Success Factor Scenario Examples

Below are a couple of examples that apply the success factor to help clarify the rule with real scenarios.

**Scenario 1** – School A competes in Division 4 in volleyball and in Year 1 they lose in the sectional final (Final 8) which earns them 1 point. In Year 2, they win the state championship (4 points; total for two years: 5). In Year 3, they make it to state but lose in the semifinal (2 points; total of 7 over the three years).

Question 1 – What happens in Year 4?
Answer: They would move up to Division 3 per the success factor.

Question 2 – If they don’t even win a regional game in Year 4 – would they move back down for Year 5? Answer: No, because they still have a cumulative total of 6 success points from Year 2 and Year 3.

Question 3 – If they don’t earn any success points in Year 5 either, what happens?
Answer: They would move back down to Division 4 for Year 6 as their success points in years 3-5 would only total 2.

Questions 4 – If School A wins state in Year 4 in Division 3, what happens?
Answer: They would have a total of 10 success points in three years but only the last four success points would count toward moving up ANOTHER division. They wouldn’t move to Division 2 until their Division 3 success points total 6 or more.

**Scenario 2** – School B competes in Division 3 for basketball. In the last three years they have accumulated six success points by making it to state three years in a row but losing in the state semi-final each year.

Question 1 – If School B’s enrollment rises enough in Year 4 to move them to Division 2, what division would the success factor put them?
Answer: The success factor would apply first and would put them into Division 2 for Year 4. They would not be bumped two divisions.

Question 2 – If School B’s enrollment drops enough in Year 4 to move them to Division 4, what division would the success factor put them?
Answer: The success factor would apply first and would put them into Division 2 for Year 4.

Question 3 – Following Question 2, if School B didn’t earn any success points in Division 2 in Year 4, where would they be placed in Year 5?
Answer: Their success points would drop below six so they would move down ONE division to Division 3 in Year 5. If they didn’t earn any success points in Division 3 in Year 5 and their enrollment still placed them in Division 4, they would move down to where their enrollment placed them (Division 4) in Year 6.
**Scenario 3** - School C and School D form a cooperative Girls’ Soccer team which plays in Division 3. In Year 1 they earn 2 success points by winning their sectional. In Year 2, they earn 3 points for their state runner-up status. In Year 3, they lose in the sectional championship to earn 1 point.

Question 1 – Where would they be placed in Year 4?
Answer: Their six success points for the three years would move them to Division 2 in Year 4.

Question 2 – If they two schools decided to go on their own in Year 4 and their enrollments put them both in Division 4, where would they be placed?
Answer: The co-operative points follow a school even after the team is disbanded so both School C and School D would play in Division 2 in Year 4.

Question 3 – If the two schools separated, how many years would it take to be placed in the Division 4, the division where their enrollment puts them?
Answer: They would move to Division 2 in Year 4 and if they didn’t accumulate any success points in Year 4 they would both move to Division 3 in Year 5. If they didn’t accumulate any success points in Year 5, they would move down to Division 4 in Year 6.