



How To Determine Your Feeder School(s) (Option 2 — Approved 12/9/19)

Based on action by the OHSAA Board of Directors during a special meeting on December 9, 2019, **non-public schools will have a new option available to choose their feeder schools for Competitive Balance rostering purposes**, if desired. Like Option 1, this option specifies which schools are permitted to be considered as “designated” feeder schools and are clarified within the Competitive Balance Business Rules.

Option 2

Option 2 permits non-public schools to utilize any school that is physically located within a 12.5-mile radius of the high school as a feeder school. Note that the 12.5-mile radius shall be the most direct path between the high school and the elementary school(s). These feeder schools must still be the same system of education as the high school to be considered a feeder school. Should a school choose Option 2 for 2019-20 roster data that will be used for the 2020-21 school year, it must follow these procedures:

- 1.) A senior level administrator from the school will need to submit:
 - a.) A list of the designated feeder schools that the school believes are located within a 12.5-mile radius of the high school, and
 - b.) The exact name of and address for each of those feeder schools.
 - c.) Submission of the school’s designated feeder schools shall be sent to the OHSAA Office, Atten: Kristin Ronai, via email (kronai@ohsaa.org) by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, December 16, 2019.
- 2.) Once that list is received by the December 16 deadline, the OHSAA shall verify that the schools are within the 12.5-mile radius as submitted.
- 3.) The OHSAA shall notify the high school which schools shall be accepted as “designated” feeder schools.
NOTE: Beginning in summer 2020, each non-public school will be permitted to submit any changes to its list of feeder schools within the 12.5-mile radius or choose to utilize Option 1.
- 4.) Tiering of students using Option 2 shall be as follows:
 - a.) Students who were continuously enrolled in the same system of education since the beginning of 7th grade and attended one of the school’s new designated feeder schools shall be Tier 0.
 - b.) Students who were continuously enrolled in the same system of education since the beginning of 7th grade but did NOT attend one of the school’s new designated feeder schools shall be Tier 1.
 - c.) Students who were NOT enrolled in the same system of education continuously since 7th grade will be Tier 2.

What Does This Mean for Roster Entry For Fall 2019?

The fall sports entry period for the Competitive Balance sports of football, boys soccer, girls soccer and volleyball was modified and began on Tuesday, October 15. The deadline to submit fall sports roster data is Friday, December 20. If a school chooses new Option 2 and the feeder schools are subsequently approved by the OHSAA Executive Director’s Office, the school **MUST** take the following steps:

- 1.) Go into the school’s ArbiterGame account and adjust the tier for your students in football, boys soccer, girls soccer and volleyball if necessary.
- 2.) Should the school have students who need to be deleted for one of the permissible reasons, they cannot remove the students themselves. Therefore, the school administrator **MUST** email OHSAA Assistant Director of Membership Services Ronald Sayers (rsayers@ohsaa.org) in the OHSAA Office, inform him of the students who need to be removed and provide a reason that they should be removed. Ronald will get back to the administrator to verify that the request was received and either was or was not validated.
- 3.) Continue to follow the deadline for fall sports roster entry of December 20, 2019.

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Option 1

Option 1 is one that has been in place since the inception of Competitive Balance. Schools that select this option shall choose a public school district (or public school attendance zone for multiple high school public districts) in which their feeder school(s) are physically located. The process for this option was last updated in July 2018, and included ALL non-public schools. Schools that choose to continue utilizing this option have no further steps to take — the OHSAA will utilize the feeder schools your school has already submitted, and your school will tier students according to the regulations that are in place (for implementation in 2020-21). NOTE: As was done previously, these feeder schools will remain consistent through the 2019-20 school year (a two-year cycle). After that time, each non-public school will then be permitted to submit a new public school district (or public school attendance zone for multiple high school public districts) in which their feeder school(s) are physically located OR choose to utilize Option 2.

Option 3

Option 3 is an exception codified within the OHSAA Bylaws and was approved by the member schools during the May 2019 referendum process. This option currently only applies to schools within the Columbus Diocese that elect to utilize this option. This exception was put in place for tiering of non-public school students who attend a school within non-public school systems that have defined geographic boundaries for high school assignment. This mirrors the process utilized by schools within multi-high school public districts. Students in this process shall be tiered based on the student's educational history and the residence of the student and at least one parent. Schools that choose to continue utilizing this option have no further steps to take — the OHSAA will utilize the feeder schools your school has already submitted, and your school will tier students according to the regulations that are in place (for implementation in 2020-21).