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## Board Approves Spring Sport Rule Changes; Forms Competitive Balance Subcommittee

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control approved two baseball recommendations and one track and field coaches' request as well as created a competitive balance subcommittee at its October meeting.

The Board approved a baseball coaches' recommendation to adopt language requiring seed meetings to be conducted in-person or via real-time electronic means. Seed meetings conducted by email and fax were eliminated. The second recommendation supported was seeding the Divisions 2, 3 and 4 brackets in half sectionals (including two regionals) beginning in 2023.

The one track and field recommendation advanced and approved by the Board extends the sunset clause, originally approved by the Board in 2017, for determining divisional placements. This will provide one more year of data collection, which lost a year of compiling data in 2020 with the cancellation of the season and the perceived unique participation numbers in 2021.

A competitive balance subcommittee was created to determine the formation and composition of the committee to include a percentage that reflects the demographics of the membership and committee structure with gender and ethnic representation.

With guidance of the WIAA Sports Medical Advisory Committee, the Board voted to reimplement the requirement for member schools to complete the COVID-19 Symptom Checklist form for all regular season and Tournament Series contests beginning Monday, Oct. 11. The form re-emphasizes the importance of identifying student-athletes that may have COVID-19 symptoms prior to competing.

In other action items, the Board approved the football-only conference realignment fast track proposal that moves St. Francis from the Metro Classic Conference to the Midwest Classic Conference, and moves Watertown Luther Prep from the Midwest Classic Conference to the Metro Classic Conference for the fall of 2022. Also approved was the reformation of the fall of 2022. Also approved was the reformation of the fall of 2022.

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## Recruitment and Retention of Officials

At each of the seven Area Meetings this Fall, discussions focused on the recruitment and retention of officials. A drastic drop (-34.4%) in the number of WIAA licensed officials from the 2019-20 season (pre-COVID) to August of 2021 has created the need for a collaborative effort in recruiting officials in all sports.

Many tremendous ideas were shared by athletic directors during the Area Meetings, and initiatives will grow out of these ideas! However there is one common denominator in all of

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## WIAA to Host Sportsmanship Summit

The WIAA, in cooperation with Rural Mutual Insurance Company, will conduct the Summit Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2021, at the Holiday Inn & Convention Center in Stevens Point, Wis.

Registration is open to all member schools. Each registered school team will consist of five members that can include students, coaches, administrators, booster clubs or members of the community. It's your choice. The deadline to register a team for the Summit is Monday, Nov. 15. Registrations will be processed in the order they are received, and registrations after capacity is reached or after the deadline will be placed on a waiting list. Schools may register for more than one team, but priority will be given to schools registering one team if registration capacity is reached, which may be

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## Board of Control Conducts September Meeting

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control received reports on a number of membership-related items, including an update of COVID-19 guideline considerations at its September meeting today.

The Board discussed reimplementing use of the System Checklist & Verification Form for the Tournament Series but did not take action. With guidance by the Sports Medical Advisory Committee and executive staff, the current guidelines will remain in place. While there are no immediate plans to make major changes to the Tournament Series structure, there continues to be discussions for COVID-19 accommodations at tournament events.

In other pandemic-related items, the Board and executive staff extended its support of an ongoing study being conducted by Dr. Tim McGuire titled "The Continued Assessment of the Health of Student-Athletes During the COVID-19 Pandemic."

The executive staff presented the Board with reports on the Area Meetings in Appleton, Greenfield

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## 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 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 con-  
**See WIAA Sports Medical Advisory Committee, page 12 >**

## 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 2021-22 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 Wednesday, Dec. 15. Please submit the name and a brief summary of the nominee to Todd Clark at [tclark@wiaawi.org](mailto:tclark@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 27, 2022.

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; and Abby Tuma of Shawano in 2020-21. ●

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mated \$8.4 million 2021-22 operational budget that recognizes the addition of the State Girls Wrestling Tournament as well as revenue and expenses of a new process for State Tournament facility contracts and Tournament Series apparel sales.

Other discussions included a review of the 2021 Area Meetings, a membership survey to gauge the interest in adding lacrosse as a WIAA-sponsored sport, ongoing information on the recruitment and retention of licensed sport officials, and a potential amendment for the 2022 Annual Meeting that would reduce the penalty for voluntarily withdrawing from a conference in football to be consistent with all other sports.

The Board received liaison reports from John Ashley of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards, and Nathan DeLany of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association. ●

## Basketball Rules Changes - 2021-22

By NFHS

**2-14 (NEW):** By state association adoption, effective with the 2022-2023 season, member state associations may establish a shot clock in which the team in control shall attempt a try for field goal within 35 seconds after gaining team control. ART. 1 This shall be regulated by a visible shot clock. ART. 2 The tap or try for field goal shall leave the shooter's hand before the expiration of time and subsequently strike the basket ring or enter the basket before or after the shot clock period has expired.

**Rationale:** This proposal allows each state to authorize the use of the shot clock as a state adoption. The use of the guidelines, provided in the rules book, encourage standardization among those who choose to adopt.

**3-5-4e (NEW):** Head coverings worn for religious reasons shall not be made of abrasive or hard materials; and must fit securely so that it is highly unlikely to come off during play. NOTE: The State Association shall be notified, after the contest, if there is a concern about a head covering worn for religious reasons.

**Rationale:** The addition of this provision allows for religious head coverings to be permitted without state association approval provided they are secured properly and not made of abrasive or hard materials.

**3-5-4f EXCEPTION:** Head decorations and headwear, except those specified above, are prohibited. EXCEPTION: State associations may on an individual basis permit a player to participate while wearing a head covering if it meets the following criteria:

a. In the event a participant is required by a licensed medical physician to cover the head with a covering or wrap, the physician's statement is required before the state association can approve a covering or wrap which is not abrasive, hard or dangerous to any other player and which is attached in such a way that it is highly unlikely to come off during play.

~~**Delete:** b. For religious reasons: In the event there is documented evidence provided to the state association (or designee) that a participant may not expose his/ her uncovered head, the state association may approve a covering or wrap which is not abrasive, hard or dangerous to any other player and which is attached in such a way it is highly unlikely to come off during play.~~

**Rationale:** The playing rules were modified to add a provision that allows for religious head coverings to be permitted without state association approval.

**The MANUAL- Part 3 SIGNALS 36 & 37:** Eliminate signal #37 (Team Control Foul) Maintain use of signal #36 for Player Control and Team Control Foul **Player/Team Control Foul #36**

Preceded by stop clock (Signal 4). The same hand used to stop the clock is placed at the back of the head (Signal 36). The directional signal (Signal 6) shall be given and then indicate the ensuing throw-in spot (Signal 7).

- A common foul committed by a player while that player is in control of the ball or by an airborne shooter.
- A common foul committed by a member of the team that has control.

**Rationale:** It is redundant to have different signals to communicate that a foul will be charged to a member of the team in control of the ball. Officials do not understand the need to differentiate between a player control foul and a team control foul and many game participants, table personnel, and fans do not know the difference. This change would not alter any rules or rule definitions. ●

## 2021-22 NFHS Ice Hockey Rules Interpretations

### NOTES

- "State Association Adoptions" chart on page 78.
- "Comments on the 2021-22 Rules Changes" can be found on page 5.

**SITUATION 1:** In an attempt to catch B1, A1 dives to play the puck and: (a) A1 deflects puck and makes no contact, (b) A1 deflects puck and contacts B1 tripping him, (c) A1 deflects puck and only makes contact with B1.

**RULING:** (a) legal, (b) and (c) minor penalty. (7-16-3) ●

## Initiative Continues to Put Veterans in Stripes

The WIAA continues to offer current and former military personnel the opportunity to license as a WIAA sport official by waiving the basic licensing and sport fee for two years. This offer is extended to those current and former military personnel who are licensing as a WIAA sport official for the first time.

Regardless of the branch of service, the training, discipline and core values ingrained in military personnel are the same qualities demanded of sport officials. Because of these qualities, we believe that men and women with military experience would fit well into interscholastic sport officiating and in this small way, the WIAA wants to acknowledge those who serve and say "thank you."

The program has been embraced by the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association, Wisconsin Conference Commissioners Association, InCheck (WIAA's background check provider), various officials associations around the state and a number of state associations throughout the Midwest.

To increase awareness of the initiative among military personnel, the WIAA is working cooperatively with the Wisconsin National Guard and Reserves and the staff of state adjutant general, as well as the Wisconsin Employment Resource Connection, which partners with the state Department of Workforce Development and the state Department of Veterans Affairs in helping unemployed and underemployed service members and their spouses gain employment.

To submit a licensing application go to the WIAA website and go under Officials and select Online Licensing and follow instructions given. If you have any questions, contact the WIAA at 715-344-8580 or [info@wiaawi.org](mailto:info@wiaawi.org) ●



### Recruitment from page 1

the shared ideas...We need all hands on deck...We need your help!

The first initiative is a "No Late Fees" window for any official who registers between October 15-31. Individuals with interest in officiating in any WIAA sports will be able to log in to the WIAA website and click OFFICIALS > Become an official or go directly to: <https://www.wiaawi.org/Officials/Become-an-Official> and follow the steps to register. The cost to register is \$35 plus \$15 for each sport. The \$30 late fee will be waived between the dates listed. (Late fee only applies to officials who are renewing their registration – new officials are not charged a late fee and can register at any time.)

If each individual who reads this bulletin would take it upon themselves to bring in one new official to the WIAA in ANY sport, we would be well on our way to recouping the 3200 officials that we have lost over the past 18 months.

In addition, there has been much discussion about the retention of officials. Nationally, the statistics are staggering. Only two of every ten officials who newly license for high school athletics, remain as officials after two years! It is reported by those who do not return, that the number one factor is adult behavior. Coaches, parents, fans, etc. we must do better! Just as it takes our youth time to learn to be great in their sports, it also takes officials time to learn their trade. Adult expectations of officials at every level is harsh and unforgiving. By simply making it a point to support our officials each time they take the field/court/etc. we could greatly improve our retention rates.

We are in this together. Let's find ways to recruit new, bring back veteran, and retain our officials starting immediately. We thank you, in advance, for your help in recruiting new officials! ●

## Wrestling Injury Time – Updated for 2021-22

The NFHS wrestling rules committee has adopted the WIAA modification to injury time-outs regarding injuries to the head and neck involving cervical column, nervous system, and/or concussion as an NFHS wrestling rule. The rule was modified to **five** minutes.

### Rule 8 – Section 2 INJURY

#### ART. 4 . . . CONCUSSION

- a. Any contestant who exhibit signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion (such as loss of consciousness, headache, dizziness, confusion or balance problems) shall be immediately removed from the match and shall not return to competition until cleared by an appropriate health-care professional. (See NFHS Suggested Guidelines for Management of Concussion in Sports, in Appendix B.)
- b. The following modifications to injury time-outs will be used in all competition regarding injuries to the head and neck involving cervical column and/or nervous system:
  - (1) In the absence of appropriate health-care professional, (physician and/or certified athletic trainer), all injuries to the head and neck involving the cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC) will be covered by Rule 8-2-4a. (5-28-3, 5-28-6, 6-4-3, 8-2-6 and 8-2-9)
  - (2) When appropriate health-care professional(s) (physician or certified athletic trainer) are present they have jurisdiction to evaluate the injured wrestler for injuries to the head and neck involving the cervical column and/or nervous system only during the allowed time limit (maximum) of five (5) minutes. After that evaluation, the wrestler would be required to prepare without delay for continuation or default the match.
  - (3) A second occurrence of injury to the head and neck involving cervical column and/or central nervous system in the

same match shall require the wrestler to default the match.

The rule allows more time to evaluate potential concussions and injury to neck and cervical column when an appropriate health-care provider is present. If appropriate health-care provider is not present, the regular injury time is used. It can only be used once to avoid fake injuries. It cannot be used for any other types of injuries. An additional five minutes is reasonable and has worked well in Wisconsin.

#### CERVICAL COLUMN AND/OR NERVOUS SYSTEM TIME OUT

**How is the 1.5 minute injury time out different than the 5 minutes allowed to evaluate a wrestler that has an injury to the head/neck/or vertebral column (together known as the CNS)?** If a wrestler has a CNS (central nervous system) injury, the licensed athletic trainer or a doctor may extend the normal 1.5 minutes of IT to 5 minutes to assure that a proper evaluation is completed. Upon completion of the 5 minutes, if deemed OK to wrestle by the medical attendant, the wrestler must be prepared to wrestle without delay. If they are unable to do so at the end of the 5 minute CNS timeout the wrestler will lose by default. A second occurrence of any CNS injury (any amount of time) to the same wrestler will result in a default. As a result, the injured wrestler loses by default. This type of injury time out will count as 1 of your 2 allotted time outs. When this rule is applied, time consumed will in no way affect time used or available for other types of injuries. So, the wrestler may still have a time out remaining and 1.5 minutes of injury time left for a non-CNS injury. If the injury is caused by an illegal hold (perhaps a slam) the normal 2 minutes will be allowed for recovery time if requested by the trainer. If unable to continue, the injured contestant wins by default.

**How do you handle this type of injury if there is no medical personal present?** In the absence

of a certified medical personnel (physician and/or licensed athletic trainer), all injuries to the head and neck involving the cervical column and/or CNS will be covered in 1.5 minutes like all other injuries.

**Who determines if it is a CNS injury?** Not the official! After a small amount of injury time has elapsed, the official may ask the LAT / doctor if the injury is a CNS injury. If it is, ask them if they would like to extend the time to 5 minutes to make a proper evaluation. It is part of the official's job to meet with the trainer(s) prior to competition to make sure they understand the rule and how you/they intend to apply it.

**What do you mean by "extend the time?"** Sometimes the medical attendant does not feel they need more than 1.5 minutes and they work on the athlete for almost the entire 1.5 minutes and then ask to "extend" the time. They certainly can do this. If they had used the entire 1.5 minutes they would then have 3.5 minutes left to complete the CNS evaluation. You do not get the 1.5 minutes then an additional 5 minutes!

**What happens if they chose to extend the time and end up using only 3.5 minutes total?** If they chose to extend the time, using any part of the extended time is equivalent to using the entire 5 minutes. You cannot 'bank' any part of it.

**Explain how the extended time would work when applying recovery time due to an illegal hold.** For example, if the wrestler receives a head injury due to slam, after 1 minute the trainer indicates they would like to extend the time for a proper exam. They would still only have the maximum of 2 total minutes for their evaluation. When the time elapses, if the athlete is deemed good to go by the trainer, they would continue. Remember, a coach may overrule the decision of the trainer/doctor that declares that the wrestler may continue. A coach may not overrule when medical personal states the athlete may not continue. If unable to continue, they win by default. If

*See Wrestling Injury Time, page 7 >*

## 2021-22 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. 13th 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. 13th 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** – The AR has been utilized in the post season the last 7 years. We must continue to use it whenever possible. Repetition creates confidence and excellence. Certification in its use can again be obtained by watching an on-line power point through the WIAA website. You will be expected to view this short power point by Jan. 1, to be considered eligible for post season

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# 2021-22 Wrestling Points of Emphasis

NFHS Wrestling Rules Book 2021-22

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 2021-22 high school wrestling season, attention is being called to: boys and girls weight classification equipment; head/neck/cervical column (HNC) timeout; 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.

## Boys and Girls Weight Classification Equipment

Discussion about weight classes invariably creates a lot of energy around the number of classifications and the actual weights themselves. The 2011-12 academic season was the last time high school weight classes were modified. Based on your perspective, fortunately or unfortunately the world has changed dramatically since 2011. We have an increased interest in our sport by girls with growing participation numbers and the 30th state association will be sponsoring and hosting a girls wrestling championship next school year. Simply stated, it is time to offer a uniform set of weights for girls in different classifications for states to select one that best fits their needs (and allow for growth in the future).

See 2021-22 Points of Emphasis, page 6 ➤

## Ice Hockey Rules Changes - 2021-22

By NFHS

### 3-3-5: Change:

**ART. 4 . . .** If a goalkeeper's mask, helmet or glove(s) is displaced, or a skate blade is broken or displaced, play shall be immediately stopped.

**Rationale:** A goalkeeper becomes incapacitated when they do not have a skate blade and it could become a health and safety issue for that player. In addition, a loose skate blade on the ice could be a safety issue for any skater.

**7-16-3 (NEW): Change: MOVE 8-4-2 to be the new 7-16-3. Former 7-16-3 is now new 7-16-4. Renumber subsequent sections within Rule 8. "Falling on or diving for the puck" has been REMOVED.**

**ART. 3...** A player who leaves his feet to play the puck shall not make contact with his opponent.

**PENALTY:** MINOR.

**ART. 4 . . .** No player shall foul from behind an opponent who is in control of the puck in the offending player's defending zone or neutral zone...

**Rationale:** Moves the language to a more pertinent rule for the infraction. This change also clarifies the interpretation and application of the rule.

**8-2-7 (NEW): Change: MOVE 8-4-1 to be NEW 8-2-7.**

**ART. 7 . . .** No player other than the goalkeeper shall pick up, throw, cover or trap the puck with his hands or body.

**PENALTY:** MINOR. If in the goal crease of the defending team, PENALTY SHOT.

**Rationale:** Moves the language to a more pertinent rule for the infraction. This change also clarifies the interpretation and application of the rule. ●



**Thursday & Friday, Nov. 18-19**  
**Camp Randall Stadium, Madison**

**Thursday, Nov. 18**  
Division 7: 10 a.m.  
Division 6: 1 p.m.  
Division 5: 4 p.m.  
Division 4: 7 p.m.

**Friday, Nov. 19**  
Division 3: 10 a.m.  
Division 2: 1 p.m.  
Division 1: 4 p.m.

## 2022 State Boys & Girls Hockey Tournament

**Thursday-Saturday, March 3-5**  
**Alliant Energy Center, Madison**

### Thursday, March 3 - 10 a.m. (Boys Division 2 Semifinals)

Game 1 – #1 ranked team vs. #4 ranked team  
Game 2 – #2 ranked team vs. #3 ranked team

### Thursday, March 3 - 4 p.m. (Girls Semifinals)

Game 3 – #1 ranked team vs. #4 ranked team  
Game 4 – #2 ranked team vs. #3 ranked team

### Friday, March 4 - 10 a.m. (Boys Division 1 Semifinals)

Game 5 – #1 ranked team vs. #4 ranked team  
Game 6 – #2 ranked team vs. #3 ranked team

### Saturday, March 5 - 9:30 a.m.

Game 7 – Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2 (Boys Division 2 Championship)  
Game 8 – Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4 (Girls Championship)  
Game 9 – Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6 (Boys Division 1 Championship) ●



**Saturday, Nov. 13**  
**Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln H.S.**

1 p.m.  
North Bracket winner vs. South Bracket Winner

# Comments on the 2021-22 Rules Changes

NFHS Wrestling Rules Book 2021-22

## **Clarified when a wrestler can wrestle more than five matches in state association series for qualification to state championships or the actual state championships (1-4-3 Exception) –**

Increasing the number of matches from five to six would allow postseason tournaments with more than eight competitors in a weight class to complete the tournament in one day. This would be a substantial help for post-season qualifying tournaments and state championship events where travel can be extreme. In many cases, this would eliminate the need for schools to stay overnight in order to participate in their respective state qualifying tournaments and state championship events.

## **Established weight classifications for girls.**

**Modified that state associations shall select one of three (12, 13, 14) available weight classifica-**

**tions (4-4-1a) –** We have more member state associations (30) sponsoring girls wrestling and providing an equal number of uniform weight classifications is now necessary. Each state association shall select one of the three sets (12, 13, 14) of listed weight classes for girls. This rule goes into effect July 1, 2023.

## **Modified the weight classifications for boys.**

**Modified that state associations shall select one of three (12, 13, 14) available weight classifica-**

**tions (4-4-1b) –** Due to fluctuating demographics of our student enrollment, states have indicated the need to have flexibility in their weight classification offerings. Each state association shall select one of the three sets (12, 13, 14) of listed weight classes for boys. This rule goes into effect July 1, 2023.

**Modified the required length of socks (4-5-**

**7) –** With the 2020 rule change allowing wrestlers to weigh-in while wearing a legal school uniform, the requirement of low-cut socks to see all necessary skin is no longer necessary. Any length socks should be acceptable to wear during weigh-in as long as it does not affect the opponent's ability to grasp the leg, foot to apply a hold or facilitate a maneuver.

**Deleted how a stalling penalty during bad time affects the restart (5-1-1e) –** The sub-article is no longer needed due to the 2020 NFHS Rule 8-2 change.

**Modified how a head, neck, cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC) injury time-out is an exception and cannot be voided during bad time (5-1-3f) –** With the addition of a head/neck/cervical injury time-out definition and *See Comments on the 2021-22 Rules Changes, page 7 ►*

## **2021-22 Points of Emphasis from page 5**

Boys wrestling continues to decline, although there are some mitigating factors that contribute to the downturn. In part, one of those factors is reflective of our fluctuating student enrollment demographics nationally. Towns and cities have shifted their populations and we are witnessing a phenomenon playing out across the country that schools and their enrolled student bases are changing drastically. Some of our member state associations have struggled filling 14 weight classifications since we changed the weights in 2011. The new rule of providing an option of state associations selecting 12, 13 or 14 weight classifications makes tremendous sense and will allow them the chance to address some of those challenges and allow more students to benefit from wrestling.

Consequently, the suggested weights are data- and science-driven. These recommended weights are based upon data from 215,000 body fat assessments from high school students nationally by the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA). We have established the implementation date as July 1, 2023 to give coaches, schools and students the opportunity and time to prepare for the new weights. Our goal for this rule change is to give states that needed flexibility the chance to make better educated decisions in their state and to allow more students to wrestle.

### **Head/Neck/Cervical Column (HNC) Timeout**

There was a desire to establish a separate injury time-out that involves the head and neck involving the cervical column and/or nervous system and not connect it with the existing 1-1/2 minute injury time-outs. The HNC time-out is the fifth occurrence that a referee would stop a match.

This separate time-out is supported and covered in existing rules that give the referee the authority to observe signs, symptoms and behaviors of a concussion and respond appropriately with or without an appropriate health-care professional present.

### **Stalling in the Ultimate Tiebreaker**

Stalling by nature and by definition is something that typically is not rewarded during regulation time of a match. In fact, it is severely penalized because wrestling is an attacking and rigorous activity. The aggressive wrestler benefits in the number of points he/she accumulates during a match. But the Ultimate Tiebreaker (UT) is a unique one-time situation that has some different nuances. In proper context, we have wrestled an entire regulation match, three overtimes (one 60-second and two 30-second) and remain tied. If no scoring occurs during the UT, the offensive wrestler is rewarded a match point during the UT for maintaining control/riding out (6-7-1c8, 9-1-8, Scoring Symbols (pg. 58)) and will ultimately win the match. ●

## **2022 State Team Wrestling Tournament Schedule**

**Friday-Saturday, March 4-5**  
**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. 27, and pairings posted after seed meetings.**

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

### **DIVISION 1**

**Quarterfinals - Friday, March 4 - 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 4 - 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 5 - 3 p.m.**

### **DIVISION 2**

**Semifinals - Saturday, March 5 - 10 a.m.**

Match 1 - #1 seed vs. #4 seed

Match 2 - #2 seed vs. #3 seed

**Final - Saturday March 5 - 3 p.m.**

### **DIVISION 3**

**Semifinals - Saturday, March 5 - 10 a.m.**

Match 1 - #1 seed vs. #4 seed

Match 2 - #2 seed vs. #3 seed

**Final - Saturday March 5 - 3 p.m. ●**

# 79th Annual WIAA Individual Wrestling Championship Tournament

Thursday, Feb. 24 – Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022  
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. 24 - Six Mats

Div. 1 Preliminaries – **3 p.m.** (Doors open 2 p.m.) – Weigh in: 1:30 p.m.

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

Div. 2 & 3 Preliminaries – **7 p.m.** – Weigh in: 5 p.m.

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

**Note:** All weight classes will be wrestled in consecutive order from 106 lbs.-285 lbs. on next available mat.

## Session 2 – Friday, Feb. 25 – Six Mats

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

Div. 1 Consolations – **10 a.m.** (all mats) (Doors open 9 a.m.)

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

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

Div. 1 Consolation Semifinals – **Approximately 15 minutes following previous round** (all mats)

Div. 2 & 3 Consolation Semifinals – **Approximately 15 minutes following previous round** (Div. 2 on mats 1, 2 & 3; Div. 3 on mats 4, 5 & 6)

**Note:** All weight classes will be wrestled in consecutive order from 106 lbs.-285 lbs. on next available mat.

## Session 3 – Friday, Feb. 25 – Six Mats

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

(Div. 1 on mats 1 & 2; Div. 2 on mats 3 & 4; Div. 3 on mats 5 & 6)

**Note:** All weight classes will be wrestled in consecutive order from 106 lbs.-285 lbs. on next available mat.

## Session 4 – Saturday, Feb. 26 – Six Mats

All Weigh Ins: 8:30 a.m.

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

(Div. 1 on mats 1 & 2; Div. 2 on mats 3 & 4; Div. 3 on mats 5 & 6)

Div. 1, 2 & 3 Fifth Place\*

(Div. 1 on mats 1 & 2; Div. 2 on mats 3 & 4; Div. 3 on mats 5 & 6)

Div. 1, 2 & 3 Third Place\*

(Div. 1 on mats 1 & 2; Div. 2 on mats 3 & 4; Div. 3 on mats 5 & 6)

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

## Session 5 – Saturday, Feb. 26 – Three Mats

**March of Champions – 5:30 p.m.** (Doors open 4 p.m.)

Div. 1, 2 & 3 Championships – (Div. 1 on mat 1; Div. 2 on mat 2; Div. 3 on mat 3) ●

## Comments on the 2021-22

### Rules Changes from page 6

separate injury rule, this addition is needed to accommodate the modification of this injury time-out rule as it relates to bad time.

**Clarified that recovery time should not constitute a HNC time-out (5-28-3)** – This rule change is added to differentiate that recovery time is not partnered with the head/neck/cervical injury time-out.

**Modified the definition that a head, neck, cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC) injury is a separate time-out (5-28-6)** – This rule establishes a separate injury time-out that involves the head and neck involving the cervical column and/or nervous system and not extend the existing two (2) 1-1/2 minute injury time-outs or any other stoppage of the match. This separate time-out is supported and covered in an existing rule that gives the referee the authority to observe signs, symptoms and behaviors of a concussion and respond appropriately.

**Clarified the various reasons that the match is stopped (6-4-3)** – This rule establishes a separate injury time-out that involves the head and neck involving the cervical column and/or nervous system. This is one of the five occurrences that a referee would stop a match.

**Clarified that a head, neck, cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC) injury is covered under Rule 8-2-4a (8-2-4b1)** – This separate time-out is supported and covered in existing rules that gives the referee the authority to observe signs, symptoms and behaviors of a concussion and respond accordingly.

**Clarified that an appropriate health-care professional will have time to evaluate a head, neck, cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC) injury (8-2-4b2)** – This rule identifies that an appropriate health-care professional who is present will have five (5) minutes to evaluate an injured wrestler who exhibits the signs, symptoms and behaviors of a concussion to determine if he/she can continue to wrestle.

**Modified when a head, neck, cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC) injury occurs, who is permitted to be on the wrestling mat caring for the injured wrestler (8-2-6)** – This rule reorders the various injury time-outs while adding a separate injury time-out of the head, neck involving the cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC).

**Modified when a match is stopped for a head, neck, cervical column and/or nervous system (HNC) injury and near-fall is added as a scoring situation, it is a separate time-out (8-2-9)** – Identifies when a match is stopped for an injury. Another scoring opportunity has been added; if the referee determines that scoring would have occurred prior to the injury. ●

## Wrestling Injury Time from page 4

they do continue and they have another CNS injury, related or not related to the first one, the athlete would lose by default.

### SUMMARY

- In the absence of a certified medical personnel (physician and/or licensed athletic trainer), all injuries to the head and neck involving the cervical column and or CNS will be covered in 1.5 minutes
- When a LAT or physician is present, they may

extend the allowed time to a maximum of 5 minutes for evaluation, after 5 minutes, the athlete would be required to prepare to wrestle without delay (if unable - they will default)

- A second occurrence (to the same wrestler) of any cervical column and/or CNS injury (any amount of time) will result in a default
- This type of injury will always count as 1 of your 2 allotted time outs
- When this rule is applied, time consumed will in no way affect time used, or available, for other

### types of injuries

- If caused by an illegal hold then 2 minutes may be requested by medical personnel for recovery time, if unable to continue, then the injured contestant wins by default
- If the contestant uses 2 minutes for recovery time and continues, the second time any injury covered under this rule occurs - the injured contestant loses by default
- A LAT or physician may terminate a match at any time due to illness or injury ●

# 2022-2023 Enrollments

Listed below you will find the enrollments that will be used for the 2022-23 school year for divisional placements. The numbers are the September 17, 2021 enrollment counts that your school provided. For those schools that have charter schools that are associate members of the WIAA, 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, 2021. No changes will be made to enrollment numbers after the December 1, 2021 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 . . . . .	241	Bay Port . . . . .	1916	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser . . . . .	240
Abundant Life Christian . . . . .	84	Bayfield . . . . .	104	Northstar Academy . . . . .	6
Adams-Friendship . . . . .	477	Beaver Dam . . . . .	1145	Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Total . . . . .	246
Albany . . . . .	94	Belleville . . . . .	284		
Algoma . . . . .	198	Belmont . . . . .	129	Chilton . . . . .	405
Alma . . . . .	69	Beloit Memorial . . . . .	1630	Chippewa Falls . . . . .	1485
Alma Center Lincoln . . . . .	164	Benton . . . . .	59	Clayton . . . . .	102
Almond-Bancroft . . . . .	122	Berlin . . . . .	465	Clear Lake . . . . .	184
Altoona . . . . .	529	Big Foot . . . . .	480	Clinton . . . . .	394
Amery . . . . .	485			Clintonville . . . . .	403
Amherst . . . . .	338	Birchwood . . . . .	70	Cochrane-Fountain City . . . . .	184
Antigo . . . . .	703	Birchwood Charter . . . . .	3	Colby . . . . .	320
		Birchwood Total . . . . .	73	Coleman . . . . .	221
Appleton East . . . . .	1388			Colfax . . . . .	232
Appleton eSchool . . . . .	48	Black Hawk . . . . .	104	Columbus . . . . .	428
Renaissance School for the Arts . . . . .	7	Black River Falls . . . . .	479	Columbus Catholic . . . . .	145
Tesla Engineering . . . . .	143	Blair-Taylor . . . . .	189	Community Christian of Baraboo . . . . .	15
Valley New School . . . . .	14	Bloomer . . . . .	401	Cornell . . . . .	98
Wisconsin Connections . . . . .	6	Bonduel . . . . .	270	Coulee Christian . . . . .	51
Appleton East Total . . . . .	1606	Boscobel . . . . .	227	Crandon . . . . .	235
		Bowler . . . . .	113	Cristo Rey Jesuit . . . . .	432
Appleton North . . . . .	1630	Boyceville . . . . .	200	Crivitz . . . . .	237
Fox Cities Leadership Academy . . . . .	68	Brillion . . . . .	353	Cuba City . . . . .	263
Appleton eSchool . . . . .	9	Brodhead . . . . .	324	Cudahy . . . . .	660
Renaissance School for the Arts . . . . .	4	Brookfield Academy . . . . .	337	Cumberland . . . . .	310
Valley New School . . . . .	14	Brookfield Central . . . . .	1212		
Wisconsin Connections . . . . .	11	Brookfield East . . . . .	1336	D.C. Everest . . . . .	1752
Appleton North Total . . . . .	1736	Brookwood . . . . .	170	Everest Virtual Academy . . . . .	67
		Brown Deer . . . . .	585	D.C. Everest Total . . . . .	1819
Appleton West . . . . .	1128	Bruce . . . . .	150		
Appleton eSchool . . . . .	6	Burlington . . . . .	1040	Darlington . . . . .	272
Appleton Technical Academy . . . . .	77			De Pere . . . . .	1455
Renaissance School for the Arts . . . . .	129	Butternut . . . . .	48	De Soto . . . . .	126
Valley New School . . . . .	15	Promethean . . . . .	1	Deerfield . . . . .	203
Wisconsin Connections . . . . .	15	Butternut Total . . . . .	49	DeForest . . . . .	1071
Appleton West Total . . . . .	1370			Delavan-Darien . . . . .	654
Aquinas . . . . .	313	Cadott . . . . .	260	Denmark . . . . .	485
Arcadia . . . . .	418	Cambria-Friesland . . . . .	97	Denmark Community School . . . . .	11
Argyle . . . . .	81			Denmark Total . . . . .	496
Arrowhead . . . . .	2070	Cambridge . . . . .	261		
Ashland . . . . .	615	Koshkonong Trails . . . . .	15	Destiny . . . . .	249
Ashwaubenon . . . . .	1013	Cambridge Total . . . . .	276	Divine Savior Holy Angels . . . . .	1360
Assumption . . . . .	132			Dodgeand . . . . .	254
Athens . . . . .	119	Cameron . . . . .	262	Dodgeville . . . . .	383
Auburndale . . . . .	224	Northstar Academy . . . . .	6	Dominican . . . . .	320
Audubon Technology . . . . .	383	Cameron Total . . . . .	268	Drummond . . . . .	104
				Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy . . . . .	325
Augusta . . . . .	177	Campbellsport . . . . .	435	Durand . . . . .	319
Wildland Research . . . . .	39	Carmen Northwest . . . . .	435	East Troy . . . . .	532
Augusta Total . . . . .	216	Carmen South . . . . .	377	Eastbrook Academy . . . . .	74
		Carmen Southeast . . . . .	787	Eau Claire Immanuel Lutheran . . . . .	101
Badger . . . . .	1309	Cashton . . . . .	194		
New Visions Charter . . . . .	27	Cassville . . . . .	70	Eau Claire Memorial . . . . .	1549
Badger Total . . . . .	1336	Catholic Central . . . . .	129	McKinley . . . . .	8
		Catholic Memorial . . . . .	566	Eau Claire Virtual . . . . .	32
Baldwin-Woodville . . . . .	476	Cedar Grove-Belgium . . . . .	296	Eau Claire Memorial Total . . . . .	1589
Bangor . . . . .	214	Cedarburg . . . . .	1107		
Baraboo . . . . .	925	Central Wisconsin Christian . . . . .	116	Eau Claire North . . . . .	1567
Barneveld . . . . .	122			McKinley . . . . .	16
				Eau Claire Virtual . . . . .	39
Barron . . . . .	344	Chequamegon . . . . .	213	Eau Claire North Total . . . . .	1622
Advanced Learning of Wisconsin . . . . .	9	Class Act . . . . .	21		
Northstar Academy . . . . .	16	Chequamegon Total . . . . .	234		
Barron Total . . . . .	369	Chesterton Academy . . . . .	91		

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Edgar .....	195	Green Lake .....	114	Kenosha Tremper .....	1610
Edgerton .....	527	Greendale .....	953	Kenosha E-School .....	35
Edgewood .....	528	Greenfield .....	1136	Kenosha Harborside .....	155
Elcho .....	88	Greenwood .....	112	Kenosha Lakeview Tech .....	125
Eleva-Strum .....	180	Gresham .....	85	Kenosha Tremper Total .....	1925
Elk Mound .....	354	Hamilton .....	1508		
Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah .....	137	Hartford Union .....	1320		
				Kettle Moraine .....	903
Elkhorn .....	982	Hayward .....	567	High School of Health Sciences .....	190
Career & College .....	110	HACIL .....	77	Kettle Moraine Global School for	
Elkhorn Area Total .....	1092	Hayward Total .....	644	Global Learning .....	80
				Kettle Moraine School for the	
Ellsworth .....	531	Heritage Christian .....	179	Performing Arts .....	104
Elmwood .....	92	Highland .....	107	Kettle Moraine Total .....	1277
Evansville .....	561	Hilbert .....	151		
Faith Christian (Wms Bay) .....	62	Hillsboro .....	181	Kettle Moraine Lutheran .....	534
Faith Christian Academy (Wausau) .....	39	Hmong American Peace .....	403	Kewaskum .....	580
Fall Creek .....	240	Holmen .....	1228	Kewaunee .....	319
Fall River .....	165	Homestead .....	1262	Kickapoo .....	163
Fennimore .....	222	Hope Christian .....	262		
Flambeau .....	135	Horicon .....	270	Kiel .....	379
Florence .....	115	Hortonville .....	1253	Kiel eSchool .....	11
				Kiel Total .....	390
Fond du Lac .....	2000	Howards Grove .....	262		
STEM Institute .....	37	Hudson .....	1830	Kimberly .....	1587
Fond du Lac Total .....	2037	Hurley .....	179	Kohler .....	217
				La Crosse Central .....	1020
Fort Atkinson .....	994	Hustisford .....	109	La Crosse Polytechnic School .....	35
Fox Valley Lutheran .....	670	Independence .....	124	La Crosse Central Total .....	1055
Franklin .....	1569	Iola-Scandinavia .....	193	La Crosse Logan .....	733
Frederic .....	123	Iowa-Grant .....	199	La Crosse Polytechnic School .....	21
Freedom .....	521	Ithaca .....	143	La Crosse Logan Total .....	754
Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau .....	427			La Farge .....	64
Germantown .....	1332	Janesville Craig .....	1537	Lac Courte Oreilles .....	101
Gibraltar .....	185	Arise Virtual Academy .....	52	Laconia .....	311
Gillett .....	168	Rock River .....	108	Ladysmith .....	253
Gilman .....	96	Rock University .....	33	Lake Country Lutheran .....	353
Gilmanton .....	41	Tagos Leadership Academy .....	10	Lake Holcombe .....	101
Glenwood City .....	188	Janesville Craig Total .....	1740	Lake Mills .....	488
Golda Meir .....	606			Lakeland .....	749
Goodman .....	36	Janesville Parker .....	1200	Lakeside Lutheran .....	459
Grafton .....	693	Arise Virtual Academy .....	68	Lancaster .....	297
Granton .....	54	Rock River .....	117	Laona .....	67
Grantsburg .....	223	Rock University .....	38	Lena .....	138
		Tagos Leadership Academy .....	19		
Green Bay East .....	1153	Janesville Parker Total .....	1442	Little Chute .....	409
John Dewey Academy of Learning .....	31			Little Chute Career Pathways .....	121
North East Wis. N.E.W.		Jefferson .....	599	Little Chute Total .....	530
School of Innovation .....	113	Johnson Creek .....	178		
Green Bay East Total .....	1297	Juda .....	87	Living Word Lutheran .....	213
		Kaukauna .....	1233	Lodi .....	456
Green Bay N.E.W. Lutheran .....	150			Lomira .....	340
		Kenosha Bradford .....	1383	Lourdes Academy .....	161
Green Bay Preble .....	2070	Kenosha E-School .....	37	Loyal .....	152
John Dewey Academy of Learning .....	39	Kenosha Harborside .....	191	Luck .....	123
North East Wis. N.E.W.		Kenosha Lakeview Tech .....	125	Luther .....	231
School of Innovation .....	61	Kenosha Bradford Total .....	1736	Luxemburg-Casco .....	601
Green Bay Preble Total .....	2170			Madison Country Day .....	130
		Kenosha Christian Life .....	213	Madison East .....	1843
Green Bay Southwest .....	1157			Madison La Follette .....	1653
John Dewey Academy of Learning .....	24	Kenosha Indian Trail .....	2011	Madison Memorial .....	2150
North East Wis. N.E.W.		Kenosha E-School .....	39	Madison West .....	2276
School of Innovation .....	39	Kenosha Harborside .....	91	Manawa .....	221
Green Bay Southwest Total .....	1220	Kenosha Lakeview Tech .....	145		
		Kenosha Indian Trail Total .....	2286	Manitowoc Lincoln .....	1438
Green Bay West .....	793			McKinley Academy .....	89
John Dewey Academy of Learning .....	33	Kenosha Reuther .....	351	Manitowoc Lincoln Total .....	1527
North East Wis. N.E.W.		Kenosha St. Joseph Catholic .....	220		
School of Innovation .....	50			Manitowoc Lutheran .....	216
Green Bay West Total .....	876				

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Marathon . . . . .	249	Milwaukee Vincent . . . . .	721	Oconto . . . . .	272
Marinette . . . . .	644	Green Tree Preparatory Academy . . . . .	179	Oconto Falls . . . . .	490
Marion . . . . .	119	Vincent Accelerated Academy . . . . .	26	Omro . . . . .	339
Markesan . . . . .	273	Milwaukee Vincent Total . . . . .	926	Onalaska . . . . .	953
Marquette . . . . .	1786			Oneida Nation . . . . .	137
Marshall . . . . .	295	Milwaukee Washington . . . . .	506	Oostburg . . . . .	343
Marshfield . . . . .	1233	Groppi . . . . .	103	Oregon . . . . .	1252
Martin Luther . . . . .	631	Milwaukee Washington Total . . . . .	609	Osceola . . . . .	529
				Oshkosh North . . . . .	1229
Mauston . . . . .	404	Mineral Point . . . . .	239	Oshkosh West . . . . .	1695
ILEAD Charter . . . . .	86	Mishicot . . . . .	275	Osseo-Fairchild . . . . .	270
Mauston Total . . . . .	490	Mondovi . . . . .	256	Owen-Withee . . . . .	137
				Ozaukee . . . . .	205
Mayville . . . . .	393	Monona Grove . . . . .	1142	Pacelli . . . . .	175
McDonell Catholic . . . . .	180	Liberal Arts Charter School for the		Palmyra-Eagle . . . . .	193
McFarland . . . . .	769	21st Century . . . . .	49	Pardeeville . . . . .	259
Medford . . . . .	705	Monona Grove Total . . . . .	1191	Parkview . . . . .	280
Mellen . . . . .	76			Pecatonica . . . . .	119
Melrose-Mindoro . . . . .	242	Monroe . . . . .	740	Pembine . . . . .	78
Menasha . . . . .	963			Pepin . . . . .	69
Menominee Indian . . . . .	312	Montello . . . . .	195	Peshtigo . . . . .	332
Menomonee Falls . . . . .	1323	High Marq Environment . . . . .	18	Pewaukee . . . . .	839
Menomonie . . . . .	1034	Montello Virtual . . . . .	26	Phelps . . . . .	25
Mercer . . . . .	42	Montello Total . . . . .	239	Phillips . . . . .	222
Merrill . . . . .	786			Pittsville . . . . .	170
Messmer . . . . .	542	Monticello . . . . .	103	Pius XI Catholic . . . . .	701
		Mosinee . . . . .	643	Platteville . . . . .	461
Middleton . . . . .	2273	Mount Horeb . . . . .	777	Plum City . . . . .	85
Clark Street . . . . .	105	Mukwonago . . . . .	1669	Plymouth . . . . .	739
Middleton Total . . . . .	2378	Muskego . . . . .	1637	Port Edwards . . . . .	129
		Necedah . . . . .	216	Port Washington . . . . .	825
Milton . . . . .	1075	Neenah . . . . .	2015	Portage . . . . .	730
Milwaukee Academy of Science . . . . .	366	Neillsville . . . . .	288	Potosi . . . . .	112
Milwaukee Arts . . . . .	1038	Nekoosa . . . . .	309	Poynette . . . . .	317
Milwaukee Bay View . . . . .	905	New Auburn . . . . .	93	Prairie du Chien . . . . .	373
Milwaukee Bradley Tech . . . . .	1111	New Berlin Eisenhower . . . . .	715	Prairie Farm . . . . .	122
Milwaukee Excellence Charter School . . . . .	305	New Berlin West . . . . .	716	Prentice . . . . .	113
Milwaukee Hamilton . . . . .	1415	New Glarus . . . . .	323	Prescott . . . . .	457
Milwaukee Juneau . . . . .	242	New Holstein . . . . .	311	Princeton . . . . .	121
Milwaukee King . . . . .	1332	New Lisbon . . . . .	171	Providence Academy (Green Bay) . . . . .	26
Milwaukee Lifelong Learning . . . . .	203			Providence Academy (La Crosse) . . . . .	18
Milwaukee Lutheran . . . . .	860	New London . . . . .	690	Pulaski . . . . .	1161
		Catalyst Academy . . . . .	41	Racine Case . . . . .	1828
Milwaukee Madison . . . . .	677	New London Total . . . . .	731	Racine Horlick . . . . .	1403
Banner Preparatory . . . . .	33			Racine Lutheran . . . . .	325
Milwaukee Madison Total . . . . .	710	New Richmond . . . . .	1057	Racine Park . . . . .	1081
		Newman Catholic . . . . .	126	Racine St. Catherine's . . . . .	464
Milwaukee Marshall . . . . .	1009	Niagara . . . . .	140	Randolph . . . . .	196
Milwaukee North . . . . .	448	Nicolet . . . . .	1090	Random Lake . . . . .	246
		North Crawford . . . . .	136	Reedsburg . . . . .	890
Milwaukee Pulaski . . . . .	868	North Fond du Lac . . . . .	458	Reedsville . . . . .	187
Lad Lake Synergy . . . . .	21	Northland Lutheran . . . . .	63	Regis . . . . .	200
Project Stay . . . . .	119			Rhineland . . . . .	768
Milwaukee Pulaski Total . . . . .	1008	Northland Pines . . . . .	425	Rib Lake . . . . .	139
		SOAR . . . . .	28	Rice Lake . . . . .	711
Milwaukee Reagan . . . . .	1286	Northland Pines Total . . . . .	453		
				Richland Center . . . . .	422
Milwaukee Riverside . . . . .	1344	Northwestern . . . . .	412	Richland Online Academy . . . . .	30
Alliance School of Milwaukee . . . . .	146	Northwood . . . . .	97	Richland Center Total . . . . .	452
NOVA . . . . .	112	Notre Dame . . . . .	755		
Shalom . . . . .	121	Oak Creek . . . . .	2122	Rio . . . . .	124
Transition . . . . .	102	Oakfield . . . . .	160		
Milwaukee Riverside Total . . . . .	1825			Ripon . . . . .	489
		Obama SCTE . . . . .	361	Odessey Academy of Virtual Learning . . . . .	17
Milwaukee School of Languages . . . . .	581	Assata . . . . .	95	Ripon Total . . . . .	506
		Obama SCTE Total . . . . .	456		
Milwaukee South . . . . .	835	Oconomowoc . . . . .	1676	River Falls . . . . .	1101
Grandview . . . . .	225				
South Division Accelerated Academy . . . . .	31				
Milwaukee South Total . . . . .	1091				

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River Ridge .....	196	Spooner .....	377	Wausau East .....	961
River Valley .....	398	Spring Valley .....	199	Wausau Area Virtual Education .....	0
Riverdale .....	207	St. Augustine Preparatory Academy .....	576	Wausau Enrich Excel Achieve Learning .....	0
Roncalli .....	246	St. John's Northwestern .....	292	Wausau East Total .....	961
Rosholt .....	173	Stanley-Boyd .....	332		
Royall .....	159	Stevens Point .....	2096	Wausau West .....	1479
Saint Ambrose .....	77	Stockbridge .....	54	Wausau Area Virtual Education .....	35
Saint Anthony .....	489	Stoughton .....	905	Wausau Enrich Excel Achieve Learning .....	16
		Stratford .....	272	Wausau West Total .....	1530
Saint Croix Central .....	499	Sturgeon Bay .....	411		
Saint Croix Virtual .....	32	Sun Prairie .....	2561	Wausaukee .....	122
Saint Croix Central Total .....	531	Superior .....	1266	Wautoma .....	399
		Suring .....	124	Wauwatosa East .....	1070
Saint Croix Falls .....	352	Tenor .....	496	Wauwatosa West .....	1075
Saint Francis .....	504	The Prairie School .....	232	Wauzeka-Steuben .....	62
Saint Joan Antida .....	390	Thorp .....	172	Wayland Academy .....	133
Saint Lawrence Seminary .....	262	Three Lakes .....	142	Webster .....	198
Saint Mary Catholic .....	247	Tigerton .....	65	West Allis Central .....	1082
Saint Mary's Springs .....	273	Tomah .....	934	West Allis Hale .....	1284
Saint Thomas Aquinas .....	40	Tomahawk .....	375	West Bend East .....	971
Saint Thomas More .....	530	Tri-County .....	171	West Bend West .....	1113
Salam .....	175	Trinity Academy .....	6		
Sauk Prairie .....	886	Turner .....	488	West De Pere .....	1023
Seneca .....	98			Phantom Knight Charter School .....	19
Sevastopol .....	176			West De Pere Total .....	1042
Seymour .....	686	Turtle Lake .....	115		
Shawano .....	805	Northstar Academy .....	6	West Salem .....	592
Sheboygan Christian .....	106	Turtle Lake Total .....	121	Westby .....	308
Sheboygan Lutheran .....	222			Westfield .....	287
Sheboygan Falls .....	522	Two Rivers .....	527	Weston .....	81
		Lighthouse Learning Academy .....	26	Westosha Central .....	1184
Sheboygan North .....	1554	Two Rivers Total .....	553	Weyauwega-Fremont .....	289
Central High .....	70			White Lake .....	37
ETUDE .....	33	Union Grove .....	994	Whitefish Bay .....	942
George D. Warriner .....	69	Unity .....	289	Whitehall .....	217
Sheboygan North Total .....	1726	University Lake School .....	70	Whitewater .....	585
		University School of Milwaukee .....	403	Whitnall .....	812
Sheboygan South .....	1139	Valders .....	308	Wild Rose .....	168
Central High .....	126	Valley Christian (Oshkosh) .....	112		
ETUDE .....	37	Valley Christian School (Osceola) .....	34	Williams Bay .....	215
George D. Warriner .....	61	Veritas .....	252	Career & College .....	7
Sheboygan South Total .....	1363	Verona Area .....	1756	Williams Bay Total .....	222
Shell Lake .....	209	Viroqua .....	300	Wilmot Union .....	906
Shiocton .....	213	Laurel .....	37	Winnebago Lutheran .....	304
Shoreland Lutheran .....	364	Viroqua Total .....	337	Winneconne .....	522
				Winter .....	71
Shorewood .....	638	Wabeno .....	99	Wisconsin Dells .....	591
New Horizons .....	25	Washburn .....	190	Wisconsin Heights .....	200
Shorewood Total .....	663	Washington Island .....	13	Wisconsin Lutheran .....	857
		Waterford .....	984		
Shullsburg .....	103	Waterloo .....	268	Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln .....	1394
Siren .....	136			River Cities .....	97
Slinger .....	1069	Watertown .....	1098	Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln Total .....	1491
Solon Springs .....	78	eCampus .....	48		
Somerset .....	463	Endeavor .....	41	Wisconsin School for the	
South Milwaukee .....	1032	Watertown Total .....	1187	Blind and Visually Impaired .....	25
South Shore .....	62			Wisconsin School for the Deaf .....	32
Southern Door .....	323	Watertown Luther Prep .....	423		
Southwestern .....	153	Waukesha North .....	1079	Wisconsin Valley Lutheran .....	25
		Waukesha South .....	1324	Wittenberg-Birnamwood .....	322
Sparta .....	837	Waukesha West .....	1175	Wolf River Lutheran .....	27
High Point .....	26	Waunakee .....	1336	Wonewoc-Center .....	106
S.A.I.L.S. .....	31	Waupaca .....	601	Wrightstown .....	427
Sparta Total .....	894	Waupun .....	564	Xavier .....	479
				Young Coggs .....	155
Spencer .....	214			Youth Initiative .....	72

impacted by local COVID guidelines and capacity limitations. Any COVID accommodations or guidelines for those attending the Summit will be communicated prior to the event.

The Summit is scheduled to begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. with the first session starting at 9 a.m. The cost of the event is \$150 per team, which includes Summit materials, a commemorative t-shirt and lunch.

The purpose of the Summit is to assist membership schools with their citizenship and sportsmanship efforts for students, student-athletes, adult fans, advisors, parents and booster clubs; developing plans to improve or maintain good sportsmanship locally; and assisting schools identify and implement a safe, respectful and education-based environment for high school sports.

The Summit will feature two keynote addresses and three time slots for five different break-out sessions, which focus on the ideals of sportsmanship/citizenship. The morning keynote address will be presented by Craig Hillier, author of *Playing Beyond the Scoreboard*. The afternoon keynote address will be presented by Shawna Nichols, the hype DJ for the Milwaukee Bucks.

Participants will also attend three morning break-out sessions. The subjects for the five, 40-minute break-out presentations available during the three time slots are "My Coach Plays Favorite" by Mark Horbinski of WON80 and a member of the WIAA Sportsmanship Committee; "Sportsmanship: The Official's Perspective" by Thaddeus Hilliard, veteran WIAA licensed official; "Setting Sportsmanship Guidelines for Parents" by Jenny Bandow, athletic director at Luxemburg-Casco and member of the Sportsmanship Committee; and "Sports-

manship Roundtable Discussions," presented by the Union Grove S.A.L.T. program and moderated by LeVar Ridgeway, assistant director at the WIAA.

A link to the online registration form is provided below. The link to the online registration form is on the Sportsmanship Summit page of the WIAA website at <https://www.wiaawi.org/Schools/Sportsmanship/2021-Sportsmanship-Summit>.

Schools interested in registering for the 2021 Sportsmanship Summit should complete the online registration form by Monday, Nov. 15. Please contact the WIAA with any questions regarding the Summit by calling (715) 344-8580, or by emailing to [tlclark@wiaawi.org](mailto:tlclark@wiaawi.org).

Schools wishing to reserve hotel rooms the night prior to the Summit should contact the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point directly at (715) 344-0200. The room rate for the Summit is \$109 for a single or double. ●

## 2022 WIAA Girls State Individual Wrestling Tournament

Saturday, January 29

La Crosse Center

This is an open qualifying event for all member schools who have a girls wrestler. There are going to be 12 weight classes (100, 107, 114, 120, 126, 132, 138, 145, 152, 165, 185, 235).

Time schedule will be determined once participants are identified.

Admission is \$11 per session.

Further information will be provided to wrestling schools in December. ●

### WIAA Sport Medical Advisory Committee from page 2

ducted 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. ●

## Wrestling Health and Safety

Precautions were implemented in the last season to reduce the spread of infectious disease among wrestlers. Schools may wish to continue with those additional health practices to keep the season on track and minimize interruptions or cancellations. The 2020-21 NFHS Covid Accommodations are still effective for overall student-athlete health. Those can be found online at <https://www.wiaawi.org/Portals/0/PDF/Sports/Wrestling/NFHS-Wrestling-Considerations-Covid.pdf> ●

### Board of Control Conducts from page 1

and Mauston, which are the first three of seven meetings around the state this fall. In addition, the Board was provided an update on a sports officials harassment bill, efforts for the recruitment and retention of WIAA-licensed officials, and plans for the 2021 Sportsmanship Summit scheduled Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Holiday Inn & Convention Center in Stevens Point, Wis. Other topics presented in the executive staff reports to the Board were the ongoing social media, marketing and office technology efforts.

The Board approved the 2021-22 WIAA Executive Staff Handbook and the WIAA Employee Handbook and the rescheduling of the Board meeting from Friday, March 4 to Tuesday, March 8 at the WIAA office.

The Board received liaison reports from John Ashley of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards and Shawn Groshek of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association. ●





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.

## FOOTBALL

### Racine Case @ Racine Horlick Oct. 2, 2021

As officials, we came into this rivalry game not knowing what to expect as the fans were pumped and ready for the game, but in all honesty, it couldn't have gone any better. The players on both sides were patting each other on the helmets for good plays, helping each other up and very respectful of the other team and the officials. We were pleasantly encouraged at the great sportsmanship that was shown by both sides, especially on a crosstown rivalry game. While the score wasn't very close, both teams continued to show good sportsmanship throughout the entire game and a pleasure to officiate.

*Reporting Official: Mike Edic*

### Niagara/Goodman/Pembine @ Crandon Sept. 24, 2021

We wish to extend our appreciation to Athletic Director Brady Weber and Principal Josh Jaeger for their excellent communication and hospitality. Each teams' coaching staff were respectful, positively motivating their players as many played both offense and defense. Head coaches Dan Witman and Brian Bousley and their staff did a great job managing their sidelines and keeping the restricted area clean during the play. Players' actions showcased outstanding leadership and positive sportsmanship. Each team played and hit hard while encouraging members of their own and opposing teams. The captains and players did an exceptional job asking questions and motivating their teammates while helping players off the muddy turf. Each community's fans positively cheered and modeled proper sportsmanship behavior. On big plays one could hear the cheers with no negative comments being heard about the opposing team or officials. Plus, the game announcer did a fantastic job of presenting the action on the field and making the contest more entertaining. Our crew applauds the positive sportsmanship displayed by the Crandon Cardinals and the Niagara Co-op Predators players, coaches, and communities. Our hats off to Coach Witman and Bousley as they teach the most important skill of positive sportsmanship! We know these are very challenging times and wish both teams continued success. Please stay healthy and happy!

*Reporting Official: Shawn Umland*

### Howards Grove @ Random Lake Sept. 24, 2021

By far the best sportsmanship we had up to this point in the varsity football season. Both teams, players and coaches alike, had positive interactions with the officials as well as their opponents. Despite the fact that Random Lake lost the game,

they never got "chippy" in frustration (which is unfortunately becoming more and more common recently). I was extremely impressed by the coach of Howards Grove who rather than grumble about a called penalty simply asked how he could best coach his players to prevent similar penalties in the future. Best of luck to both teams both on the field and in the classroom.

*Reporting Official: James Adamson*

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

### Tomah @ La Crosse Logan Oct. 7, 2021

This was a wonderful match to referee. The sportsmanship started before the warm-ups even began. It was Senior Night for Logan and they had a nice ceremony for their seniors. As each senior from Logan was announced the coaches and players from Tomah clapped for each of them. The sportsmanship continued during the match. Of course, throughout any match, there are times when players and coaches will react to a call. Whenever that happened the players or coaches would quickly react or ask a question and once anything was explained, they all moved on and continued to play hard. The match was hard-fought and went all five sets with many momentum changes throughout. After the match was over the sportsmanship between the teams and coaches was outstanding and that was also directed toward the officials with several thank-yous from players, the coaches, and the Logan Athletic Director. These are the types of volleyball matches and the type of atmosphere that make being an official fun to be a part of the game. Outstanding job by both teams!

*Reporting Official: Lance Bagstad*

### Freedom @ Oconto Falls Aug. 31, 2021

Coaches and players for Oconto Falls and Freedom did a wonderful job showing respect to one another and the officials during a very competitive match. It was a pleasure to be a part of a match that was played with high intensity and the participants using their skills to the best of their abilities. Thank you to each team for a great night of volleyball!

*Reporting Official: Gregory Kosciuk*

### Williams Bay @ Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah Sept. 3, 2021

The head coach of Williams Bay exhibited great sportsmanship. Several calls went against his team that he might have not agreed with, but he did not get mad and yell at the officials. The coach stayed calm, and respectful while discussing these plays with the officials. It would be much more enjoyable if all coaches, players, and fans would show the same respect for officials.

*Reporting Official: Steve Kiel*

## BOYS SOCCER

### Hortonville @ Appleton East Oct. 5, 2021

Throughout the game, Will Smestad, Captain #12, showed great leadership, positive attitude and comradery. Multiple times when fouls had been called, his teammates would get worked up, upset and would start making comments towards the center referee and he would immediately stop their comments and get them engaged back into the game. I did thank him and gave him congrats for his positive attitude after the game. While it is something little, it is great to see the leadership and positive reinforcement from a captain. I don't think the positive feedback is always given and reported and wanted to shed light on how the little situations truly can have a big impact. Well done #12.

*Reporting Official: Mariel Bohnstock*

### Oconomowoc @ Waukesha West Sept. 28, 2021

Last night might have been the most enjoyable from a sporting perspective that we've experienced. There was no complaining about anything, players made a point of helping their opponents up and checking on them if they had a collision to make sure they were OK. On the couple occasions where we had to do a restart due to an injury, the players from each team determined how it would occur and made sure everyone knew what was happening. A very enjoyable evening, both teams should be commended!

*Reporting Official: Mark Herdeman*

### Wauwatosa West @ Kimberly Sept. 18, 2021

I'm not sure the player's name, but it was Kimberly #4 - center defensive player. I was AR2 during this game. During the first half while the Kimberly defense was in front of me, I heard, on several occasions, #4 congratulating the other team on good plays, good shots, nice tackles. Specifically he was defending an opposing attacking player. They both were sprinting to the ball, the opposing player made a nice move and beat #4 to his goal area. After the play, I overheard #4 congratulating the opposing player for a good play and nice moves. During half time I pulled #4 over and praised him for his good sportsmanship.

*Reporting Official: Mariel Bohnsack*

### Washburn/Bayfield @ Barron Sept. 9, 2021

Both teams and coaches were very positive throughout the entire game. The words of encouragement that each team gave their teammates

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assignments. There is a handout on the responsibilities of the AR that is found on the officials' resource center of the WIAA website. To avoid misconceptions and misunderstandings, coaches as well are encouraged to watch it.

**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 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.

**Weight Class Eligibility** – A reminder that a wrestler may only qualify for a

maximum of two weight classes in any one day. The two weight classes are whatever their weight qualifies them for that day plus the next weight class. Growth allowance and consecutive days of competition also has an impact on minimum weights for competition. The example here would be if the weight of the day for the usual 112 weight class was 114, in order for a wrestler to be eligible for 126, a wrestler would have to weigh at least 114.1.

**Straight back Suplay and Salto** – Reminder that two years ago there was a rule change and emphasis put on eliminating these two high amplitude and dangerous maneuvers. Any time a wrestler picks up his/her opponent and brings them straight back over their head, regardless of how they land, it is to be considered an illegal hold and should be penalized as such.

**Supporting Points** – The wrestling mat has been expanded over recent years and we need to make sure we are keeping up to date on what the supporting points are so that we are consistent and accurate on calling the boundary lines and taking advantage of the extra mat space. We want to reward the aggressive wrestler whenever possible. Remember two supporting points in bounds means we are in, whether that be two of one wrestler or one of each. There are some great resources on supporting points in the resource section of the WIAA website. ●

## 2021 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](http://www.naera.net). More information regarding NOCSAE and their standards can be found at [www.nocsae.org](http://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 manufactures recommendations.

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

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was a refreshing change. Multiple times, when a player committed a foul that resulted in an opponent falling to the ground, the player committing the foul helped the opponent back to his feet. It's been a long time since I've seen that level of sportsmanship in a soccer game. Hats off to the players on both teams as well as the coaching staffs. It was truly a pleasure to officiate that game!

*Reporting Official: Nick Goeman*

### GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING Beloit Memorial @ Madison La Follette Sept. 3, 2021

We officiated at a smoothly running swim meet at LaFollette due to the efforts of their coach, AD and volunteers. Between us, we had already remarked at the outstanding sportsmanship exhibit by Beloit, cheering strongly for their LaFollette opponents as their own team mates as they finished their races. To top it off, and to make it even more personal, at

the end of the JV 100 breaststroke with only one LaFollette swimmer yet to finish, Beloit swimmer Savannah Jacot turned to the nearby LaFollette swimmer, asking 'What is her name?' After receiving the answer, she and her Beloit teammates continued to cheer her to the finish by name, making it a very personal celebration as she touched the wall. It was excellent sportsmanship in a meet filled with good sportsmanship!

*Reporting Official: Pat Coyne*

## Interscholastic Participation the Last Bastion of Amateur Sports

It didn't take long after the United States Supreme Court ruled in June that the National Collegiate Athletic Association violated antitrust laws with their restrictions on a school's compensation for college athletes before the NCAA changed its policy to allow the student-athletes to capitalize on their name, image and likeness.

Perhaps it took less time for speculation to begin about how the change in the NCAA's policy will impact high school sports. In fact, a week following the announcement by the NCAA, Dr. Karissa Niehoff, executive director of the National Federation of State High School Associations, issued an editorial in the NFHS Voice stating the position of the organization.

Niehoff emphasized the position taken by the NCAA, and she was spot on by stating collegiate athletics lost any remaining claim to amateurism. Although, some would argue or question if collegiate athletics had been amateur, in the true sense of the word, for many years.

The executive staff shared information on name, image and likeness during the Area Meetings for the membership's awareness in September. The impact of the NIL trend on education-based athletics may not be immediate, but it needs to be on the radar to communicate and educate student-athletes and their parents on the membership's existing rules regarding amateur status.

The Amateur Status article in the Rules of Eligibility prohibits student-athletes from receiving "compensation or benefit for the use of name, picture, and/or personal appearance, as an athlete because of ability, potential, and/or performance as an athlete." In addition, a student-athlete may not be "identified as an athlete, provides endorsement as an athlete, or appears as an athlete, in the promotion of a commercial/advertisement and/or profit-making event, item, plan or service."

As with any change that alters the long-standing position and fundamental philosophy of an institution such as the NCAA, there will be a wave of speculation that ripples outward. However, let us not overlook the fact that there are plenty of obvious differences between high school sports and the multi-million dollar industry of collegiate athletics.

We can easily imagine some of the potential perils and pitfalls of the NIL trend filtering down to the education-based programs of interscholastic athletics, but they've already surfaced since this summer. One's position on NIL may depend on how they view a star quarterback getting compensated more than the head coach or school administrator, or the point guard with a high-end Tesla in the parking lot. How about the pressure placed on an adolescent to fulfill expectations of their compensation as well as the team chemistry when some are compensated and some are not, increasing the gap between the have and have nots? Also, imagine the involvement of

parents when there are not only potential scholarships, but also a payday at stake.

There is a tendency to overstate the potential impact of NIL at the junior and high school levels. How many of these elite individuals are really out there? A few concerning cases have already received national attention. An elite quarterback skipped his senior year this fall to enroll at college and get a six-figure pay day, and another elite player transferred to a basketball "academy," which is not a member of a state association, and is expected to make millions of dollars, according to a national publication. A teenage girl soccer player signed an endorsement deal choosing to skip her high school and college experience to play in a professional soccer league. And, it shouldn't come to anyone's surprise that in this moment in time there are influential individuals in the sports industry encouraging these types of decisions.

Something else to consider, will the same value of NIL compensation be there for all athletes with representation by gender, ethnicity, etc. for all sports? There are so many other possible scenarios to consider.

For those that embrace the traditional philosophy of pure school-based, amateur athletics, to see what has become of what was traditionally considered "amateur" sports is disappointing. With the shoe on the other foot, imagine if your son or daughter was offered this type of compensation. Would we feel the same way? Or, would we consider a sizable compensation outweighs any possible regrets of missing a high school experience with friends and teammates?

Another consideration introduced by a number of articles is the compensation for student-athletes through their social media popularity. Is the compensation they receive based on their charisma and personality on social media, or is it mostly because of the celebrity gained by their athletic prowess? And, how is that different than the summer job at the golf course or restaurant?

While the WIAA has existing rules protecting the amateur status of participants who compete in interscholastic athletics, we should also recognize the small fissures in the foundation of the amateur status regulations, including a 2017 amendment that passed by a 382-6 margin that removed a list of items to allow student-athletes to receive school mementos up to \$200 and awards valued up to \$100.

Protecting amateurism is at the heart of school-based sports and the many relationships, life-long lessons and memories experiences acquired through interscholastic participation. Amateur status is one of those landmark positions that the membership needs to continually address and educate if it wants the NIL trend to stay out of high school sports – reaffirm amateur status at every opportunity. ●

## Keep These Dates in Mind

October 22	Boys Volleyball Regionals
October 22-23	State Girls Team Tennis Tournament (Madison)
October 22-23	Level 1 Football
October 22-23	Cross Country Sectionals
October 26 & 30	Boys Volleyball Sectionals
October 28 & 30	Boys Soccer Sectionals
October 28 & 30	Girls Volleyball Sectionals
October 29-30	Level 2 Football
October 30	State Cross Country Meet (Wisconsin Rapids)
November 4-5-6	State Boys Soccer Tournament (Milwaukee)
November 4-5-6	State Volleyball Tournament (Green Bay)
November 5	Girls Diving Sectionals
November 5-6	Level 3 Football
November 6	Girls Swimming Sectionals
November 8	Earliest Day for Gymnastics Practice
November 8	Earliest Day for Hockey Practice
November 8	Earliest Day for Girls Basketball Practice
November 12-13	State Girls Swimming & Diving Meet (Madison)
November 12-13	Level 4 Football

November 13	8-Player Football Finals
November 15	Earliest Day for Boys Swimming & Diving Practice
November 15	Earliest Day for Wrestling Practice
November 15	Earliest Day for Boys Basketball Practice
November 16	Earliest Day for First Girls Basketball Game
November 17	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Volleyball (Stevens Point)
November 17	Coaches Advisory Meeting – Soccer (Stevens Point)
November 18-19	Football Playoff Championship Games (Madison)
November 19	Earliest Day for First Hockey Game
November 23	Earliest Day for First Boys Basketball Game
November 23	Earliest Day for First Boys Swimming & Diving Meet
November 23	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Cross Country
November 25	Thanksgiving Day
November 26	Earliest Day for First Wrestling Meet
November 30	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Football (Stevens Point)
December 1	Officials Advisory Committee Meeting (Stevens Point)
December 2	Earliest Day for First Gymnastics Meet

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December 3	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
December 6	Coaches Advisory Meeting – Swimming & Diving (Stevens Point)
December 8	Sportsmanship Summit (Stevens Point)
December 7	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting
December 9	Coaches Advisory Meeting – Tennis (Stevens Point)
December 25	Christmas Day
January 1	New Year's Day
January 5	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting
January 12	Sports Advisory Committee Meeting
January 25-26	Advisory Council Meeting (Stevens Point)
January 26	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
January 29	Girls State Wrestling Individual Tournament (La Crosse)
January 31	Middle Level Council Meeting (Stevens Point)
February 10	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting
February 11	Boys Diving Sectionals
February 12	Wrestling Regionals
February 12	Boys Swimming Sectionals
February 15	Wrestling Team Sectionals
February 15, 17 & 18	Hockey Regionals
February 18-19	Boys State Swimming & Diving Meet (Madison)
February 19	Wrestling Individual Sectionals
February 22	Deadline to Announce Board/Council Candidacy
February 22, 25 & 26	Hockey Sectionals
February 22, 25 & 26	Girls Basketball Regionals
February 24-25-26	State Wrestling Individual Tournament (Madison)
February 24-25-26	Gymnastics Sectionals
March 1	Board/Council Primary Ballot Mailed
March 1, 4 & 5	Boys Basketball Regionals
March 3-4-5	Boys State Hockey
March 3 & 5	Girls Basketball Sectionals
March 4	Board of Control Meeting
March 4-5	Girls State Hockey
March 4-5	State Gymnastics
March 4-5	State Team Wrestling
March 7	Earliest Day for Track & Field Practice
March 10-11-12	Girls State Basketball (Green Bay)
March 10 & 12	Boys Basketball Sectionals
March 11	Scholar Athlete Nomination Due Date
March 14	Earliest Day for Softball Practice
March 15	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Gymnastics
March 15	Earliest Day for First Track & Field Meet
March 16	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Wrestling (Stevens Point)
March 17-18-19	Boys State Basketball (Madison)
March 21	Earliest Day for Girls Soccer Practice
March 21	Earliest Day for Baseball Practice
March 22	Primary Ballot Return Deadline
March 22	Earliest Day for Softball Game
March 25	Board/Council General Election Ballot Mailed

March 28	Earliest Day for Boys Golf Practice
March 28	Earliest Day for Boys Tennis Practice
March 29	Earliest Day for First Baseball Game
March 29	Earliest Day for First Girls Soccer Meet
March 29	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Hockey (Stevens Point)
March 31	Earliest Day for First Boys Golf Meet
April 1	Earliest Day for First Boys Tennis Meet
April 5	Conference Realignment Task Force Meeting (if needed)
April 6	Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting – Basketball (Stevens Point)
April 8	Sportsmanship Committee Meeting
April 15	Good Friday
April 17	Easter
April 21	Board/Council Election Ballot Return Deadline
April 22	Medical Advisory Meeting (Stevens Point)
April 26	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
April 27	WIAA Annual Meeting (Stevens Point)
May 1	Scholar/Athlete Awards Program (Wausau)
May 20	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
May 19, 24 & 26	Softball Regionals
May 23	Track & Field Regionals
May 23 & 24	Boys Tennis Subsectionals
May 24-25	Boys Golf Regionals
May 25 & 26	Boys Tennis Sectionals
May 26, 31 & 1-2	Baseball Regionals
May 26	Track & Field Sectionals
May 30	Memorial Day
May 31-June 1	Boys Golf Sectionals
May 31 & June 2	Softball Sectionals
May 31, June 2 & 4	Girls Soccer Regionals

## Test Dates

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

Listed below are the 2021-22 dates for ACT.

### ACT – 2021-22

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required
December 11, 2021	November 5, 2021	November 19, 2021
February 12, 2022	January 7, 2022	January 21, 2022
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022	March 11, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022	May 20, 2022
July 16, 2022*	June 17, 2022	June 24, 2022

\*No test centers are schedule in New York for the July test date.

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