

NUMBER 2 – CLASSIFICATION

This change would add a success factor to member schools' classification for placement in WIAA tournament competition in addition to the third Friday of September enrollment figure. This recommendation was advanced by the WIAA Ad Hoc Committee which studied competitive equity in 2014.

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A. Each senior high school shall be classified for purposes of membership, representation, and competition (including tournaments where necessary) on the basis of previous year's enrollment on the third Friday in September with exceptions as noted below.

- 1) Beginning with the 2017-18 school year, for competition (including tournaments where necessary), a success factor will be calculated to determine division placements for the sports of soccer, volleyball, basketball, softball and baseball. Placement in divisions will first utilize the success factor. The success factor will be defined in the Season Regulations for Tournament Assignment and will be utilized where appropriate in advance of enrollment placement considerations.
- 2) Schools with only Grades 10-12 students shall add, for purposes of classification and competition:
 - a. The total enrollment figure of the Grade 9 students, if there is only one school with Grades 10-12 students in the district.
 - b. One-third of the enrollment of Grades 10-12, if there is more than one school with Grades 10-12 students in the district.
- 3) The Board of Control shall have authority to adjust enrollment figures in unusual situations (such as consolidation, formation of new school, gain or loss of district, etc.), provided such information is made known before September 15 of each year.
- 4) The enrollment of schools consisting of students of only one sex shall be doubled to determine its classification.
Note: When two or more school districts consolidate, the third Friday enrollment count of the previous year will be used for all WIAA tournaments.
- 5) In a multiple high school district, charter school enrollment will be identified by the district according to student residence. The students will be assigned and counted by the school of residence for participation, enrollment and divisional classification.

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Support adoption
 Don't support adoption
 No position

Rationale: This amendment comes from the work of the Ad Hoc Competitive Equity Committee. The amendment was brought forward at the 2014 Annual Meeting but was replaced at the 2015 Annual Meeting with an amendment, and as a result was not voted on. Administrators requested a vote on the original amendment.

**BASEBALL (BOYS)
TOURNAMENT PROCEDURE**

1. ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOLS WILL BE ON A GEOGRAPHICAL BASIS IN FOUR DIVISIONS IN THE SPRING PROGRAM (1-2-3-4) AND IN ONE DIVISION IN THE SUMMER PROGRAM.

Spring

- a. Schools will be evaluated by the success factor after each season:
 - 1) The success factor will be a three-year cumulative total of no less than six points in all divisions of the previous three years.
 - 2) Teams promoted using the success factor will be promoted to the next division from the previous year. No team will be moved more than one division per year.
 - 3) Promotion will only be in the sport where the school has achieved the six points.
 - 4) All teams promoted using the success factor will be locked into the promoted division and the remaining schools will be placed based on enrollment.
 - 5) After being promoted, points from a lower division will not be considered in future promotion.
 - 6) If success factor points over the previous three years are less than six points in all divisions, promoted teams will leave the division
 - 7) Co-ops
 - a) When a co-op forms, the co-op will be a point total equal with the combined total of both schools.
 - b) When a co-op dissolves, the schools will retain the points of the co-op.
 - 8) Calculating the success factor:
 - a) Points will be cumulative for a three-year period.
 - b) Points will be awarded based upon the finish of the team in the tournament series. Points do not accumulate during the tournament series.
 - (1) 4 points for winning a state title
 - (2) 3 points for advancing to the championship game
 - (3) 2 points for advancing to the state semifinal (final 4)
 - (4) 1 point for advancing to the state quarterfinal (final 8).
- b. After application of the success factor, the largest 96 schools sponsoring spring baseball are in Division 1, with the remaining schools divided equally between Divisions 2, 3 and 4.
 - 1) No team can be moved down a division due to another team's promotion if they have earned success factor points in that division during the previous three years.
 - 2) The next smallest school without success factor points during the previous three years will be moved down.
 - 3) Any tie will be addressed consistent with current season regulations.
- c. Schools may be allowed to play up one division in any sport (except football) from where its enrollment would otherwise place it if an application is submitted prior to June 1. This will not cause other schools to be displaced.