



**2026 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE OHSAA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS**  
**741 OHSAA 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOOLS – 562 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE SCHOOLS VOTED**



BALLOT FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE OHSAA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS (GRADES 9-12)  
NOTE: ALL ISSUES HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR REFERENDUM BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – RESULTS – As of 4:00 p.m., Friday, May 15, 2026**

<u>FAVOR</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ISSUE</u>	
<u>374</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>35</u>	<b>1 B</b>	<p><b>Modify Bylaw 4-2-2, Exceptions 1 &amp; 2, 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Age Requirements</b>  Modifies the current requirement that a student must have <i>no impact</i> on the outcome of a contest to qualify for the requested exception, changing it to require that the student does not have a <i>significant impact</i>. This allows students who play a limited role (e.g., <i>are in the rotation but not a major contributor</i>) to still be eligible. The Executive Director’s Office will consider the extent of the student’s participation when making determinations. All other requirements remain unchanged.</p> <p><b>Issue 1 B Passed, effective date August 1, 2026</b></p>
<u>383</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>34</u>	<b>2 B</b>	<p><b>Modify Bylaw 4-3-3, Exception 1, 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Semesters Requirements</b>  Modifies the current requirement that a student must have <i>no impact</i> on the outcome of a contest to qualify for the requested exception, changing it to require that the student does not have a <i>significant impact</i>. This allows students who play a limited role (e.g., <i>are in the rotation but not a major contributor</i>) to still be eligible. The Executive Director’s Office will consider the extent of the student’s participation when making determinations. All other requirements remain unchanged.</p> <p><b>Issue 2 B Passed, effective date August 1, 2026</b></p>
<u>399</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>38</u>	<b>3 B</b>	<p><b>Modify Bylaw 4-4-5 Exception 1, 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Academic Hardship Exception</b>  Removes the requirement that a student must have been withdrawn or removed from school during the immediately preceding grading period for the exception to apply. Instead, the student and/or family must provide documentation showing that a hardship existed at the time their ineligibility occurred.</p> <p><b>Issue 3 B Passed, effective date August 1, 2026</b></p>