

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS...

#### • THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTS & WELCOME!

#### •INTRODUCTIONS:

- SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL SCHOOL AND ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS, AS WELL AS ANY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS AND/OR PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERS
- OHSAA STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
- STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND DISTRICT ATHLETIC BOARD MEMBERS



# Executive Director Updates

**SUMMER CONTACT DAYS** 13 DAYS FROM MAY 15-JULY 31 CAN STILL DO INDIVIDUAL SKILL INSTRUCTION

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#### **CONTRACT REMINDER**

WHEN DOES OHSAA BECOME INVOLVED?

#### **PAY TO PARTICIPATE SURVEY**

CREATING COMMITTEE OF SUPTS & TREASURERS TO DETERMINE HOW STATE FUNDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO DECREASE PTP FEES

**OHSAA WORKING WITH BASA** 

#### **SPORTS MEDICINE**

2023-24 PPE POSTED ONLINE... JUST NEED DOCTOR'S SIGNATURE

REVIEW INTERNAL FERPA/HIPAA GUIDELINES (WHO HAS ACCESS TO PHYSICALS?)

**EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS** 

HB47- REQUIRE AED'S

# Executive Director Updates

SPORTSMANSHIP WHAT'S HAPPENING? RENEWED EMPHASIS BEGINNING WITH 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE TO MEET IN MAY GIVE TOOLS TO HELP IMPROVE ENVIRONMENT

OHSAA FOUNDATION CONTINUE STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

REGIONALIZED MEETINGS, RECORDED FOR PRESENTATION AT LEISURE **STUDENT ELIGIBILITY** ACADEMIC REMINDER, CHECK FALL ATHLETE CLASSES NOW!... AND COMPETITIVE BALANCE AND EMIS

COLLABORATION WITH PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS FOR LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

#### YTD RESULTS AS OF MARCH 31, 2023

YTD as of March 31, 2023	<u>Actual</u>	Budge	<u>et</u> <u>Favora</u>	ble/(Unfa	avorable)
Fall Sports	\$3,495,122	\$3,393,	173 \$1	.01,949	3%
Winter Sports - estimate	\$2,170,126	\$2,525,	597 (\$3	55,471)	(14%)
Net Tournament Revenue	\$5,665,248	\$5,918,	770 (\$2	253,522)	(4%)
Other Operating Revenues	\$2,694,470	\$2,449,	983 \$2	44,487	10%
Other Operating Expenses	\$4,352,211	\$4,681,	798 \$3	29,587	7%
Net Operating Profit	\$4,007,507	\$3,686,	955 \$3	20,552	9%
Cash 8	k Reserves	As of Mar 2023	As of Mar 2022		
Operating Cash		\$11,621,619	\$12,648,451		
Months on H	Months on Hand - Operating		7.7		
Investments		\$8,724,432	\$4,094,643		
Months on Hand - Investments		5.0	2.5		
Total Operating	<b>Total Operating Cash &amp; Investments</b>		\$16,743,093		
Months c	on Hand - Total	11.6	10.2		

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# EXCEPTING DIRECTOR Updates

Dollars to Schools Year-to-Year Comparison

Travel Stipends to offset travel to select Regional and State events Implemented Student ticket price at all tournament levels Catastrophic Insurance to cover high school athletes Arbiter software license fees for schools Scholarships paid to student athletes

2021-22		2022-23		
\$	523,000	\$	1,078,000	
\$	-	\$	1,500,000	
\$	460,550	\$	485,850	
\$	265,525	\$	265,525	
\$	159,000	\$	165,000	
\$	1,408,075	\$	3,494,375	

#### Coming at the end of 2022-23 Athletic Enhancement Fund – will provide \$1,000,000 to member schools

# EXECUTIVE DIFECTOR Updates NEW ATHLETIC ENRICHMENT FUND

Establish an Athletic Enrichment fund for the purpose of providing a financial contribution, on an equitable basis, to each member high school's Athletic Department to assist with costs of equipment, uniforms, game transportation, officials, improving student sportsmanship and adult fan behavior.

The fund will be established with an initial transfer from Operations of \$3,000,000. On an annual basis, the Board of Directors will approve a transfer to the fund from operating cash. The fund will be invested conservatively to earn interest. Annually, the Board of Directors will approve the contribution amount to each school.

To qualify, member schools must have returned their membership card by June 30th and have no outstanding member dues or fines.

For 2022-23 each high school will receive \$1,250.

# EXCEPTING DIRECTOR Updates

OHSAA has partnered with FinalForms, and will use their "Tower" State Association product for the 2023-24 school year for data collection and management for the following areas:

School District Directory

School Building Directory (High and Middle Schools)

**Sports Directory** 

**District Profiles** 

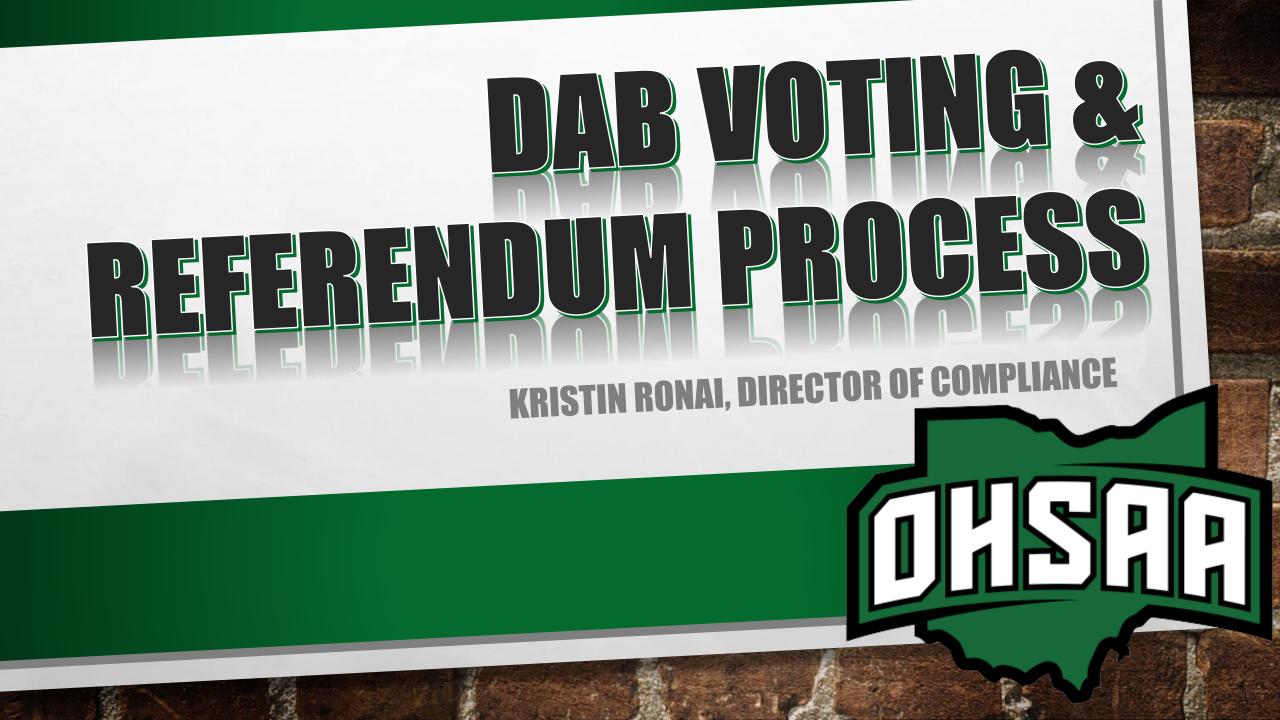
**School Sport Profiles** 

School Profiles

Mass Communication Ability (Email and Text)

Data will continue to be collected on myOHSAA through June 30, 2022. On July 1, 2023, OHSAA will transfer all relative information into FinalForms "Tower" for use at the start of the 23-24 school year. Going forward data schools can input, verify, and update information in their respective FinalForms setups. School that are not FinalForms customers will have access to a "light" version for OHSAA reporting purposes.

OHSAA is also continuing to talk with potential technology partners that will continue to improve how the OHSAA and the schools are serviced.



#### **DAB VOTING INFORMATION**

Constitution Article 7-4-2, District Athletic Board candidates who are running for one of the classification positions shall be elected by a vote of the principals of member high schools of their classification within their district. At large positions shall be elected by a vote of all member high schools within their athletic district or the principals of the member 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade schools.

The nominating petitions are open from April 1 to April 30. All verified petitions with at least six valid electronic signatures will be placed on the ballot as candidates for the district athletic board.

2023 Open Positions (All terms six years unless otherwise noted\*)

Central- AA and AA\*

East- AA

Northeast- A

Northwest-A

Southeast-AAA

Southwest- AAA and Female\*



### **REFERENDUM PROCESS**



- Changes to Constitution and Bylaws outlined in Constitution Article 8. Become effective by a majority vote.
- This year there are 13 issues, and all were approved by Board of Directors for inclusion on the ballot (none from petition option).
- Referendum Issues are developed in several ways:
  - Feedback by member schools. Compliance staff committed to making conscious effort to listen and follow through with vetting process for suggestions from member schools about bylaw referendum ideas
  - Proactive action to prevent legislative intervention
  - Trends noticed within Appeals Panel hearings
- All items, if approved, become effective August 1, 2023, unless otherwise specified. (4)

### **REFERENDUM PROCESS**

#### **Ballots**

Will be available on May 1, 2023, via each member school principal's myOHSAA account.

#### **High School Principals**

Please complete the ballot no later than Monday, May 15, 2023, at 4:00 PM via the electronic protocol. Voting is optional but return of the ballot is required to avoid a penalty.

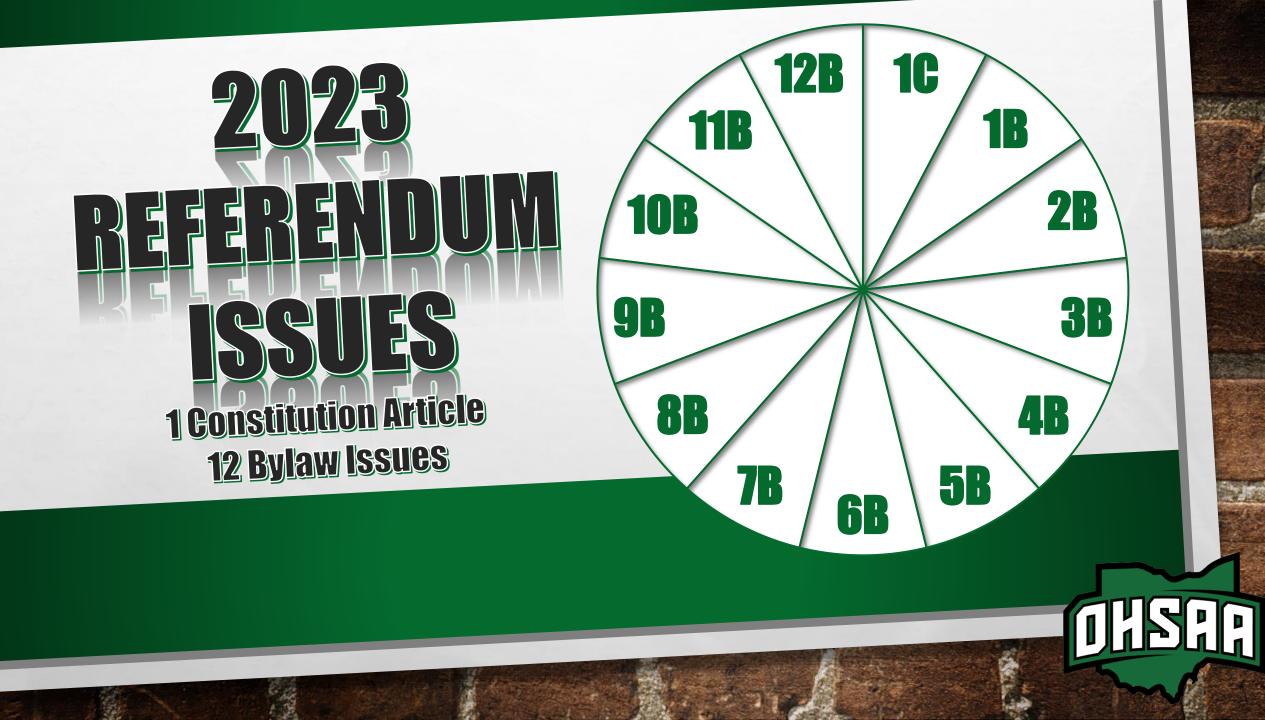
#### 7th-8th Grade Principals

There are no issues this year dealing solely with 7-8 grade schools. Therefore, per Article 8-1-3, only high school principals are required to vote this 2023 cycle.



# **SPREAD THE WORD**

- Share this information with other members of your administrative team, parents, coaches, students, etc.
- Contact other school administrators to discuss topics and reach out to Executive Director's Office for any clarification.
- This presentation represents abridged referendum items and comments. To see completed text of all issues, please refer to electronic copy which was sent to you in advance or visit website at:
- <u>https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/SchoolResources/refvote/FINAL-2023ReferendumItems.pdf</u>



# ISSUE 1C- MODIFY CONST. ARTICLE 6-1-9

Effective Date: August 1, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:

- Waive "strict compliance" to a specific Constitution Article, Bylaw or Sport Regulation IF...
  - Non-compliance is district/system wide
  - Is a result of a natural disaster, a national/state emergency or a force majeure
  - Suspension remains consistent with underlying purposes of the rule being suspended
- Initially created in spring 2020 to address Covid-19 pandemic, used sparingly since...
  - Waived academic regulations for 2020-21 school year
  - Reused tournament divisions from the 2020-21 school year for the 2021-22 school year
- If issue fails, this regulation will expire at the start of the 2023-24 school year.



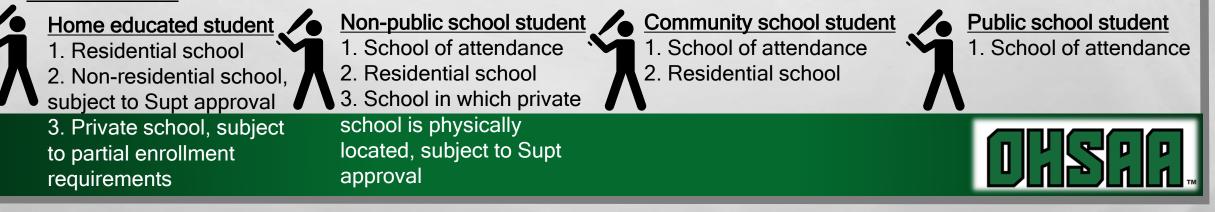


Effective Date: May 16, 2023, with tangible implementation for 23-24 school year

Reintroduction of Issue 4B from the 2022 referendum cycle.

This issue failed during 2022 cycle by 13 votes:393 in favor406 opposed14 abstained

If passed, this amendment would allow students attending a <u>member</u> public school which does not offer a certain TEAM sport to play that sport at a neighboring public school, subject to several requirements being met (similar concept, but different than non-public school exception). EXAMPLES:



Several criteria would need to be met in order for this participation to occur:

- Would only apply to "TEAM sports" of baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, and volleyball.
- The neighboring district's Board of Education approves a Resolution permitting such participation prior to June 30 for the upcoming school year (likely same time as membership renewal resolution) and;
- The Resolution is developed using the OHSAA-approved template and is on file with the OHSAA Office prior to June 30 (*part 1 of approval*) and;
- The Superintendent of the school that the student attends agrees to allow the participation (NEW) and;
- Receiving school submits form to OHSAA Office prior to start of sports season (part 2 of approval) and;
- If no school which borders the district offers the team sport, or if the applicable Board of Educations do
  not approve a non-enrolled policy, then the student simply does not have a participation opportunity in
  that sport.
- Participation opportunities within a district with multiple high schools shall be governed by the applicable OHSAA business rules and a multi-HS district would have to make decision on internal Resolution.



#### Additional updates from last year:

- The addition of "must first" language within the multi-HS paragraph guidance makes it clearer that students within a multi-HS district are required to first explore options for athletic participation within their own district. They are only permitted to participate in a school outside their district of enrollment if 1) no school in their district offers the sport or 2) their district does not have a policy permitting such nonenrolled participation and their Supt. agrees to permit them to utilize the option outlined in paragraph one.
- The new NOTE 1 prevents a student from being approved to play sports at numerous different schools in different districts.
  - "NOTE 1: Students who utilize this exception shall only be approved to play TEAM sports for ONE school at which they are not enrolled during any given school year. Therefore, diligence should be given when selecting which neighboring district is being petitioned to participate in any given sport(s) (i.e. does the school sponsor all TEAM sports in which the student desires a participation opportunity). Students utilizing this exception shall also only be permitted to participate in sports at one school during any given sports season (i.e. fall, winter, spring)."





#### Additional updates from last year:

- The new NOTE 2 and 3 address some logistical issues to clarify situations where a school is uncertain about whether they will be electing to offer a sport or not:
  - NOTE 2: Once a Superintendent signs the applicable form granting permission for a student to participate under the provisions of this exception, that action will signify the school's acknowledgement that it is not offering the sport in question. If the school ultimately offers the sport after approving a student(s) to play elsewhere, the school may participate in contests during the regular season but shall not be permitted to enter the OHSAA tournament. Furthermore, the student(s) who was formerly approved to play elsewhere shall be permitted to conclude participation in that sport through the remainder of that respective season.
  - NOTE 3: If a school participates in a contest (scrimmage, preview/jamboree, Foundation game or regular season) but ultimately ceases sponsorship of the program during that season, that team's participation in the contest shall constitute the school "sponsoring the sport" that year and remove its students' ability to utilize this exception elsewhere during that same season. Additionally, this exception shall not be used for students desiring to participate at a different competition level at a school at which they are not enrolled. If a school sponsors a sport at any level (varsity, JV, freshman), then that will remove a student's ability to try and request to utilize this exception.





The new NOTE 4 addresses member schools which do not touch any other districts.

Additional updates from last year:

- NOTE 4: If a member school is geographically situated within Lake Erie and does not physically touch any other district, that school shall be considered to be "bordering" all other districts which physically touch Lake Erie, for which the application of this exception may be applied with applicable Superintendent/BOE permission.
- The new NOTE 5 simply reinforces that this exception will only be applied for those teams sports listed above and the guidance will provide instructions on how to provide participation opportunities for individual sports like Gymnastics, Wrestling, S&D, etc..
  - NOTE 5: This bylaw has no application for any OHSAA sports other than those listed above. Please visit OHSAA.org for more information regarding individual sports not offered at a specific school.
- These students will be coded as Tier 2 Non-Enrolled and add 7 to a team's roster count in all Competitive Balance sports, except football which would add 3.
  - Tennis, Boys Volleyball, Field Hockey, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse and Boys Volleyball have no CB factors.





Would you support a new exception that would allow traditional public school students whose school does not offer a specific sport an option to play at a different high school where they are not

enrolled?

**Yes-116** (40%)

- **No-132 (44%)**
- **Undecided**-47 (16%)

#### SPRING 2022 PRINCIPAL SURVEY (295 responses)

Top concerns from principals...

- 182/295- take away participation opportunities from students who actually attend a school (displacement)
- 178/295- be abused to create powerhouse teams
- 163/295- be difficult to manage on an administrative level
- 152/295- hurt participation levels in other sports at school where student attends
- 144/295- disincentivize schools from trying to offer a sport with low numbers since they know students can go elsewhere to play
- 143/295- take away value of education-based athletics & create noninterscholastic program atmosphere
- Several principals noted that they were concerned about being able to verify academic eligibility
- Several principals noted that they were concerned it would create a breeding ground for recruiting
- Several principals noted funding concerns

#### **FULL SURVEY RESULTS:**

https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/SchoolResources/refvote/2022PrincipalSurvey.pdf

### **ISSUE 2B- HS ACADEMIC REGULATIONS**



- There are four overarching goals the Academic Review Committee attempted to accomplish with the following two proposals:
  - Cleaning up the explanation that a student must be engaged in coursework during the immediately preceding grading period
  - Removing the Top 10% analysis for a senior who wants to utilize the exception to waive the 5credit standard
  - Removing the obligation for schools to collect incomplete CCP grades at the conclusion of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grading periods
  - Removing the obligation for schools to verify the start/end dates for "sprint" or "A/B" CCP courses.



# **ISSUE 2B-HS ACADEMIC REGULATIONS**

Effective Date: May 16, 2023 If passed, this amendment would (3 things):

- Modify and condense 4-4-1 to remove current enrollment requirements, as those have already been codified within Bylaw 4-3-1, Enrollment & Attendance.
  - In order to be eligible in grades 9-12, a student must <u>be engaged in coursework during the immediately</u> preceding grading period currently enrolled and must have been enrolled in school during the immediately preceding grading period.
- Exception 1 (senior exception) currently has three requirements:
  - Criteria (a) stays same (accumulated sufficient credits hours to graduate after preceding semester)
  - Change criteria (b) (Top 10% requirement) to...
    - *"continues to maintain enrollment in coursework to the satisfaction of the school and in accordance with Bylaw 4-3-1"*
  - Codify the "underlying purpose of this bylaw" in criteria (c)
    - "...based on assessment of past behavior records, attendance and previous grades."

Exception 2 has editorial changes removing "waiver" and changing to "form"



Effective Date: May 16, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:



- Add an additional paragraph to Bylaw 4-4-1 removing a school's obligation to conduct grade checks for CCP classes at the conclusion of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grading periods for CCP
- Create a new self-regulated\* exception to waive the 5-credit standard for a student who was/is signed up for a CCP course but the class ends/begins outside the grading period in question but still within the same semester





- Add an additional paragraph to Bylaw 4-4-1 removing a school's obligation to conduct grade checks for CCP classes at the conclusion of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grading periods for CCP classes.
- At the conclusion of the immediately preceding grading period, a student must have received passing grades in a minimum of five (5) one-credit courses or the equivalent, each of which counts toward graduation...
- "Additionally, a student engaged in a College Credit Plus (CCP) Course during a high school's semester shall be presumed to be passing that class <u>UNTIL</u> it is shown that the student has received a failing grade at the conclusion of the class or subsequently dropped the class, at which time the class can no longer be used to assist the student in meeting the five-credit standard. A student who is engaged in a CCP course has an added responsibility to immediately notify the school for which they participate when any changes with their enrollment status within the CCP course occurs, and it is the school's obligation to confirm the schedule change upon receipt of notification."



• Create a new self-regulated exception to waive the 5-credit standard:



EXCEPTION 4: A student enrolled in a College Credit Plus (CCP) course or courses which credit hours would have counted towards the satisfaction of this Bylaw BUT FOR the fact that the actual course work did not commence in the grading period in question (but within the same semester), can nonetheless have the course credit/credits count towards satisfaction of this requirement PROVIDED the student was enrolled in the CCP course at the **beginning of the semester** in question. Likewise, if the CCP course work is successfully completed within the same semester of the high school's calendar but before the high school's calendar's next grading period within the same semester starts, the CCP credits can count towards satisfaction of this requirements during any given grading period)

NOTE 1: This exception does not apply to CCP courses taken over the summer (see Bylaw 4-4-7) or those completed during a different semester.

NOTE 2: If a student utilizes this exception to satisfy the requirements of this bylaw and subsequently drops the CCP course, the student shall become ineligible for the remainder of the grading period in question upon the school's confirmation of the schedule change. If the CCP course was not necessary to satisfy the requirements of the bylaw (5- credit standard) then there would be no penalty for dropping the course.

#### **Exception 4 Examples:**

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<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Grading Period Ends October 28</li> <li>Student signed up for CCP class by August 10 (i.e. start of semester)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CCP class starts October 30</li> <li>Student only passed 3 credits at end of 1<sup>st</sup> grading period</li> </ul>	ELIGIBLE for 2 <sup>nd</sup> grading period under Exception 4.
<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Grading Period Ends October 28</li> <li>Student realized they were short credits, signed up for CCP class Oct. 1</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CCP class starts October 30</li> <li>Student only passed 3 credits at end of 1<sup>st</sup> grading period</li> </ul>	INELIGIBLE for 2 <sup>nd</sup> grading period under Exception 4.
<ul> <li>CCP class starts Jan. 5 and ends March 10</li> <li>4<sup>th</sup> Grading Period Starts March 15</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Student passes CCP class</li> <li>Student only passed 3 other credits at end of <u>4th grading period</u></li> </ul>	ELIGIBLE for <u>1st grading</u> period under Exception 4.
<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Grading Period Ends October 28</li> <li>Student signed up for CCP class by August 10 (i.e. start of semester)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Student passed 5 other credits at end of 1st grading period</li> <li>CCP class starts October 30 but they drop it November 13</li> </ul>	ELIGIBLE for 2 <sup>nd</sup> grading period <u>since CCP class</u> <u>was not needed</u>

#### **Additional Examples:**

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<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Grading Period Ends October 28</li> <li>Student signed up for CCP class by August 10 (i.e. start of semester)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Student only passed 3 other credits at end of 1st grading period</li> <li>CCP class starts October 30 but they drop it November 13</li> </ul>	Initially eligible, then INELIGIBLE for REMAINDER of 2 <sup>nd</sup> grading period once school discovers drop
<ul> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> Grading Period Begins January 5</li> <li>Student signed up for semester-long CCP class</li> <li>Student passed 4 other credits at conclusion of 3<sup>rd</sup> grading period</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>School cannot/does not collect CCP grades at end of 3<sup>rd</sup> g/p.</li> <li>Student will be presumed to be passing CCP class, giving them 6 credits at end of 3<sup>rd</sup> g/p</li> </ul>	ELIGIBLE for 4 <sup>th</sup> g/p. If student ultimately fails class, likely INELIGIBLE for 1 <sup>st</sup> g/p
<ul> <li>4<sup>th</sup> Grading Period Ends May 15</li> <li>Student only passed 4 classes</li> </ul>	Passes a CCP class over the summer	INELIGIBLE for 1st grading period (Bylaw 4-4-7)

### ISSUE 4B- MODIFY 4-5-6, CODE OF CONDUCT

Effective Date: August 1, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:

- Prevent a student from transferring before a penalty has been issued as a result of a Code of Conduct violation (i.e. transfer over the summer before penalty is assessed)
- If a student transfers after an indefinite Code of Conduct suspension, they can transfer to a new school and potentially regain eligibility after 1-calendar year ("fresh start")
  CANNOT regain eligibility prior to 1-calendar year
- Last proposed change requires sending school to alert receiving school to any Code of Conduct violations which need to be fulfilled at new school.



## **ISSUE 5B- TRANSFER BYLAW CLEAN UP**

Effective Date: August 1, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:

- Add Titles to different sections
  - "Definition of Transfer"
  - "Transfer Consequence"
  - "Midseason Transfers"



- Remove transfer consequence for students going from home education (division (A)(2) of 3321.04) to local residential school, and vice versa
  - Still keeps transfer consequence for student's going from home education to a school outside residential district, and vice versa

### **ISSUE 5B- TRANSFER BYLAW CLEAN UP**

- Clarify that student's going "back and forth" between private school and local public school <u>as non-enrolled participants</u>, depending on sports offered, are not subject to consequence.
- Specify which school is required to submit transfer exception paperwork when dealing with current non-enrolled student situations: Member school WHERE the student (*home educated, private or community school student*) is participating should submit any applicable paperwork
- Conversely, last sentence to Note 2 will require school at which student is enrolled to submit paperwork <u>if Issue 1B passes.</u>



#### **ISSUE 6B- TRANSFER BACK TO SAME SYSTEM OF EDUCATION** Effective Date: August 1, 2023

If passed, this amendment would:

- Newer exception approved last 2022 cycle. Allows a student to transfer to a non-public school if they attended a school within that system of education in grades 4-8 and meets all other criteria. The proposed language was initially proposed to mirror Exception 9, which does not have any timeline restrictions.
- Change timeline requirement from "*prior to start of student's junior year*" to "*prior to...first day of senior year.*"
- Last sentence would allow E.D. Office to waive timeline criteria for a senior but only if the student came back to the same high school in which they have always been enrolled, and only if the student did not play any sports at the other school when they left.

#### **ISSUE 7B- EXCEPTION 9 CLARIFICATION**



Effective Date: May 16, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:

- Rule permits a student to have a one-time transfer into HS located in residential district where family has resided for a minimum of one-year.
- There is occasional confusion on which school is considered "residential district" in split-family situation.
- Proposed language codifies that once a student transfers to a new school, where a different legal custodian lives, in a different district than their other legal custodian, then once the student has maintained attendance at the new school for at least one calendar year then the student forfeits the opportunity to "go back" to their original school using this exception. Moving forward after one calendar year, the new school of attendance becomes their "residential district" for the purposes of this exception, subject to applicable Business Rule assignments for multi-HS districts.

#### **ISSUE 8B- MIDSEASON TRANSFER MODIFICATION**

Effective Date: August 1, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:

- 4-7-3 is designed to prevent a student from playing for two different schools during the same season...but language has not been updated to reflect the different non-enrolled opportunities.
- Proposed modification would waive this rule if the student starts the season on a team, "transfers" to a new school but participation opportunity remains the same AND the student meets the requirements of a transfer exception (most likely Exception 9).
  - EXAMPLE: Starts school year at local public school and is playing volleyball. Transfers to online community school at end of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. State law permits them to play volleyball at same school where they were already playing. If passed, student could continue playing volleyball even though they "transferred" midseason so long as they meet the requirements of an exception (Exception 9).



#### **ISSUE 9B-AMEND INTRA-DISTRICT/SYSTEM TRANSFER BYLAWS**



Effective Date: August 1, 2023

If passed, this amendment would modify intra-district/system regulations:

- Bylaws 4-7-6 (PUBLIC) and 4-7-7 (NON-PUBLIC) provide for transfer options unique to multi-HS districts/systems. Has no applicability to schools located in different districts/systems. General concept of all proposed changes is to make bylaws more consistent with one another.
- Gives each bylaw three options:
  - Change in educational program
  - Transportation hardship (at any point in school year)
  - Private school option- Change in Economic Circumstance & Public School Option- Redistricting

Would also allow a Supt. to request a "change in academic program" at semester break...Still subject to 4-7-3, Midseason transfer rule

### **ISSUE 10B-AMEND BYLAW 7, CONTRACTS**

Effective Date: August 1, 2023, If passed, this amendment would:
Proposed modifications came about from feedback from The Suburban League (NE district)

- Proposed change to 7-1-2 defines the meaning of a "published schedule"
  - "Unless otherwise set forth in the league/conference Constitution and/or Bylaws, a league/conference schedule becomes "published" if/when the members of the league/conference approve the schedule and/or it is documented within its official meeting minutes."
- Proposed change to 7-1-3 requires leagues/conferences to:
  - "contain provisions that address the addition of a new member school, the removal of an existing member school and the voluntary withdraw of an existing member school and the economic consequences for a unilateral breach of game contracts."

Adds a note that "The E.D.'s Office will only attempt to resolve disputes of signed contracts and/or "published" league/conference schedules."

#### **ISSUE 11B- PROTECTING OFFICIAL'S INFORMATION**



Effective Date: August 1, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:

- Create New Bylaw 8-3-2, and renumber remaining sections
- "Schools have an obligation to protect the contact/personal information of an official before and after a contest. Schools shall never provide an official's contact/personal information to any person/entity without first obtaining permission by the official."
- The proposed language is being offered to prevent situations of families attempting to contact officials before and/or after the contest to try and influence the official's call (i.e. reverse an ejection after a game, etc.)



### **ISSUE 12B-AMEND LAWSUIT BYLAW**



Effective Date: August 1, 2023 If passed, this amendment would:

- Add additional example to Bylaw 11-1-4 outlining options the E.D.'s Office may consider if a lawsuit is commenced against the OHSAA preventing its membership from enforcing any/all of its Constitution, Bylaws or Sport Regulations.
- 11-1-4 ...the E.D.'s Office may impose any one or more of the following in the interest of restitution and fairness to other member school's athletes:
  - NEW: f) Require that the ruling be imposed the immediately following school year/sports season.
- This practice is already in play, as Bylaw 11-1-2 provides a broad range of available penalties under "or such other penalties as the E.D.'s Office deems appropriate," but adding the proposed language to Bylaw 11-1-4 brings notice to those individuals who may want to file suit against the Association.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE!

