



WISCONSIN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

How to register license a WIAA Student Official

Starting with the 2026-27 school year, high school students are able to register and license to officiate on their own within the Arbiter platform. We ask that you as the local athletic administrator have a conversation on what it means to officiate and the expectations that you have of sport officials when working your events.

As a reminder, high school students can officiate contests up to and including the 9th grade level. High school students, classified as Limited/Restricted are allowed to officiate:

- WIAA contests up to and including the 9th grade level.
- Sub-varsity contests in all sports except hockey, as long as they are assigned with a fully licensed non-high school student official.
- In soccer, may work varsity contests as an Assistant Referee (AR).
 - Note: After two years' experience as a L/R official there is opportunity for advancement to L2 upon high school graduation with verification.

High school students must register on an annual basis and are only eligible to register if they are an enrolled high school student. High school students are able to license without a fee. Old, digital copies of rule books and materials are provided at no cost.

High School Student Officials Link in Arbiter

[2026-27 WIAA High School Student Registration Link](#)

Resources to share:

[NASO - Say Yes To Officiating - How do I get started?](#)

[NASO - Become an Official](#)

[NFHS Officiating Courses](#)

[WIAA Officiating Associations](#)

If a student is interested in purchasing their own current set of rules materials, they can by visiting the linked website: <https://store.nfh.digital.org/>

Additional training resources for a particular sport can be completed and purchased through RefReps as well: <https://learn.refreps.com/dashboard>

Any questions related to high school student officials can be directed to officials@wiaawi.org