TO: Athletic Administrator and Head Football Coaches

FROM: Beau Rugg, Director of Officiating and Sport Management
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RE: 2022 Week 5 Weekly Word

Rule Reminders
1. Remember, NFHS Rules state that halftimes are 15 minutes long and may be extended to a maximum of 20 minutes. I cannot give permission to supersede NFHS Rules. Work with your officiating crews to hold the start of the 20-minute clock for special circumstances.

2. Eligibility to catch a pass: Remember, players eligibility to catch a legal forward pass is by position and by the number on their jersey. Numbers 50-79 are never eligible to catch a legal forward pass.

Canadian Team Policy Update
First announced in 2019, Football Tournament Regulation 2 now reads:
> **Beginning in 2022, only contests played against NFHS Member State Association schools or Affiliate Association schools will count towards the Harbin Ratings.**

We are making the following change for **next season (2023)**:
> The Canadian Provence of Ontario has withdrawn as an affiliate member of the NFHS. Also, we have discovered that several of the Canadian teams our schools are playing are not associated with a school. Therefore, **beginning in 2023, contests with Canadian teams will not count towards the Harbin Ratings.**
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> **Approved Canadian teams will count this year (2022).**

Reminders
1. The online Coach's state rules interpretation meeting is available on your myOHSAA account. The deadline to view the meeting with the $50 late fee is October 1. **Schools that do not complete the online meeting will not be eligible for the tournament.**
2. Please remember to have a coach (preferably the Head Coach) available to meet with the officials 35 minutes prior to kickoff.

Video
1. Thanks for the video you have sent and keep it coming! If you send me all the plays of a game, please point out the plays you wish me to view.
2. I will give you my honest opinion on any play you send.

GOOD LUCK Week 5!

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