## WE ARE THE OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

## OUR MISSION: TO SERVE OUR MEMBER SCHOOLS AND ENRICH INTERSCHOLASTIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS.

Now in its 116th year, the Ohio High School Athletic Association is a non-profit service organization that regulates and administers interscholastic competition in a fair, consistent and impartial manner. The OHSAA currently has 818 high schools and 747 7th-8th grade schools, which represents over 350,000 students competing in 28 sanctioned sports (14 for boys and 14 for girls). Schools are volunteer members of the OHSAA. Regardless of the size of the school or whether the school is public or private, each member school has one vote on the bylaws and constitution of the OHSAA.

The OHSAA Board of Directors is charged with employing the administrative staff, approving sports regulations, and other duties. The Board of Directors is made up of members of the District Athletic Boards, which are elected to their positions. The OHSAA Executive Director and staff are charged with enforcing the regulations and promoting the purpose of interscholastic athletics. Among their duties are to answer questions from the member schools and make interpretations on the regulations, conduct tournaments, serve as educators by conducting meetings, clinics and workshops for officials, coaches, administrators and student-athletes, and manage the fiscal affairs of the association. There currently are 21 full-time employees at the OHSAA, with the office located in Columbus. The primary source of financial support comes from tournament ticket receipts.



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The OHSAA is a member of the National Federation of State High School Associations, which consists of the 50 individal state high school athletic and/or activities associations and the association of the District of Columbia and nine Canadian organizations. Learn more about this collaboration at NFHS.org.