September: 16, 18, 25, 30,

October: 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30

Below is a link to the Volleyball: Girls Modified Fall 2025 Schedule for Section IX Athletics.

[Click here for the latest schedule](#)

ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 2025-2026 CALENDAR – Draft Jan. 2025

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY/EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
TBA	5:00 PM	Football Rules Interp. Meeting (Varsity/JV/Freshmen)	Middletown H.S. Capstone Room
16 Aug (Sat)		Football may start (Varsity/JV/Freshmen)	
18 Aug (Mon)		All Other Sports may start (Varsity/JV/Freshmen)	
19 Aug (Tue)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
18-22 Aug		Fall Sports Rules Interp. Meeting (Varsity/JV/Mod)	Virtual
1 Sept (Mon)		Holiday (Labor Day) - Office closed	
3 Sept (Wed)		First Day - Modified Fall Sports may start if school is open	
8 Sept (Mon)	8:30 AM	NYSPPHSAA Mandated Workshop	Otterkill Golf Club
16 Sept (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
22-24 Sept. (Sunset to Sunset)		Holiday (Rosh Hashanah) – No league scheduled games	
1 Oct (Wed)	9:00 AM	Executive Committee Meeting	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
1-2 Oct (Thurs)		Holiday (Yom Kippur) – No league scheduled games	
13 Oct (Mon)		Holiday (Columbus Day) - Office closed	
14 Oct (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
11 Nov (Tues)		Holiday (Veterans Day) – Office closed	
10-14 Nov		Winter Rules Interpretation Meeting (Varsity/ JV/Mod)	Virtual
18 Nov (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
17 Nov (Mon)		Winter Sports may start (Varsity/ JV)	
24 Nov (Mon)		Modified Winter Sports may start	
26-28 Nov (Wed-Fri)		Thanksgiving Holiday – Office closed	
9 Dec (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
17 Dec (Wed)	9:00 AM	Executive Committee Meeting	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
24 Dec- 2 Jan		Winter Recess	
13 Jan (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
19 Jan (Mon)		Holiday (Martin Luther King Day) – Office closed	
27-30 Jan (Tue-Fri)		Regents Week	
10 Feb (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
16-17 Feb (Mon)		President’s Day / Lunar New Year – Office Closed	
3 Mar (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
4 Mar (Wed)	9:00 AM	Executive Committee Meeting	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
9-13 Mar		Spring Rules Interpretation Meeting (Var/JV/Modified)	Virtual
9 Mar (Mon)		Spring Sports may start (Varsity/JV)	
16 Mar (Mon)		Modified Spring Sports may start	
30 Mar -5 April		Spring Recess	
21 Apr (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
19 May (Tues)	-----	School Budget Vote Day	
21 May (Thurs)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
25 May (Mon)		Holiday (Memorial Day) – Office closed	
27 May (Wed)	9:00 AM	Executive Committee Meeting	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
11 June (Thurs)	9:00 AM	OCIAA Scholar Athlete Breakfast	TBA
16 June (Tues)	9:30 AM	OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken
15-26 June		Regents Exams	

<u>SECTION IX MEETING DATES</u>		<u>Section IX Start Dates – High School</u>	
Thurs. Sept. 4, 2025	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken – 9:30 AM	Football - Sat., Aug. 16, 2025	
Mon. Sept. 8, 2025	Otterkill Golf Club (NYSPPHSAA Mandated Workshop) – 8:30 AM	Other Fall Sports – Mon., Aug. 18, 2025	
Tues. Oct. 7, 2025	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken – 9:30 AM	All Winter Sports - Mon., Nov. 17, 2025	
Thurs. Nov. 6, 2025	Zoom Meeting – 9:30 AM	All Spring Sports - Mon, March 9, 2026	
Tues. Jan. 6, 2026	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken – 9:30 AM		
Tues. March 10, 2026	Zoom Meeting – 9:30 AM		
Thurs. April 9, 2026	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken – 9:30 AM		
Tues. May 12, 2026	Orange-Ulster BOCES Carl Onken – 9:30 AM		
Wed. June 10, 2026	TBA (In-person)		
		<u>Section IX Start Dates – Modified</u>	
		All Fall Sports – Sept. 3 or 1 st day school	
		All Winter Sports - Mon., Nov. 24, 2025	
		All Spring Sports - Mon, March 16, 2026	
<u>NYSPPHSAA Meetings:</u>	<u>SAT Test Dates</u>	<u>ACT Test Dates</u>	<u>PSAT Test Dates</u>
Oct. 31, 2025	October 4, 2025	Sept 6, 2025	Oct. 11, 2025
Feb. 3, 2026	November 1, 2025	Oct 25, 2025	
May 6, 2026	December 6, 2025	Dec 6, 2025	
July 28-29, 2026	March 7, 2026	Feb 6, 2026	AP Exams
	May 2, 2026	April 10, 2026	May 4-8, 2026
	June 6, 2026	June 6, 2026	May 11 – 15, 2026

WINTER 2024-2025
OCIAA AND SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

Updated – 1/9/25

BOYS SWIMMING

OCIAA CHAMPIONSHIP

DIVING	Site: Washingtonville	February 6, 2025	3PM
DIV 1 SWIMMING	Site: NFA	February 7, 2025	5PM
DIV 2 SWIMMING	Site: Washingtonville	February 7, 2025	4PM

SECTION IX - @ Valley Central High School

SWIMMING Pre-lims	February 20 th , 2025	4:30 PM
DIVING	February 21 st , 2025	4:00 PM
FINALS	February 22 nd , 2025	1:00PM

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March 7 th -8 th , 2025	Ithaca College	830AM
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GIRLS AND BOYS BASKETBALL

SECTION IX

Thursday, February 27 th , 2025	Seed Meeting	TBA
March 1 st – March 9 th , 2025	Tournament Games at Higher Seed	

BOYS BASKETBALL

March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class AAA	BYE
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class AAA	@Section IX
March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class AA	BYE
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class AA	@Section IX
March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class A	@Section I
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class A	@Section IV
March 8-10, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class B	@Section I
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class B	@Section IV
March 8-10, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class C	@Section IX
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class C	@Section XI
March 8-10, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class D	@Section IX
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class D	@Section XI

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March 20 th -23 rd , 2025	State Semi Finals and Finals	Visions Veterans Memorial Arena
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GIRLS BASKETBALL

March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class AAA	BYE
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class AAA	@Section IX
March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class AA	BYE
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class AA	@Section IX
March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class A	@Section I
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class A	@Section IV
March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class B	@Section I
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class B	@Section IV
March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class C	@Section IX
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class C	@Section IX
March 10-12, 2025	Regional Semi-Final Class D	BYE
March 14-16, 2025	Regional Final Class D	@Section IX

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March 20th-23rd, 2025

State Semi-Finals and Finals

Hudson Valley Community College

**WINTER 2024 – 2025
OCIAA AND SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP DATES**

WRESTLING

STATE DUAL MEET

Saturday, February 1, 2025

SRC Arena, Syracuse

7:00AM

SECTION IX

Friday, February 14th, 2025

Saturday, February 15th, 2025

Sunday, February 16th, 2025

Division I at Monroe Woodbury – Sectional Qualifier

Division I at Monroe-Woodbury

Division II at FDR

4:15PM

11:00AM

10:30AM

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February 28th – March 1st, 2025

MVP Arena, Albany

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SECTION IX

Thursday, February 27th, 2025

Seed Meeting – Google Meet

6:00PM

OCIAA DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday, January 24th, 2025

Saturday, January 25th, 2025

Division 2,4,6 @ West Point

Division 1,3,5 @ West Point

6-11pm

1-7pm

SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIPS

Friday, February 7th, 2025

Saturday, February 8th, 2025

Class B @ West Point

Class A @ West Point

6-11pm

1-7pm

STATE QUALIFIER

Saturday, March 1st, 2025

@ Armory Track, NYC

9am-2pm

STATES

Saturday, March 8th, 2025

Ocean Breeze Sports Complex, Staten Island

BOYS AND GIRLS ALPINE SKIING

SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Hunter Mountain

Girls GS – 10AM

Boys SL – 10AM

Boys GS – 1PM

Girls SL – 1PM

Weather make-up – Wednesday, February 12th

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February 24th-25th

Gore Mountain

8:30AM

BOYS AND GIRLS NORDIC SKIING

SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Weather make-up – Wednesday, February 12th

Minnewaska State Park

3:30PM

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February 24th-25th, 2025

North Creek Bowl

10AM

**WINTER 2024 – 2025
OCIAA AND SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP DATES**

CHEERLEADING

SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, February 22nd, 2025

Monroe Woodbury HS

TBA

NYSPHSAA CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, March 8th, 2025

Visions Veterans Memorial Arena

9AM

GYMNASTICS

SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP

Monday, February 10th, 2025

Wednesday, February 12th 2025 *Snow Date

Epik Athletics

3:00PM

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, March 1st, 2025

Clarence High School

9AM

BOYS AND GIRLS BOWLING

SECTION IX CHAMPIONSHIP

Tuesday, February 18th, 2025 - Girls

Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 - Boys

Thursday, February 20th, 2025 - *Snow Date*

Patel Lanes, Kingston NY

9AM

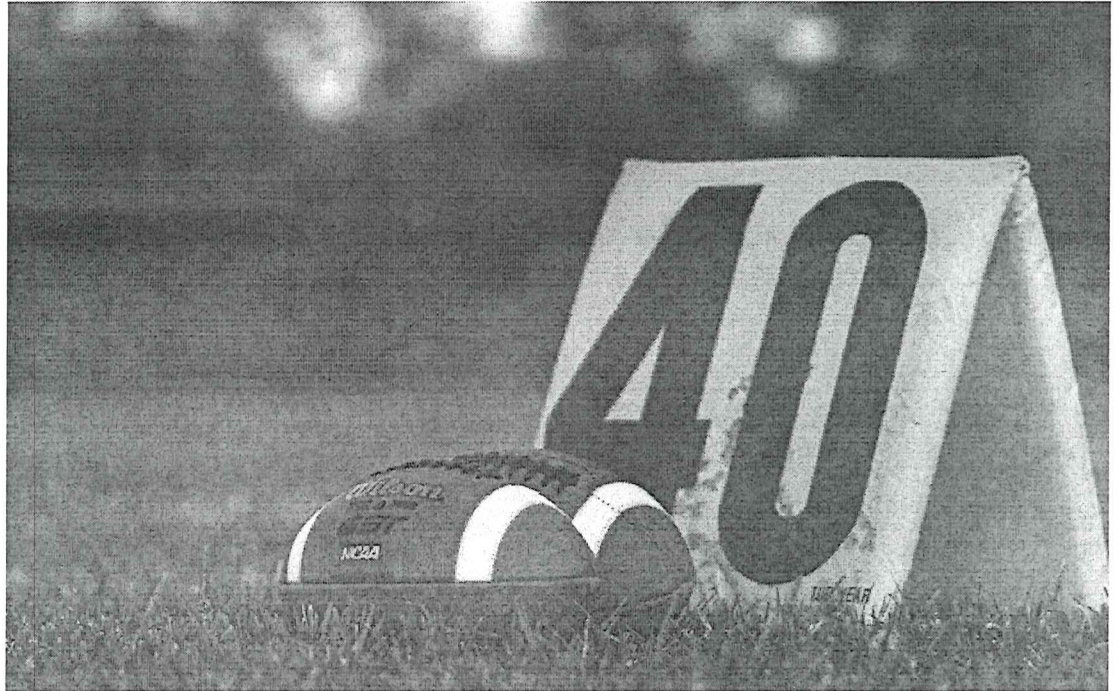
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

March 14th-16th, 2025

AMF Strike-N-Spare Lanes, Syracuse

10:30AM

Athletic Business



OPERATIONS | LEGAL

School District's Failure to Correct Dangerous Field Condition Leads to \$31M Settlement

Sports and recreation providers, both public and private, have a legal duty to ensure that the facilities they use are suitable for the intended activity. Providers have this legal obligation to keep users safe from unreasonable risks.

By — Fei Gao, John Wolohan

Jan 8th, 2025

Sports and recreation providers, both public and private, have a legal duty to ensure that the facilities they use are suitable for the intended activity. Because providers have this legal obligation to keep users safe from unreasonable risks, it is essential that facility owners and employees conduct monthly, weekly or even daily inspections of their facilities.

That said, merely inspecting the facility is not enough. To satisfy their duty of care to the users of facilities, facility owners and service providers need to correct any dangerous condition as soon as it has been discovered, or limit access to the specific location until the problem has been corrected. A recent case that illustrates the importance of correcting dangerous playing surfaces is *Garcia v. Newport-Mesa Unified School District* CASE NO: 30-2022-01243554-CU-PO-CJC.

Traumatic brain injury

Emanuel "Manny" Garcia was a 15-year-old freshman at Corona del Mar High School in Newport Beach, Calif. As a member of the freshman football team, Garcia was participating in a full-contact practice conducted on one of the high school's fields. During the practice, Garcia was attempting to catch the football when he experienced a helmet-to-helmet collision with another player. The collision sent Garcia crashing to the ground, and his head struck the playing surface. Even though Garcia was wearing a helmet at the time, he suffered catastrophic and permanent injuries, including — but not limited to — a severe traumatic brain injury, a large subdural hemorrhage and an intracranial bleed.

As a result of his injuries, Garcia sued the Newport-Mesa Unified School District, claiming that his injuries were a direct, proximate and legal result of the school district's negligence in maintaining the field. The school district, Garcia argued, had a duty to maintain the field to a safe condition, had actual notice that the field was in a dangerous condition, and failed to make the field safe for athletes.

Specifically, Garcia argued that the field lacked adequate grass coverage, exposing the surface and hardening the soil. He claimed the field was not designed, planned, constructed, installed, inspected, maintained or repaired in a manner that was adequate to absorb the kind of shock associated with tackles and falls during football practices, and that its dangerous condition created a substantial risk of injury to athletes.

Moreover, Garcia claimed that the school district was negligent for failing to correct the field's defects before his injury, despite numerous written and verbal warnings communicated to the principal and athletic director by coaches and parents complaining about the quality of the playing field. One piece of evidence produced in discovery to support Garcia's claim was an email from the lacrosse coach to the athletic director, complaining that "the surface on which we are asking our student-athletes to practice and compete on a daily basis is bordering on unplayable. Our fields have steadfastly become a safety concern, a liability issue and an extremely poor representation of our school."

Garcia also argued that the school district was negligent in failing to regularly inspect the field and address its repair and maintenance after the district became aware that the field posed a serious injury risk. Any reasonable field inspection and maintenance program implemented by the school district would have discovered the obviously dangerous condition in more than sufficient time ahead of Garcia's injuries for the school district to repair, correct, remedy or warn of the danger. Therefore, Garcia claimed, the school district breached its duty to not increase the risks otherwise posed by high school football practices.

Argument, then settlement

In arguing that it was not negligent for Garcia's injuries, the school district claimed that it conducted regular safety assessments and soil compaction tests on its fields. In addition, the school district noted that it had made substantial improvements to its athletics facilities and fields over the years and was dedicated to ongoing maintenance of the fields to ensure the success and safety of student-athletes.

After two years of discovery and legal maneuvering in the Orange County Superior Court of California, and before the case could go to trial, the school district decided to settle the case, paying Garcia \$31 million for his injuries.

While there may be many reasons for a defendant in a lawsuit to settle a case before trial — the cost of

settling is less than the nuisance cost of taking the case to court, for example — the most common reason is that the defendant fears losing at trial and leaving the damage award in the hands of a jury. In Garcia's case, because of the evidence that the school district had notice of the poor condition of the field and failed to correct it for years, it is reasonable to believe that a jury could have easily found such actions negligent and awarded Garcia even more money.

Inspect, document, fix

Normally, this column prefers to report on cases that have been decided by the courts, enabling readers to learn how the courts apply the law to issues such as negligence. Though the parties in *Garcia v. Newport-Mesa Unified School District* settled the case for \$31 million before it reached a jury, school and recreation facilities, both private or public, can still learn valuable lessons from the case.

First, the case reinforces the point that sports and recreation providers have a legal duty to ensure that facilities are suitable for their intended activity. By allowing participants to practice and play on surfaces that are in disrepair or are generally in a dangerous condition, facility owners and service providers have failed in their duty to provide a safe playing environment. By breaching their duty to not increase the risks inherent in the activity, the facility owners and service providers are inviting a negligence lawsuit.

Second, this case also makes it clear that facility owners and service providers have a duty to regularly inspect their facilities and playing surfaces for dangerous conditions before they are used. It is also important that these inspections are documented and kept on file in the event of a lawsuit.

A third lesson facility owners and service providers should take away from *Garcia* is that if a dangerous condition is discovered — a wet floor, a hole in the field, a surface that is unreasonably hard — it is essential that the facility owner or service provider repair, correct or otherwise remedy the dangerous

condition immediately. If the condition cannot be corrected right away, facility owners or service providers have a duty to limit access to the location until the problem is corrected. While perhaps inconvenient for the facility, such actions are the only way to ensure the safety of all users — and to protect the facility owners and service providers from costly lawsuits.

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