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RE: Weekly Word, Week 5

Important Reminder

Please check to make sure your game schedules are in DragonFly. By regulation they must be there for your school to be eligible for playoffs.

Questions of the Week

Here are a couple of questions I received this week:

1. **Suspended Games:** You have several options:
 - A. **If both teams agree, end the game and keep the score.**
 - B. **Resume at a later date from point of interruption.**
2. Can a school play 2 games per week? Yes. Regulations limit players to 4 quarters in a day and 50 quarters (9-12) per season.

Rules

1. **Visors (Again):** NFHS Rule 1-5-3c4 states that visors must be **Clear without the presence of any tint**. It does not matter that the manufacturer says it is "clear". It doesn't matter that the eyes can be seen.
2. **A prescription from a Dr. does not supersede the visor rule.** Any accommodation outside of NFHS Rules (NFHS Rule 1, Section 8) for an athlete in football must be approved by the OHSAA office (Beau Rugg). The accommodation is only granted if the rule does not resolve the player's condition. Have your Athletic Director contact me.
3. Tinted eyewear (glasses) may be worn under the clear visor.
4. The "bunch kick" was never made illegal. Free kicks (kickoffs) must comply with Rule 6, Section 1, Articles 2, 3 and 4.
5. **Point Differential:** Running clock when a 30-point margin is reached in the second half. Both coaches may agree on a running clock if the 30- point margin is reached in the first half.

Reminders

1. The online Coach's state rules interpretation meeting is available on your myOHSAA account. 99% of you have already completed!
2. The deadline with a \$50 late fee is October 1.
3. **Schools that do not complete the online meeting will not be eligible for the tournament.**
4. **Please send the Weekly Word to your Middle School Coaches!**

Video

1. Your video clips are the best. Please send me any plays you wish!
2. I will give you my honest opinion on any play you send.

GOOD LUCK WEEK 5!

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