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## Board Approves Recommendations Impacting Winter Sports

*Approval Given to Appeal of Conference Realignment Plan in North Central Wisconsin*

**GREEN LAKE, Wis.** – The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control approved a conference realignment appeal and several recommendations that will impact the future of interscholastic athletics in the state at its annual summer meeting Thursday.

After voting down an executive staff realignment proposal that would alter the Wisconsin Valley Conference and the newly formed Great Northern Conference in May, the Board approved an appeal of the earlier vote. The most recent action removes Rhinelander from the Wisconsin Valley and places the school in the Great Northern, and it moves Merrill from the Great Northern to the Wisconsin Valley beginning in the fall of 2010.

The Board ratified two recommendations specific to boys and girls basketball. The first changes the State Tournament schedule. Beginning next March,

the Division 3 and 4 semifinals will be transposed. The Division 4 semifinals will be played during the Thursday morning session and the Division 3 semifinals will be played Friday morning. In addition, the order of championship games scheduled Saturday will feature the Division 4 game first, followed in order by Divisions 3, 2 and 1.

The second will allow schools to experiment with playing two 16-minute halves for non-conference games en lieu of the traditional four 8-minute quarters beginning in 2009. The approved plan is an amended version of a Coaches Advisory recommendation requesting two 18-minute halves.

The lone gymnastics recommendation received approval. It replaces existing language prohibiting exhibition performances with language that allows teams to fill open positions if a team does not have five entrants per event without

having those competitors count toward the team scores.

The Board approved a hockey recommendation to remove the experimental status of the rule that suspends junior varsity players and programs when a second game disqualification penalty of the season is assessed. The rule was effective on a trial basis during the 2008-09 season.

Approval was granted for three Sportsmanship Committee recommendations that will add language to the Tournament Spectator Conduct Policies in the membership Handbook and the Sportsmanship Reference Guide. The first recognizes an emphasis on respecting the American flag and National Anthem. The second prohibits rushing the playing surface during or immediately following a WIAA Tournament Series contest, and the third requires all music played before, during and after a con-

test to have approval of school administration.

The Board also approved four recommended edits to the Medical Policies and Procedures Manual and all spring season cooperative team requests.

In addition, the Board received reports on the 2009 Area Meeting topics, as well as potential 2010 Constitutional issues. Area Meeting discussions will include a divisional placement plan for basketball, out-of-season competition and a uniform start date, all-play football, reduced-player football, football-only conferences, girls basketball start date and sportsmanship expectations. Potential Constitutional topics include deleting contribution to victory appeals in the Tournament Series, summer coach/athlete contact in all sports, sanctions for abandoning conferences and requirement of an emergency treatment release form. +

## Positions on Sportsmanship Committee Available

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association is accepting names of individuals interested in serving a three-year, once-renewable term on the Sportsmanship Committee, beginning with the committee's meeting in May, 2010.

The Sportsmanship Committee, which was established in 1977, meets annually to advise the membership on developing policies and initiatives to enhance and promote sportsmanship at all interscholastic athletic events. Other committee responsibilities include planning and managing the Sportsmanship Summit. The Sportsmanship Committee meetings are scheduled early in May each year.

The committee is comprised of administrators from schools representing small, medium and large school districts from various geographic locations in the state. A term of three years was implemented in 2001 with an option for a maximum of two successive terms on the committee.

Currently serving on the 2008-09 committee are Brian Smith, Athletic Director at Waunakee High School; Scott Winch, District Administrator at Stratford High School; Scott Swenty, Principal at Tomahawk High School; Gene Spindler, athletic director at Menasha; Todd Fischer, athletic director at Osseo-Fairchild High School; Paul Mirman, officials representative; and Linda Schrage, representative from the Wisconsin Association of Cheer and Pom Coaches.

Members leaving the committee after serving two, three-year terms are LeeAnn Corning, Athletic Director at Milwaukee Madison High School and Jeffery Krull, Associate Principal at Adams-Friendship High School

Any athletic director or school administrator interested in serving on the committee should submit a letter of interest to Todd Clark at the WIAA by fax (715) 344-4241 or by e-mail (tclark@wiaawi.org). The deadline for expressed interest in serving on the committee is extended to Oct. 1, 2009. +

## Directory Information Deadline

The WIAA staff is currently working on the 2009-10 Membership Directory and is asking your cooperation in receiving information for the publication. Directory information emails were sent to schools on May 5, 2009, with a deadline to be returned by May 28, 2009. If you have not yet returned your directory information updates, please do so immediately.

Please access the on-line high school directory on the WIAA Web site by clicking on the link below and access your school's page from the alphabetical listing. Please review and return any changes to the information listed on your school's entry via email to our office at: kgrulkowski@wiaawi.org

<http://www.wiaawi.org/directory.php>

We are aware that a number of vacant/updated staff and/or administrative positions may exist at this time. However, in order to complete and distribute the directory as soon as possible in the fall, we need this information. Please list vacancies with "TBA."

Please submit via email, fax or mail updates as the vacancies arise or are filled during the course of the year. The on-line high school directory will be updated throughout the year.

The following schools have yet to contact the WIAA with updates as of July 8.

Boscobel, Chetek, Clayton, Columbus Catholic, CORE, Cornell, Coulee Christian, Ethan Allen, Green Bay New Lutheran, Green Bay Southwest, La Farge, Ladysmith, Madison Country Day, Madison La Follette, Milw. Academy of Science, Milw. Northwest, Milw. Riverside University, Milw. Ronald W. Reagan College Prep, Milw. Wis. Cons. of Lifelong Learning, New Auburn, Norris, Northland Pines, Pembine, Peninsula Christian, Pepin, Phelps, Phillips, Reedsburg Area, Saint Mary Central, Salam, Shullsburg, Siren, South Shore, The Hope School, Tomah, Washington Island, Waupaca, Waupun, Wisconsin School for the Deaf & Young Coggs Preparatory. +

## WIAA Office Summer Hours June 15-Aug. 6

The WIAA Executive Office summer hours schedule will be from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday commencing June 15 and continuing through Aug. 6. For people who wish to contact the WIAA Office outside the summer hours please send messages via fax (715-344-4241) or email (info@wiaawi.org). Regular hours will resume August 10. +

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## 2009 Summer Baseball

### SECTIONAL TIME SCHEDULE

Friday, July 24

	1st game	2nd game	Championship
Arcadia	11 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	4 p.m.
Germantown	11 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	5 p.m.
New Berlin West	11 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
Plymouth	11 a.m.	2 p.m.	5 p.m.
South Milwaukee	10:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
Waukesha West	11 a.m.	3 p.m.	7 p.m.
West Bend West	11 a.m.	2 p.m.	5 p.m.
Whitefish Bay	10 a.m.	1 p.m.	4:30 p.m.

## 2009 Summer Baseball State Tournament Time Schedule

### Stevens Point – Bukolt Park

Quarterfinals (Upper Bracket) – Wednesday, July 29 – 10:05 a.m.

- Game 1 – Sectional #4 winner vs. Sectional #8 winner
- Game 2 – Sectional #1 winner vs. Sectional #7 winner

Quarterfinals (Lower Bracket) – Wednesday, July 29 – 3:35 p.m.

- Game 3 – Sectional #3 winner vs. Sectional #5 winner
- Game 4 – Sectional #2 winner vs. Sectional #6 winner

Semifinals – Thursday, July 30 – 10:05 a.m.

- Game 5 – Wednesday afternoon winners
- Game 6 – Wednesday evening winners

Thursday, July 30 – 3:35 p.m.  
Championship Final

## Baseball Questions & Answers

**Q.:** May 8 Bulletin – Page 12, column 2, 1st question down. "Fielder catches soft pop fly in foul territory" – I disagree with your ruling. It should be a catch and an out. Rule 2-6-1 "A batted ball is in flight until it has touched the ground or some object other than a fielder." Thus, the ball clutched between the knees is still in flight when F1 secures the ball in his hand. Rule 2-9-1 "A catch is the act of a fielder in getting secure possession in his hand or glove of a live ball in flight and firmly holding it."

**A.:** **Wanted you to know I continued to pursue the "right answer" to the Q/A you brought to my attention.**

**You were right; I am grateful for your correction. Elliott Hopkins is the baseball rep & rules person for the National Federation: "I know it sounds crazy but your guy says F5 grabs the ball in the air and then tumbles. If he had just pinned the ball between his legs you would have a foul ball. Please refer to Case Book 2.9.1 Situation B on page 19 of the 09 Case Book. That will provide some clarity. Like I said, it looks and feels really ugly**

**but it is considered a catch. If an outfielder stretches out for a fly ball, catches it, falls on the ground and the ball pops up on his chest and another outfielder picks the ball up from his teammates chest you have an out. Ugly but legal."**

**Q.:** A coach clearly out of the coaches box gets hit with the ball after a bad throw on a pickoff attempt by the pitcher. Is there any penalty assessed with the coach out of the box or use the ruling of unintentional contact ball still live?

**A.:** **Unless the coach is in fair territory, or he intentionally interfered with the throw, you have nothing. Rule 3-2-3**

**Q.:** Bases loaded, pitcher is pitching from the wind-up. Runner from 3rd breaks for the plate trying to steal home. 1) pitcher steps off properly and throws to the plate; 2) pitcher does not wind-up and just throws the ball to the plate. Are any of these balks?

**A.:** **1) - No problem. 2) - Sounds to me, not seeing it, a quick pitch, with runners on base, should be ruled a balk. With no runners it's an illegal pitch. Rule Book 6-2-4c/Case Book 6.2.4 Comment B. +**

## Important Information For all Officials

### NEW FOR 2009-10

- We are currently in the process of testing/finalizing new computer programming in the officials department. With this new program officials will need to be aware of the following:
1. Classification card will no longer be sent. Beginning August 1, 2009 officials will be able to go to the Officials Center and print off their card.
  2. Officials will be able to view coach's rankings at the end of each sport season (previously this was sent to officials in the fall).
  3. Each official will be able to view all his or her personal information, i.e. contact information, classification, exam score, meeting requirement, etc.
  4. Not yet finalized, is the establishment of a unique password for each official. Once this step has been complete, instructions for how you are to access your personal information will be placed on the Officials Center.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Officials Center** - It is extremely important that all officials check the Officials Center on our website regularly for up-dated information. Many officials are finding out that their classification level is being affected because they missed filling out a required form, missed a due date, missed sport meeting/video viewing notifications, etc.
- Sport Meetings** - When face-to-face meetings are offered, attendance is required. When these meetings are not offered there will be an online video on the Officials Center. The viewing of this video is required, not only so that your are familiar with any rule changes but for classification advancement credit. Once your have viewed the video, you will be required to fill out the video verification form that is also on the Officials Center. Once you submit this form, you can check the listing that is titled "Video Verification Forms Received" to make sure that your official's number is listed. If this is not completed properly or by the due date listed, your classification level will be affected when you re-license for the following school year.

**Exams** - Remember to make a copy of your exam before you send it to our office. Corrected exams are not returned. Access the Officials Center for scores. Once the due date to submit the exam has passed, answers and rule references will be placed on the Officials Center.

**Rankings** - If coaches are to give accurate rankings at the end of the season it is important that they can read an official's signature in the scorebook. Please write legibly. Provide the head coach with a copy of the ranking card that is available to print on the Officials Center.

**Numbers of Officials** - Contests are not to be started without the required number of officials. This applies to all levels of competition i.e. varsity, JV, freshmen, etc. The required number of officials listing for all sports can be found on Page 6 in the Guide for Officials, which is on the Officials Center.

**Rule Adaptations** - Wisconsin Adaptations to NFHS playing rules for each sport are on the Officials Center and should be printed and placed in the rule book for easy access.

**Ejections** - All ejections are to be reported immediately following a contest. The ejection form is an online submittable form that is on the Officials Center.

**Independent Contractor** - Officials are acting as an independent contractor and not as an employee of the WIAA or its member schools when seeking and accepting officiating contracts.

**Guide for Officials** - Please read the Guide for Officials, found on the Officials Center. This publication will help officials understand the classification process, ranking process, etc.

If you have any questions about the above changes and reminders or any other officiating concerns, please contact Joan Gralla at the WIAA office. +

## BULLETIN Subscription Renewal Notice!

The BULLETIN has a circulation of over 20,000 for each of its 10 issues. School people and officials receive the BULLETIN as part of their sports assessment or licensed fee. But we do have several hundred readers who receive the BULLETIN via the \$8.00 subscription rate. If you are one of those readers, please use the renewal form below to remain on our mailing list when we resume our publication schedule in the fall. If you do not currently receive the BULLETIN and would like to subscribe, please follow the same procedure. Simply clip and mail the renewal form along with the \$8.00 subscription fee to the following address:

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# OFFICIALS



## 2009-10 Officials Exams Due Dates

Officials exams will be sent with your rule books and also available online. Remember that corrected exams will not be returned to you. You can view your score on the Officials Center. Make a copy of your exam answers before you submit them to the WIAA office so that you may review the ones you may have gotten incorrect once the answers are posted. Answers and rules references will be posted on the Officials Center one week after the due date.

SPORT	DUE DATE
Football	August 21, 2009
Soccer	August 21, 2009
Swimming & Diving	August 21, 2009
Volleyball	August 21, 2009
Basketball	November 13, 2009
Gymnastics	November 13, 2009
Wrestling	November 13, 2009
Hockey	November 13, 2009
Baseball	March 12, 2010
Softball	March 12, 2010
Track & Field	March 12, 2010

### PART II EXAMS

*Will be sent in the mail only (will not be on the website) and are due back on the following dates:*

SPORT	MAILED	DUE DATE
Soccer	August 17, 2009	September 11, 2009
Football	August 25, 2009	September 18, 2009
Basketball	November 30, 2009	December 18, 2009
Wrestling	November 30, 2009	December 18, 2009
Baseball	March 22, 2010	April 8, 2010

### MECHANICS EXAM

*Will be sent in the mail only (will not be on the website) and are due back on the following dates:*

SPORT	MAILED	DUE DATE
3-Person Basketball Mechanics	November 30, 2009	December 18, 2009

**Note: The 3-person Basketball Mechanics exam will be a requirement for all L5 and Master level officials that want to be considered for regional finals, sectionals and State tournament assignments in 2010. +**

## Football Officials Camp

The Lakeland Officials Association in Waukesha will conduct a football officials camp for NEW officials only on Saturday, August 1 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at Brookfield Central High School. Cost is \$25. Contact Roger Evans at 262-786-7046 or loawi@aol.com for more information. +

## Officials Association Meetings

### METRO SWIMMING OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

August 17, 2009 – 6 p.m. at Brookfield East High School – Diving clinic by Carol Rose  
September 21, 2009, January 18 and February 22, 2010 – 7 p.m. at The Butler Inn, 12400 West Hampton Ave, Butler, WI  
Contact: Chip Martin 262-957-6352 or csmartin@firstweber.com +

## Approved Officials Clinics/Camps

*NOTE: Clinic participation does NOT exempt an official from sport/rule meeting requirements. ALL criteria, as listed on Page 3 of the Guide for Officials, for an advanced classification must be met.*

### WIS BASKETBALL YEARBOOK/KAUKAUNA BASKETBALL OFFICIALS CAMP

Dates: July 17-18-19, 2009  
Site: Kaukauna High School  
Contact: Don Baumgart 920-788-5504 - 920-841-8813 or dbaumgart3@new.rr.com

### STEP AHEAD BASKETBALL OFFICIALS CAMP (3-PERSON)

Dates: July 17-18-19, 2009  
Site: UW-Stevens Point  
Contact: Dave Kelliher 608-233-3532 or dkelliher@sbcglobal.net

### UMD BASKETBALL REFEREE CAMP

Dates: July 17-18-19, 2009  
Site: University of Minnesota - Duluth  
Contact: Dave Firkus 651-772-1883 or umdcamp@mnoofficials.com

### BASKETBALL REFEREE BOOT CAMP

Dates: July 24-25, 2009  
Site: Catholic Memorial High School (Waukesha)  
Time: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. (7/24); starts at 8 a.m. (7/25)  
Contact: Bill Gromacki 262-785-1961 or wgromacki@att.net, website: refereebootcamp.com

### VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC

Dates: July 24-25, 2009  
Site: Watertown High School  
Contact: James Hochevar jhoch13@hotmail.com

### NORTH LAKELAND OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION BASKETBALL CLINIC

Date: July 25, 2009  
Site: Lakeland High School (Minocqua)  
Contact: Ed Schaub 715-892-1599 or ejschaub@hotmail.com

### SMART START FOOTBALL OFFICIATING CLINIC

Date: August 1, 2009  
Site: Racine Case High School  
Time: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Contact: Jeff McDorman 262-632-1699 or jeffmcdref@aol.com

### BAY-SHORE-VALLEY SWIM OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION DIVING CLINIC (for officials & coaches)

Date: August 10, 2009  
Site: Neenah High School Pool – 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Contact: Chuck Heidner 920-469-6923 or murphyheidner@aol.com

## 2009-10 Fall Sports Meetings

**At High School Identified (Unless Otherwise Specified)**

**All Meetings Begin at 7:30 p.m.**

### GIRLS GOLF

NO MEETINGS - Information will be provided via Website Video Presentation. The link and verification form will be available on the School Center on the WIAA Website.

### FOOTBALL

August 11, Tuesday Kenosha Tremper\*, Madison La Follette, Oconto Falls, Regis (Eau Claire)

August 12, Wednesday Holmen, Lakeland, Platteville, Two Rivers

August 17, Monday D.C. Everest, Hayward, Waupun

August 18, Tuesday Janesville Craig, Menomonee Falls, Nekoosa

August 19, Wednesday Baraboo, Fox Valley Lutheran, Hudson, Muskego

\*Please park in east lot or stadium lot and use entrance #4.

### BOYS SOCCER

NO MEETINGS - Information will be provided via Website Video Presentation. The link and verification form will be available on the School Center and Officials Center on the WIAA Website.

### SWIMMING & DIVING

NO MEETINGS - Information will be provided via Website Video Presentation. The link and verification form will be available on the School Center and Officials Center on the WIAA Website.

### GIRLS TENNIS

NO MEETINGS - Information will be provided via Website Video Presentation. The link and verification form will be available on the School Center on the WIAA Website.

### VOLLEYBALL

August 11, Tuesday Amery, Ashwaubenon, Middleton, Wisconsin Lutheran

August 12, Wednesday La Crosse Logan, New Holstein, Phillips, Portage

August 13, Thursday Colfax, Iowa-Grant, Menomonee Falls, Stevens Point (SPASH)

August 15, Saturday WVCA Clinic (tentatively at UW-Oshkosh)

August 17, Monday Drummond, Elkhorn, Oshkosh North, Rhinelander

**Note: Sites and dates for winter and spring sports meetings will be determined at a later date. +**

## Congratulations State Spring Tournament Officials – 2009

### SPRING BASEBALL

Steve Atkinson, Highland; Tom Barth, La Crosse; Mike Breed, Cameron; Arvo Britten, Wausau; Ken Dayton, Waupaca; Paul Feldhausen, Muskego; Derek Freeman, Nekoosa; Tom Osting, Platteville

### BOYS INDIVIDUAL & TEAMS TENNIS

**Meet Referee** - Joyce Tessiatore

**Umpires** - Lisa Christensen, Appleton; Deb Clausen, DeForest; Keith Galipo, Milwaukee; Blake Johnson, Stoughton; Sue Kubichek, West Bend; Jon Nicoud, Fond du Lac; Storm North, Plover; Gary Schlei, Hartland; Nancy Schlei, Hartland; Tom Seitz, Brookfield; Sharon Terry, Janesville; Mark VanderZanden, Appleton

### GIRLS SOCCER

Eric Bayer, Campbellsport; Robert Dallapi-azza, Hazelhurst; Salvador Garcia, Waukesha;

Aleksandar Gligorevic, Milwaukee; Mark Herdeman, West Bend; Jay Koeber, Germantown; Andy Lauters, Belgium; Todd Mader, Madison; Thomas Mesalk, Cedarburg; Rod Ottens, Green Bay; Edward Specht, Green Bay; Anthony Voulgaris, Van Dyne; Tim Winn, Wauwatosa

### SOFTBALL

Donald Baumgart, Combined Locks; David Derousseau, Rice Lake; Louis Eisenman, Schofield; David Gove, Waupun; Brian Henson, New Berlin; Daniel Hoffman, River Falls; Todd Jahns, Cedarburg; David Schumacher, Fox Lake; Clay Shaffer, Platteville

### TRACK & FIELD

Meet Referee – David Weidemann, Winneconne; Referee-Field Events – Kirby Symes, River Falls; Asst. Referee-Field Events – Richard Lambrecht, Janesville; Asst. Referee-Track Events – John Tenges, West Bend +

### SOUTHERN WISCONSIN OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL FOOTBALL CLINIC

Dates: August 14-15, 2009  
Site: Monona Grove (classroom instruction); Madison LaFollette (scrimmage)  
Time: 5 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. (8/14); 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (8/15)  
Contact: Dave Jameson djameson@soderholmfoods.com or thejamos@charter.net

### QUAD COUNTIES OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLINIC

Date: August 15, 2009  
Site: UW-Platteville Williams Field House – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Contact: Scott Ringgenberg 608-342-1571 or ringgens@uwplatt.edu or Steve Atkinson satkinson@hotmail.com

### VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC

Dates: August 19 & 25, 2009  
Site: Milwaukee Area  
Contact: James Hochevar jhoch13@hotmail.com

### NORTH LAKELAND OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC

Dates: August 21-22, 2009  
Site: Lakeland Union High School  
Contact: Ed Schaub 715-892-1599 or ejschaub@hotmail.com

### VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC

Dates: August 21-22, 2009  
Site: Waunakee High School  
Contact: James Hochevar jhoch13@hotmail.com

### QUAD COUNTIES OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION VOLLEYBALL CLINIC

Date: August 22, 2009  
Site: Lancaster High School  
Time: 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Contact: Jerry Schewe (608) 348-7915 or schewe@centurytel.net

### FASTPITCH SOFTBALL UMPIRES CLINIC

Dates: September 26-27, 2009  
Site: UW-Parkside  
Contact: Brian Henson 414-525-1028 or commish@greatermetroconference.com

### YELLOW THUNDER OFFICIALS ASSN 2 & 3-PERSON BASKETBALL CLINIC

Dates: November 4 & 23, 2009  
Site: Columbus High School (11/4) & Cambridge High School (11/23)  
Contact: Lee Roberts 608-712-3120 or lroberts@wbmi.com +

# Games Wanted

Schools Should Notify WIAA When Games Are Filled. Listings will be removed after one month from the date they were first listed. The date at the end of each listing is the date that particular listing was first listed.

## FALL

### Cross Country

#### GENERAL

**2009** - Teams for meet. Adams-Friendship - Shawn Groshek 608-339-3921 or groshek\_s@af.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

### Football

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Aug. 24 or 25, 2009** - JV game. Luxemburg-Casco - Jenny Bandow 920-845-2336 ext. 419. (6-17)

**Sept. 4 or 5, 2009** - Game. Whitewater - Doug Parker 262-472-8105 or dparker@wwusd.org. (6-29)

**Sept. 24, 2010** - Varsity game. Oconto Falls - Lou Hobyen 920-848-4467 or louhobyen@ocontofalls.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

#### GENERAL

**2009 (Week 1)** - JV game. Homestead - Charlie Gross 262-238-5634 or cgross@mtsd.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**2009 (Weeks 3 & 9)** - Varsity game. D.C. Everest - Jack Overgaard 715-359-6561 ext. 4400 or jovergaard@dce.k12.wi.us. (6-29)

**2010 (Week 1)** - Game. Milwaukee Washington - Jeff Kellman 608-346-4528 or tbk1803@yahoo.com. (6-29)

**2010 (Week 1)** - Game. Ripon - Rick Bunge 920-748-4623 or bung-er@ripon.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**2010 (Week 1)** - Varsity game. Milwaukee Washington - Jeff Kellman 608-346-4528 or tbk1803@yahoo.com. (6-9)

**2010 (Week 2)** - Game. Whitewater - Doug Parker 262-472-8105 or dparker@wwusd.org. (6-29)

**2010 (Week 8)** - Varsity game. Kettle Moraine Lutheran - Len Collyard 262-677-4051 or lcollyar@kmlhs.org. (6-24)

**2010 & 2011 (Week 1)** - Varsity game. Oshkosh Lourdes - John Cleaver, Jr. 920-230-3255 or jmcleaver@ucs.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

### Girls Golf

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Sept. 19, 2009** - Team for 20-team varsity invitational. Appleton West - Mark McQuade 920-832-4105 or mcquade-mark@aasd.k12.wi.us. (6-29)

### Boys Soccer

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Aug. 20-21, 2009** - Team for triangular (2 games). Appleton West - Mark McQuade 920-832-4105. (6-29)

**Aug. 22, 2009** - Team for JV quad. Watertown - Mike Daniels 920-262-7500 ext. 3003 or danielism@watertown.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

**Sept. 3, 2009** - Varsity game. Menomonee Falls - Scott Stein sstein2Wwi.rr.com. (6-23)

**Sept. 10-11, 2009** - Teams for 8-team varsity invitational. Middleton (guaranteed 3 matches). Middleton - Luke Francois 608-829-9913 or lfrancois@mcpasd.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**Sept. 25-26, 2009** - Teams for varsity tournament (3 games). Badger - Jim Kluge 262-348-2060 or jim.kluge@badger.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Sept. 25-26, 2009** - Team for varsity 8-team tournament. Milwaukee Lutheran - Matt Pankow 414-461-6000 ext. 208 or mpankow@milwaukeeelutheranhs.org. (6-16)

**Oct. 3, 2009** - Team for 4-team invitational (2 games). Gresham - Jeff Zobeck 715-853-5912 or zobeckj@gresham.k12.wi.us. (6-24)

#### GENERAL

**2009** - Frosh/JV-2 games. Hartford Union - Ron Schlitt 262-670-3359 or ron.schlitt@huhs.org. (6-23)

**2009** - Varsity/JV games. Milwaukee Hamilton - Dave Shadlen 414-870-1321 or hamiltonwildcatsoccer@hotmail.com. (6-10)

### Girls Tennis

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Aug. 17, 2009** - Scrimmage. Fond du Lac - Doug Bartelt 920-583-3338 or barteltd@fonddulac.k12.wi.us. (6-23)

**Aug. 21, 2009** - JV team for quad. Oshkosh North - Craig Lieder 920-424-4020 ext. 2419 or craig.lieder@oshkosh.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Aug. 21, 2009** - Team for varsity invitational. Watertown - Mike Daniels 920-262-7500 ext. 3003 or danielism@watertown.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

**Aug. 22, 2009** - Team for varsity invitational. Watertown - Mike Daniels 920-262-7500 ext. 3003 or danielism@watertown.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

**Aug. 27, 2009** - Team for varsity quad. West Bend East - Jeff Rondorf 262-335-5591 or jrondorf@westbend.k12.wi.us. (6-25)

**Aug. 28, 2009** - Team for quad. Fond du Lac - Doug Bartelt 920-583-3338 or barteltd@fonddulac.k12.wi.us. (6-23)

**Aug. 29, 2009** - Team for quad. New Richmond - Casey Eckardt caseye@newrichmond.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**Sept. 12, 2009** - Team for JV invitational. Watertown - Mike Daniels 920-262-7500 ext. 3003 or danielism@watertown.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

**Sept. 19, 2009** - Team for JV invitational. Oshkosh North - Craig Lieder 920-424-4020 ext. 2419 or craig.lieder@oshkosh.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Sept. 26, 2009** - Teams for varsity 8-team invitational. Hartford Union - Ron Schlitt 262-670-3359 or ron.schlitt@huhs.org. (6-23)

**Oct. 3, 2009** - Teams for invitational. Xavier (Appleton) - Kathy Bates 920-882-6908 kbates@acesxavier.k12.wi.us. (6-30)

#### GENERAL

**2009** - Berth in JV-1 or JV-2 invitationals. Hartford Union - Ron Schlitt 262-670-3359 or ron.schlitt@huhs.org. (6-23)

**2009** - Matches. Dominican - Ruth McGuire 414-961-2091 or rmmcguire@wi.rr.com. (6-16)

**2009** - Varsity/JV multi meets. Oak Creek. Greg Lampe 414-768-6108 or g.lampe@oakcreek.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

### Girls Volleyball

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Aug. 27, 2009** - Frosh and/or JV teams for quad. Belleville - Susette Alsteens 608-424-1902 ext. 491 or alsteens@belleville.k12.wi.us. (6-23)

**Aug. 29, 2009** - Team for varsity/JV 4-team invitational. Gresham - Jeff Zobeck 715-853-5912 or zobeckj@gresham.k12.wi.us. (6-24)

**Sept. 5, 2009** - Teams for quad. Horicon - Teresa Graven 262-689-2268. (6-24)

**Sept. 5, 2009** - Team for varsity invitational. Hartford Union - Ron Schlitt 262-670-3359 or ron.schlitt@huhs.org. (6-23)

**Sept. 5, 12, 26 or Oct. 3.** - Matches. Whitnall - Todd Smith 414-525-8540. (6-16)

**Sept. 19, 2009** - Teams for quad. Union Grove - David Pettit 262-878-2434 or pettdav@ug.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Sept. 26, 2009** - Frosh and/or JV teams for quad. Belleville - Susette Alsteens 608-424-1902 ext. 491 or alsteens@belleville.k12.wi.us. (6-23)

**Sept. 29, 2009** - Varsity dual or varsity/JV dual matches. Whitnall - Todd Smith 414-525-8540 or tsmith@whitnall.com. (6-16)

**Oct. 1, 2009** - JV/frosh team for quad. Waukesha North - Sarah Johnson 262-970-3512 or sjohnson@waukesha.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

**Oct. 3, 2009** - Varsity/JV teams for 4-team invitational. Gresham - Jeff Zobeck 715-853-5912 or zobeckj@gresham.k12.wi.us. (6-24)

**Oct. 3, 2009** - Team for varsity invitational. Cedar Grove - Dan Coopman 920-668-8686 ext. 552 or dcoopman@cgbdsd.com. (6-23)

**Oct. 10, 2009** - Varsity teams for tournament. Waukesha North - Sarah Johnson 262-970-3512 or sjohnson@waukesha.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

#### GENERAL

**2009** - Varsity/JV/freshmen dual. Horicon - Teresa Graven 262-689-2268. (6-24)

## WINTER

### Boys Basketball

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Nov. 27-28, 2009** - Team for varsity/JV tournament. Baraboo - Aaron An-

dres 608-355-3945 or aandres@baraboo.k12.wi.us. (6-17)

**Dec. 29-10, 2009** - Varsity/JV team for 4-team tournament (2 games). Gresham - Jeff Zobeck 715-853-5912 or zobeckj@gresham.k12.wi.us. (6-24)

#### GENERAL

**2009-10** - Varsity/JV game. Destiny (Milwaukee) - Paul Deacon 262-758-7393 or pdeacon@destinyhigh.com. (6-24)

**2009-10** - Game and/or berth in Christmas tournament (all levels). Whitnall (suburban Milwaukee school) - Steve Kujawa 414-659-5058. (6-17)

**2009-10** - Varsity/JV/freshmen games. Messmer - Joy Bretsch 414-264-5440 or jbretsch@messmerschools.org. (6-16)

**2009-10** - Varsity/sophomore team for scrimmage. Madison West - Mitch McGrath 608-204-3090. (6-16)

**2009-10** - Game. Madison West - Mitch McGrath 608-204-3090. (6-16)

**2009-10** - Games (varsity/JV/frosh 2 teams) Waunakee - Brian Smith 608-849-2104 or bsmith@waunakee.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

### Girls Basketball

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Nov. 24, 2009** - Team for varsity/JV scrimmage. The Prairie School - Dan Spranger 262-619-4428 or Daniel.sp-ranger@racine.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**Dec. 29-30, 2009** - Teams for tournament. Sharon Long - Richland Center 608-647-6131 or lons@richland.k12.wi.us. (6-10)

#### GENERAL

**2009-10** - Varsity/JV/freshman games. Horicon - Teresa Graven 262-689-2268. (6-30)

**2009-10** - Varsity/JV/freshman games. La Crosse Logan - Steve Hole 608-789-7700 ext. 7710 or shole@sd-lax.k12.wi.us. (6-25)

**2009-10** - Game. Lakeland - Justin Szezs szews@luhs.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**2009-10** - Varsity games. Sevastopol - Tim Newton 920-743-6282 ext. 145 or tnewton@sevastopol.k12.wi.us. (6-9)

**2009-10** - Varsity/JV game. Oconto Falls - Lou Hobyen 920-848-4467 or louhobyen@ocontofalls.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**2009-10** - Varsity/JV/freshmen games. Oregon - Mike Chapes 608-835-4335 or mpc@oregon.k12.wi.us. Or mpc@oregonsd.net. (6-8)

### Wrestling

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Dec. 5, 2009** - Team for 6-team dual tournament. Columbus - Rich Ebeeglen 920-623-5956 or rich\_abegglen@columbus.k12.wi.us. (6-24)

**Dec. 19, 2009** - Team for 6-team multi-dual meet. Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah - Bart Larson 920-213-3479 or blarson@elgs.k12.wi.us. (6-10)

**Dec. 12, 2009** - Team for 10-team invitational. Oshkosh Lourdes - John Cleaver 920-230-3255 or jmcleaver@ucs.k12.wi.us. (6-25)

**Dec. 19, 2009** - Team for 8-team multi-dual. Turner - Kathy Leong kaleong@fjturner.k12.wi.ur or Matt Ries meries@fjturner.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**Jan. 9, 2010** - Teams for dual meet tournament. Port Washington - Angelo LaRosa 262-268-5500. (6-9)

**Jan. 16, 2010** - Teams for 8-team dual tournament (each team will wrestle 5 matches). Mishicot - Mike Pratt 920-629-0731 or coachpratt@att.net. (6-8)

**Jan. 30, 2010** - Teams for JV invitational. Cudahy - Melissa Boudreau 4140294-2712 or boudreaum@cudahy.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Jan. 30, 2010** - Teams for invitational. Sturgeon Bay - Gary Rabach 920-746-1830 or grabach@sturbay.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Feb. 11, 2010** - Teams for JV meet. Adams-Friendship - Shawn Groshek 608-339-3921 or groshek\_s@af.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

#### GENERAL

**2009-10** - Varsity/JV dual. Oostburg - Molly Hengst 920-564-2346 ext. 1106 or molly.hengst@oostburg.k12.wi.us. (6-17)

**2009-10** - Dual. Oshkosh Lourdes - John Cleaver, Jr. 920-230-3255 or jmcleaver@ucs.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**2009-10** - Varsity duals. Ozaukee - Jerry Hoffmann 262-692-2453. (6-3)

## SPRING

### Baseball

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**May 15, 2010** - Varsity/JV teams for invitational (2 games). Reedsburg - Bryan Yager 608-524-4327 ext. 1104 or byager@rsd.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

#### GENERAL

**2010** - Varsity games. Pecatonica - Jim Strommen 608-523-4285 ext. 106 or jstrommen@pecatonica.k12.wi.us. (6-25)

**2010** - Frosh games. Hartford Union - Ron Schlitt 262-670-3359 or ron.schlitt@huhs.org. (6-23)

### Boys Golf

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Apr. 24, 2010** - Teams for varsity invitational. Waunakee - Brian Smith 608-849-2104 or bsmith@waunakee.k12.wi.us. (6-9).

### Girls Soccer

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Apr. 8, 2010** - Varsity/JV game. DeForest - Mike McHugh 608-842-6651 or mmchugh@deforest.k12.wi.us. (6-17)

**Apr. 23-24, 2010** - Teams for 8-team varsity tournament (3 games guaranteed). Middleton - Luke Francois lfrancois@mcpasd.k12.wi.us. (6-8)

**May 1, 2010** - Team for tournament. East Troy - John Stockowitz 262-642-6760 ext. 236 or stojoh@easttroy.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

#### GENERAL

**2010** - Freshman/JV games. New Berlin West - Mike Dillett 414-331-6400 or mikedillett@dillettmechanical.com. (6-25)

**2010** - Frosh/JV-2 games. Hartford Union - Ron Schlitt 262-670-3359 or ron.schlitt@huhs.org. (6-23)

### Softball

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Apr. 17, 24, May 1 or 15, 2010** - Berth in varsity (could send JV teams as well) tournament (3 or 4 games). Wautoma - Jordan Sinz 920-787-3354 ext. 1040. (6-8)

**Apr. 23, 2010** - Teams for tournament (2 games guaranteed). Manitowoc Lincoln - John Johnson 920-683-4861 ext. 6101 or johnsoj@mpsd.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Apr. 24, 2010** - Teams for 3-game round robin JV tournament. Green Bay Preble - Dan Retzki 920-272-7046 dretzki@greenbay.k12.wi.us. (6-25)

### Boys Tennis

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**May 1, 2010** - Teams for JV invitational. Whitewater - Doug Parker 262-472-8105 or dparker@wwusd.org. (6-16)

### Track & Field

#### DATE SPECIFIC

**Mar. 23, 2010** - Boys teams for varsity invitational. Cudahy - Melissa Boudreau 414-294-2712 or boudreaum@cudahy.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Mar. 24, 2010** - Girls teams for varsity invitational. Cudahy - Melissa Boudreau 414-294-2712 or boudreaum@cudahy.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Apr. 6, 2010** - Teams for indoor relay meet. Marshfield - Mike Nicksic 715-387-8464 ext. 4205 or nicksic@marshfield.k12.wi.us. (6-16)

**Apr. 23, 2010** - Teams for boys relays. Green Bay Preble - Dan Retzki 920-272-2461 dretzki@greenbay.k12.wi.us. (6-25)

**Apr. 30, 2010** - Team for relay meet. Baraboo - Aaron Andres 608-355-3945. (6-9)

**Apr. 30, 2010** - Varsity team for 8-team invitational. Reedsburg - Bryan Yager 608-524-4327 ext. 1104 or byager@rsd.k12.wi.us. (6-8) +



# Eligibility Questions & Answers



Dave Anderson

## Residence & Transfer

**Q.:** We have an 18-year old senior who was placed in foster care, in our district, as a 6th grader and has attended our school ever since. He now has an opportunity to move back in with his father for his senior year of high school. His father lives in a neighboring district but the young man wants to continue attending our school. If he moves in with his father, outside our district, is he eligible to participate in WIAA sponsored activities?

**A.:** Yes. So long as the student's enrollment continues unbroken at your school, he can be afforded eligibility. Eligibility is a separate matter from how your district business person reconciles the tuition. Since he is a senior he may be eligible for a DPI tuition waiver. It has been some time since I reviewed this specific DPI text, but I would recommend it be looked at. Bottom line - again, if the student returns from day one next year as your full-time student, he will be eligible without restriction.

**Q.:** Our school had a recent 10th grade transfer come in at the end of this past current school year. According to the WIAA rules he will be given nonvarsity opportunities to participate in athletics for the next 365 days at our school. My question is directed to summer leagues - Can he now, entering his junior year, participate in summer ball regardless of what level (JV or V)? I saw a former student of ours who transferred this year in January to another city school and he is under the same nonvarsity 365 day rule. He was participating in varsity summer games according to my coach. I wanted to double check so my coach and our program would not be in violation of any rules.

**A.:** The prohibitions which the WIAA's members have adopted are only applicable to WIAA member sponsored, interscholastic events. In the summer time, while engaged in non-school pursuits and programming - our rules do not apply; we have no authority over non-school providers, their rules and/or who they allow to participate. During the school's five unrestricted contact days you can allow the student to practice in any role you desire. Lastly, remember, the student can be afforded non-varsity eligibility provided the sending school indicated no objections on the transfer student form.

**Q.:** If my son's school drops a sport he participates in, would he be able to participate in that sport as a tuition paying transfer student in another school that offers that sport? (He will be a senior in 2009-10.)

**A.:** At present, the response from the executive staff level would need to be "no", student would not be eligible transferring as a 11th or 12th grader. There is no Board of Control

precedent for providing relief when a school and community have decided to suspend programming. The Board has typically viewed the decision of a school to drop "German" e.g., as a local control determination and not one which justifies a student's transfer. Same perspective is presently the status of perspective if/when a school decides it can no longer afford a sport, such as hockey, e.g.

**Q.:** I have a question about recruiting. There is a school in our area that is continually calling and recruiting a talented 8th grade runner. Is it allowed and are there any restrictions placed on this type of contact?

**A.:** The members recruiting guidelines are available on our Web site under WIAA Info - Rules Overviews and Eligibility. I request that you, the student and parent will schedule a meeting with your AD to go over this concern and document it as it may be appropriate. If those things which you assert are being done by - or on the behalf of - another member, please have the family document with some detail, what's taken place and have school administration bring that to me. We take documented concerns of recruiting very seriously. I would also caution the student that if recruiting is documented, it could result in the student being denied eligibility at the "recruiting" school.

**Q.:** I had a call from a mother from School A concerned with eligibility and their consolidation with School B. That consolidation looks as if it will be approved and would go into effect for the 2010-11 school year. This family lives 6 miles from here (School C) and does not want their children to go to School B and will open enroll here when the consolidation takes place. They are asking if the transfer rule will be held in place for this situation? I told them that I thought it could be waived as was done in the Glidden/Park Falls situation as it appeared to me anyway? I told them it would be up to you, and I was sure they would at least have to write a letter stating their case? Please let me know how this will be handled, especially if I mis-informed them in anyway?

**A.:** You are correct. The physical closing of one school as a result of consolidation was seen as an extenuating circumstance in the case of Glidden and Park Falls. It is reasonable to expect the same consideration to be available and same opportunity to be applied in identical situations. Students who take advantage of State Open Enrollment this coming Feb. 2010 and begin the 2010-11 school year as a new/transfer student at a neighboring school - other than School B, will be afforded unrestricted eligibility. BE CLEAR - This is a one-time relief opportunity. Should the student open enroll to School C, e.g., and then at a later date deter-

mine they really miss former friends and classmates and would subsequently choose to transfer to School B after the first day of practice and/or the first day of class at School C, the member's transfer rule would be applied as written. If/when a student transfers to your school under this limited opportunity, follow the normal transfer waiver process, including letter from parents, EVTS from sending school and your cover letter requesting the waiver. Be sure to make clear the circumstances of the transfer due to the school closing in community A.

## Amateur Status

**Q.:** Our radio stations are planning to create an Athlete of the Week award presented to a senior student beginning this fall and we would like to partner with a business in presenting a scholarship to an Athlete of the Year selected from all the weekly winners at the end of the school year. Is there any problem with this proposal?

**A.:** Our member's amateur status provisions are outline in Art. III-C of the Rules At A Glance. To begin, WIAA rules do not prevent a student from receiving a college scholarship. We recommend the funds be paid directly to the student's school at the start of their second semester of college; but what you decide to do for a senior who has graduated - is really up to you. One of the most common perils we encounter in some promotions is the student "appearing" to be endorsing a business, service, product or plan. This often happens unintentionally. We think it's a good idea to have the school's AD preview and approve of any promotional materials that might include the student and/or announcement of the student's selection. If we receive copies of the piece, we are also glad to work with businesses to try to help avoid any negatives from arising from what you are intending to be a good thing.

## Competition & Practice

**Q.:** Is a high school student allowed to have extra training from a coach (which is not the high school coach) during the high school official track season (March or April to June)? What is the policy on outside (extra - outside) training when the high school has a full coaching staff?

**A.:** See Art. III-D of the Rules At A Glance. WIAA rules do not prevent private instruction. Do keep in mind the private instructor can not provide instruction/direction at the school or in/around a school's competition. Also a good idea to work with the school's coach on this topic in advance. Third party coaches can do a lot of damage to the school's team.

**Q.:** If an athlete violates a school conduct code during the baseball playoffs and sits out the required three game sus-

pension, is that athlete eligible to play after he has met the three-game suspension?

**A.:** No. Our member's rules in this area provide that if a student misses one or more games in the WIAA tournament series as a result of a code of conduct violation, the student is then ineligible for all games in the tournament series of that sport.

**Q.:** I have a question about participation limits for summer baseball, as I didn't see anything regarding this in the Spring Regulations under numbers six or seven. Is a student allowed to play in games in two levels in one day? For example - could a freshman pitch in a 9:30 a.m. freshman game and then play shortstop in a 5:30 p.m. JV or varsity game in the same day? We realize that pitching restrictions would be in place no matter what.

**A.:** The 26 game - individual maximums are identified as "spring baseball" limitations. The rules are silent on summer individual restrictions. WIAA rules do not prevent participation in more than one level in a single day, if you choose to allow it.

## Nonschool Competition/Participation

**Q.:** We are planning a fall outreach golf scramble at our church and would like to know exact rules for varsity golf boys (no girls since it is their season) who may play in it. All who play, young and old alike will receive a Christian golfer's book, Taylormade golf towel and goody bags. There will be prizes such as small trophies, tickets to 2010 PGA event, and small golf related items for 1st and 2nd plus longest putt, longest drive contests. Can varsity golf boys play and get gifts that everyone gets? (The Christian golfer's book, Taylormade golf towel and goody bags.) Can they play but not get any contest prizes? Can they get door prizes which are for fun - all names in a bag and drawn at random?

**A.:** Several concerns in this. First, amateur status. For those items which all participants receive just for showing up - no problem. They are not "performance based" awards. However, "tickets", "golf related prizes", etc., would violate our member's amateur status rules. Secondly, if the event is held during one of the golf seasons, students who are participating on the school golf team would be rendered ineligible for the remainder of the school golf season for participation in a non-school golf competition.

## Coach Contact

**Q.:** We have a former student-athlete that has now graduated from college and has moved back into the area to seek employment. At this time this person has not found employment and has inquired

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about being a volunteer coach this fall in our volleyball program. There is a volleyball camp scheduled at our facility the first week in August. Can this person run this camp at this time? Will this have any affect on her status to volunteer with our volleyball program in the fall?

**A.: YES. Since it is August, the camp is obviously not able to be a part of your unrestricted contact days.**

**Subsequently if this person coached kids "outside the season" they would then be seen as an ineligible coaching candidate for helping out in the fall school season. Whether paid or volunteer, a coach is a coach, is a coach, is a... This person could be included in your unrestricted contact days – and still be allowed to help out in the fall season.**

**Q.:** Understanding the five contact days. If we have four high school coaches two for JV and two for varsity, and one of them has contact with the player for two days, does this count for all the coaches? Other words does this only leave three contact days left for the rest of the coaches?

**A.: Yes to both questions. The entire program now has three days left. The five contact days should be identified by the head coach, for the entire program/system – all coaches/all levels/same five days.**

**Q.:** I have a question on summer contact and want to make sure that I understand the rule properly. If I'm reading the rules correctly, all sports have five days of unrestricted contact which are documented on the form; however, wrestling can have contact beyond the five days, through the rest of the summer as long as school is not in session - is that correct? Do they need to document those additional days on the form?

**A.: You are correct in that wrestling coaches are now among the sport coaches who are permitted to have contact with students above/beyond the unrestricted contact days. However, "unlimited contact" is not the same as unrestricted. Those days of contact above/beyond the five unrestricted days – can only occur in non-school provided opportunities. There are significant differences between "unrestricted" and "unlimited." Unrestricted means teams can assemble with coaches, school \$\$ and resources can be applied, schools can sponsor the events/activities. Unlimited contact provides that coaches like the country club pro – can have summer contact with every golfer in the county while running the club's summer program – including kids from his own school. Or, the school's baseball coach can also coach the Legion team. Above and beyond the five unrestricted days – any other approved summer contact MUST be non-school sponsored – like the Legion or the Rec. Dept. or the Aquatic Center, etc. Always remember that an acceptable non-school program is one which is**

**not limited or restricted based on school and/or team status. An acceptable non school opportunity must be known and accessible to all/any interested students.**

**Q.:** Over the summer our school usually holds open gyms for anyone and everyone. I am the girls head basketball coach and I realize I get five days to work with my girls; however, am I allowed to supervise the open gyms during the summer?

**A.: Yes. Coaches can supervise open gyms and may recreate along with students. Read II-D the Rules At A Glance carefully. It is most clearly written I think.**

**Q.:** Would a lunch meeting with athletes after the spring sport season count as one of the five contact dates for soccer?

**A.: If "lunch" is just a post season thank you and wrap up - a social thing for and between coach and players, I would not consider that coaching contact and it would not need to be one of the five unrestricted days. It might even include information on summer opportunities, open gyms etc. (Season Regs allow unlimited organizational meetings so long as you approve them.) If the lunch meeting is something other, more instructionally focused - walk-throughs, skills demonstration/instruction of any kind – then yes indeed it should be one of the five contact days.**

**Q.:** I have a question on a varsity coach being the select coach of an 8th grade team. While the rules state that this is okay, this coach plans on putting seven or eight of these kids on the varsity team their freshmen year, bumping several juniors and seniors. In effect, he has been coaching these kids since April. He is the coach of the U14 team (I think) and he is a varsity coach for an area HS. He is also having a contact day tomorrow, and school is not out yet. Is this legal?

**A.: WIAA rules do not prohibit JV and varsity coaches from having contact with students up until the students actually enter 9th grade. The decisions a coach might make with respect to who they keep on their school team, who gets cut and who plays and how much - are coaches and local decisions - not WIAA matters. Your concerns should be shared with your own school administration. They determine policy and philosophy for the school's programs. See Article I of the Rules At A Glance. Unrestricted contact days are NOT able to be used - except in the summer (when school is not in session) between the end of school and July 31.**

**Q.:** I am a high school JV softball coach. There is talk of starting a fall softball league in our area of high school girls to play each other on Sunday afternoons for about six weeks this fall. The process right now is getting an idea if girls would be willing to play. My question is: Am I

correct in interpreting the rules that neither myself or my assistant coach can coach these girls because of WIAA rules governing contact during the school year and outside of the sport. I do not want to risk myself or my assistant to be ineligible to coach in the spring because we were stupid and didn't get an opinion from the WIAA on this.

**A.: If this fall league takes place when the school year has gotten underway – you are correct. Coaching restrictions apply during the school year, except during the actual softball season. Second, remind athletes that during the school year no assembly may resemble a school's team practicing and competing outside of the season. Be sure they put teams together comprised of students from more than just your school.**

**Q.:** I was called by the Timberwolves/Lynx to see if my team would want to play at the Target Center this summer. We can play against another team or against ourselves. We play a few hours before the Lynx play and then we can attend a Lynx game. If I use a contact day, am I allowed to do this? I would coach my team and then sit with them at the Lynx game. It is a one day event. It would be an awesome experience for the girls to play on that floor.

**A.:** So long as this was able to take place between the end of school and July 31 and was included in/among your five unrestricted summer contact days – WIAA rules would not prevent this.

### Open Gyms and Camp Issues

**Q.:** I have a quick question about open gyms for basketball this summer. I am aware that athletes from another high school can not attend. What is the policy involving a graduated student from our school? We have a couple of girls who have graduated from our school, either this year or in the past, that wish to attend our open gyms this summer Is this legal?

**A.: Yes. Graduates/alumni - home on break/summer vacation are typically afforded status as "members of the community."**

### Health & Behavior

**Q.:** Does the student-athlete and parent only have to fill out the HS Athletic Eligibility Information Bulletin one time during their athletic era at our school, or do they have to fill out this form for each year of participation in athletics?

**A.: Text in Rules of Eligibility, Art. VII, provides that parents must sign each year. (Keep in mind it is most typical that there will be changes - at least editorially - to text of Rules of Eligibility each year.)**

**Q.:** This spring while updating our Student Handbook and Co-Curricular Code, I found that our school's policy on the co-curricular appeals process is in conflict with the WIAA rules. We are a very small school and have very few Co-Curricular Code violations. We've had only two ap-

peals in the past five years. Our Co-Curricular Code states: "During the entire co-curricular appeals process, the student is entitled to all the rights of a co-curricular participant in good standing." The 2008-09 WIAA Handbook p. 39 (Article VII, Section 2C) states: "Note: The school must provide an opportunity for the student to be heard prior to any penalty being enforced. If a student appeals a suspension, according to the school's appeal procedure, the student is ineligible during the appeal process." Our athletic director has told me that he always speaks to the athlete about participation during the appeals process. He informs them that if they appeal and the suspension is upheld, then our team has to forfeit any competition that the student-athlete has participated in. He discusses possible team consequences with them. In his (many years of) experience, he said that students do not want to put their teams at risk. Can you give me examples from other schools or a suggested way of bringing our Co-Curricular Code into compliance with the WIAA rules? We would like to preserve the students' good standing during an appeal, but we do not want to put our athletic teams at risk or violate WIAA rules. We do understand that the point is to avoid having students appeal simply to "beat the system" and participate in a big game.

**A.: First, about the only way your code can be written in compliance - is to identify that if a student appeals a code of conduct suspension – that they are ineligible during that process. Keep in mind that the reason for the appeal is due to the fact that you have already determined that you believe the student violated your code. Thus the status of ineligibility is to protect the interests of the rest of the team/students who have followed your rules. You owe as much to them as to the accused. Second, your AD is correct in that if a student who has violated your code is allowed to play – with a status of ineligibility, which you have already determined by your pronouncement – then that contest would be seen as a forfeit. Your current text is playing roulette with the other students; should a student appeal, choose to play and still be found to have violated your code. Lastly, friendly advice since you are in a review process – be sure your appeal process text clearly identifies the scope and authority of an appeal group, as well as where the appeals end. Does the appeal board have the authority to exonerate, to increase or decrease a suspension? Or, is their role only for procedural review – that your stated process was adhered to? Whatever the authority of the appeal panel – it should be clearly articulated in your text if it is not. Does your appeal end within your building, with the supt., or with the school board? Hope some of these thoughts might be helpful. ÷**



# Coaches Education

Joan Gralla



## ASEP Course Offering

**Site:** Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School

**Date:** July 23, 2009 - 6 p.m. to  
9:30 p.m. Sport First Aid

**Date:** July 25, 2009 - 8 a.m. to  
3:30 p.m. Coaching Principles

**Contact:** Len Collyard 262-677-4051 ext.  
1105 or lcollyar@kmlhs.org

## Online ASEP Course Offering Through UW-Platteville

UW-Platteville now offers Coaching Principles and Sport First Aid in an online format. Coaches don't have to travel or organize anything, they can study at home and take the certification exam. If they choose, they can also take both classes for academic credit and use it for teacher recertification. For further information go to [www.uwplatt.edu/cont\\_ed/](http://www.uwplatt.edu/cont_ed/) click on Professional Development and then ASEP Coaching Education Program. These classes are being offered in partnership with the American Sports Education Program (ASEP). If you have any questions, you can contact Rick Morgan at [morganr@uwplatt.edu](mailto:morganr@uwplatt.edu). ✚

## Coaches Education Information

If you have coaches that are not licensed to teach (CNLT) in the state of Wisconsin, it is a WIAA requirement that they complete the required coaches education training before they can begin to coach their second year.

### The following do not have to take this required training:

A student teacher while student teaching.  
An individual with an administrator's or counselor's license.

Guest lecturers (one time appearance).

### The following must take an approved course before they can coach a second year:

Anyone that does not fit one of the above listed categories.

Anyone that does not have a current license to teach in Wisconsin.

### The following conditions do not exempt a person from the requirement:

Holding a license that has expired.

Being a volunteer

Being unpaid

Being an occasional, but regularly scheduled lecturer or demonstrator.

Having been a student teacher, but is not longer officially in that capacity.

Being a nonvarsity coach

Being an assistant coach.

CNLT's can meet the WIAA coaches education requirement by taking either the American Sports Education Program (ASEP) Sport First Aid and Coaching Principles courses or the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Fundamentals of Coaching and First Aid for Coaches courses.

Both the ASEP and NFHS courses are offered online and can be accessed from the WIAA home-page.

Periodically there are instructor-led ASEP courses offered which are listed in the Bulletin and on the WIAA web site. There are no NFHS instructor-led courses offered in Wisconsin.

The cost of the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching is \$35 and the First Aid for Coaches is \$45. The cost of the ASEP Coaching Principles is \$60 and Sport First Aid is \$50.

If you have any questions about the coaching course offerings or about the WIAA coaches education requirements, please contact Joan Gralla at the WIAA office 715-344-8580 or [jgralla@wiaawi.org](mailto:jgralla@wiaawi.org). ✚

## WADA INSIGHTS

FROM THE WISCONSIN ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION



## New A.D. Workshop and WADA: two great resources for any new athletic director

By Mike Bates

Information Director, WADA

Each new school year traditionally brings new athletic directors, and there are two valuable ways for those individuals to "learn the ropes" before the first bell rings to start the upcoming school year.

(1) attend the New Athletic Director Workshop on Tuesday & Wednesday, Aug. 4 & 5, at the WIAA Office in Stevens Point, and,

(2) become an active member of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association (WADA), an organization open to anyone involved in the administration or supervision of interscholastic athletics at Wisconsin high schools or middle schools.

### New A.D. Workshop

There is a 2-day format for the New Athletic Directors Workshop. Basic details may be found online on the WADA Web site at [www.wadawi.org](http://www.wadawi.org). Look for the link to the A.D. Workshop on either the "home page" or the "latest news" page.

To reserve a spot in the A.D. Workshop, pre-register prior to Friday, July 10. To register for the Workshop, contact Deb Hauser, WIAA Associate Director and the WADA Liaison, at [dhauser@wiaawi.org](mailto:dhauser@wiaawi.org).

The A.D. Workshop starts at 2 p.m. on Aug. 4 with a Leadership Training Course titled "Principles, Strategies and Methods of Athletic Administration". There is a \$55 fee for this course, and college credits may be available. The course, held at the WIAA Office, counts toward the Certified Athletic Administration certification.

A cookout starting at 6 p.m. wraps up the first day, providing attendees a chance to socialize and to meet others in attendance.

The second day begins at 9 a.m. with a Welcome by the WIAA Executive Staff. Then, there will be three morning sessions: 1) the WIAA Organizational Structure, 2) WIAA Handbook and WIAA Season Regulations, and 3) Risk Management presented by Jan Doleschal, of Start Playing Safe, Milwaukee.

Following lunch will be two sessions: 1) details regarding Eligibility - Top Ten, and 2) the WADA Mentor Program. The event concludes with a wrap-up and evaluation at 3 p.m.

### WADA Membership

Over 400 individuals are currently members of the WADA, and most are at the high school level, although membership is open to those involved in athletics at the middle school level.

Many of the current WADA members are more than willing to assist rookie AD's become comfortable and productive in their new role. Topics such as conference matters, WIAA tournaments, dealing with all of the paperwork, coaches, parents or media, and numerous other athletic responsibilities might seem overwhelming at times, but there are plenty of helpful resources available.

Another option is to also become a member of the National Interscholastic Athletic Association (NIAAA) as there are plenty of benefits for dual membership. More info about the NIAAA is available on the WADA Web site.

While some schools or districts will have a veteran athletic director available to help the new athletic director, sometimes an AD will "learn on the job." The new Mentor Program will be unveiled soon by the WADA, and, the annual WADA Workshop in November also can help those newcomers.

At the WADA Workshop, to be held at Chula Vista Resort and Conference Center in Wisconsin Dells, there are helpful mini-sessions, informative speakers, and the valuable opportunity to network - to sit down and talk with other AD's. The result is that a new A.D. gains insight on issues important to athletic directors around the state, and he or she does not have to reinvent the wheel regarding their new position.

There will be many topics of interest to athletic administrators at the WADA Workshop in November. This year's theme: "Athletic Administrators Working Together... Priceless".

Of particular interest to new athletic directors will be a "new AD" orientation session on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 8, during the WADA Workshop, which runs thru Nov. 10.

Some of the basic details regarding the 2009 WADA Workshop are already posted on the WADA web site at [www.wadawi.org](http://www.wadawi.org). Registration details, a complete schedule, and more information on the WADA Workshop will be added to that WADA web site this fall.

The Web site for the WADA is [www.wadawi.org](http://www.wadawi.org), and Mike Bates may be reached at [mbates1@new.rr.com](mailto:mbates1@new.rr.com). ✚

## Directory Changes

### SENIOR HIGH

**ABBOTTFORD HIGH SCHOOL** - NEW Mailing Address - 510 W Hemlock St.

**COCHRANE-FOUNTAIN CITY HIGH SCHOOL** - School Fax (608) 687-3312

**CORNELL HIGH SCHOOL** - Add - Shipping Address - 111 S. 4th St., School Fax (715) 239-6587

**KENOSHA BRADFORD HIGH SCHOOL** - Boys Tennis Coach John Ramey

**LAKELAND HIGH SCHOOL** - Athletic Director phone number (715) 356-5252 Ext. 499

**MADISON EAST HIGH SCHOOL** - Boys Tennis Coach John Wheeler

**MADISON WEST HIGH SCHOOL** - (Interim) Athletic Director Mitch McGrath (608) 204-3090, [mmcgrath@madison.k12.wi.us](mailto:mmcgrath@madison.k12.wi.us)

**MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL** - Boys Tennis Coach David R. (Not David J.)

**MILTON HIGH SCHOOL** - Principal Jeremy Bilhorn

**OMRO HIGH SCHOOL** - Asterisk Person should be Principal Bret Steffen - email [bstef@omro.k12.wi.us](mailto:bstef@omro.k12.wi.us), Athletic Director X

**ONALASKA HIGH SCHOOL** - Softball Coach Kalista Richardson

**PIUS XI HIGH SCHOOL** - Girls Soccer Coach Martin Castro

**RANDOM LAKE HIGH SCHOOL** - Remove PO Box 500

**REGIS HIGH SCHOOL** - Girls Golf Coach (spelling) Pedersen

**ROSHOLT HIGH SCHOOL** - Softball Coach Jim Richter

**SHIOCTON HIGH SCHOOL** - Boys Track Coach Mark Hoffmann, Girls Track Coach Mark Hoffmann

**UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MILWAUKEE** - Boys Tennis Coach Stephen Bloch

**WINTER HIGH SCHOOL** - Softball Coach (spelling) Spiegelberg ✚

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EDITORIAL

Thanks for a Great Ride

Doug Chickering

I approach the end of my 23-plus years with humility and respect. Any success and achievement can only be attributed to the advocates for high school sports I have encountered. Those difference-makers come from all walks of life; as you read this know you are one of them. Accept my thanks for years of friendship and camaraderie. My life won't be the same without you.

The WIAA rests on a solid foundation, both financially and programatically. A united staff

and a committed Board of Control will continue the standards that have been in place for more than 100 years. The governance model in place is based on standing committees, associated relationships, and countless outreach efforts. That protocol sets education-driven athletics apart from programs others provide.

High school sports survived the Great Depression and World War II. Interscholastic games drew communities together in the days following September 11. The economy and its impact on sports budgets present a challenge; the lessons learned in earlier eras will guide us through these tough times.

Dave and the staff are well equipped to address any issues that remain. Realignment and divisional placements are two of them. I will comment on a third. The dispute with Wisconsin's print media is simply a conflict between the WIAA's uniformity pursuits and the newspapers' survival instincts. We can't willingly allow five years worth of efforts to expand live and delayed visual coverage of all sports to succumb to two publishers' profit motives directed at the presentation of only high profile contests. Credentials and access to our events have never been denied; our record speaks to that. This is a management fight, not a sideline dispute. Rights, constitutional and otherwise, are not exclusive to the print interests. Study, understand, and support the route the Board and staff have been forced to follow.

The torch passed from John Roberts to me in 1986, and now I hand it off to Dave Anderson. The WIAA's tradition is its strength and is respected nationally. The future is bright.

Thanks for listening throughout the years. Thanks for a great ride. We will meet again. ✚

Keep These

Dates in Mind

July 17 & 21	Summer Baseball Regionals
July 24	Summer Baseball Sectionals
July 29-30	State Summer Baseball Tournament (Stevens Point)
August 4-5	New AD Workshop
August 7	Board of Control Meeting
August 10	Earliest Day to Issue Football Equipment
	Earliest Day for Girls Golf Practice
	Earliest Day for Boys Soccer Practice
August 11	Earliest Day for Football Practice
	Earliest Day for Girls Swimming & Diving Practice
	Earliest Day for Girls Tennis Practice
August 13	Earliest Date for First Girls Golf Meet
August 15	Earliest Date for First Girls Tennis Meet
August 17	Earliest Day for Boys & Girls Cross Country Practice
	Earliest Day for Girls Volleyball Practice
August 18	Earliest Date for First Boys Soccer Game
August 19	Earliest Date for First Girls Swimming & Diving Meet
August 24	Earliest Day for Boys Volleyball Practice
August 25	Earliest Date for First Girls Volleyball Match
	Earliest Date for First Cross Country Meet
August 27	Earliest Date for First Football Game
September 1	Earliest Date for First Boys Volleyball Match
September 7	Labor Day
September 9	Area Meeting – Watertown
September 11	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
September 14	Coaches Advisory Meeting – Track & Field (Stevens Point)
September 15	Area Meeting – West Allis Central
September 16	Area Meeting – Fox Valley Lutheran
	Coaches Advisory Meetings – Baseball & Softball (Stevens Point)
September 19-20	Rosh Hashanah
September 20	Eid Al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)
September 22	Area Meeting – Antigo
September 23	Area Meeting – Barneveld
	Middle Level Council Meeting
September 28	Yom Kippur
September 29	Area Meeting – Black River Falls
September 30	Area Meeting – Rice Lake
September 30-October 1	Girls Golf Regionals
October 5	Sports Advisory Meeting (Stevens Point)
October 5-6	Girls Tennis Subsectionals
October 5-6-7	Girls Golf Sectionals
October 7-8	Girls Tennis Sectionals
October 12-13	State Girls Golf Tournament (Madison)
October 13 & 15	Boys Soccer Regionals
October 15	Deadline for Paying Membership Dues
October 15-16	Advisory Council Meeting (Stevens Point)
October 15-16-17	State Girls Individual Tennis Tournament (Madison)
October 16	Deadline for Football Playoff Site Listing
	Board of Control Meeting (Stevens Point)
October 19	Earliest Date for Skinfold Measurements (Wrestling)
October 20, 22-23-24	Girls Volleyball Regionals
October 22	Latest Day for Last Football Game (Playoff Teams)
October 22 & 24	Boys Soccer Sectionals
October 23-24	Cross Country Sectionals
	State Girls Team Tennis Tournament (Madison)

Test Dates

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

Listed below are the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 dates for ACT.

ACT - 2009-2010

Test Date

Registration Deadlines

Regular Deadline

Late Fee Required

Sept. 12, 2009\*

Aug. 7, 2009

Aug. 8-21, 2009

Oct. 24, 2009

Sept. 18, 2009

Sept. 19-Oct. 2, 2009

Dec. 12, 2009

Nov. 6, 2009

Nov. 7-20, 2009

Feb. 6, 2010\*\*

Jan. 5, 2010

Jan. 6-15, 2010

April 10, 2010

March 5, 2010

March 6-19, 2010

June 12, 2010

May 7, 2010

May 8-21, 2010

ACT - 2010-2011

September 11, 2010\*

October 23, 2010

December 11, 2010

February 12, 2011\*\*

April 9, 2011

June 11, 2011

Registration deadlines for 2010-2011 will be posted on the Web in March 2010.

\* The September test date is now available nationwide. It is offered only within the 50 United States and D.C.

\*\* No test centers are scheduled in New York for the February test date. ✚