



Ohio High School Athletic Association

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Administrator Update

TO: Member Schools' Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Administrators

FR: OHSAA Executive Director's Office

The following updates and reminders are being sent electronically to member school superintendents, principals and athletic administrators. Please share this update with other interested administrators and coaches on your staff.

Referendum Voting Continues Through May 16

Member school principals have until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 16, to vote on the 14 OHSAA 2022 referendum issues. The voting, which takes place in *myOHSAA*, includes one Constitution item and 13 Bylaw items. Principals are encouraged to confer with their superintendents/heads of school and athletic administrators about the proposals before casting their votes. To review the 2022 OHSAA referendum items, go to:

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/SchoolResources/refvote/FINAL-2022ReferendumItems.pdf>.

Additional referendum information is available here: <https://www.ohsaa.org/School-Resources/referendum-voting>.

As a reminder, voting is required via Constitution Article 8-1-9, although principals have the option to abstain on any issues while completing their ballot.

District Athletic Board Voting Continues Through May 15

Member school principals have until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15, to vote for expiring or interim positions that are open on their respective District Athletic Boards. Principals will vote for candidates running for positions in their classification within their district only and/or any at-large positions within their district. There currently at 23 expiring or interim positions available, with the terms beginning August 1, 2022. This voting also takes place in *myOHSAA*.

As a reminder, the OHSAA Board of Directors approved a recommendation to modify a portion of the district athletic board election process this year. With five of the six district athletic boards having expiring and/or interim positions available in the **same** classification, it was determined that the person receiving the most votes in those situations will be awarded the longer term available on that board for that particular classification, while the person receiving the second-highest number of votes will be awarded the shorter term available. There are 13 other expiring and/or interim positions that are being voted upon which do not have duplicate classification positions available and will follow the normal election process.

OHSAA to Distribute Wet Bulb Globe Thermometers Next Week

The OHSAA Executive Director's Office has received its shipment of wet bulb globe thermometers from the National Federation of State High School Associations Foundation and will be distributing those to high schools that have asked for them next week.

Spring Sports Dates

Baseball

Tournament Draw: Sunday, May 8

Sectionals: May 14-21; **Districts:** May 22-28; **Regionals:** June 2-3; **State:** June 9-11, Akron Canal Park

Statewide Brackets: to come at <https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/baseball>

Boys Lacrosse and Girls Lacrosse

Tournament Draw: Sunday, May 8

Regional Qualifying: May 14-19; **Regional Quarterfinals:** May 18-21; **Regional Semifinals and Finals:** May 23-27; **State Semifinals and Finals:** May 31-June 4 (finals June 4 at Historic Crew Stadium, Columbus)

Boys Statewide Brackets: to come at <https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/blacrosse>

Girls Statewide Brackets: to come at <https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/glacrosse>

Softball

Sectionals: May 7-14; **Districts:** May 16-21; **Regionals:** May 25-28; **State:** June 2-4, Akron Firestone Stadium

Statewide Brackets: <https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Softball/Softball-2022/2022-Softball-State-Tournament-Brackets>

Boys Tennis*

Sectionals: May 9-14; **Districts:** May 16-21; **State:** May 27-28, Lindner Family Tennis Center, Mason

Track & Field*

Districts: May 16-21; **Regionals:** May 25-28; **State:** June 3-4, Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium, The Ohio State University, Columbus

*Visit the respective OHSAA District Athletic Board websites for links to school tournament assignments and results:

<https://www.ohsaa.org/about/districtboards>

Spring Tournaments Ticketing

Virtually all ticketing for OHSAA spring tournaments is being handled digitally by the OHSAA's digital ticketing partner, HomeTown Ticketing, and will be available soon and open to the public by going to <https://www.ohsaa.org/tickets>. The exception is the OHSAA State Track & Field Tournament at Ohio State's Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium, where tickets will be available soon through www.ticketmaster.com.

2022-23 Pre-Participation Physical Exam (PPE) Form Available

The Pre-Participation Physical Exam form for the 2022-23 school year is now available on the OHSAA website by going to:

[https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports-Medicine/2022-23PPE\(English\).pdf](https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports-Medicine/2022-23PPE(English).pdf)

The 2022-23 PPE form has been authorized by the OHSAA's Joint Advisory Committee on Sports Medicine (JACSM) with the origins developed for youth student-athletes by the American Academy of Pediatrics. There are also two additional, and optional, questions on exercise behavior that supports the Exercise is Medicine initiative. A Spanish version of the history portion of the form is also included on the OHSAA website. The medical clearance must be completed once every 13 months and kept on file at the school indefinitely. Although use of this OHSAA-adopted PPE is not required (for example, a school via its Board policy could accept another type of physical exam), signing all four consent forms is required before a student may commence any athletic participation in a member school. In Ohio, a physician (MD, DO), a doctor of chiropractic (DC), a physician's assistant (PA) and an advanced practice nurse (ANP) are eligible to complete the exam and sign the form.

OHSAA Award Certificates

The annual OHSAA Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Awards (Archie Griffin, NFHS Award of Excellence, etc.) are now available through your school's *myOHSAA* account for you to print. These awards are available through June 30, 2022, on both high school and 7th & 8th grade school accounts. We encourage school administrators to communicate internally and follow the on-screen instructions and parameters in *myOHSAA* to select your recipients for each of these awards. Awards will print in color provided you use a color printer, and you can choose the type of paper used for the printing. Be sure to indicate any special paper used through the printing properties of your printer.

OHSAA Board Resolution Cards

The OHSAA Constitution requires the board of education or similar governing body to adopt a resolution authorizing its schools that were members during the 2021-22 school year to continue membership for the 2022-23 school year. The OHSAA Board Resolution Card, which requires a signature from the governing body's president and superintendent/head of school, was mailed in mid-January. Please read the instructions that accompanied the card, complete the required items and return the card to the OHSAA office using the pre-stamped envelope provided **no later than June 30, 2022**. For questions, please contact either Ronald Sayers (rsayers@ohsaa.org) or Alexis Holderman (aholderman@ohsaa.org).

To Review Information That Previously Appeared in the OHSAA Administrator Update, Go Here:

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/BulletinBoard/AdministratorUpdate02182022.pdf>

Items included:

- OHSAA Reinstates 10-Day Rule for Team Sports Beginning this June
- OHSAA Announces Future Basketball Season Starting, Ending and Tournament Dates Through 2025-26
- Membership Encouraged to Support Suicide Prevention Awareness with Uniform Patches
- School Officiating Class Opportunities Workshop Available to View on YouTube

Thank you for your attention to this information and for the work you are doing with our student-athletes. Please contact us if we can be of service!