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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Guidance for 2019-2020</b> <b>Bylaw 1-6-4– Team Membership</b></p>
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Bylaw 1-6-4, Team Membership, states:

Interscholastic teams/squads sponsored by a member school shall not consist of students from more than one school unless otherwise mandated within the Ohio Revised Code or in accordance with the exception below:

EXCEPTION: Member schools containing grades 7 and 8 may combine students from two or more schools within the school district/**system** to form one **or more** interscholastic teams in a sport. Requests for permission to combine students from two or more schools in the same public **district** or non-public **system** must be submitted annually **prior to the start of each sports season** to the OHSAA in writing by the superintendent of the public **district** or non-public **system**.

The written request must contain the following:

1. Names of the schools involved
2. Total number of students from each school involved in the sport
3. Total number of boys or girls in each grade of each school in the combination
4. **Rationale for requesting the combination to form more than one team/squad in each sport**
5. The name of the principal, name of the **combined** school (**which must be the name of one of the member schools represented within the combination**) for purposes of registration into the **MYOHSAA system**, and the complete address (**including email**) of the **one** administrator responsible for the conduct and operation of **each** combined team or teams.

For purposes of tournament assignment, eligibility and placement, the Board of Directors and the Executive Director's Office of the OHSAA shall adopt and publish from time to time, such rules as deemed necessary and proper for the timely, accurate and transparent implementation of this bylaw so as to give effect and meaning to this section.

**TO REQUEST A RULING:**

The Superintendent of the respective district/system shall complete the form <https://www.ohsaa.org/Portals/0/Eligibility/forms/1-6-4Form.pdf> detailing the information outlined in the exception and scan/email the request to Dr. Deborah Moore (dmoore@ohsaa.org) or Ms. Roxanne Price (rprice@ohsaa.org). Please feel free to contact Dr. Moore or Ms. Price if you have any questions!