

WIAA AREA MEETING

SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

Eric Russell, WIAA Board of Control President, Baldwin-Woodville

Dave Anderson, Executive Director

Wade Labecki, Deputy Director

Todd Clark, Communications Director

Tom Shafranski, Assistant Director

Stephanie Hauser, Assistant Director

Kate Peterson Abiad, Assistant Director



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Joan Gralla, Office Manager

Eric Dziak, Technology Coordinator

Kassie McGettigan, Director of Business Operations & Ticketing

Megan Loken, Social Media/Graphic Design Specialist



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Welcome!

New Athletic Directors

State Champions

State Tournament Officials



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Award of Excellence
RECIPIENTS

2019-20



*Appleton North
Baldwin-Woodville*

Baraboo

Brookwood

Clintonville

Crivitz

Divine Savior Holy Angels

Fort Atkinson

Franklin

Hilbert

Hortonville

Johnson Creek

Kenosha Christian Life

Kenosha St. Joseph Catholic

Kenosha Tremper

Kimberly

Lake Mills

Luther

Marshfield

Mayville

Merrill

Monroe

New Berlin Eisenhower

New Berlin West

Northland Pines

Oak Creek

Onalaska

Oregon

Pewaukee

Pius XI Catholic

Racine Horlick

Racine Lutheran

Racine St. Catherine's

Saint Croix Central

Sauk Prairie

Sheboygan Falls

Stoughton

The Prairie School

University School of Milwaukee

Watertown

Waukesha West

Wausau West

West Bend East

Winter

Wisconsin Dells

Wisconsin Lutheran

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• *Leadership* • *Sportsmanship* • *Ethics* • *Integrity* •



Today's Topics

Proposed Amendments for 2021 from 2020

Conference Realignment Taskforce Updates

DOE Title IX Directive Re: Sexual Assault and Harassment

Maximum Number of Games/Meets—Process

Fan Ejections—Sportsmanship Committee Recommendation

Review of "COVID Accommodations"

Member Request for Competition Study Committee



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Open Forum

Your Comments/Questions/Concerns



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2021 Proposed Constitutional Changes

- Defining Boarding Schools
- Transition from Single Gender to Coed Schools
- Residency Rule & Boarding Schools-11th Grade
- Membership Petition Amendment—Basketball Divisional Placement



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Staff Updates

Wade—Fall Sports-SMAC-DOE Title IX Directives

Steph—Fall Sports

Tom—Fall Sports-WADA

Kate—Fall Sports

Kassie—Tickets, Financial Forms

Joan—Officials

Todd—Streaming

Eric—rSchool, Schedules, Scores, Officials, Seeding, Games

Wanted

Megan—#TeamUpToBeatCOVID



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WIAA CONFERENCE REALIGNMENT UPDATES

AREA MEETINGS 2020



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NEW TASK FORCE MEMBERS (TERM EXPIRES 2023)

Lance Bagstad, Superintendent, Arcadia

Barry Rose, Superintendent, Cumberland

Steve Knecht, Principal, Kenosha Tremper

Chris VanderHeyden, Superintendent, Menasha

John Gendron, District Administrator, Westosha Central

Ron Rasmussen, Principal, Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln



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APPLICATION TIMELINE

Application cycle begins – July 1

Application initiation deadline – October 15

Application due date – November 15

2020 (even year) – Football-only applications

2021 (odd year) – Non-Football applications

Expanded Fast Track approval process



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CONFERENCE REALIGNMENT PROCESS FLOWCHART

Conference Realignment Flowchart



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COMPLETING THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Plan meetings and communications with all affected schools
Include conference commissioners in on communications

Gather documents

[School Checklist](#)

Assistance with the application

WIAA Staff

WADA Summer Meeting

WIAA New AD Workshop

WADA Workshop

Task Force mentor



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COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOLS

Provide written documentation from conference meetings

Provide written documentation from conference voting/position statements

When application is published, auto-notification is sent to all schools impacted by realignment proposal

Impacted schools provide response through auto-generated feedback form

Public notice provided on WIAA Conference Realignment webpage



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COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOLS

SECTION 3

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Supply written documentation of conference meetings in which this application was discussed
2. Include any conference voting or position statements from the conference schools



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COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOLS

A. Schools involved in the Realignment

Add Schools by using the 'Select a School' search box and then selecting them from the list that appears. Select all schools impacted by this realignment request.

Schools Impacted:

Beloit Memorial

 Feedback Form

Janesville Craig

 Feedback Form

Janesville Parker

 Feedback Form

Madison East

 Feedback Form

Madison La Follette

 Feedback Form

Madison Memorial

 Feedback Form

Madison West

 Feedback Form

Middleton

 Feedback Form

Sun Prairie

 Feedback Form

Verona

 Feedback Form



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COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOLS

MEMBER SCHOOL FEEDBACK FORM

Complete this form to provide your School's feedback to the Conference Realignment Request

School: Sun Prairie
Year: 2020-2021
RequestType: Non Football
FastTrack?: Yes

School
Madison Memorial

Contact Name
Jeremy Schlitz

In Favor?
☒ Yes ☐ No

Comments

Good interim solution to look at a larger solution for the 2023-24 school year and moving forward



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COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOLS

REQUESTS AND
PROPOSALS

CONFERENCE
REALIGNMENT REACTION

REALIGNMENT
APPLICATION

REALIGNMENT ARCHIVE

REQUESTS RECEIVED

Click on the link below to select the school year and realignment requests, to review the application.

[Non-Football Realignment Requests](#)

[Football-Only Realignment Requests](#)



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COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOLS

RECOMMENDATIONS TO BOARD OF CONTROL

Sun Prairie West (Non-Football) - Conference leaving: None (new member school); Conference entering: Big 8, Fall 2022.



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QUESTIONS?



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COVID ACCOMMODATIONS

- Alternative Fall Season-Adjusted All Sport Seasons
- Awards
- Officials Classification and Re-Licensing
- Scheduling Relief
- Regional Groupings—Football 4, Other Sports 8 or Fewer



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COVID ACCOMMODATIONS

- September 1—Declare Fall or Alternate Fall—Tournament Declaration and Culminating Events—30 Day Notice
- What Constitutes a Season (50%)
- Non-School Competition
- Seeding—No In-Person
- Out of State Travel and Multi-School Events



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COVID ACCOMMODATIONS

- COVID Coaching Contact Days—One Week Dead Period—Unrestricted Coach Contact During School Year Outside of Season
- 5th Quarter/Extra Innings Waiver
- Continuing Games After Elimination From Tournament
- COVID Co-Ops



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COVID ACCOMMODATIONS

- Academic Eligibility—Fall Grace Period—Code of Conduct has not changed
- COVID SMAC Guidelines

Summer

Fall

Winter



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Break-Out Topics

- Membership Request Competitive Committee to Look at Basketball
- Division 5 Basketball Revisited
- Most Challenging Issue at this Time



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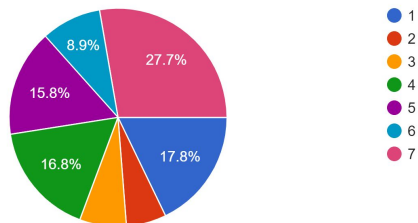


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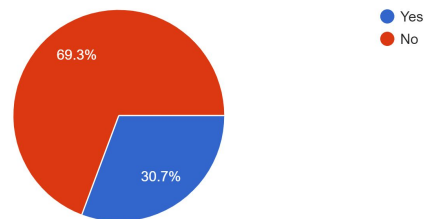


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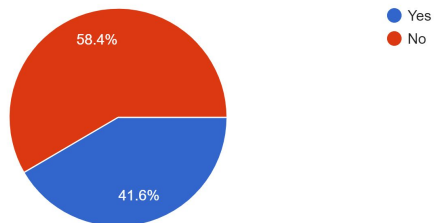
District
101 responses



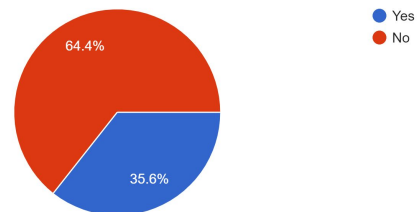
Has the Five-Division Basketball model worked—has the Five-Division model solved the Competitive Equity problem?
101 responses



Should there be a Committee?
101 responses



If the Five (5) Division model is not resolving the Competitive Equity problem in basketball, should we return to the previous four division model with...ning to the WIAA State Basketball Championships?
101 responses



Quantitative responses for Area meeting breakout topics

2019-20 Year in Review

Highlights

- Award of Excellence—Presented to 46 member schools who have exhibited a high level of sportsmanship, ethics and integrity
- Recognized 32 Scholar Athlete at First-ever Virtual Banquet—Alec Ingold as keynote speaker
- Enhanced the awards program for recognizing years of service for WIAA licensed officials
- Established the Communications Committee in conjunction with WADA
- \$2.7 million reimbursed to schools
- Enhanced Conference Realignment webpage
- Hosted the 1st ever Combined Boys and Girls State Volleyball Tournament
- Celebrated the 50th WIAA State Gymnastics Meet, the 50th WIAA Girls State Swim and Dive Meet and the 50th WIAA Boys State Hockey Tournament
- Held the final State meet at the UW-Madison Natatorium. The new UW-Madison Soderholm Family Aquatic Center in the Nicholas Rec Center will be the future home for this event.



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2019-20 Year in Review

Highlights

- Wrestling—WIAA injury time experiment was reviewed, updated to the five minutes and put into rule.
- Wrestling—Changed wrestling consecutive days to match NFHS two pounds consecutive from the WIAA maximum of one pound.
- Boys Hockey—Successfully implemented the 2-Division format for WIAA Tournaments
- Sports Medical Advisory Committee—Created new guidance on Mental Wellness, COVID-19 and CBD
- Launched the #TeamUpToBeatCOVID social media campaign
- Created an inspirational video featuring student-athletes, officials, coaches, WIAA staff and state tournament personnel to show their support for the Spring sport athletes who lost their season due to COVID-19.
- Created a partnership with rSchoolToday



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2019-20 Year in Review

Services and Recognition by WIAA Staff and State-Wide Personnel

- Four Wisconsin coaches were selected as NFHS 2019 Section 4 Winners:
Baseball—Scott Farmer, Antigo
Softball—Jeff Hodgson, Belmont
Girls Soccer—Robert Rickards, Notre Dame
Gymnastics—Mary Scherr, Hartford Union
- Todd Clark serves as a member of the NFHS Spirit of Sport Selection Committee
- Stephanie Hauser serves as the NFHS Gymnastics Rules Committee Chair
- Wade Labecki serves as a member of the NFHS Football Rules Committee
- Greg Smith, WADA Executive Director, serves as the NIAAA NEDC Liaison
- Pam Foegen serves as the At Large Representative on the NFHS Board of Directors
- Wade Labecki serves on the NFHS Hall of Fame Screening Committee
- Paul Feldhausen, WIAA licensed official, serves on the NFHS Baseball Rules Committee
- Jeff Stern, WIAA licensed official, serves on the NFHS Football Editorial Committee and the NFHS Wrestling Rules Committee



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2019-20 Year in Review

Services and Recognition by WIAA Staff and State-Wide Personnel

- Stephanie Hauser serves as a member of the NFHS Student Services Committee
- John Burke, WIAA licensed official, serves on the NFHS Hall of Fame Screening Committee
- Dr. Tim McGuine, serves on the NFHS Sports Medicine Advisory Committee
- Julie Voeck, WIAA licensed official, serves on the NFHS Volleyball Rules Committee



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Announcements



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Thank You!
Best Wishes!



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