

WASHINGTON INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION



WIAA WEDNESDAY



WELCOME/WINTER RECAP

- Thank you to all that host and/or volunteer to work league, district and/or state events.
- No one knows how much you do for others and you don't know how much you positively impact others, but we do know your work makes a positive difference and that is what matters.
- Feedback is critical so please submit your after event surveys.
 - What is working?
 - What is not working?
- Self-governance model is becoming more vibrant. Mistakes are to be expected. By acknowledging and correcting we teach others and lessen future violations.

EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION TAKEN

- **NFHS Network and GoFan**
 - We have a 10 year rolling contract with the Network streaming
 - We are 7 schools from our goal to receive \$420,000
- **GoFan has 3 years left in the agreement**
 - Please pay attention to details regarding cost/benefit over lifetime of the contract
- **Questions and Answers from PlayOn partners: Joshua Mapel joshua.mapel@playonsports.com**

EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION TAKEN

- Passed on 2nd Reading 2026-27 Association Budget
- Passed on 1st Reading 2026-27 Association Calendar
- Approved updated Executive Board Policy - The President or the Vice-President of the Executive Board **shall select the Board member to** chair the Representative Assembly
- Passed on 1st Reading to explore alternate date for State Cheer Championships - Third weekend in March
- Approved proposed changes to Cheer SOP's and rubrics and scoring
- Directed Staff to explore site options and format options for State Wrestling
- Approved WMEA Emergency rule change for Mariachi Microphone use in 2026 - Implementation of consistent judge requirement for 2027 State Solo and Ensemble

EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION TAKEN

- Approved Handbook Editorial Changes as recommended by Handbook subcommittee
- Approved to develop a communication plan to message coaches education compliance requirements for 2026-27 School Year that addresses timelines and fees associated with non-compliance
- Approved various school violations of 25.2.5 during the winter postseason
- Approved to assess a member school a level 3 violation and put Bowling Coaches on a 40% suspension in 2026-27 school year for both coaches, extra 10% for the assistant coach, probation for the program and \$500 fine to the school. Both coaches must complete the NFHS sportsmanship class.

EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION TAKEN

- Tabled decision regarding action taken by District Directors in regards to alleged violation by Garfield High School boys basketball
- Approved action taken by District Directors in regards to alleged violations by four member schools
- Approved the proposed eligibility oversight review process for Roosevelt HS for year two of its probation

EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION TAKEN

- **Approved** NFHS Heart of the Arts award for Eryn Fletcher, Cascade Christian Academy
- **Approved** WIAA Bruskland Award Nominees who will be recognized during the WIAA Hall of Fame ceremony: Mike Kesler, State Cheer; Brad Tuchardt, State Cheer; Dale Fuller, State Cross Country
- **Approved** 2026 State Track and Field State Meet schedules
- **Approved** Dance/Drill Increase qualifying score from 195 to **198** for regular season and from 219 to **222** for WIAA District qualifying events
- **Approved** Soccer match score reporting experiment to be implemented in fall 2026-27; leagues can choose to implement
- **Approved** Sultan HS request to change from WIAA District 2 to WIAA District 1
- **Approved** Golf experiment regarding golf contests during the 2026 spring season

SPRING SEEDING COMMITTEES

- Introductory Zoom meeting for the baseball, fastpitch softball, and spring soccer committees will be this Sunday, March 29.
- Staff has been communicating with the league presidents to verify their representatives.

SPRING SPORT REMINDERS

- The double first base in baseball will be required next year, but can be used this year. The host site has the ability to determine if it will be used or not.
- Leagues need to determine if only the hard copy scorebook kept by the home team will be the official scorebook or if digital versions will be acceptable. The decision could impact score discrepancies and protests filed.
- Schools sharing facilities must submit a waiver of 17.14.4 and meet mandated criteria or each joint practice will count as a game for both schools

TRACK AND FIELD UPDATES

- Reminder that your Wheelchair/Ambulatory Authorization forms are due April 3
- Reminder that Unified Authorization forms are due April 3
- Your Unified Partners CANNOT be varsity level athletes who compete in the postseason
- Make sure all of your Pole Vault poles are labeled appropriately - info on the T&F page
- Reminder of the scratch one, scratch all rule
- Verify your allocations!!!

SPRING STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Week 1:
- Golf - May 19-20
- Fastpitch - May 21-23
- Tennis - May - 22-23
- Week 2:
- Track & Field - May 28-30
- Baseball - May 29-30
- Boys Soccer - May 20-30
- Summer period begins AFTER May 30 for all - no sooner but may be later for middle level

AMENDMENT VOTING

- Amendment Talking Points
- Amendment Voting Period:
 - Wednesday, April 8-Friday, April 17
- Amendments go into effect August 1 unless otherwise noted
- Potential amendments to be submitted next year are already being discussed
- Deadline for Amendments second Friday in October (October 9, 2026)

SOCCER MATCH SCORE REPORTING EXPERIMENT

- Beginning Fall of 2026 through Spring 2027
- Leagues can choose to adopt match ending procedures
- All matches will end after regulation. If tied, the score will be reported as such
- No overtime will be played until postseason
 - Postseason is defined as any play following regular season
- Many leagues already operate under these match ending procedures
- Looking to enforce more consistency in match reporting
- If adopted, continuing play after regulation is a violation and counts as an additional game

COACHES EDUCATION

- 2025-26 Coaches School Wrap Up
 - Registration closes March 31, 2026
 - Current content available until April 30, 2026
 - Individuals/schools will be charged whether completed or not
 - Pre-registration for 2026-27 opens May 1
 - New content available May 15, 2026

2026 FALL WORKSHOPS

- Wednesday, August 12 - Moses Lake
- Thursday, August 13 - Ridgeline HS
- Monday, August 17 - Gig Harbor HS
- Tuesday, August 18 - Tumwater HS
- Thursday, August 20 - Stanwood HS
- Friday, August 21 - Sammamish HS

Registration Link Posted Soon

- Reminder that our information is only as good as what we have to pull from
 - Missing/incorrect team information
 - Old or not up to date information for positions
 - Archive
- FinalForms Section of MyWIAA - Resources Available
- 2025-26 NFHS Participation Survey - Deadline of May 25 - Available **NOW**
 - **Be Sure to Click SUBMIT**
- 2026-27 Membership Rollover Guide Available Now - Deadline of July 10 (3.1.4)
 - Board Resolution on School Board Agenda EARLY - Deadline June 12 (3.1.3)
 - Be sure to be in the 2026-27 Calendar
- Transfer Tracking Update
 - Updates slated to be ready July 1
 - 2,407 Transfers as of 3/11 (still have schools with 0)
 - 477 have utilized 60/40 Rule - 452 Appeals in 24/25
 - 198 appeals at the district level, 32 at the state - 102 in 24/25

Levy Failures and Transferring

Remember:

- Absence of sport programming at a public school is not a hardship
- Transferring out of a school if sports are cut is a transfer for athletic purpose and the student is ineligible at the varsity level for one calendar year
- Schools can co-op or combine

SMAC

Make sure you are verifying who is signing off on the medical forms and that they comply with WIAA Rules (ie. physicals, return to play and concussion returns)

THANK YOU!

