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Board of Control Approves Five Spring Sport Rule Changes

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control approved coach advisory committee rule change recommendations in baseball, softball, and track and field at its October meeting today.

Beginning in June 2023, the State Baseball Tournament will expand to a four-day format to address the consistent late completions of the semifinal games on the first two days of the event. The revised State Tournament schedule will begin Monday and run through Thursday. The Division 1 quarterfinals will be conducted Monday with the semifinals of all four divisions to be played on either Tuesday or Wednesday, and the championship games in all divisions on Thursday.

The Board approved three recommendations advanced by the track and field coaches, effective in the spring of 2023. The first removes the temporary sunset designation of the current division placement model based on school enrollments to make the plan permanent. With the format, Division 1 will consist of the largest 128 schools offering the sport. Division 2 will include the next largest 136 schools, and the remainder of the schools will be placed into Division 3.

The other two changes to the season regulations in track and field impact the schedule and competition

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Board Approves Change in Hockey Venue; Other Action Items

The Board of Control voted to support an Executive Staff recommendation to relocate the State Boys and Girls Hockey Tournaments to Bob Suter's Capitol Ice Arena in Middleton, Wis., and approved a limited number of action items on its Sept. 16 meeting agenda.

The WIAA and Bob Suter's Capitol Ice Arena agreed to a two-year term, effective for the State Tournaments scheduled Thursday-Saturday, March 2-4, 2023. Built in 1999, the venue received a multi-million dollar renovation in 2018 that added significant amenities and upgrades. The facility is equipped with two full sheets of ice with seating for 2,611 spectators, a state-of-the-art sound system, scoreboard and a high-definition video board.

The Boys State Hockey Tournament has been held at the Veterans Memorial Coliseum at the Alliant Energy Center since the inception of the event in 1971, with the exceptions of 1974 and 1975, and in 2021 during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Girls State Hockey Tournament has been held in conjunction with the boys tournament since the sport was added in 2002.

The Board reviewed and approved a non-football fast track conference realignment request moving Catholic Central to the Midwest Classic Conference beginning in the 2023-24 school year.

Other action items approved by the Board include updates to the Executive Staff Handbook, new appointments to the Conference Realignment Task Force and an endorsement of a sports-related injury surveillance

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October is National High School Activities Month

The WIAA and National Federation of State High School Associations celebrate the annual, month-long recognition of high school athletics and activities with the National High School Activities Month campaign in October.

The program aims to promote the values inherent in high school athletics and other activities. It serves as a reminder that a comprehensive program addressing society's most current concerns are already in place by:

- Finding and nurturing the best effort of each young participant;
- Encouraging students to stay in school, perform better academically and become better citizens;
- Respecting fair play and appreciation for the equitable application of procedures, rules and regulations;
- Providing healthy lifestyle instruction;
- Unifying through teamwork and school spirit;
- Honoring and appreciating the adults who support, sponsor activities and recognize the students' accomplishments.

Throughout October, the celebration emphasizes essential areas of high school activity programs with the following weeks: National Sportsmanship, Fan Appreciation and Public-Address Announcers Week (October 1-8); National Performing Arts Activities and Local State High School Associations Week (October 9-15); National Coaches, Advisors, Officials, and Sponsors Week (October 16-22); and National Community Service/Youth Awareness Week (October 23-31).

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WIAA Seeks Nominations for Spirit of Sport Nominees

The WIAA Executive Staff is encouraging all member schools to submit nominations of individuals or groups they consider worthy of consideration for the 2022-23 National Federation of State High School Associations Spirit of Sport Award.

The deadline for nominating an individual or group for the award sponsored by the Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin is Thursday, Dec. 15. Please submit the name and a brief summary of the nominee to Melissa Gehring at mgehring@wiaawi.org.

This award seeks to recognize those individuals who exemplify the ideals of the positive spirit of sport that represent the core mission of education-based athletics. It honors an individual or group that has overcome significant adversity or challenging circumstances, has exceeded normal expectations in assisting others within the school or community, or has demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship and/or citizenship in playing the game as it should be played.

The award may be given in recognition of a specific act or for an activity of longer duration. Nominees may include student-athletes, coaches, athletic administrators, school administrators, contest officials, athletic trainers, community and booster club members, or anyone associated with a school's athletic program.

The Wisconsin nominee is submitted to the NFHS for national consideration. Each year, the NFHS presents eight section recipients, as well as a national recipient for the Spirit of Sport Award. The WIAA's nominee to the NFHS will receive a keepsake award in recognition of the honor and be introduced at the WIAA Annual Meeting on April 26, 2023.

The National High School Spirit of Sport Award began in 2008 with the WIAA's recognition of Wisconsin's nomination and finalists beginning in 2017-18.

Past recipients of Wisconsin's Spirit of Sport Award include Bryce Ladwig of Plymouth High School in 2017-18, who was also selected as the NFHS Section 4 recipient; Ashley Stich of Kenosha Tremper High School in 2018-19; Adam Szeplieniec of DeForest High School in 2019-20; Abby Tuma of Shawano in 2020-21; and Jordan Glenn of Wisconsin Lutheran in 2021-22. ●

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of the State Championships. The shot put competition will be moved to 9:30 a.m. Friday – regardless of the division rotation schedule – with the competition of the wheelchair division of the shot put to immediately follow. In addition, the wheelchair 800-meter race will move from Saturday's schedule to immediately following the girls 3,200-meter relay Friday at approximately 11 a.m., regardless of the division session rotation. The other recommendation approved gives each shot put competitor in the wheelchair division six consecutive throws with a two-minute break following the first three attempts. The procedure is the same format used in Adaptive Track & Field USA events.

One recommendation by the Softball Coaches Advisory Committee was approved by the Board for the 2023 season. The action designates the highest-seeded team as the home team with the choice of dugouts in all regional and sectional semifinal games as well as for the sectional final game in Division 1. In Divisions 2-5, a coin flip conducted by the site coordinator 45 minutes prior to the start of the game will determine the home team for sectional finals with the first team alphabetically issued the third-base dugout.

In other action items, the Board approved the \$9.6 million 2022-23 operational budget that recognizes the addition of regional gate receipts for the spring Tournament Series in baseball, softball, and track and field. The budget also reflects an increase in expenses for legal fees realized in recent years.

O'Brien Inducted into Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame

Molly O'Brien, an administrative assistant with the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association, was enshrined into the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame during the induction ceremony in Wisconsin Dells Saturday, Sept. 24.

O'Brien enters the Hall of Fame in the Player category, which recognizes individuals who have excelled in the sport of basketball in Wisconsin.

She began playing organized basketball in fourth grade, which began a string of success throughout her middle and high school career. She was a four-time, varsity letterwinner at Columbus High School, where she played on three conference championship teams and helped lead two teams that qualified for the WIAA State Tournament, including the State championship in 2002.

O'Brien amassed a number of individual honors and school records during her career with the Cardinals. She was selected to the All-State First Team in 2002 after a Fourth Team selection her junior season and receiving honorable mention recognition in 1999 and 2000. In addition, she was the three-time Capitol Conference Player of the Year from 2000-02.

She graduated as the school's all-time leader in points scored (1,402), rebounds (970), assists (420) and steals (415).

Following graduation, O'Brien embarked on a successful collegiate career at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, where she completed her four-year career ranked fourth on the Panthers' career list for games played and steals, and fifth in the school's all-time rebounding list. She earned a bachelor of science degree in kinesiology from UWM in 2007 and master of science degree in Sports Administration from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in 2015.

After her organized playing career, she served as an assistant girls basketball coach at Homestead High School from 2009-14 and later became the assistant athletic director at Shorewood High School prior to joining the WIAA staff last March. ●



Among the discussions with the Board were a review of the 2022 Area Meetings, including feedback on the Competitive Balance presentations; possible 2023 Constitutional amendments; ongoing efforts to recruit and retain licensed sport officials; a review of the recent NFHS Section 4 Meeting; and a presentation by Dr. Timothy McGuine from the UW-Madison Department of Orthopedics and Rehabilitations Department regarding research focused on COVID-19 follow-up addressing participation rates and injury epidemiology as well as studies on the safety of protective equipment and artificial turf.

The Board also received liaison reports from Paul Manriquez of the Department of Public Instruction, John Ashley of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards and Shawn Groshek of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association. ●

2022-23 Officials Recruitment and Retainment

Annual Registration Windows for Officials

The WIAA will offer three registration windows for officials. After years of a 30-day registration window in May, a change has been made to provide additional opportunities for officials to register during the year, without paying a \$30 processing fee. These windows will be available annually on the following dates

- May 1 – June 30
- September 15-30
- January 1-15

Onboarding Program for Officials

In September, the WIAA began a program for all officials, which provides them with weekly information during the first 12 weeks after registration. The information that is being delivered to officials via e-mail, includes details on exam and video availability, improving classification levels, finding your rankings, navigating the Officials pages on the WIAA website, and other frequently asked questions. The driving force behind this program is to connect with all WIAA licensed officials on a regular basis as they are starting their year, and keep open

lines of communication. The WIAA is committed to improving the experience for the officials who serve our member schools, and the thousands of student athletes who play education-based athletics in the state of Wisconsin.

Current Licensing numbers for Officials

Since 2010, our total number of licensed officials has been steadily declining. The final count of WIAA officials in 2010 was 9940. This past year, our numbers reached 9164, after a very slow start in August of 2021 (6071 officials). As the Fall sports began this year, we saw similar numbers with 6210 registered officials on August 1, 2022. Since that time, we have seen a hopeful improvement. As of the first week in October, we are approximately 500 officials above last year's October numbers. This gain will only be significant if we continue to license officials in the coming months at the same rate. There are many individuals and groups, statewide, who are contributing to the recruitment of new officials. We wish to express our gratitude to those people and ask that we, collectively, continue to work on our sportsmanship and positive interaction with the officials who serve this state. ●

NFHS Basketball Rule Changes - 2022-23

3-5-4d: Allows hair adornments provided they are securely fastened close to the head and do not present an increased risk to the player, teammates, or opponents.

Rationale: Creates inclusivity of hair styles while maintaining that the risk of injury to the athlete, teammates and opponents should not be compromised.

2022-23 Basketball Points of Emphasis

1. Sportsmanship
2. Reducing Illegal Contact – Hand Checks, Post Play, Off-Ball Play
3. Pregame Meeting – Addressing Illegal Uniforms, Equipment and Apparel ●

NFHS Ice Hockey Rules Changes - 2022-23

8-4-1: Change: Section title change to "Interference with the Game"

ART. 1...In the event that objects that interfere with the progress of the game are thrown onto the ice, a whistle is blown by a non-official, or other fan interference, the official shall blow the whistle and stop the play, and the puck shall be faced off at the nearest faceoff spot in the zone where play is stopped.

Rationale: This change gives the official the opportunity to stop play when there is interference from spectators that potentially impacts the game.

9-1-9: Change: Moved 9-1-10b to be new 9-1-9e.

The puck shall be faced off at the nearest faceoff spot in the zone where the puck was last fairly played, which is where the puck was last fairly in contact with a player or that player's stick, unless otherwise provided for in these rules when: e. an attacking any player causes the puck to leave the rink, or that player or player's stick was last to touch the puck before it left the rink from this zone; or

Rationale: It can be a very contentious situation between officials and coaches when a puck is deflected out of play and two sticks were near the play. It can be very difficult to determine where the faceoff should take place. This change simplifies the situation and removes the contentious situation from the game.

9-8-4: Change: ART. 4...If at any time while play is in progress a puck other than the one officially in play shall appear on the playing surface and interferes with the progress of the game, play shall be stopped immediately and the puck shall be faced off at the nearest faceoff spot in the zone where play is stopped.

Rationale: This change is clarifying where the faceoff shall take place if this situation should arise. ●

WIAA Sport Medical Advisory Committee

The History

In mid-1930, the WIAA Board of Control established the WIAA Benefit Plan to be overseen by the WIAA Secretary Neverman. "The WIAA also procured the services of a medical advisor for the Benefit Plan. The first such person was Dr. M. D. Bird of Marinette. He received a \$100 honorarium for his first year's work of reviewing unusual injury claims." (Otte, More Than A Game, 1996, 120)

With the creation of the WIAA Benefit Plan, the WIAA established days-out limitations on athlete injuries and determined a required recovery period. In fact, the WIAA Benefit Plan limited the return to play from a major head injury (concussion) to one calendar year and the return to play from a minor head injury to 30 days.

The WIAA Sport Medical Advisory Committee (SMAC) was established in 1974 to replace the State Medical Society's Subcommittee on WIAA

matters because the latter group "has only one practicing physician involved in athletics." (Otte, 377) In 1975, the Committee met for the first time. The WIAA was among the first high school state associations in the country to develop a Sport Medical Advisory Committee.

Significant Health Moves

The WIAA Medical Policies and Procedures Manual was distributed to the WIAA membership in 1975 and revamped for the 1990-91 school year. The publication provides guidelines on many medical matters for interscholastic athletic practices and contests. It currently is updated bi-annually and a hard copy is sent to all WIAA member schools after each update.

The Sport Medical Advisory Committee established the Wrestling 7% Committee in 1989 and in 1990; the 7% Committee recommended the skin-fold measurement system for all wrestlers to determine a minimum wrestling weight. The

program became mandatory in 1991. (Otte, 432) Later in 1996, the 7% Committee recommended a hydration test to work along with the skin-fold measurement process.

In a 1989 opinion which resulted in a 1990 rule change, "The Medical Advisory Committee supports a strong position on the use of steroids, recommending that a student who has been found to use them be ineligible for a minimum of one year and not reinstated without testing to make sure the athlete has ceased using them." (Otte, 439) The rule change applied the code of conduct minimum to performance enhancing substances.

The WIAA, by Board of Control action as recommended by the Medical Advisory Committee, made a significant health move that was instituted at the beginning of the 1993-94 school year. Called the "day of rest" rule, it required

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2022-23 WIAA Wrestling Points of Emphasis and Reminders

We would like to remind all officials and coaches that there will be an officials' clinic held in conjunction with the coaches' clinic on Nov. 5th in Green Bay. Our major goal is to have uniform officiating state wide. Coaches are welcome to attend. It is important for all officials to go to the website and check your profile to make sure it is accurate and current. Failure to do so could result in your being ineligible for some post season assignments.

Our Need for Officials

We all realize that Wisconsin is in dire need of young officials. As in the past, I encourage all officials' associations' state wide to adopt a mentoring program to help develop young officials. In addition, all high school coaches should encourage their athletes to consider obtaining a limited restricted license. This will allow them to officiate all youth through JV level wrestling events. There is no fee to be paid by them for this license.

Officials' Clinic

Will again be held in Green Bay on Nov. 5th in conjunction with the annual WWCA coach's clinic. This is a great event – be there if possible. You will be contacted with more information. Association leaders, please encourage your membership to attend.

Assistant Referee

With the addition of the use of an assistant official in the Team Sectional Finals in all divisions this year, it is important for us to not only continue the use of the assistant official in Individual tournaments but also in dual meets and dual tournaments. Practice makes perfect and being an assistant in a

dual for 14 consecutive matches is a different feel and requires a different level of concentration, communication, consistency and teamwork to be effective.

Bench Decorum

As always, sportsmanship is a large point of emphasis not only in our state but nationwide. As a reminder, during a dual meet, coaches and team personnel are to remain at or behind the team bench area. Benches are to be a minimum of 10 feet from the scorers' table and the mat where facilities permit. Coaches are NOT allowed to place chairs in the corners, mat side or create a separate area away from the team bench. No team personnel is allowed to stand in front of the team bench or approach the mat while the match is going on. This is true for dual meets and tournaments, coaches are to be in their chairs or behind their team bench if they wish to stand. Adhering to this will provide for the best possible atmosphere for all involved.

Interpretation Change

The wrestling mat has been expanded over recent years and through an interpretation change it is expanding a bit more. As you can see in the photo from the rule book on page 66, the NFHS has determined that any part of two supporting points touching the line will be considered inbounds, even if the supporting points extend into the area beyond the line. We want to reward the aggressive wrestler

whenever possible. Remember any two supporting points that are touching the line means we are in, whether that be two of one wrestler or one of each. We will be updating the resource center to reflect this interpretation change.

Website

It is very important that all officials visit the website frequently throughout the season to keep up to date on interpretations, situations and answers to a variety of questions. This is the best way we can communicate and keep everyone on the same page. Also, check out the great variety of available resources and see if anything new has been added. The website will be updated in the near future.

Consecutive Days of Competition or School Cancellation

There is a maximum of a 2 pound allowance for consecutive days of competition and/or school cancellation. If you have a dual on Wednesday and Thursday, and a school cancellation on Friday, followed by a tournament on Saturday, you get only get two extra pounds on Saturday. For example, 112 would be 114. You may never exceed the 2 pound allowance and you must give your opponents(s) a 48 hour notice prior to the event. The 48 hours is required for consecutive days of competition, not for school cancellations. But they must be notified. The appropriate persons to notify would be the coach, AD or principal. ●

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study funded by the National Federation of State High School Associations.

Following a presentation by Co-Founder Jody Redman of *InSide Out Initiative*, the Board supported a three-year partnership with the Green Bay Packers for the *InSide Out Wisconsin Initiative*. The program is intended to connect NFL teams with educational and athletic leadership associations to inspire and equip school leaders and communities to transform lives through purpose-based sports. The launch of the program is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023, at Lambeau Field.

Among the reports presented by the Executive Staff to the Board were a review of the ongoing officials recruitment and retainment efforts, recent Area Meetings, 2022-23 membership renewals and preparations for the fall Tournament Series.

The Board also received liaison reports from Paul Manriquez of the Department of Public Instruction, John Ashley of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards, Shawn Groshek of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association and Andy Engel of the Hamilton Consulting Group. ●

Boys & Girls State Hockey Tournaments Relocate to Bob Suter's Capitol Ice

The Board of Control approved an Executive Staff recommendation to move the Boys and Girls State Hockey Tournaments to Bob Suter's Capitol Ice Arena in Middleton, effective in March, 2023, at its September meeting today.

"We are excited about the opportunity to host the upcoming WIAA Boys and Girls State Hockey Championships at Bob Suter's Capitol Ice Arena," WIAA Assistant Director LeVar Ridgeway said. "With the move, we look forward to creating a great State championship atmosphere for our student-athletes, coaches and fans in a hockey centric facility."

The WIAA and Bob Suter's Capitol Ice Arena agreed to a two-year term. Built in 1999, the venue received a multi-million dollar renovation in 2018 that added significant amenities and upgrades. The facility is equipped with two full sheets of ice with seating for 2,611 spectators, a state-of-the-art sound system, scoreboard and a high-definition video board.

The arena also has a media broadcasting booth, eight public locker rooms, six public bathrooms, and one family restroom. It is the current home for the USHL Madison Capitols and Madison Capitols AAA hockey.

"We are thrilled to be hosting the WIAA State Tournaments for the next two years," Bob Suter's Capitol Ice Arena President Ryan Suter said. "We are thankful to the WIAA for entrusting us with this historic event and believe our venue will provide an incredible atmosphere for the players and fans. We look forward to working with the WIAA and the City of Middleton to host this event and crown State champions."

The Boys and Girls State Hockey Tournaments are scheduled for Thursday-Saturday, March 2-4. The State Tournaments competition time schedules will be slightly altered to accommodate the change in venue.

"The Wisconsin Hockey Coaches Association is excited about this option for the WIAA State Hockey Tournaments," President Brian Brandt said. "The WIAA and WHCA have worked collaboratively to give the best experience for our athletes and showcase their talents in an exciting environment."

The Boys State Hockey Tournament has been held at the Veterans Memorial Coliseum at the Alliant Energy Center since the inception of the event in 1971. The only exceptions during that span was in 1974 and 1975 when it was held in Green Bay and in 2021 when the State Tournament was held in Wisconsin Rapids during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Girls State Hockey Tournament has been held in conjunction with the boys tournament since the sport was added in 2002. ●

NAERA Football Helmet Reconditioning and Recertification Recommendations

NAERA (National Athletic Equipment Reconditioners Association), NOCSAE (National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment) and helmet manufacturers are informing you of reconditioning and recertification recommendations for football, lacrosse, baseball and softball helmets.

NAERA recommends that during every football, lacrosse, baseball and softball season or practice period, every helmet should be cleaned and inspected regularly by a school or organization staff member with knowledge of manufacturer recommendations. We further recommend every helmet should be reconditioned and recertified annually unless stated otherwise by the manufacturer. ONLY a company licensed by NOCSAE can perform the recertification of football, lacrosse, baseball and softball helmets. For a list of NAERA members that are licensed by NOCSAE please visit our web site www.naera.net. More information regarding NOCSAE and their standards can be found at www.nocsae.org.

Reconditioning/Recertification and Sanitization Post Covid-19: NAERA recommends every football, lacrosse, baseball and softball helmet be reconditioned and recertified prior to being issued to all athletes, unless stated otherwise by the manufacturer. NAERA further recommends that

nonrecertifiable equipment, including but not limited to, football and lacrosse shoulder pads, chest protectors and shin guards be sanitized in accordance to manufacturer guidelines.

On January 1, 2017 NOCSAE put into effect standard ND 001 6.1.1 shown below.

ND 001 6.1.1. Helmets intended to be recertified shall have a recertification interval provided by the manufacturer. Certification life is limited to this time period. Helmets not recertified during the stated interval shall no longer be certified. Recertification interval required for warranty validation shall satisfy this requirement.

What does ND 001 6.1.1 mean for your school or organization? For Football helmets, as of this writing, the requirements from all football helmet manufacturers for recertification is a *minimum* of every other year. If you acquired new helmets in 2019 these helmets will need recertification per this standard for 2021 play.

Helmets that have a lapsed certification per NOCSAE DOC. 001 may be recertified under most conditions. Always ask your NAERA representative if you have doubts. **Remember when your team Captain or Coach tells the official your team is legally equipped, you need to know that is correct and factual.**

Every state association playing under NFHS (National Federation of State High School Associations) and NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) rules has adopted the NOCSAE standards for football, lacrosse, baseball and softball helmets. Other state associations may have similar rules; however, most support the helmet manufacturers recommendations.

Please make certain your school or organization is using a reconditioning company licensed by NOCSAE. ●



**Thursday & Friday
November 17 & 18**
Camp Randall Stadium, Madison

**Thursday
November 17**

Division 7:	10 a.m.
Division 6:	1 p.m.
Division 5:	4 p.m.
Division 4:	7 p.m.

**Friday
November 18**

Division 3:	10 a.m.
Division 2:	1 p.m.
Division 1:	4 p.m.

Barth Joins WIAA in Administrative Assistant Role

Haley Barth has been named the administrative assistant for Assistant Director Kate Peterson Abiad, beginning her duties at the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association on Aug. 24.

Barth brings a variety of teaching and coaching experiences to her position. Her most recent positions included positions at The Inn at SentryWorld and teaching Physical and Health Education at Point of Discovery School and Ben Franklin Junior High School in Stevens Point last year.




Haley Barth

Prior to 2021-22, Barth worked for four years teaching health and physical education at Medford Middle School where she also served as assistant coach of the Medford High School girls tennis team from 2018-20. She also served one year instructing elementary physical education in the Manitowoc School District in 2016-17 and was honored as recipient of the Early Educator Award.

"Haley's experiences in the classroom and as a coach will enhance her ability to provide an immediate service to our staff and the membership," Executive Director Stephanie Hauser said. "We feel very fortunate to be adding her talents to our staff."

Barth's office responsibilities will be to assist in the coordination of athletic-related services; compile and organize data; respond, interact and represent the association with customary inquiries from the membership and other constituents; general clerical tasks and compiling various committee meetings; and other projects assigned by the assistant director.

She is a 2016 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point with a bachelor's degree in physical education and a health education minor and an adapted physical education add-on. ●



**Saturday
November 12**
South Wood County Stadium, Wisconsin Rapids

1 p.m.
Bracket A Winner vs. Bracket B Winner

80th Annual WIAA Individual Wrestling Championship Tournament

Thursday, Feb. 23 - Saturday, Feb. 25, 2023
Kohl Center, Madison

Doors open for spectators one hour prior to the start of sessions 1, 2, 3, & 4.

Doors open for fans one and a half hours prior to the start of session 5 (Finals).

ATTENTION: Fans should plan to allow extra time to enter. Metal Detectors will be used on entry into the Kohl Center.

Session 1 - Thursday, Feb. 23 - Eight Mats

Div. 1 & Girls Preliminaries – **3 p.m.** (Doors open 2 p.m.) – Weigh in: 1:30 p.m.
(Div. 1 on mats 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8; Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Div. 1 Quarterfinals – Approximately **5:15 p.m.**

Div. 2 & 3 Preliminaries, Girls Quarterfinals – **7 p.m.** – D2/3 Weigh in: 5 p.m.

(Div. 2 on mats 1, 2 & 3; Div. 3 on mats 5, 7 & 8; Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Note: All weight classes will be wrestled in consecutive order from lowest to highest on next available mat.

Session 2 – Friday, Feb. 24 – Eight Mats

Div. 1 & Girls Consolations – **10 a.m.** (Doors open 9 a.m.)

(Div. 1 on mats 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8; Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Div. 1 and Girls Weigh Ins: 8:30 a.m./Div. 2-3 Weigh Ins: 9 a.m.

Div. 2 & 3 Quarterfinals – Approximately **15 minutes following previous round**

(Div. 2 on mats 1, 2 & 3; Div. 3 on mats 5, 7 & 8; Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Div. 1 & Girls Consolation

Quarterfinals – Approximately **15 minutes following previous round**

(Div. 1 on mats 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8; Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Div. 2 & 3 Consolation

Quarterfinals – Approximately **15 minutes following previous round**

(Div. 2 on mats 1, 2 & 3; Div. 3 on mats 5, 7 & 8; Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Note: All weight classes will be wrestled in consecutive order from lowest to highest on next available mat.

Session 3 – Friday, Feb. 24 – Eight Mats

Div. 1, 2, 3 & Girls Semifinals – **7 p.m.** (Doors open 6 p.m.)

(Div. 1 on mats 1 & 2; Div. 2 on mats 3 & 5; Div. 3 on mats 7 & 8;

Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Note: All weight classes will be wrestled in consecutive order from lowest to highest on next available mat.

Session 4 – Saturday, Feb. 25 – Eight Mats

All Weigh Ins: 8:30 a.m.

Div. 1, 2, 3 & Girls Consolation Semifinals – **10 a.m.** (Doors open 9 a.m.)

(Div. 1 on mats 1 & 2; Div. 2 on mats 3 & 5; Div. 3 on mats 7 & 8;

Girls on mats 4 & 6)

Div. 1, 2, 3 & Girls Fifth Place Matches*

Div. 1, 2, 3 & Girls Third Place Matches*

* Fifth-place and third-place matches will run concurrently by weight class following all consolation matches.

Session 5 – Saturday, Feb. 25 – Four Mats

March of Champions – 5:30 p.m. (Doors open 3:30 p.m.)

Div. 1, 2, 3 & Girls **Championships** – (Div. 1 on mat 1; Girls on mat 2; Div. 2 on mat 3; Div. 3 on mat 4)

2023 State Team Wrestling Tournament Schedule

Friday-Saturday, March 3-4

UW Field House, Madison

Doors open for spectators one hour prior to the start of competition each session.

Teams will be seeded on Sunday, Feb. 26, and pairings posted following review.

DIVISION 1

Quarterfinals – Friday, March 3 – 5:30 p.m.

Match 1 – #1 seed vs. #8 seed

Match 2 – #4 seed vs. #5 seed

Match 3 – #3 seed vs. #6 seed

Match 4 – #2 seed vs. #7 seed

Semifinals – Friday, March 3 – 7:30 p.m.

Match 5 – Match 1 winner vs. Match 2 winner

Match 6 – Match 3 winner vs. Match 4 winner

Final – Saturday March 4 – 3 p.m. (Gates Open 2 p.m.)

DIVISION 2

Semifinals – Saturday, March 4 – 10 a.m.

Match 1 – #1 seed vs. #4 seed

Match 2 – #2 seed vs. #3 seed

Final – Saturday March 4 – 3 p.m.

DIVISION 3

Semifinals – Saturday, March 4 – 10 a.m.

Match 1 – #1 seed vs. #4 seed

Match 2 – #2 seed vs. #3 seed

Final – Saturday March 4 – 3 p.m.

Friday Weigh-ins at 4:30 p.m.

Friday Admission is \$16

Saturday Weigh-ins all divisions at 9 a.m.

Saturday Admission is \$11 for each session

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provide one of the best bargains in our community and nation and will continue to do so as long as our nation supports them as an integral part of the education of our young people," NFHS CEO Dr. Karissa Niehoff said. "Not only do these programs teach the more than 12 million student participants who engage in them valuable life skills lessons, such as ethics, integrity and healthy lifestyles, they also provide the best entertainment value in our nation."

In 1980, the NFHS created National High School Activities Week to increase the public's awareness of the values and needs of education-based activity programs. To encompass all that education-based activities has to offer, Activities Week was expanded to Activities Month in 2012.

"Through National High School Activities Month, we have an opportunity to reflect on our participation as well as the participation of our students," Niehoff said. "Our nation must continue to support these programs and the life skills they provide America's youth."

Recommendations for promoting National High School Activities Month are available with the NFHS, in addition to a toolkit with a wealth of resources to assist state associations and high schools throughout the month. The toolkit contains print ads, website banner ads, email signature and public-service announcements, all of which were created to simplify the process of promoting this annual celebration.

To learn more about National High School Activities Month to download its corresponding toolkit, visit www.nfhs.org/HSActivitiesMonth. ●

Wrestling Comments on the 2022-23 Rules Changes

NFHS Wrestling Rules Book 2022-23

Clarified what a female wrestler shall wear as an undergarment when wearing one-piece singlet (4-1-1a Note) – To provide clarity as to what a female wrestler shall wear in addition to their sports bra under a one-piece singlet. The use of a compression shirt for additional coverage to minimize exposure is optional and at the discretion of the wrestler, her parent(s)/guardian(s) or coach.

Clarified what a female wrestler shall wear as an optional additional undergarment when wearing a one-piece singlet or a two-piece uniform to ensure complete coverage (4-1-1c Note) – To provide clarity as to what additional undergarment is required for female wrestlers. It is not mandatory that all female wrestlers wear a compression shirt. It is optional at the discretion of the wrestler, her parent(s)/guardian(s) or coach.

Clarified the penalty if shoelaces become untied and/or if the shoe(s) comes off (4-1-3) – The penalty to issue a technical violation and use one of two injury time-outs is too punitive for shoelaces that become untied and/or the shoe(s) come off. An appropriate penalty would be correcting the infraction by issuing a stalling call.

Clarified what required undergarment(s) a female wrestler shall wear during weigh-in (4-5-7) – Clarification of the legal uniform and any

optional compression shirt being worn as it pertains to females during the weigh-in period.

Modified that facial hair is allowed (4-2-1) – Facial hair is permitted as long as the skin is visible for the referee or the designated onsite appropriate health-care professional to conduct a skin-check, if not, the wrestler would have to trim the facial hair or wear a mask. In addition, clarity was provided with hair-control devices and hair adornments.

Clarified the penalty if shoelaces become untied and/or if the shoe(s) comes off (5-24-6d) – Clarified the definition of stalling and when it is to be called if shoelaces become untied and/or the shoe(s) come off.

Modified the various types of technical violations (5-27-1e, f) – Clarified the definition of stalling and when it is to be called if shoelaces become untied and/or the shoe(s) come off.

Clarified what constitutes a technical violation when reporting to the table (7-3-5) – Modified when shoelaces become untied and or shoe(s) that come off are not subject to a technical violation.

Clarified the penalty if shoelaces become untied and/or if the shoe(s) come off (7-6-6d) – Clarified when stalling is called based upon the various actions of either wrestler.

Clarified the penalty if shoelaces become untied and/or if the shoe(s) come off (8-1-1) – Clarified when a wrestler would be penalized for stalling for shoelaces that become untied and/or shoe(s) that come off after the match has started.

Clarified when the referee would not stop the match when indicating an infraction (8-1-2g Exception) – Selected stall calls including two-point stall call during the match, would not require the match to be stopped to warn or penalize the offending wrestler if the stall call is for shoelaces that become untied and/or shoe(s) that come off.

Modified how warnings and penalties are awarded for stalling (8-1-4) – As an exception, when related stall calls including the two-point stall call is made during the match, the match would not be stopped to warn or penalize for stalling if the stalling is for any shoelaces that become untied and/or shoe(s) that come off during any significant action or imminent scoring situations.

Clarified when a match would not be stopped (Stalling Penalty Chart) – If shoelaces become untied and/or if the shoe(s) come off, the match would not be stopped, including the two-point stall call during any significant action or imminent scoring situations. ●

2022-23 Wrestling Points of Emphasis

NFHS Wrestling Rules Book 2022-23

The NFHS Wrestling Rules Committee and the NFHS Board of Directors believes there are areas of interscholastic wrestling that need to be addressed and given special attention. These areas of concern are often cyclical, some areas need more attention than others, and that is why they might appear in the rules book for consecutive editions. These concerns are identified as "Points of Emphasis." For the 2022-23 high school wrestling season, attention is being called to: boys and girls weight classification equipment; head/neck/cervical column (HNC) time-out; and stalling in the ultimate tiebreaker. When a topic is included in the Points of Emphasis, these topics are important enough to reinforce throughout the academic year because they are not being given the proper attention needed.

Sportsmanship

Good sporting behavior is one of the fundamental ingredients to the continued success and enjoyment of education-based high school sports and activities. In fact, in the 103-year history of organized high school sports in the United States, Good sportsmanship has been one of the most important outcomes of high school activity programs.

NFHS playing rules are written to encourage sportsmanship. Participation in these programs should promote respect, integrity and sportsmanship. However, for these ideals to occur, everyone involved in these programs must be doing their part.

The NFHS is concerned that unsporting behavior in education-based athletics has increased across all sports. As a result, the NFHS has made sportsmanship the No. 1 Point of Emphasis for the 2022-23 school year.

Sportsmanship, or good sporting behavior, is about treating one another with respect and exhibiting appropriate behavior. It is about being fair, honest and caring. When these types of appropriate behavior occur, competitive play is more enjoyable for everyone.

Coaches set the tone at athletic contests with their display of sportsmanship. If these individuals act in a sportsmanlike manner, their behavior sets the tone for players, spectators and others. If coaches, however, are complaining constantly about the decision of contest officials, spectators are more likely to do the same.

There must be a collaborative, working relationship between contest officials and game adminis-

tration to promote good sportsmanship and safely conduct the contest. Everyone has their roles to play in creating a positive, sportsmanlike atmosphere at contests.

Officials should focus on the actions of players, coaches and other bench/sideline personnel. A positive, open line of communication between officials and coaches ultimately results in a better contest for everyone involved.

Contest officials, however, should never engage with spectators who are exhibiting unsporting behavior. Once the contest begins, school administration includes monitoring the behavior of spectators and intervening as needed.

If spectators are using demeaning or profane language at officials – or at others in the stands – those individuals should be removed from the contest by school administration.

In recent years, a heightened level of unsportsmanlike behavior has been occurring by spectators at high school sporting events, and it must be stopped. The use of demeaning language, or hate speech, by students, parents and other fans must cease.

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2023-24 Enrollments

Listed below you will find the enrollments that will be used for the 2023-24 school year for divisional placements. The numbers are the September 16, 2022 enrollment counts that your school provided. For those schools that have WIAA associate member schools, you will find those schools listed under your school with their enrollment added to your total (the total will be the number used). If you find a discrepancy in the enrollment total listed for your school, please let Kassie Mortimer know by December 1, 2022. No changes will be made to enrollment numbers after the December 1, 2022 deadline. Note: If there is no enrollment number listed for your school it means that you have not yet submitted the online enrollment form to the WIAA office.

Abbotsford	244	Barron	316	Chequamegon	231
Abundant Life Christian	115	Northstar Academy	15	Class Act	10
Adams-Friendship	432	Barron Total	331	Chequamegon Total	241
Albany	80	Bay Port	1915	Chesterton Academy	101
Algoma	219	Bayfield	116	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser	237
Alma	65	Beaver Dam	1124	Northstar Academy	10
Alma Center Lincoln	164	Belleville	279	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Total	247
Almond-Bancroft	109	Belmont	121	Chilton	401
Altoona	560	Beloit Memorial	1578	Chippewa Falls	1454
Amery	467	Benton	65	Clayton	93
Amherst	344	Berlin	474	Clear Lake	181
Antigo	687	Big Foot	449	Clinton	359
Appleton East	1306	Birchwood	65	Clintonville	412
Appleton eSchool	11	Birchwood Charter	2	Cochrane-Fountain City	175
Renaissance School for the Arts	4	Birchwood Total	67	Colby	309
Tesla Engineering	145	Black Hawk	109	Coleman	229
Valley New School	17	Black River Falls	481	Colfax	224
Wisconsin Connections	10	Blair-Taylor	193	Columbus	390
Appleton East Total	1493	Bloomer	429	Columbus Catholic	146
Appleton North	1556	Bonduel	262	Community Christian of Baraboo	25
Appleton eSchool	11	Boscobel	212	Cornell	111
Fox Cities Leadership Academy	57	Bowler	100	Coulee Christian	52
Renaissance School for the Arts	7	Boyceville	212	Crandon	239
Tesla Engineering	3	Brillion	342	Cristo Rey Jesuit	452
Valley New School	17	Brodhead	315	Crivitz	215
Wisconsin Connections	13	Brookfield Academy	334	Cuba City	273
Appleton North Total	1664	Brookfield Central	1270	Cudahy	677
Appleton West	1156	Brookfield East	1362	Cumberland	300
Appleton eSchool	5	Brookwood	175	D.C. Everest	1796
Appleton Technical Academy	91	Brown Deer	579	Everest Virtual Academy	28
Renaissance School for the Arts	144	Bruce	131	D.C. Everest Total	1824
Tesla Engineering	1	Burlington	1001	Darlington	280
Valley New School	16	Butternut	56	De Pere	1457
Wisconsin Connections	21	Promethean	1	De Soto	127
Appleton West Total	1434	Butternut Total	57	Deerfield	216
Aquinas	307	Cadott	260	DeForest	1093
Arcadia	417	Cambria-Friesland	100	Delavan-Darien	570
Argyle	74	Cambridge	246	Delavan-Darien Technical School	58
Arrowhead	2076	Koshkonong Trails	20	Delavan-Darien Total	628
Ashland	635	Cambridge Total	266	Denmark	488
Ashwaubenon	989	Cameron	276	Denmark Community School	23
Assumption	139	Northstar Academy	8	Denmark Total	511
Athens	127	Cameron Total	284	Destiny	247
Auburndale	229	Campbellsport	470	Divine Savior Holy Angels	1344
Audubon Technology	420	Carmen Northwest	382	Dodgeland	278
Augusta	181	Carmen South	382	Dodgeville	375
Wildland Research	45	Carmen Southeast	718	Dominican	324
Augusta Total	226	Cashton	191	Drummond	108
Badger	1299	Cassville	57	Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy	345
New Visions Charter	21	Catholic Central	128	Durand-Arkansaw	307
Badger Total	1320	Catholic Memorial	576	East Troy	504
Baldwin-Woodville	506	Cedar Grove-Belgium	291	Eastbrook Academy	81
Bangor	203	Cedarburg	1087	Eau Claire Immanuel Lutheran	96
Baraboo	919	Central Wisconsin Christian	119		
Barneveld	128				

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Eau Claire Memorial	1553	Green Bay West	865	Kenosha Tremper	1552
McKinley	8	John Dewey Academy of Learning	23	Kenosha E-School	15
Eau Claire Virtual	28	North East Wis. N.E.W. School of Innovation	57	Kenosha Harborside	139
Eau Claire Memorial Total	1589	Green Bay West Total	945	Kenosha Lakeview Tech	129
Eau Claire North	1674	Green Lake	101	Kenosha Tremper Total	1835
McKinley	12	Greendale	931	Kettle Moraine	872
Eau Claire Virtual	34	Greenfield	1163	Kettle Moraine Connect	3
Eau Claire North Total	1720	Greenwood	112	High School of Health Sciences	194
Edgar	201	Gresham	82	Kettle Moraine Global School for	
Edgerton	537	Hamilton	1551	Global Learning	78
Edgewood	569	Hartford Union	1281	Kettle Moraine School for the	
Elcho	83	Hayward	527	Performing Arts	104
Eleva-Strum	187	HACIL	77	Kettle Moraine Total	1251
Elk Mound	344	Hayward Total	604	Kettle Moraine Lutheran	553
Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah	148	Heritage Christian	196	Kewaskum	572
Elkhorn	977	Highland	105	Kewaunee	298
Career & College	165	Hilbert	141	Kickapoo	157
Elkhorn Area Total	1142	Hillsboro	163	Kiel	428
Ellsworth	518	Hmong American Peace	465	Kiel eSchool	25
Elmwood	90	Holmen	1215	Kiel Total	453
Evansville	507	Homestead	1261	Kimberly	1595
Faith Christian (Wms Bay)	62	Horicon	275	Kingdom Prep Lutheran	198
Faith Christian Academy (Wausau)	47	Hortonville	1232	Kohler	222
Fall Creek	243	Howards Grove	283	ETUDE	1
Fall River	157	Hudson	1800	Kohler Total	223
Fennimore	223	Hurley	192	La Crosse Central	988
Flambeau	145	Hustisford	105	La Crosse Polytechnic School	41
Florence	118	Independence	143	La Crosse Central Total	1029
Fond du Lac	1991	Iola-Scandinavia	197	La Crosse Logan	720
STEM Institute	47	Iowa-Grant	204	La Crosse Polytechnic School	18
Fond du Lac Total	2038	Ithaca	133	La Crosse Logan Total	738
Fort Atkinson	964	Janesville Craig	1509	La Farge	66
Fox Valley Lutheran	742	Arise Virtual Academy	26	Lac Courte Oreilles	105
Franklin	1570	Rock River	107	Laconia	317
Frederic	116	Rock University	39	Ladysmith	246
Freedom	504	Tagos Leadership Academy	3	Lake Country Lutheran	335
Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau	400	Janesville Craig Total	1684	Lake Holcombe	90
Germantown	1295	Janesville Parker	1221	Lake Mills	491
Gibraltar	182	Arise Virtual Academy	42	Lakeland	717
Gillett	158	Rock River	120	Lakeside Lutheran	506
Gilman	97	Rock University	32	Lancaster	295
Gilmanton	39	Tagos Leadership Academy	14	Laona	66
Glenwood City	195	Janesville Parker Total	1429	Lena	133
Golda Meir	594	Jefferson	604	Little Chute	412
Goodman	30	Johnson Creek	180	Little Chute Career Pathways	102
Grafton	713	Juda	96	Little Chute Total	514
Granton	62	Kaukauna	1253	Living Word Lutheran	232
Grantsburg	255	Kenosha Bradford	1443	Lodi	451
Green Bay East	1097	Kenosha E-School	21	Lomira	323
John Dewey Academy of Learning	27	Kenosha Harborside	186	Lourdes Academy	178
North East Wis. N.E.W. School of Innovation	83	Kenosha Lakeview Tech	115	Loyal	163
Green Bay East Total	1207	Kenosha Bradford Total	1765	Luck	118
Green Bay N.E.W. Lutheran	145	Kenosha Christian Life	202	Luther	228
Green Bay Preble	2137	Kenosha Indian Trail	1990	Luxemburg-Casco	610
John Dewey Academy of Learning	30	Kenosha E-School	25	Madison Country Day	108
North East Wis. N.E.W. School of Innovation	68	Kenosha Harborside	87	Madison East	1662
Green Bay Preble Total	2235	Kenosha Lakeview Tech	143	Madison La Follette	1577
Green Bay Southwest	1090	Kenosha Indian Trail Total	2245	Madison Memorial	2122
John Dewey Academy of Learning	18	Kenosha Reuther	370	Madison West	2226
North East Wis. N.E.W. School of Innovation	37	Kenosha St. Joseph Catholic	229		
Green Bay Southwest Total	1145				

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Manawa	215	Milwaukee School of Languages	596	Obama SCTE	659
Manitowoc Lincoln	1485	Milwaukee South	834	Assata	97
McKinley Academy	88	Grandview	232	Obama SCTE Total	756
Manitowoc Lincoln Total	1573	South Division Accelerated Academy	43	Oconomowoc	1657
Manitowoc Lutheran	227	Milwaukee South Total	1109	Oconto	282
Marathon	260	Milwaukee Vincent	724	Oconto Falls	521
Marinette	623	Green Tree Preparatory Academy	216	Omro	333
Marion	134	Vincent Accelerated Academy	33	Onalaska	923
Markesan	254	Milwaukee Vincent Total	973	One City Schools	87
Marquette	1794	Milwaukee Washington	432	Oneida Nation	127
Marshall	292	Groppi	14	Oostburg	331
Marshfield	1250	Milwaukee Washington Total	446	Oregon	1248
Martin Luther	649	Mineral Point	245	Osceola	552
Mauston	380	Mishicot	280	Oshkosh North	1231
ILEAD Charter	94	Mondovi	250	Oshkosh West	1627
Mauston Total	474	Monona Grove	1076	Osseo-Fairchild	255
Mayville	375	Liberal Arts Charter School for the		Owen-Withee	126
McDonell Central Catholic	206	21st Century	51	Ozaukee	188
McFarland	774	Monona Grove Total	1127	Pacelli	169
Medford	738	Monroe	742	Palmyra-Eagle	195
Mellen	81	Montello	199	Pardeeville	263
Melrose-Mindoro	223	High Marq Environment	19	Parkview	238
Menasha	966	Montello Virtual	33	Pecatonica	106
Menominee Indian	349	Montello Total	251	Pembine	68
Menomonee Falls	1292	Monticello	98	Pepin	84
Menomonie	1022	Mosinee	621	Peshtigo	339
Mercer	41	Mount Horeb	792	Pewaukee	874
Merrill	801	Mukwonago	1619	Phelps	28
Messmer	499	Muskego	1683	Phillips	217
Middleton	2257	Necedah	213	Pittsville	168
Clark Street	100	Neenah	1979	Pius XI Catholic	699
Middleton Total	2357	Neillsville	269	Platteville	513
Milton	1059	Nekoosa	295	Plum City	88
Milwaukee Academy of Science	395	New Auburn	95	Plymouth	746
Milwaukee Arts	1023	New Berlin Eisenhower	711	Port Edwards	133
Milwaukee Bay View	966	New Berlin West	699	Port Washington	815
Milwaukee Bradley Tech	954	New Glarus	323	Portage	705
Milwaukee Excellence Charter School	333	New Holstein	319	Potosi	107
Milwaukee Hamilton	1475	New Lisbon	156	Poynette	310
Milwaukee Juneau	233	New London	676	Prairie du Chien	343
Milwaukee King	1284	Catalyst Academy	36	Prairie Farm	127
Milwaukee WI Conservatory of		New London Total	712	Northstar Academy	2
Lifelong Learning	210	New Richmond	1112	Prairie Farm Total	129
Milwaukee Lutheran	908	Newman Catholic	128	Prentice	122
Milwaukee Madison	713	Niagara	136	Prescott	431
Banner Preparatory	40	Nicolet	1086	Princeton	109
Milwaukee Madison Total	753	North Crawford	124	Providence Academy (Green Bay)	35
Milwaukee Marshall	811	North Fond du Lac	466	Providence Academy (La Crosse)	25
Milwaukee North	382	Northland Lutheran	82	Pulaski	1141
Milwaukee Pulaski	924	Northland Pines	419	Racine Case	1892
Lad Lake Synergy	28	SOAR	32	Racine Horlick	1360
Project Stay	50	Northland Pines Total	451	Racine Lutheran	303
Milwaukee Pulaski Total	1002	Northwestern	400	Racine Park	1059
Milwaukee Reagan	1366	Northwood	87	Racine St. Catherine's	472
Milwaukee Riverside	1235	Notre Dame	727	Randolph	198
Alliance School of Milwaukee	105	Oak Creek	2170	Random Lake	244
NOVA	96	Oakfield	158	Reedsburg	897
Shalom	67			Reedsville	192
Transition	11			Regis	210
Milwaukee Riverside Total	1514			Rhineland	747
				Rib Lake	132
				Rice Lake	714
				Richland Center	400
				Richland Online Academy	18
				Richland Center Total	418
				Rio	111

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Ripon	473	Sparta	837	Waupaca	589
Odyssey Academy of Virtual Learning	11	High Point	28	Waupun	573
Ripon Total	484	S.A.I.L.S.	44		
		Sparta Total	909		
River Falls	1114			Wausau East	902
River Ridge	175	Spencer	220	Wausau Area Virtual Education	22
River Valley	389	Spooner	365	Wausau Enrich Excel Achieve Learning	24
Riverdale	202	Spring Valley	198	Wausau East Total	948
Roncalli	223	St. Augustine Preparatory Academy	624		
Rosholt	176	St. John's Northwestern	236	Wausau West	1444
Royall	154	Stanley-Boyd	337	Wausau Area Virtual Education	67
Saint Ambrose	96	Stevens Point	2105	Wausau Enrich Excel Achieve Learning	24
Saint Anthony	555	Stockbridge	54	Wausau West Total	1535
		Stoughton	868		
Saint Croix Central	491	Stratford	272	Wausaukee	126
Saint Croix Virtual	23	Sturgeon Bay	394	Wautoma	381
Saint Croix Central Total	514	Sun Prairie East	1329	Wauwatosa East	1047
		Sun Prairie West	1347	Wauwatosa West	1028
Saint Croix Falls	345	Superior	1308	Wauzeka-Steuben	78
Saint Francis	522	Suring	117	Wayland Academy	159
Saint Joan Antida	376	Tenor	514	Webster	201
Saint Lawrence Seminary	256	The Lincoln Academy	108	West Allis Central	1126
Saint Mary Catholic	277	The Prairie School	226	West Allis Hale	1373
Saint Mary's Springs	263	Thorp	170	West Bend East	948
Saint Thomas Aquinas	38	Three Lakes	155	West Bend West	1077
Saint Thomas More	547	Tigerton	75		
Salam	195	Tomah	919	West De Pere	1063
Sauk Prairie	858	Tomahawk	371	Phantom Knight Charter School	24
Seneca	102	Tri-County	176	West De Pere Total	1087
Sevastopol	180	Trinity Academy	6		
Seymour	655	Turner	460	West Salem	607
Shawano	797	Turtle Lake	125	Westby	305
Sheboygan Christian	131	Northstar Academy	4	Westfield	295
Sheboygan Area Lutheran	206	Turtle Lake Total	129	Weston	84
				Westosha Central	1220
Sheboygan Falls	512	Two Rivers	480	Weyauwega-Fremont	291
ETUDE	1	Lighthouse Learning Academy	48	White Lake	43
Sheboygan Falls Total	513	Two Rivers Total	528	Whitefish Bay	944
				Whitehall	216
Sheboygan North	1551	Union Grove	1049	Whitewater	606
Central High	77	Unity	295	Whitnall	826
ETUDE	38	University Lake School	73	Wild Rose	153
George D. Warriner	50	University School of Milwaukee	406		
Sheboygan North Total	1716	Valders	298	Williams Bay	207
		Valley Christian (Oshkosh)	144	Career & College	5
Sheboygan South	1134	Valley Christian School (Osceola)	27	Williams Bay Total	212
Central High	114	Veritas	253		
ETUDE	41	Verona	1801	Wilmot Union	951
George D. Warriner	43			Winnebago Lutheran	319
Sheboygan South Total	1332	Viroqua	303	Winneconne	551
		Laurel	36	Winter	86
Shell Lake	204	Viroqua Total	339	Wisconsin Dells	596
Shiocton	221			Wisconsin Heights	228
Shoreland Lutheran	384	Wabeno	99	Wisconsin Lutheran	938
		Washburn	198		
Shorewood	637	Washington Island	19	Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln	1377
New Horizons	25	Waterford	958	River Cities	90
Shorewood Total	662	Waterloo	259	Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln Total	1467
Shullsburg	104	Watertown	1060	Wisconsin School for the Blind and	
Siren	145	eCampus	67	Visually Impaired	21
Slinger	1052	Endeavor	43	Wisconsin School for the Deaf	26
Solon Springs	81	Watertown Total	1170	Wisconsin Valley Lutheran	21
Somerset	470			Wittenberg-Birnamwood	336
South Milwaukee	1002	Watertown Luther Prep	407	Wolf River Lutheran	34
South Shore	63	Waukesha North	1018	Wonewoc-Center	115
Southern Door	323	Waukesha South	1179	Wrightstown	402
Southwestern	162	Waukesha West	1194	Xavier	468
		Waunakee	1309	Young Coggs	203
				Youth Initiative	74

High school sports and other activities exist to lift people up, not demean or tear people down. The goal is to treat everyone fairly and treat each other with respect. Any speech or harassment that is insulting, demeaning or hurtful will not be tolerated.

High schools must establish a culture that values the worth of every single person – both players on the school's team and players on the opposing team. There must be a no-tolerance policy regarding behavior that show disrespect for another individual.

Good sports win with humility, lose with grace and do both with dignity. It takes the efforts of everyone every day to ensure that sportsmanship remains one of the top priorities in education-based activity programs.

Illegal, Harmful Holds and Maneuvers

In the purest form of wrestling, two similar-sized athletes use their strength, guile, ability and repertoire of moves to control and dominate their opponent. We have always made moves and maneuvers that intentionally injure or punish a wrestler illegal and work on removing them from our sport. We are noticing that some moves, maneuvers and holds are starting to filter down to our level from other influences that are not education-based athletics. We abhor any move, maneuver or hold that intentionally injures limbs and joints or penetrates any body cavities. Allowing those techniques to infiltrate into our sport is irresponsible, dangerous and in certain jurisdictions illegal.

No one wants to drive any students out of the sport. If parents are not confident that their children are in a well-managed risk environment, then they will not let them participate. That would be devastating to a sport that we have already seen a trend of declining participation numbers. We need to do everything possible in our schools to attract more students and retain them in our programs. Eliminating questionable moves, maneuvers and holds is the first

place to start. Regardless of your role as either coach or referee, you must work together to keep certain techniques out of our sport.

Wrestling is one of the oldest sports in the world. The benefits of participating are phenomenal in developing high school students to better understand their bodies, appreciate discipline, be self-reliant and develop toughness that will be a life skill that they will use their entire lives. Let us direct our attention to preserving our sport for many more generations to come.

Uniforms

Uniforms are a key component in every sport. However, they are extremely important to wrestling because their proper wearing, cleanliness and sizing is critical to their functionality for the wrestler. A dirty, mis-sized uniform is an impediment that interferes with wrestling. Keeping the uniform washed and clean reduces risks of transmitting skin issues which protects the opponent, referee and provides comfort for the wearer. Whenever possible a uniform (singlet or two-piece) should be issued to a student that best fits their size, weight and gender. It is disconcerting to have a lighter weight wrestler wearing a stretched out uniform while wrestling and the back of their uniform is touching the mat during competition. The referee has no other choice but to award a fall to their opponent. Whereas, a properly fitted uniform might have resulted in a different result. We have experienced an increase of over 30,000 girls entering our sport and many are being issued male uniforms. In fairness and practicality, we cannot expect a girl to perform her best if she has to be concerned in the back of her mind about her uniform and if it will support her while she is competing. We are not suggesting a wholesale overhaul of your uniform stock, but we are asking you to inspect what you have and if it is financially feasible replace your inventory with newer and properly fitted uniforms. It will benefit the morale and confidence of your wrestlers. ●

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teams in all sports to "rest from all physical activity for at least one calendar day after six consecutive days of practice or competition." (Otte, 440)

In 1995, the SMAC adopted the wrestling skin form to be utilized when a contagious skin condition may exist. The examination must be done no more than three days prior to wrestling and furnished at weigh-ins.

The Committee began the discussion of Female Osteoporosis concerns in 2008 and later developed the Female Triad guidelines in 2010. Female Triad was officially described as a syndrome of: disordered eating, lack of menstrual cycles, and osteoporosis in females. In addition, the SMAC identified concerns with Sickle Cell Trait.

In 2011, the SMAC worked with legislators to develop concussion legislation. As the concussion legislation was passed, the Committee worked with the Wisconsin Department of Instruction to provide educational materials for member schools and other youth athletic organizations.

The SMAC worked with the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association to develop an acclimatization plan in 2012 and a policy was implemented for the 2014 season. The SMAC also discussed player-on-player contact. Player-on-player contact was limited beginning in the fall of 2014 to no contact the first week, 75 minutes the second week, and 60 minutes for the rest of the season. The plan was later adopted by the NFHS as a recommendation.

The Committee discussed transgender participation and eligibility in 2013. After reviewing the

NCAA policy and several state associations' models, the SMAC made a recommendation to the Board of Control for adoption in June of 2013.

After discussions in 2004, 2007, and 2010, the SMAC prepared guidelines for sudden cardiac arrest to member schools in 2013. The Committee adopted the Anyone Can Save A Life emergency action plan for member schools and the NFHS Foundation provided a copy to be distributed to all WIAA member schools in 2015.

The Present

The SMAC began discussions in May of 2015 regarding baseball pitcher arm care. A study conducted on Tommy John surgeries from 2007-2011 stated that 57% of 790 surgeries during that time period were on adolescents in the 15-19 year-old age group. A pitch count was adopted with input of the Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Association in May 2016 for implementation in the spring of 2017.

At the May 2016 meeting, the SMAC adopted a change from the wrestling half-pound per day weight loss to the 1.5 percent per week weight loss plan based on the recommendation of the 7% Committee. The 1.5% weight loss program will provide an individualized weight loss plan for every wrestler based on their skin-fold measurement.

In addition, the SMAC adopted guidelines for Relative Energy Deficit in Sport (RED-S) to emphasize the condition effects all athletes; not just females. Due to the energy deficiency in RED-S normal body functioning is impaired and can affect metabolic rate, immunity, cardiovascular health,

protein synthesis, as well as menstrual function, and bone health.

In May of 2017, the SMAC updated the concussion information, absorbed the Female Triad information into the RED-S information, and added mental health/wellness.

May of 2019, the SMAC discussed sport specific requests and began a process to update the WIAA Medical Policies and Procedures.

Throughout the spring and fall of 2020, the SMAC provided guidance and advice pertaining to the Coronavirus pandemic. Beginning with the season ending of winter sports through the cancellation of spring sports, Covid-19 (as it was designated), began a new chapter in WIAA member schools and their offerings of athletic programs. During June, 2020, the SMAC began working on guidelines to mitigate risk for summer contact and the WIAA staff began recommendations of sport specific guidelines.

By July 1, 2020, the SMAC had recommended summer contact guidance in an effort for schools to conduct coaching contact during the summer and to prepare for the possible resumption of sports in the fall. In addition, work began on the Return to Fall Sports considerations. Winter considerations were developed in October and work began on the Spring recommendations.

In addition to the Covid-19 work, the SMAC also provided a recommendation restricting CBD usage by athletes to prescription by a licensed health care provider. ●

2022-23 State Girls Basketball Tournament Schedule

Thursday-Friday-Saturday, March 9-11
Resch Center, Green Bay

Thursday, March 9

Division 3 Semifinals – 1:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Division 4 Semifinals – 6:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Friday, March 10

Division 5 Semifinals – 9:05 a.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Division 2 Semifinals – 1:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Division 1 Semifinals – 6:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Saturday, March 11

3-Point Challenge – 9:30 a.m.

Division 5 Championship – 11:05 a.m.

Division 4 Championship

15 minutes following completion of Division 5 championship game.

Division 3 Championship

15 minutes following completion of Division 4 championship game.

Division 2 Championship – 6:35 p.m.

Division 1 Championship

15 minutes following completion of Division 2 championship game.

2022-23 State Boys Basketball Tournament Schedule

Thursday-Friday-Saturday, March 16-18
Kohl Center, Madison

Thursday, March 16

Division 3 Semifinals – 1:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Division 4 Semifinals – 6:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Friday, March 17

Division 5 Semifinals – 9:05 a.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Division 2 Semifinals – 1:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Division 1 Semifinals – 6:35 p.m.

#1 Seed vs. #4 Seed
#3 Seed vs. #2 Seed

Saturday, March 18

3-Point Challenge – 9:30 a.m.

Division 5 Championship – 11:05 a.m.

Division 4 Championship

15 minutes following completion of Division 5 championship game.

Division 3 Championship

15 minutes following completion of Division 4 championship game.

Division 2 Championship – 6:35 p.m.

Division 1 Championship

15 minutes following completion of Division 2 championship game.

Sports Report “PLUS” Exemplary sportsmanship as submitted by licensed officials.

The following reports of good sportsmanship have been submitted to the WIAA. Appreciation goes out to those officials taking the time to give recognition to those schools and individuals deserving of acknowledgement.

CROSS COUNTRY

Indianhead Conference Meet

Oct. 6, 2022

I witnessed an exemplary act of sportsmanship. After the completion of the girls varsity race, Linnea Shackelford, a freshmen from Washburn High School, went to her Coach and told her she had missed running correctly around a directional flag. She knew she would forfeit her second place finish. This was not observed by any official, another runner, or spectator. Only Linnea knew she had done this. Her concern at the time she spoke with us was that the third place runner should receive her second place finish. We as officials related to her how proud

we were of her act of sportsmanship. Congratulations Linnea and coach Sherri Collins.

Reporting Official: Michael Jahn

FOOTBALL

Kettle Moraine @ Fond du Lac

Aug. 19, 2022

Our crew would like to commend the coaches at Kettle Moraine High School for their exceptional handling of adversity encountered in their game against Fond du Lac High School. Several times during the contest and especially at the end and immediately

following the game, Kettle Moraine coaches were confronted with unsporting behaviors but instead of reacting or escalating conflict, they simply notified officials professionally and courteously, allowing us to diffuse situations. As officials, we often see the attitudes of coaches reflected in their players, and in this game we saw repeated acts of sportsmanship by Kettle Moraine players. Coaching exceptionally well through adversity is a difficult skill few coaches have mastered. The Kettle Moraine coaches and sideline reflect the highest levels of ethical sportsmanship as described in the Coaches' Code of Ethics.

Reporting Official: Don Mitchell

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Lake Country Lutheran @ Lakeshore Lutheran
Aug. 26, 2022

From the moment we arrived, we were escorted to a nice area where we had plenty of room to change clothes and get ready for the game. The field was a little bit of a hike, so we were given a ride on a golf cart to/from the field before/after the game. On the field, both teams were very respectful, they were helping each other up off the ground after a play, and they played hard and played the game the right way. Players came up asking about cross eye black they had on and asked if it was alright. I advised it was illegal and had to remove it, so they did. They were aware of making sure their teammates had their pads covered up or their knees covered, and didn't complain about anything. It was a well-played game, and even the fans thanked us (from the losing team) as we were getting a ride back to the locker rooms. The AD even went to the concession stand to grab some pizza and popcorn for us for after the game. All in all, class act all the way around, and they should be very proud of the atmosphere they have at that school. I would gladly work their games again in the future. They went above and beyond to make sure the officials were taken care of. Thank you!

Reporting Official: Mike Edic

Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln @ Wausau West
Sept. 2, 2022

Our crew wants to acknowledge the great sportsmanship and overall exhibition of high school sports at the highest level. What a great atmosphere and amazing game we had the privilege to officiate. Wausau West and Wis Rapids are both coached by extreme classy coaches. The players were so very helpful towards each other. A high level high intensity conference game for sure. As the game unfolded the sportsmanship even took a tick upwards. We want both schools and their fan bases to understand just how special their respective programs are. Great experience and exactly what high school sports on a Friday night should be. What an honor for us to be a part of it.

Reporting Official: Rich Hohl

Stratford vs. Nekoosa
Sept. 16, 2022

First, it's a pleasure to work with Stratford's Athletic Director Craig Martens. His communication, hospitality, and ability to work with officials is outstanding. Second, Head Coaches Jason Tubbs and Mark Tuttle teach positive sportsmanship to their coaching staff and players. Both team's sidelines were encouraging, great to communicate with, and kept

their sidelines clean during the play. This really helps keep officials safe and able to do their job. The wing officials describe the sidelines as respectful, classy, positive, and easy to communicate with. The players did an amazing job on the field. They worked and communicated well with officials, motivated their teammates, provided the opposing team with words of praise, and helped each other off the turf. The captains and players listened well to officials and were grateful for the preventative officiating advice and answers to their questions. Also, those typically not in the spot light did an exceptional job. The chain gang was competent and listened well, the announcer positive, the clock operator spot on, fans positive, and the athletic trainers outstanding. Our crew tips it cap to the communities of Stratford and Nekoosa and the educational leadership of those schools. It takes time and effort to train our youth on the importance of education, sports, leadership, and exhibiting positive sportsmanship.

Reporting Official: Shawn Umland

Germantown @ West Allis Hale
Sept. 23, 2022

In all my years officiating football, I have never had such a great sideline. The players were a good five yards off the sideline and never encroached on the "box." The only people in the box were the chain crew and myself. Coach Jake Davis was polite and respectful when asking questions of the penalties called and how they were enforced. I barely knew there were assistant coaches on the sideline besides them yelling out calls. One of their players not suited up for the game, Brady, was the "ball boy" and he followed my instructions perfectly and I never had to worry about getting a ball into play, including after extra points. All this made my job as head linesman enjoyable and easier than any other game. Thank you coach Davis and the Germantown team!

Reporting Official: Jon Kradecki

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Black River Falls @ Westby
Sept. 13, 2022

Both teams, all of the coaches, and the fans were absolutely enjoyable to work with. I was very impressed with the student section from Westby, in that they loudly cheered throughout the match, had some fun during the match, and had great cheers throughout. It was also a joy to listen to their pep band prior to the start of the match. They added a

great atmosphere to the match. I also want to point out the sportsmanship of the Black River Falls players. They all came up to me after shaking hands with Westby and fist-bumped me and thanked me for reffing. Many of them also sought out my partner, Lynn, and the line judges to thank them as well. I commend the players, the coaches, the administration, and the fans from both schools. This is exactly the atmosphere we should see in high school athletics!

Reporting Official: Lance Bagstad

SOCCER
Oregon @ McFarland
Sept. 17, 2022

The McFarland boys soccer team showed great sportsmanship. The players accepted all of the calls by the officials, talked in a respectful manner to the other players and the officials, and helped up players that fell on the other side. They were gracious to all, and it was a pleasure to officiate this team. Great job Spartans.

Reporting Official: Thomas Vergeront

Northland Lutheran @ Antigo
Aug. 25, 2022

The Antigo Booster Club and parents met us after the soccer match providing pizza and saying thank you for officiating. Both coaches were very positive and the players and fans from both schools were encouraging and positive.

Reporting Official: Jon Payne

West Bend West @ Beaver Dam
Sept. 24, 2022

Coach David Elgersman and the entire Beaver Dam team showed very good sportsmanship. This coach kept his players from entering any of the arguing or comments during the game. Even after the game, the team was showing exceptionally good sportsmanship toward the officials.

Reporting Official: Steven Melendez

Carmen Northwest @ Milwaukee Washington
Sept. 28, 2022

Players wearing jersey numbers #3 and #12 for Carmen Northwest were chosen to be captains for this contest. They showed leadership in relaying rules from the coach/captain coin-flip meeting, pre-game help with JV games and in working with the JV girls game warm-up and with bench personnel and teammates.

Reporting Official: Charles Organ

Enough is Enough: Bad Behavior by Coaches, Parents and Fans Must Stop

By Dr. Karissa Niehoff, Chief Executive Officer of the National Federation of State High School Associations



Dr. Karissa Niehoff

We've all seen it: the yelling, harassing, berating, disrespecting and even physically assaulting high school referees, umpires and other officials during and after games. And oftentimes, the harassment continues on social media. Perhaps you've witnessed it firsthand or even been one of those offenders yourself.

Not only is this behavior unacceptable and embarrassing, but it's also having serious consequences on the future of high school sports.

That's because another unfortunate trend is sweeping the nation: a critical shortage of high school officials in every state. The #1 reason? You guessed it: Coaches, parents and fans mistreating officials.

National surveys of officials report alarming statistics:

- 55% of officials say verbal abuse from coaches, parents and fans is the #1 reason they quit.
- 59% don't feel respected.
- 57% think sportsmanship is getting worse.
- 84% feel officials are treated unfairly by spectators.
- 46% have felt unsafe or feared for their safety due to spectator, coach, administrator or player behavior.

Officials are quitting faster than new ones are signing up. It's a major area of concern for states like Wisconsin just to cover games. We're already seeing

middle school and JV games being cancelled and, in some cases, varsity games too. All because there aren't enough officials.

Unfortunately, bad behavior at high school athletic events has become normalized. It is almost expected that coaches, parents and fans will disrespect the individuals serving as officials.

This culture of bad behavior and the negative perception of officials must change now. Everyone involved in high school sports—parents, coaches, administrators, fans, the media—must turn their focus to the student-athletes playing the games and away from the individuals officiating the contests.

The bottom line: With no high school officials, there can be no high school sports.

That's why the NFHS is partnering with state high school associations across the country to launch the nationwide #BenchBadBehavior campaign. We'll use the power of social media along with other tools to help educate everyone about the importance of good behavior at high school athletic events.

You can help by being a positive role model at your high school's athletic events. And if you think you have what it takes to be a licensed official, sign up today at [HighSchoolOfficials.com](https://www.nfhs.org/highschoolofficials) and help fill an urgent need in Wisconsin! ●

Keep These Dates in Mind

October 26	Coaches Advisory Meeting – Golf (Stevens Point)	November 22	Earliest Day for First Boys Swimming & Diving Meet
October 21	Boys Volleyball Regionals	November 22	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Cross Country
October 21-22	State Girls Team Tennis Tournament (Madison)	November 24	Thanksgiving Day
October 21-22	Level 1 Football	November 25	Earliest Day for First Wrestling Meet
October 21-22	Cross Country Sectionals	November 29	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Football (Stevens Point)
October 25 & 29	Boys Volleyball Sectionals	November 30	Officials Advisory Committee Meeting (Stevens Point)
October 27 & 29	Boys Soccer Sectionals	December 1	Earliest Day for First Gymnastics Meet
October 27 & 29	Girls Volleyball Sectionals	December 2	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
October 28-29	Level 2 Football	December 5	Coaches Advisory Meeting – Swimming & Diving (Stevens Point)
October 29	State Cross Country Meet (Wisconsin Rapids)	December 6	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting
November 3-4-5	State Boys Soccer Tournament (Milwaukee)	December 8	Coaches Advisory Meeting – Tennis (Stevens Point)
November 3-4-5	State Volleyball Tournament (Green Bay)	December 25	Christmas Day
November 4	Girls Diving Sectionals	January 1	New Year's Day
November 4-5	Level 3 Football	January 5	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting (virtual)
November 5	Girls Swimming Sectionals	January 18	Sports Advisory Committee Meeting
November 7	Earliest Day for Gymnastics Practice	January 31	Advisory Council Meeting (Stevens Point)
November 7	Earliest Day for Hockey Practice	February 1	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
November 7	Earliest Day for Girls Basketball Practice	January 30	Middle Level Council Meeting (Stevens Point)
November 11-12	State Girls Swimming & Diving Meet (Waukesha)	February 9	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting (if needed)
November 11-12	Level 4 Football	February 10	Boys Diving Sectionals
November 12	8-Player Football Finals	February 11	Wrestling Regionals
November 14	Earliest Day for Boys Swimming & Diving Practice	February 11	Boys Swimming Sectionals
November 14	Earliest Day for Wrestling Practice	February 14	Wrestling Team Sectionals
November 14	Earliest Day for Boys Basketball Practice	February 14, 16 & 17	Hockey Regionals
November 15	Earliest Day for First Girls Basketball Game	February 17-18	Boys State Swimming & Diving Meet (Waukesha)
November 16	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Volleyball (Stevens Point)	February 18	Wrestling Individual Sectionals
November 16	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Soccer (Stevens Point)	February 21, 24 & 25	Hockey Sectionals
November 17-18	Football Playoff Championship Games (Madison)	February 21, 24 & 25	Girls Basketball Regionals
November 18	Earliest Day for First Hockey Game	February 23-24-25	State Wrestling Individual Tournament (Madison)
November 22	Earliest Day for First Boys Basketball Game		

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February 23-24-25	Gymnastics Sectionals
February 28	Deadline to Announce Board/Council Candidacy
Feb. 28, March 3 & 4	Boys Basketball Regionals
March 7	Board/Council Primary Ballot Emailed
March 2-3-4	Boys State Hockey
March 2 & 4	Girls Basketball Sectionals
March 7	Board of Control Meeting
March 2 & 4	Girls State Hockey
March 3-4	State Gymnastics
March 3-4	State Team Wrestling
March 6	Earliest Day for Track & Field Practice
March 9-10-11	Girls State Basketball (Green Bay)
March 9 & 11	Boys Basketball Sectionals
March 10	Scholar Athlete Nomination Due Date
March 13	Earliest Day for Softball Practice
March 14	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Gymnastics
March 14	Earliest Day for First Track & Field Meet
March 15	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Wrestling (Stevens Point)
March 16-17-18	Boys State Basketball (Madison)
March 20	Earliest Day for Girls Soccer Practice
March 20	Earliest Day for Baseball Practice
March 28	Primary Ballot Complete Deadline
March 21	Earliest Day for Softball Game
March 31	Board/Council General Election Ballot Emailed
March 27	Earliest Day for Boys Tennis Practice
March 27	Earliest Day for Boys Golf Practice
March 28	Earliest Day for First Baseball Game
March 28	Earliest Day for First Girls Soccer Meet
March 28	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Hockey (Stevens Point)
March 30	Earliest Day for First Boys Golf Meet
March 31	Earliest Day for First Boys Tennis Meet
March 31	Sportsmanship Committee Meeting
April 4	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting (if needed)
April 5	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Basketball (Stevens Point)
April 7	Good Friday
April 9	Easter
April 18	Board/Council Election Ballot Complete Deadline
April 25	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
April 26	WIAA Annual Meeting (Stevens Point)
May 5	Medical Advisory Meeting (Stevens Point)
May 7	Scholar/Athlete Awards Program (Wausau)

May 19	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
May 18, 23 & 25	Softball Regionals
May 22	Track & Field Regionals
May 22-23	Boys Tennis Subsectionals
May 23-24	Boys Golf Regionals
May 24-25	Boys Tennis Sectionals
May 25, 30, 31 & June 1	Baseball Regionals
May 25	Track & Field Sectionals
May 29	Memorial Day
May 30-31	Boys Golf Sectionals
May 30 & June 1	Softball Sectionals
May 30, June 1 & 3	Girls Soccer Regionals
June 1-2-3	State Boys Individual Tennis Tournament (Madison)
June 2-3	State Track & Field Meet (La Crosse)
June 5-6	State Boys Golf (Kohler)
June 6	Baseball Sectionals
June 8 & 10	Girls Soccer Sectionals
June 8-9-10	State Softball (Madison)
June 9-10	State Boys Team Tennis (Madison)
June 12	Sports Advisory Committee Meeting
June 13-14-15	State Baseball (Appleton)
June 15	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Softball (Stevens Point)
June 15-16-17	State Girls Soccer (Milwaukee)
June 20	Advisory Council Meeting (Stevens Point)
June 21	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
July 17	New AD Workshop

Test Dates

Students participating in interscholastic sports often find conflicts between these events and college test dates.

Listed below are the 2022-23 dates for ACT.

ACT – 2022-23

Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline
December 10, 2022	November 4, 2022	November 11, 2022
February 11, 2023	January 6, 2023	January 20, 2023
April 15, 2023	March 10, 2023	March 24, 2023
June 10, 2023	May 5, 2023	May 19, 2023
July 15, 2023	June 16, 2023	June 23, 2022

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