

WIAA WEDNESDAY

SEPTEMBER 27, 2023



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WELCOME BACK



THANK YOU:

- Positive energy throughout fall workshops
- Giving so much time to supervise events
- Bringing issues and concerns forward
- For solving most issues and concerns on your own

Challenge:

- Text, email, call, write, speak to at least one person each day to thank them for making your work better

EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION



2024-28 State Tournament Bid Approvals:

- **Cross Country:** Pasco
- **Slowpitch Softball:** Gateway Sports Complex (Yakima)
- **Fall Soccer:**
 - 1B/2B - Boys and Girls - Memorial Stadium (Federal Way)
 - 1A, 2A - Mt. Tahoma HS (Tacoma)
 - 3A, 4A - Sparks Stadium (Puyallup)
- **Volleyball:** Yakima Valley SunDome
- **Wrestling:** Tacoma Dome - 3-Day Event - Boys & Girls
- **Basketball:** Current Format - Tacoma Dome, Yakima Valley SunDome, Spokane Arena

EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION



- Member League Insurance Paid: \$33,189
- Passed on First Reading: Removal of multi-game suspension following an ejection

STATE TOURNAMENT SOPs/UPDATES



- No longer “Bound for State”
- Consolidate Information
- Coaches Packets
- “Know Before You Go”
- Located in MyWIAA > Sport Specific Page

CALENDAR: IMPORTANT DATES



- **October 1** - Winter Rules Clinic Launch
- **October 20** - Fall Scholastic Awards Due
- **November 1** - Membership Dues

LEAGUE PRESIDENTS' MEETINGS - 8-9AM



- September 28 - Winter Sports Planning

Future Dates:

- January 25: Spring Sports Planning
- June 13: Year End Wrap-Up

CLASSIFICATION PROCESS UPDATES



- October Counts
- Direct Cert
- Timeline and Process

RPI & LEAGUE STANDINGS



- RPI becomes more accurate as more scores are entered.
- ADs and officials have the ability to enter scores.
- If you notice incorrect scores, they must be corrected through Arbiter.
- If you notice an error in league standings, please notify WIAA staff member Nick Mendro.

SEEDING COMMITTEES



- RPI is what seeding committees use as their start for seeding the qualified teams onto the brackets.
- The RPI does not take into account contests against different classifications, and games against out of state teams are calculated as 50% win.

SEEDING COMMITTEES



- Seeding committees take into account injuries or illness to key players, at what point in the season teams may be at their best performance, strength of schedule, league schedules, tournament play, and any other factors known about the qualified teams.
- The RPI is only ONE piece of what they use and teams may be moved up or down by the seeding committees.
- Input provided by each league representative on these committees is critical for placement of the teams on the bracket.

WINTER RULES CLINICS



- **Winter Rules Clinics Launch: October 1**
- Middle Level Basketball vs. High School
- Wrestling
 - Register your wrestling weight assessors now
 - OPC Logins will be sent out by Weight Mgt.
 - First day to assess is October 30

2024-28 STATE TOURNAMENT BIDS



- State Tournament Updates
- 2024-28 Bids

AMENDMENTS



- If you believe a WIAA Handbook rule should be added, changed, or deleted, now is your chance to present it to the membership.
- The deadline for submitting amendments for the 2024 Representative Assembly is October 13.
- If you have an amendment in mind, or any questions about the process, please reach out to Cindy at any time.

FINAL FORMS



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- WPA Integration
- Scholastic Cup
- Passgates
- Participation

GAMES COMMITTEES



- Each league and WIAA District must establish a Games Committee for every sport offered.
- The Games Committee, not the WIAA staff, must rule on protests or appeals of ejections in which a subsequent contest will be played in less than two calendar days.
- Games Committees must also be prepared to handle any issues during postseason contests.

GAMES COMMITTEES



- If a team protests a contest, following a determination by a WIAA staff member that a rule has been misinterpreted or misapplied, the Games Committee would convene to determine the outcome.
- Video cannot be used.
- If a school is appealing an ejection due to a judgement call by an official, video **MUST** be provided.

WIAA WEDNESDAYS 8-9AM



OCT 25

NOV 15

JAN 24

FEB 21

MAR 20

MAY 8

JUN 5

Register in the MyWIAA AD Center
mywiaa.wiaa.com/ad-center

PREGAME



Should occur before all contests at all levels:

- Includes: Officials, coaches, captains and game management
- Cover:
 - EAP
 - Contest interruption

CONTEST INTERRUPTION



Examples of harmful behavior to be reported include:

- Derogatory cheers, chants or slurs directed at teams or individual participants
- Hateful comments of any nature as it may relate to:
 - Race/Ethnicity
 - Gender Identity/Expression
 - Disability
 - Religion
 - Age
- On court/field interactions between a coach, official, participant, crowd that are derogatory in nature

wiaa.com/addressing-discriminatory-behavior

HANDBOOK



- Forms/Website
 - MyWIAA Houses all relevant forms for ADs
 - Membership houses Co-ops/Combines
 - Classification will have all options and appeals
 - Handbook has ejections/violations/waivers
- Utilize the search function to find what you need

STICKY WICKET



If your league offers tennis or golf in the fall in which students can qualify for the spring state championships, then also compete in a spring sport, or if students in a 1B or 2B school are allowed to participate in two sports at the same time, they could possibly qualify for a second State Championship, please understand that accommodations for changes in schedules or brackets are not possible due to the domino negative effect for the event.

STICKY WICKET



- There is absolutely no such thing that a change or accommodation will impact only that one individual.
- It is important to track these individuals.
- The WIAA Executive Board just dealt with violations of 25.2.8 by seven different schools whose athletes qualified for spring State Championship events and chose not to compete.

THANK YOU!



Best of luck this Fall! We'll see you at State!