

# BOYS LACROSSE

**EFFORT**



**SPORTSMANSHIP**

**RESPECT**

**2025**

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## NILCA

# *The National Interscholastic Lacrosse Coaches Association*

### PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING THIS ORGANIZATION

How does the NILCA Support HS Lacrosse?

- The NILCA encourages development of High School coaches to responsibility teach, promote, and maintain the growth of lacrosse in accordance with the highest interscholastic ideals of fair play.
- The NILCA promotes and develops quality leadership for lacrosse programs by recognizing key and significant professional contributions to the sport of High School lacrosse including: Coach of the Year, Man of the Year, Man of the Year, and the Hall of Fame.
- The NILCA educates coaches by providing current coaching techniques, establishing regional HS focused coaching clinics and maintaining key relationships with the IMLCA (college association), NFHS, and USA Lacrosse.
- The NILCA supports an annual meeting at the IMLCA Meeting (usually held in December) - open to all HS coaches.
- The NILCA sponsors **Lacrosse Coach Newsletter**, published 5 times a year- a veritable clinic sent via email to members.
- The NILCA seeks to incentivize active participation by serving on their national committees.
- Members include: Middle School Coaches, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Coaches, JV Coaches, Varsity Assistants, and Varsity Head Coaches.

Thus, The NILCA seeks to encourage, promote, educate, support, sponsor and incentivize its members to achieve quality coaching mentorship in High School Lacrosse.

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## Coaches Code of Ethics

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The function of a coach is to educate students through participation in interscholastic competition. An interscholastic program should be designed to enhance academic achievement and should never interfere with opportunities for academic success. Each student should be treated with the utmost respect, and his or her welfare should be considered in decisions by the coach at all times. Accordingly the following guidelines for coaches have been adopted by the NFHS Board of Directors.

**The coach** shall be aware that he or she has a tremendous influence, for either good or ill, on the education of the student and, thus, shall never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest ideals of character.

**The coach** shall uphold the honor and dignity of the profession. In all personal contact with students, officials, athletic directors, school administrators, the state high school athletic association, the media, and the public, the coach shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct.

**The coach** shall take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse.

**The coach** shall avoid the use of alcohol and tobacco products when in contact with players.

**The coach** shall promote the entire interscholastic program of the school and direct his or her program in harmony with the total school program.

**The coach** shall master the contest rules and shall teach them to his or her team members. The coach shall not seek an advantage by circumvention of the spirit or letter of the rules.

**The coach** shall exert his or her influence to enhance sportsmanship by spectators, both directly and by working closely with cheerleaders, pep club sponsors, booster clubs, and administrators.

**The coach** shall respect and support contest officials. The coach shall not indulge in conduct which would incite players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of officials or players is unethical.

**The coach** should meet and exchange cordial greetings with the opposing coach to set the correct tone for the event before and after the contest.

**The coach** shall not exert pressure on faculty members to give student special consideration.

**The coach** shall not scout opponents by any means other than those adopted by the league and/or state high school athletic association.

**A Mediocre Coach Tells**

**A Good Coach Explains**

**A Superior Coach Demonstrates**

**A Great Coach Inspires**

## **The 7 Lessons for Referee Respect**

Like with sportsmanship and teamwork, referee respect is an important value that needs to be specifically taught to athletes, parents, and coaches. However, even though there are referees at every game, there is virtually never a direct conversation about the expectations for respecting referees. Teaching respect for referees doesn't have to be hard, hokey, or time-consuming, as long as you can remember the seven lessons for referee respect:

### ***1. REFEREES HAVE MORE TRAINING THAN PLAYERS AND SPECTATORS***

No matter how experienced or knowledgeable an athlete or parent is, it's important to remember referees have specific training in the rules of the game, how to observe the game, and how to make difficult calls. They are also often in a better position to see the play, especially compared to parents on the sidelines or in the stands. If you're still convinced you can do a better job, leagues are always hiring.

### ***2. MORE FOCUS ON THE REF MEANS LESS FOCUS ON THE GAME***

There are many aspects of sports that are unpredictable and out of a player's control. However, there are some things an athlete can control. Players, spectators, and coaches can't control officiating, but if players are overly focused on how the officials are calling the game, they are likely less focused on playing the game to the best of their abilities. Similarly, coaches should advocate for their team, but focus more on instructing and guiding players than haranguing referees. For parents in the stands, you could spend your time focused on the ref, or spend that time focused on watching and encouraging your young athletes to do their best with the one thing they can control: their own performance.

### ***3. REFEREES SHOULD BE TREATED LIKE COACHES***

One of the ways coaches can model respect for officials is to make an effort to personally greet referees before the game, just as you would the coach of the opposing team. And while it may not be practical for every player to greet the officials, encourage captains at the pre-game meeting or coin flip to introduce themselves to the officials. These efforts help turn nameless, faceless referees into people, particularly people to be respected, in the eyes of young players.



#### ***4. RUDE TEAMS DON'T GET CLOSE CALLS***

Referees do their best to call games objectively, but they are still human. On a tough call that could go either way, a referee may be more likely to rule in favor of a team whose players (and coaches) have been respectful and focused on fair play throughout the game. It's a natural bias to reward favorable behavior and the people who have treated them respectfully.

#### ***5. YELLING AT OFFICIALS MODELS POOR COMMUNICATION SKILLS***

For parents and coaches, it's important to think about what yelling at refs teaches young athletes. Youth sport advocacy organization Play by the Rules has outlined several different ways yelling at refs hurts kids by communicating to them that:

- Mistakes are not acceptable
- There's no need to take accountability for your own performance when you can blame others
- It's acceptable to disrespect an authority figure whenever you disagree with their decision
- Even though it's rude, disruptive, and distracting to others, yelling is acceptable behavior

#### ***6. TRY IT BEFORE YOU CRITICIZE***

Having athletes and parents try officiating during scrimmages at practices is a great way of illustrating the difficulties referees face. It's the old "walk a mile in someone else's shoes" lesson, but it's effective for helping parents and athletes be more empathetic toward referees.

#### ***7. REMEMBER IT'S JUST A GAME***

No missed call during a youth sports game is going to make or break an athlete's career. Youth sports are an environment for learning about and falling in love with sports, not heaping pressure on athletes, coaches, and officials. And in the off-chance a player, coach, or parent makes a mistake and is disrespectful to an official during the game, make an effort to resolve the conflict after the game with a face-to-face conversation with the referee. This helps illustrate to young athletes that after a conflict with another person it is important to take responsibility for your actions and make amends with the other person.

Source: TRUE SPORT

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OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NASSAU COUNTY

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SECTION VIII**

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**EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

**WEEKENDS ONLY - NOT TO BE USED DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS!**

**STEP I** - CALL 997-4861

**STEP II** - TELL THE OPERATOR WHETHER YOU ARE FROM A SCHOOL OR ARE AN OFFICIAL

**STEP III** - TELL THE OPERATOR WHETHER THIS REFERS TO A BOY'S GAME OR A GIRL'S GAME.

**STEP IV** - TELL THE OPERATOR WHERE YOU CAN BE REACHED BY PHONE.

**STEP V** - WE WILL CONTACT YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

**POLICY RE: MEDICAL DOCTORS AT FOOTBALL GAMES**

*Adopted by Athletic Council 5/29/91 Adopted by Superintendents' Board 6/6/91  
Amended May 2005*

"Each member school shall be responsible for providing at their home football games professional medical coverage of **their choice**. This coverage must consist of a medical doctor, physician assistant, certified EMT or AMT or a NATA certified trainer. If a **visiting school** insisted that a medical doctor be present at football games in which their school district participates in, then it would be the responsibility of the visiting school to assume the obligation to pay for a medical doctor that is sent to the away game if the home school provided medical coverage with other professionals e.g. physician assistant, EMT, AMT or trainer."

"All schools should declare in writing prior to the start of the season what type of coverage their school district will provide for their home football games. This information would be made available to all member schools through the Executive Office of Section VIII. Each school district would then be able to decide as to whether or not they wish to send a medical doctor to away games if one is not being provided by the home school."

**NOTE:** If the visiting school does provide a medical doctor, that doctor is only responsible for the visiting team's players.

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**99 Quaker Meetinghouse Road, Farmingdale, N.Y. 11735**

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**2025 NASSAU COUNTY LACROSSE COACHES ASSOCIATION**

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## **SPORTSMANSHIP**

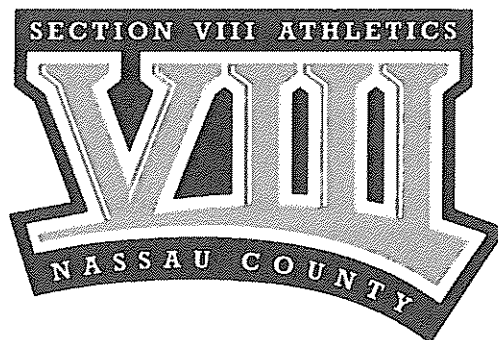
Students learn immeasurable unique lessons through interscholastic athletic participation.

Educators universally agree, of all the goals established as outcomes for secondary students involved in school sports,  
**sportsmanship is primary.**

Students who learn to value and practice sportsmanlike behavior are developing the characteristics of good citizenship.

Honesty, generosity, self discipline, a sincere concern for others, ethical behavior and a commitment to fair play are all demonstrated in sportsmanship.

Nassau County Public High School Athletic Association member schools make sportsmanship a premier concern.



## Section VIII Sportsmanship Regulations

Type of Offense	Offender	Consequence of First Offense	Consequence of Second Offense	Appeal Amount
Physical	Player	Two Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension	\$250 for Sportsmanship Appeal
	Coach	Remainder of Season Suspension		\$500 for Athletic Council Appeal
	Spectator	Remainder of Season Suspension		
Verbal	Player	Two Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension	
	Coach	Two Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension	
	Spectator	Three Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension	
**Ejection by Rule Violation	Player	Subject to Specific Sport Rule		
Ejection by Unsportsmanlike Behavior	Player	Two Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension	
	Coach	Two Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension	



<b>Pre/Post Game Behavior Will Receive Additional Game(s)</b>	Spectator	Two Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension
<b>Leaving Bench Area</b>	Player	Two Game Suspension	Remainder of Season Suspension
	Coach	*One Game Suspension (Two or More Players Leave)	*Pending Review by Sportsmanship Committee

\*Pending review by Sportsmanship Committee

\*\*Sportsmanship Committee reserves the right to impose any additional consequences for ejections by rule violation

\*\*Football will abide by the NYS Policy; Sportsmanship Committee can still add additional consequence

The Sportsmanship Committee always reserves the right to impose any additional consequences for any unsportsmanlike action

Approved 9/26/24

## **NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

### **SECTION VIII of NYSPHSAA, INC.**

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#### **Overview**

The Sportsmanship Committee strongly recommends that all athletic directors review the Sportsmanship Policy with their coaches, players, and event supervisors. All coaches must understand that all incidents of unsportsmanlike behaviors/disqualifications must be reported. The completed reports must be submitted by the respective athletic directors and electronically mailed to the Office of the Executive Director.

#### **Reporting Procedures**

The Athletic Directors from both teams involved and the officials assigned to the contest are to file written reports of the incident to the Office of the Executive Director no later than the morning of the next working day following the contest/match.

- It is the responsibility of the coach to ascertain from the official that the incident leading to the suspension or ejection is considered misconduct and, if so, it is the coach's responsibility to suspend the player from the team's next contest.
- Failure of the official to report to the Section VIII Office or failure of the Section VIII Office to forward the report to the Athletic Director, or failure of the Athletic Director to notify the coach does not relieve a coach of the responsibility to suspend the player.
- If a suspended player or coach participates in a contest, he/she is deemed ineligible, and that contest is considered forfeited.

#### **Request for Appeal**

A request for an appeal must be made to the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of the contest/incident. The appeal process is a three-step process. Any questions regarding these procedures should be directed to either the Office of the Executive Director or the Chairperson of the Sportsmanship Committee.

- Sportsmanship Committee
- Athletic Council
- State Appeals Committee

#### **Sportsmanship Committee Procedures for Addressing an Appeal**

- All incident reports are submitted to the Sportsmanship Chairperson who upon reading the reports will communicate to the Committee the nature and scope of the incident.
- Upon review of the charge(s) by at least a quorum of the Sportsmanship Committee of Section VIII, it will be determined by most of the quorum whether "probable cause" exists. If such a determination is made a written statement specifying the charges in detail shall be immediately forwarded to the athletic director of the accused coach, official, player, school personnel or member school. Note: While an appeal is being processed, a student(s) may participate in practice sessions commencing from the date the appeal was filed. State Handbook page 91.

## SECTION VIII SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY

The NYSPHSAA and Section VIII recognizes and appreciates that the influence and responsibility of the school administration regarding good sportsmanship extends to all levels of competition. However, it must also be seen that the NYSPHSAA and Section VIII has been vested with the responsibility to ensure that all contests under its jurisdiction are conducted satisfactorily. This standard applies to all regular season and post season play.

As of July 1, 2013, the Dignity for All Students Act (Dignity Act-Section 52.2, Part 80 and 57-4) is to provide all public-school students with an environment free from harassment, bullying (including cyber bullying) and discrimination, as well as to foster civility in public schools. The Dignity Act focuses on the prevention of discrimination behaviors, including harassment/bullying through the promotion of educational measures meant to positively impact school culture and climate, which includes the interscholastic programs. While the Dignity for all Students act mentions its efforts to keep an environment free of discrimination and bullying; diversity, equity and inclusion are very important to us. It is imperative that we can provide an environment where all kids feel safe, no matter their race or ethnicity. This should always apply, no matter if it's a practice, scrimmage, regular season game or a play-off game.

The High School Athletic Association of Section VIII established the Sportsmanship Committee as a sub-committee of the Athletic Council to address incidents of unsportsmanlike conduct and flagrant misconduct. The purpose of the Sportsmanship Committee is to take proactive measures to minimize inappropriate behavior at all Section VIII events and to promote positive sporting behavior throughout the county.

### A. What is to be reported:

1. A Player who is ejected from a contest for flagrant misconduct and/or unsportsmanlike conduct.
2. A Spectator who acts in a disruptive abusive or inappropriate manner.
3. A Coach who conducts himself/herself in an inappropriate or unsportsmanlike manner.
4. An Official who demonstrates unsportsmanlike conduct or inappropriate behavior unbecoming of a sport official.
5. A School that permits spectators to conduct themselves in an abusive, disruptive, or harassing manner. This also includes schools that do not provide adequate supervision at home or away contests to control their spectators

### . B. Responsibility for reporting:

1. Coaches must report all incidents to their respective athletic directors, even if only one player/team was cited for misconduct.
2. Athletic Directors must file reports with the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of any disqualification, ejection, or incident of unsportsmanlike behavior.
3. Officials must file reports with the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of any disqualification, ejection, or incident of unsportsmanlike behavior.

#### C. Reporting Procedure:

1. All unsportsmanlike incidents are to be reported by the coach (or by both coaches) to their respective athletic directors immediately following the contest.
2. The Athletic Directors of both schools involved are to file reports with the office of the Executive Director as soon as possible, but no later than the morning following the contest/incident (or the next school day).
3. The Officials assigned to the contest are to file a report with the Office of the Executive Director as soon as possible, but no later than the morning following the contest/incident (or the next school day).
4. The Office of the Executive Director will forward copies of all reports to the Sportsmanship Committee Chairperson, Sport Coordinator, and the appropriate VP of Male/Female Sports.

#### D. Committee Actions:

1. All member schools including individuals representing member schools who are involved in unsportsmanlike conduct are subject to consequences deemed appropriate by the Sportsmanship Committee.
  - a. The Sportsmanship Committee may recommend action in instances of unsportsmanlike conduct and is authorized to recommend consequences which may include, but are not limited to: Censure, Reprimand, Suspension, Loss of Eligibility, or any other actions that are deemed appropriate by the Sportsmanship Committee.
  - b. All recommendations of the Sportsmanship Committee will be filed with the Office of the Executive Director and forwarded to the Athletic Director(s) of the school(s) involved.
  - c. All actions of the Sportsmanship Committee are subject to review by the respective Athletic Director(s). Schools may impose additional consequences.
  - d. Copies of all reports of the Sportsmanship Committee shall be kept on file with the Sportsmanship Chairperson, the Executive Director, and the Sport Coordinator.

#### E. Penalties:

##### 1. Player/Spectator Expulsion:

Any player who commits a serious violation of game rules or takes part in flagrant misconduct during play shall be subject to ejection from the contest and disciplinary action. Ejection from a contest result in mandatory one (1) game suspension from the next regularly scheduled contest, including post-season play. Disqualifications from one season will carry over to the player's next season of participation. Any player suspended from participation may not be on site or involved in any capacity (spectator, timekeeper, scorekeeper, etc.) on the day of suspension. Failure to comply will result in additional sanctions being levied against the individual, coach and/or team. Any spectator(s) who acts in a manner causing the contest to be suspended or the spectator removed from the site would be disqualified from the next contest. Such spectator(s) would not be allowed to be on site or involved in any capacity (timekeeper, scorekeeper, etc.) at the next contest. Failure to comply will result in additional sanctions being leveled against this spectator(s) by school district as well as Section VIII.

## 2. Second Occurrence of Misconduct:

In the same sport – NYSPHSAA requires a two-game suspension for the second (2nd) ejection and a third (3rd) ejection in the same sport will result in the loss of the season. Any person (coach, player, spectator, school official, etc.) who is ejected from a second contest in the same sport for unsportsmanlike conduct shall require the Sportsmanship Committee to review the matter. This may lead to more severe disciplinary action including suspension for the remainder of the season. Such disciplinary action could carry over into subsequent sports seasons. Additional consequences may also be recommended by the Sportsmanship Committee.

## 3. Intentional Physical Contact by a Player:

Any member of the squad who strikes, shoves, kicks, or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass, or intimidate an official, another player, a spectator, coach, school district employee or supervisor, etc. shall be expelled from the game immediately and banned from further participation in all sports for a period to be determined by the Section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense. NOTE: Members of the squad include players, managers, score keepers, timers, and statisticians. The incident must be reported to the Office of the Executive Director who will in turn forward to the Sportsmanship Committee and respective Sports Coordinator. Consequences may include but are not limited to: Censure, Reprimand, Suspension, Loss of Eligibility, or another action that is deemed appropriate by the committee.

## 4. Team Members/Non- Participant/Pre-or Post-Game Misconduct:

Any act of unsportsmanlike/flagrant misconduct by either a team member, non- participant before or after (pre- and postgame) will be excluded from play in and/or subject to removal from the site of the contest. Any player, coach or spectator who commits a serious violation of the sportsmanship rules or takes part in flagrant misconduct as a non-participant after the contest has concluded (post-game) will be suspended from participation in or attendance at the next regularly scheduled contest including the post-season.

## 5. Spectators:

Any spectator who acts in a disruptive, abusive, or unsportsmanlike manner may cause the game to be suspended or the spectator removed from the site. A letter from the Sportsmanship committee may be sent the appropriate Athletic Director(s), Building Principal(s) and Superintendent(s). Continued incidents of disruptive behavior may result in additional disciplinary action by the Sportsmanship Committee.

## 6. Coaches:

Any coach excluded by a certified official from an interschool competition for unsportsmanlike conduct, including taunting, is ineligible to coach any interschool competition in that sport until after the next previously scheduled contest at the same level (e.g., junior varsity, varsity, etc.) has been completed. In individual sports a multi-day contest is a contest. Disqualification from one season carries over to the next season of participation. The coach may not be present at the game site nor communicate in any manner during the contest with any person present at the site. NOTE: "Not being physically present at the site" means a disqualified coach is not to be present in the locker room, on the sidelines, in the

stands or site area before, during or after the game/meet. Any coach that does not serve the penalty for violating the Sportsmanship Standard will be ineligible to participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests. If the coach continues to not serve the penalty, the matter will be referred to the Section for further action. If the coach is involved in the NYSPHSAA play-offs, the matter will be referred to the Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA.

#### 7. Intentional Physical Contact:

A coach who strikes, shoves, kick or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate another person (e.g., official, another coach, player, fan) shall be expelled immediately and banned from further participation or coaching in all sports for a period to be determined by the section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense.

#### 8. Officials:

An official who demonstrates inappropriate or unsportsmanlike conduct will be reported to the Sportsmanship Committee. The Sportsmanship Committee may recommend disciplinary action to be taken against the official by the official's organization.

#### 9. Taunting:

Taunting includes, but is not limited to, any actions or comments by coaches, players, or spectators which are intended to bait, anger, embarrass, ridicule, or demean other players, coaches, or game officials. Included in this is conduct that berates, needles, intimidates, or threatens based on gender, ethnic origin or background and conduct that attack religious beliefs, size, economic status, speech, families' special needs, or personal matters. Examples of taunting that would lead to ejection include, but are not limited to, physical and verbal intimidation outside the spirit of the game ("trash talking"), reference to sexual orientation, "in-the-face confrontation" by one player to another, standing over, straddling a tackled or fallen player, etc.

#### 10. Bench Clearing:

If an altercation occurs during a contest and members of either team leave their respective bench or sideline area or playing positions and go onto the playing field/court participation area, they will be immediately ejected from the contest for unsportsmanlike behavior.

#### 11. Due Process:

Students, coaches, and schools have the right to be heard by the Sportsmanship Committee. However, appeals will only be held regarding a misapplication of the sport rules and/or an ejection of a misidentified player. This right must be claimed within 24 hours of the incident occurring and must be made to the Office of the Executive Director of Section VIII. All actions of the Sportsmanship Committee may be appealed by a member school. Any such appeal will be heard by the Section VIII Athletic Council.

#### **Team Up for Unity Mission Statement (updated May 1, 2021)**

Section VIII, in partnership with the Long Island Nets of the NBA G League, recognize and value the experiences individuals from diverse backgrounds bring to education-based interscholastic athletics on Long Island. We are committed to bringing equity and inclusivity to all students in our athletic programs. As part of this commitment, we will engage in a partnership cultivating the unique gifts and talents of all

student athletes, free from racism and all forms of negative bias. We have planned a zero-tolerance policy regarding harmful actions taken by adults in and around Long Island sporting events, while furthering the education of student-athletes who might behave in an equally unwanted manner. Regarding student-athletes: An incident that is determined to go against the mission of Team Up for Unity ("...[sports] free from racism and all forms of negative bias."), the chair of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion subcommittee will be empowered to organize a Restorative Vision session with the parties involved in the incident. Failure to attend the Restorative Vision session will result in a one contest ban in addition to any penalties already set forth by the Sportsmanship Committee and the Section VIII bylaws.

## **RESTORATIVE VISION**

"The restorative vision for schools is about cultural transformation. A big part of the transformation is the engagement of all voices in decision-making. The restorative philosophy asserts that there is wisdom in each of us and that the collective wisdom is always greater than the wisdom of any individual. Restorative processes are particularly effective at allowing voice for every person and at accessing the collective wisdom of a group. "Schools are nested communities. The classroom is a community within the community of a particular school which is a community within the community of the district. At each level of community, it is important for the stakeholders to engage in conversation about the values and principles of restorative philosophy – to talk about how we are going to live together. The specifics of implementation are designed to meet the needs of that community. Self-governance is a very important principle of the restorative framework. Sharing power happens at every level. Teachers share power with students. School administration shares power with teachers and parents. District administration shares power with schools. Sharing power is necessary to access collective wisdom! "Experience across the country suggests that the individual school level is the critical unit for implementation. Sustainable implementation requires grassroots engagement of staff, students, parents, and administrators at the school level with support from district administration. Experience also suggests that training alone is not sufficient. A restorative culture in a school requires major behavior change of the institution. It takes time. It requires role modeling and coaching. It requires practice. "In my own journey with restorative justice I have had to pay more attention to how I show up every day. Am I bringing my 'best self' to my interactions with others? Am I listening with an open heart and an open mind? Can I stay in a place of curiosity rather than jumping to judgment when I do not like what I am hearing or seeing? I have had to pay attention to what is going on inside me. The circle process helps me to slow down and notice my thoughts, my assumptions, my judgments so I can then be more intentional about my actions. "The underlying concepts of a restorative approach are not new. They are indeed ancient and go by many names. Restorative practices are designed to allow us to live together as humans in a good way. For many people they are intuitive. The articulation of this philosophy and the development of specific restorative practices has given us a way to be more intentional about living together in a good way

## **Addition to the Section 8 Sportsmanship Policy**

In the event a racial, ethnic, or gender slur is heard by an Administrator, Coach, Official, or Supervisor at any Section VIII competition the event will be stopped. Every effort must be made to identify the person(s) responsible for the slur. The person(s) must be immediately removed from the contest. In the event the person (s) responsible for the slur cannot be identified the responsible staff are expected to remove as many spectators as deemed necessary to ensure that the person(s) has/have been removed from the event. The ejection(s) and name(s) of the ejected must be reported to Section VIII and include carryover suspension from attendance at the next competition.



## Section VIII Unsportsmanlike Behavior/Incident/Disqualification Form

This report is to be completed and submitted by game officials and athletic directors of both schools within 24 hours of the incident and/or violation.

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\* Indicates required question

Email \*

Your email

Sport Season \*

- ☐ Fall
- ☐ Winter
- ☐ Spring

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## Score Differential Policy

**Philosophy:** "Section VIII Athletic Programs are educationally based designed to encourage safety, participation and sportsmanship." Contributors of Section VIII for all playing levels, (V, JV, JH) feel that this policy will serve to provide a wider range of players with additional playing time while keeping the game competitive.

**Guidelines:** Each sport coordinator will be charged with writing guidelines, to be included in the sport overview, for coaches to follow while competing during season play. This policy will enforce the written guidelines for each sport.

**First Reported Incident:** If the score exceeds the written sport guidelines, a report must be submitted online on the SECTION VIII UNSPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR/INCIDENT/DISQUALIFICATION REPORT

This report is to be completed and submitted by game officials and athletic directors of both schools within 24 hours of the incident and/or violation. The form will include recording the score and a statement to be made by the sender: In your opinion, was this an infraction of the sport guidelines set for the score differential, YES or NO. A notification of this report will be sent to schools' Athletic Director, Principal, and Superintendent. If report indicated YES, it will be reviewed by the Sport Coordinator, Coach's Association President, and office of the Executive Director and if warranted, a letter of warning will be issued by the office of the Executive Director to the Athletic Director, Principal, and Superintendent of the offending school.

### **Second Reported Incident (In the Same Season):**

A second reported incident involving a coach will be communicated to all the listed above, but the details involved will be addressed by a committee of: Sport Coordinator, Coaches Association President, office of the Executive Director, HSAA President, Sportsmanship Chairperson, and OCC President. The committee will consider evidence (scorebooks, video, written/verbal reports from both coaches and officials) to determine if an adequate attempt was made to mitigate the score. The coach will be suspended during the pending review by this committee, pending appeal from the Athletic Director. A letter of reprimand with a recommendation of consequences will be issued by the office of the Executive Director to the Athletic Director, Principal, and Superintendent of the offending schools.

### **Third Reported Incident (In the Same Season):**

A third reported incident involving a coach will be referred to the committee that met in the second incident, with an immediate suspension with no appeal from the Athletic Director until the incident is ruled upon. This may lead to more severe disciplinary action including suspension for the remainder of the season. Such disciplinary action could carry over into subsequent sports seasons. Additional consequences may also be recommended by the office of the Executive Director.

**LOP SIDED SCORES**

**DO NOT RUN UP THE SCORE**

**Good Sportsmanship and Educational Sensitivity**

**Dictate that Stronger Teams Do Not Run Up the Score**

**Against Weaker Opponents...**

**As Section VIII Boys Lacrosse Coordinator and  
Chairman of the NYSPHSAA Boys Lacrosse Committee**

**I am asking that all of our**

**Nassau County Boys Lacrosse Coaches do the very best they can**

**this year NOT TO RUN UP THE SCORE...**

**There are many ways to manage the game and manage the score of  
the game...**

**WIN WITH DIGNITY AND CLASS**

*Jim Amen Jr.*

SOME FACTORS TO BE REMINDED OF WITH REGARD TO LOP-SIDED SCORE ISSUES

Boys' lacrosse has a new rule regarding a team ahead of their opponent by more than 12 goals.

This is in affect assists with the Lop-Sided scores that we occasionally see in boys' lacrosse.

After the first half, any time the score differential reaches 12 goals or more, starting with the whistle resuming play, the clock will only be stopped for a team time-out, official's time-out, or an injury time-out. No longer will normal play resume if the goal differential is reduced to fewer than 12 goals.

Once the 2<sup>nd</sup> ½ begins the winning team should begin to substitute (if not already having done so).

The losing team should recognize when the winning team is substituting and should recognize that the winning team does not want to embarrass his team. Losing team should understand and acknowledge that winning team is trying to be sportsmanlike.

In addition, once losing team recognizes that winning team has substituted, losing team should do this as well.

Be Mindful, this running clock may cause limited playing time in these types of games where winning team carries many participants.

*There are situations that exist that 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> teams of winning teams are more skillful than opponent's 1<sup>st</sup> team. Therefore, losing team may feel it is necessary not to substitute.*

In all cases coaches should make sure they do not embarrass their opponents' players and coaches. Excessive celebration should be discouraged. Coaches should speak with their players so that they understand and recognize these situations.

***As with any sport including lacrosse, play the game the way it should be played...Respect the Game and Play In a Sportsmanlike manner***

# SECTION VIII SCHOOL ENROLLMENT - 2024-2025

<u>ENROLLMENT</u>		<u>ENROLLMENT</u>		<u>ENROLLMENT</u>	
FREEPORT	1,964	MEPHAM	906	FLORAL PARK	618
SYOSSET	1,745	NEW HYDE PARK	884	WANTAGH	603
UNIONDALE	1,614	SEWANHAKA	860	V.S. SOUTH	600
HEMPSTEAD	1,413	ROOSEVELT	846	PLAINEDGE	587
MASSAPEQUA	1,338	CALHOUN	813	LAWRENCE	554
HICKSVILLE	1,326	GLEN COVE	810	NORTH SHORE	554
OCEANSIDE	1,286	CAREY	795	ISLAND TREES	533
PLAINVIEW OBP	1,284	GARDEN CITY	794	MALVERNE	495
PORT WASHINGTON	1,273	DIVISION AVE	785	SEAFORD	471
FARMINGDALE	1,263	ROSLYN	774	WHEATLEY	429
WESTBURY	1,137	KENNEDY BELLMORE	771	WEST HEMPSTEAD	422
HERRICKS	1,091	MANHASSET	752	LOCUST VALLEY	420
EAST MEADOW	1,085	HEWLETT	750	ACADEMY CHR HEMP & UNION	389/366
V.S. CENTRAL	1,083	ELMONT	735	COLD SPRING HARBOR	353
BALDWIN	1,034	SOUTHSIDE	712	EAST ROCKAWAY	320
MACARTHUR	959	BETHPAGE	707	OYSTER BAY	316
GREAT NECK SO.	955	CLARK	662	CARLE PLACE	285
LONG BEACH	951	V.S. NORTH	657	FRIENDS ACADEMY	272
JERICO	929	MINEOLA	636	EVERGREEN CHARTER	150
GREAT NECK NO.	906	LYNBROOK	626		

Total includes Grades 9 and 10 plus the average of 9th and 10th.

Starting in the 2024-25 School Year  
SIX CLASS NUMBERS

Class	Boys Soccer	Girls Soccer	Boys Basketball	Girls Basketball	Baseball	Softball	Girls Volleyball
Class AAA	1090 and up	1087 and up	1084 and up	1090 and up	1087 and up	1090 and up	Class AAA 1125 and up
Class AA	711-1089	694-1086	661-1083	666-1089	687-1086	680-1089	Class AA 753-1124
Class A	412-710	402-693	376-660	378-665	397-686	397-679	Class A 459-752
Class B	249-411	244-401	217-375	229-377	236-396	236-396	Class B 286-458
Class C	138-248	144-243	120-216	126-228	144-235	136-235	Class C 169-285
Class D	137 and below	143 and below	119 and below	125 and below	143 and below	135 and below	Class D 168 and below

FIVE CLASS NUMBERS

Football	2024			Cheerleading	
Class AA	1025 and up		Class A	1025 and up	
Class A	665-1024		Class B	555-1025	
Class B	385-664		Class C	250-554	
Class C	261-384		Class D	249-below	
Class D	260 and below		Co-Ed	One Class	

FOUR CLASS NUMBERS

Girls Lacrosse		Boys Lacrosse		Cross Country	
Class A	1060 and up	Class A	1036 and up	Class A	815 and up
Class B	775-1059	Class B	728-1035	Class B	450-814
Class C	465-774	Class C	450-727	Class C	255-449
Class D	464 and below	Class D	449 and below	Class D	254 and below

THREE CLASS NUMBERS

Field Hockey				Game Day Cheer	
Class A	915 and up			849 and up	
Class B	450-914			479-848	
Class C	449 and below			478-below	

Ice Hockey		Boys Volleyball		Wrestling		Flag Football	
Division I	1000 and up	Division I	901 and up	Division I	600 and up	Division I	788 and up
Division II	999 and below	Division II	900 and below	Division II	599 and below	Division II	787 and down

No contest or interschool scrimmage may be scheduled in Section VIII by a member school on the following dates:

**HOLY DAY OBSERVANCE**  
**2024-2025**

*OCTOBER 3 & 4, 2024	ROSH HASHANAH
*OCTOBER 12, 2024	YOM KIPPUR
NOVEMBER 28, 2024	THANKSGIVING DAY
DECEMBER 24 & 25, 2024	CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY
*APRIL 13, 2025	FIRST FULL DAY OF PASSOVER
APRIL 18, 2025	GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 20, 2025	EASTER SUNDAY

\* Indicates that student athletes must be able to be home by 6:00 p.m. on the day preceding these dates.

**SIGNIFICANT DATES TO CONSIDER**  
**2024-2025**

SEPTEMBER 2, 2024	LABOR DAY
**SEPTEMBER 11, 2024	PATRIOT DAY
OCTOBER 14, 2024	COLUMBUS DAY
NOVEMBER 11, 2024	VETERANS DAY OBSERVED
JANUARY 20, 2025	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY
FEBRUARY 17, 2025	PRESIDENTS DAY
MAY 26, 2025	MEMORIAL DAY
JUNE 19, 2025	JUNETEENTH

\*\* In recognition of those who perished on September 11, 2001, in the tragedy of the World Trade Center, it is recommended that each school playing on this day provide a moment of silence in memory and tribute.

**ELIGIBILITY DATES FOR 2024-2025**

DATE OF BIRTH:

ANY ATHLETE WHO WAS BORN **ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2005**, IS **ELIGIBLE** FOR THE **2024-2025** SCHOOL YEAR.

DATE OF ENTRY INTO 9TH GRADE:

ANY STUDENT/ATHLETE THAT ENTERED THE NINTH (9TH) GRADE **PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 2021** IS **INELIGIBLE** TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS UNLESS AN EXTENSION OF ELIGIBILITY REQUEST HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE APPEALS COMMITTEE.

**SECTION VIII**  
**TABLE OF ACTIVITIES – APPROVED MAXIMUM**  
**2024-2025**

Approved June 2022

ACTIVITY	APPROVED MAXIMUM		
SPORT	VARSITY	JV	MODIFIED
Badminton	16	15	11
Baseball	20	19	11
Basketball	20	19	11
Bowling	20	19	11
Cheerleading	12	11	11
Cross Country	16	-	8
Fencing	20	-	-
Field Hockey	16	15	9
Flag Football	16	15	9
Football	**9	8	6
Golf	16	15	-
Gymnastics	16	-	8
Lacrosse	16	15	9
Rifle	16	-	-
Soccer	16	15	9
Softball	20	19	11
Swimming	16	-	11
Tennis	16	-	11
Track	16	-	8
Winter Track	16	-	8
Volleyball	20	19	11
Wrestling	*20pts	*20 pts	10 pts

\* 6 Tournament maximum

**\*\*FOOTBALL**

Only for teams that do not make playoffs Cannot be played prior to week 1

**JUNIOR VARSITY:**

Three (3) scrimmages will be permitted prior to the first game provided they are approved by the Athletic Director.

**MODIFIED:**

Two (2) scrimmages will be permitted prior to the first game provided they are approved by the Athletic Director.



# NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE

## 2025 LEAGUE PROPOSAL

CLASS A	CLASS B	CLASS C	CLASS D
Freeport	Baldwin	South Side	West Hempstead
Syosset	MacArthur	Bethpage	Locust Valley
Uniondale	Great Neck South	Clarke	Cold Spring Harbor
Hempstead	Long Beach	Mineola	Oyster Bay
Massapequa	Jericho	Lynbrook	Friends Academy
Hicksville	Great Neck North	Floral Park	
Oceanside	Mepham	Wantagh	
Plainview	New Hyde Park	Plainedge	
Port Washington	Sewanhaka	Lawrence	
Farmingdale	Calhoun	North Shore	
Herricks	Glen Cove	Island Trees	
East Meadow	Carey	Malverne- East Rock	
Valley Stream District	Garden City	Seaford	
	Division	Wheatly-CP	
	Roslyn		
	Bellmore – Kennedy		A – 1036 AND UP
	Manhasset		B – 728 - 1035
	Hewlett		C – 450 - 727
	Elmont		D – Below 450
	(Roosevelt – JV Only)	(Academy Charter- JV)	
13 Teams	19 Teams	14 Teams	5 Teams
8 Playoff Spots	10 Playoff Spots	8 Playoff Spots	4 Playoff Spots

### OVERVIEW

To promote more equitable competition throughout the County, The Executive Board has met and voted on the following league alignments for 2025:

- Leagues will be cross-classification based on three levels of ability
- All teams will be asked to submit a seeding form to the Executive Board
- All teams will be seeded in the State Classification by the Executive Board, then put in the following leagues:
  - League 1 – Top 5 teams from each classification (A/B/CD) \*D Class with C Class
  - League 2 – Next 18 teams across the 4 leagues
  - League 3 – Next 18 teams across the 4 leagues
- League Games: L1 – 8 / L2 – 8 / L3 – 14 Non-League Games: L1-8 / L2-8 / L3 – 2
- **Playoff Criteria:** Playoffs to be seeded by Executive Board. The Executive Board will consider all criteria listed below:
  1. HEAD TO HEAD (#1 criteria in the event of a ties)
  2. Record against teams in you Classification (A, B, C, D)
  3. Overall Record
  4. Strength of Schedule
  - \*\* League 1 teams are guaranteed a playoff spot.
  - \*\* Power Points Will be Used in League 3

FREEPORT	1964	CLASS A 13 TEAMS	8 POST SEASON ALLOWED
SYOSSET	1745		
UNIONDALE	1614		
VALLEY SREAM	1585		
HEMPSTEAD	1413		
MASSAPEQUA	1338		
HICKSVILLE	1326		
OCEANSIDE	1286		
PLAINVIEW JFK	1284		
PORT WASHING	1273		
FARMINGDALE	1263		
HERRICKS	1091		
E. MEADOW	1085		
BALDWIN	1034	CLASS B 19 TEAMS	10 POST SEASON ALLOWED
MAC ARTHUR	0959		
GN SOUTH	0955		
LONG BEACH	0951		
JERICH0	0921		
GN NORTH	0906		
MEPHAM	0906		
NEW HYDE PK	0884		
SEWANHAKA	0860		
GLEN COVE	0810		
CALHOUN	0810		
HF CAREY	0795		
GARDEN CITY	0794		
LEV. DIVISION	0785		
ROSLYN	0774		
BELLMORE JFK	0771		
MANHASSET	0752		
HEWLETT	0750		
ELMONT	0735		
SOUTHSIDE	0712	CLASS C 14 TEAMS	8 POST SEASON ALLOWED
BETHPAGE	0707		
CLARKE	0662		
MINEOLA	0636		
LYNBROOK	0626		
FLORAL PK	0618		
WANTAGH	0603		
MALVERN/ERK	0623		
PLAINEDGE	0587		
LAWRENCE	0554		
NORTH SHORE	0554		
ISALND TREES	0553		
WHEAT/CPLACE	0543		
SEAFORD	0471		
WEST HEMP	0422	CLASS D 5 TEAMS	4 POST SEASON ALLOWED
LOCUST VALL	0420		
COLD SPRING H	0353		
OYSTER BAY	0316		
FRIENDS A	0272		

## NASSAU COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE CALENDAR 2025

MAR 16	17 Start Date	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 1 <sup>st</sup> Contest	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	APR 1 L3-1	2	3 L3-2	4 PL- 1	5 L2 -1 ACT date

APR 6	7 L3-3	8	9 L2-2	10 L3-4	11 PL-2	12 PASSEVE R
13	14 L3-5	15 PL-3	16 L2-3	17 L3-6	18 GOOD FRI NO GAMES	19
20 EASTER	21 L3-7	22 PL-4	23 L2-4	24 L3-8	25 PL-5	26 L2-5
27	28 L3-9	29	30	MAY 1 L3-10	2 PL-6	3 L2-6 PSAT date

MAY 4	5 L3-11	6	7	8 L3-12	9 PL -7	10 L2-7
11	12 L3-13	13	14 L2-8	15 L3-14	16 PL-8	17
18	19	20 1 <sup>st</sup> RD Class "B" 8:00 - 7:10	21 Rain Date	22 NC 1/4 FINALS CLASS C/A	23 NC 1/4 Finals Class B	24 SEMIS CLASS D 11am (1-4) 1pm (2-3) Rain Date
25	26 MEM DAY	27 NC SEMIS Class C/A/B 3:30 5:30 7:30	28 NC SEMIS Class C/A/B 3:30/5:30/7:30	29	30 Rain Date	31 NC FINALS C/D A/B 10 12:30 3 5:30
JUNE 1	2	3	4 LIC Sub Reg. C/A - HOF 4:30/7pm D/B - TBA	5	6	7 NYS REGIONAL @ Sec 1 10/12:30/3/5:30 0 PSAT date
8	9	10	11 NYS SEMIS @ Middletown	12	13	14 NYS FINALS @ Hobart ACT date

Wed., 6/11 NYS Semi's @ Middletown Class C @ 4pm Stadium; Class D 4:30pm Turf

Class A @ 6:30pm Stadium; Class B @ 7pm Turf

Sat. 6/14 NYS Finals @ Hobart...Class C @ 10am; Class D @ 12:30; Class A @ 3pm; Class B @ 5:30pm

**BOYS LACROSSE**

4 messages

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Please see Teams in each of our three conferences:

**Conference (Power League) 16 teams****Class "A"**

1. MASSAPEQUA
2. FARMINGDALE

3. SYOSSET
4. PORT WASHINGTON
5. OCEANSIDE

**Class "B"**

1. GARDEN CITY
2. MANHASSET
3. CAREY
4. CALHOUN
5. ROSLYN

**Class "C"**

1. WANTAGH
2. SOUTH SIDE
3. BETHPAGE
4. SEAFORD
5. PLAINEDGE

**Class "D"**

1. Cold Spring Harbor

**Conference 2 (School/Classification) 18 teams**

- |                   |                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. MEPHAM B       | 10. HICKSVILLE A           |
| 2. LONG BEACH B   | 11. HEWLETT B              |
| 3. LYNBROOK C     | 12. JERICHO B              |
| 4. FLORAL PARK C  | 13. MINEOLA C              |
| 5. HERRICKS A     | 14. LOCUST VALLEY D        |
| 6. MAC ARTHUR B   | 15. WHEATLEY-CARLE PLACE C |
| 7. ISLAND TREES C | 16. DIVISION B             |
| 8. PAINVIEW A     | 17. SEWANHAKA B            |
| 9. NORTH SHORE C  | 18. GREAT NECK SOUTH B     |

**Conference 3 (School/Classification) 18 teams**

**This is just a complete list/not in any seeded order**

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| EAST MEADOW A      | GLEN COVE B          |
| HEMPSTEAD A        | ELMONT B             |
| VALLEY STREAM A    | OYSTER BAY D         |
| FREEPORT A         | MALVERNE/EAST ROCK C |
| UNIONDALE A        | CLARKE C             |
| BELLMORE JFK B     | FRIENDS ACADEMY D    |
| NEW HYDE PK B      | WEST HEMPSTEAD D     |
| BALDWIN B          | LAWRENCE B           |
| GREAT NECK NORTH B | ROOSEVELT B          |

**Start Date is Monday March 17th, 2025**

**1st Contest Allowed is Sunday March 23rd, 2024**

**COMPLETE CALENDAR WILL BE SENT SHORTLY once Postseason Sites are determined.**

Thank you/Jim Amen Jr.

## SECTION VIII PLAYOFF POLICY

The following formula would be used to establish the number of teams that would qualify for "post-season play" based upon the total number of teams in each classification. The same formula would be used by sports that do not use classifications. The purpose of these changes is to create an equitable and fair number of teams that make the playoffs for each classification.

- \* 1 team - Class Representative to Section VIII to  
New York State Regional games
- 2 teams - 2 team bracket
- \*\* 3 or 4 teams - 3 or 4 team bracket
- 5-8 teams - 4 team bracket
- 9-12 teams - 6 team bracket
- 13-16 teams - 8 team bracket
- 17-24 teams - 12 team bracket (new bracket)
- 25-32 teams - 16 team bracket
- 33-36 teams - 18 team bracket
- 37-40 teams - 20 team bracket

This would allow for a minimum of 50% of the teams/schools that offer a specific varsity sport to qualify for post-season play.

### 1 Team\*

See revision #1 of Section VIII Team Playoff Policy

### 3 or 4 teams \*\*

The recommendation for a semi-final game should come from the sports committee of that specific sport (as per revision #3 of Section VIII Team Playoff Policy).

## **SECTION VIII TEAM PLAYOFF POLICY REVISIONS**

Presented by the Vice Presidents of the High School Athletic Association and their committee:

1. When there is only one school in a classification, there will be no post-season tournament for that school. However, that school would be given the opportunity to play the winner of the higher classification tournament to get a combined champion. Example: 'D' classification has one school. They would play the 'C' champion to determine a C/D champion.

2. When there is a situation of 2,3,or 4 teams in a classification:

**2 Teams:** A championship game will be played.

**3 or 4 Teams:** The recommendation for a semi-final game should come from the sports committee of that specific sport. The coordinator would present how this was to be done at their overview before the High School Athletic Association.

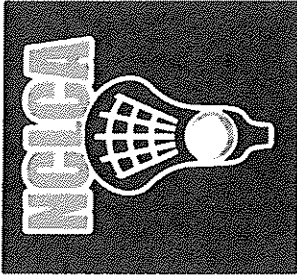
3. Every school, regardless of their placement in a conference, will have the "opportunity" To qualify for post-season play within Section VIII based on the criteria set forth by the sports committees.

\*This above provision excludes conferences/leagues/divisions that are strictly "developmental". In other words, developmental teams are not eligible for post-season play with non-developmental teams that compete in the regular sectional championship tournament(s).

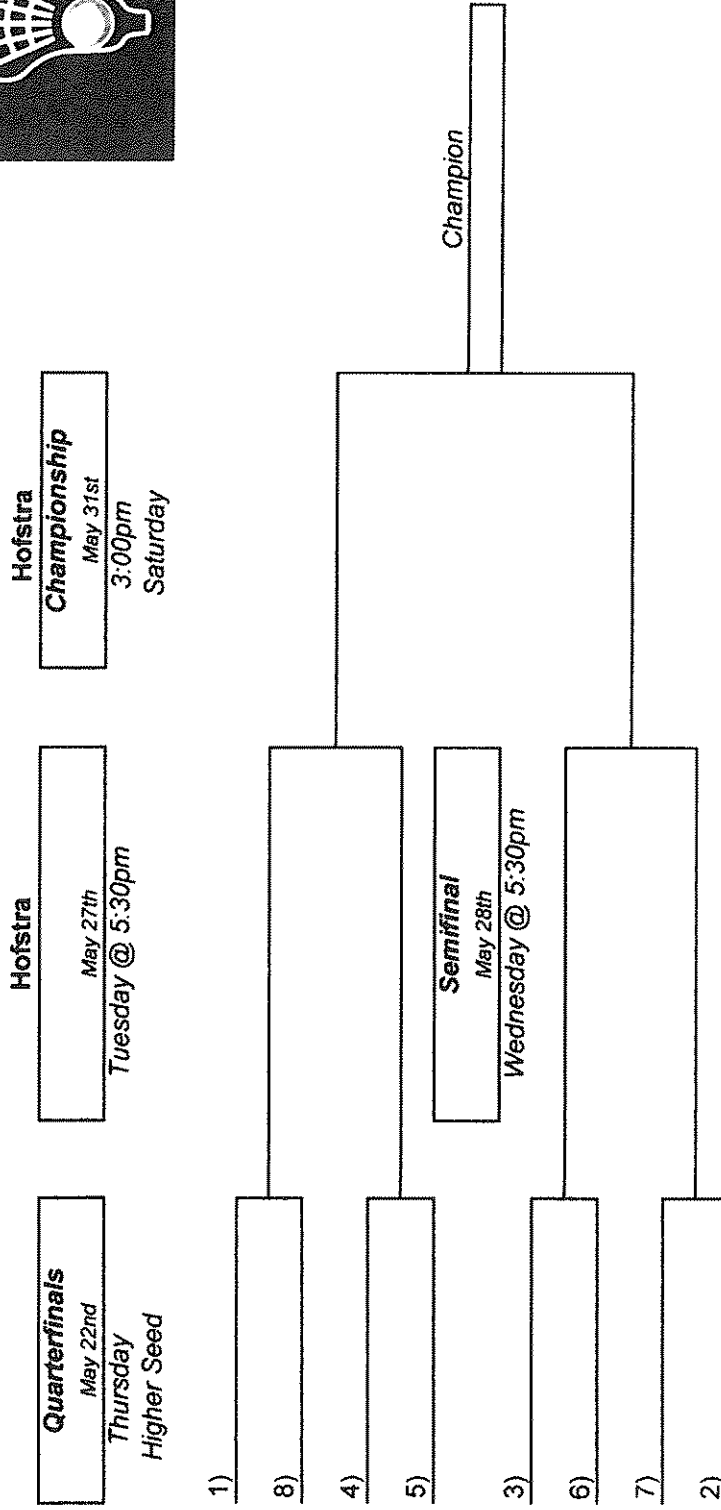
**Note:** Alternative for "DEVELOPMENTAL" TEAMS:

- No post-season play at all.
- A "DEVELOPMENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP" top finishers in the DEVELOPMENTAL LEAGUE (based upon recommendation of the sports committee).

Revised and approved 6/2/03 Athletic Council



2025 BOYS LACROSSE CLASS "A" BRACKET





# 2025 BOYS LACROSSE CLASS "B" BRACKET

**First Round**  
TUES MAY 20TH  
Tuesday  
HIGHER SEED SITE

**Quarterfinals**  
FRIDAY MAY 23  
Friday  
HIGHER SEED SITE

**Semifinal**  
Tuesday May 27th  
Tuesday @ 7:30pm

**Championship**  
Saturday May 31  
Saturday 5:30pm

8)

9)

1)

4)

5)

**First Round**  
TUES MAY 20TH

**Semifinal**  
Wednesday May 28th  
Wednesday @ 7:30pm

**CLASS B CHAMPION**

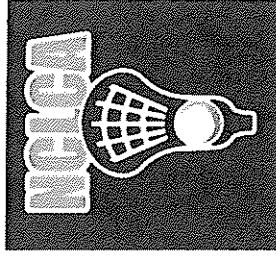
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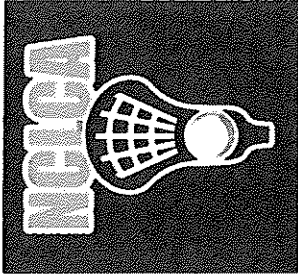
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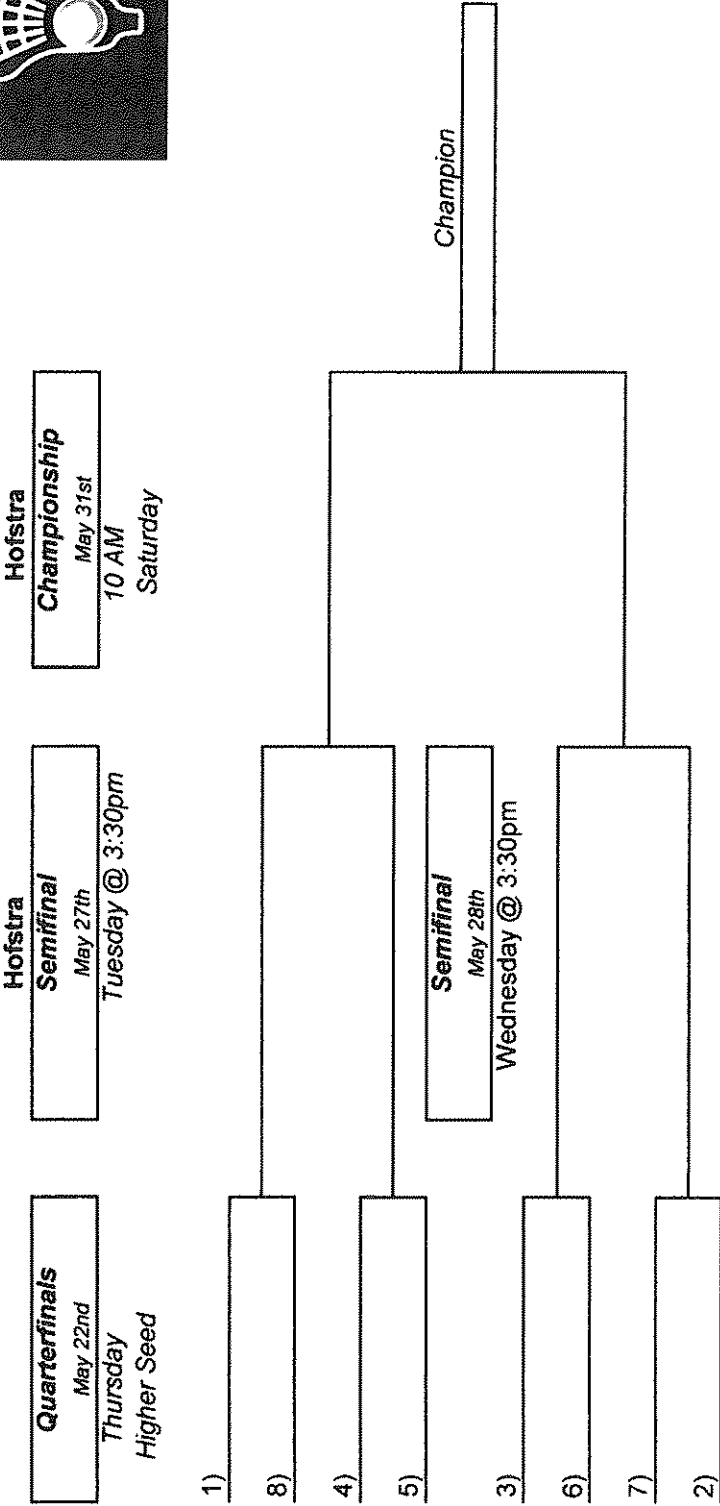
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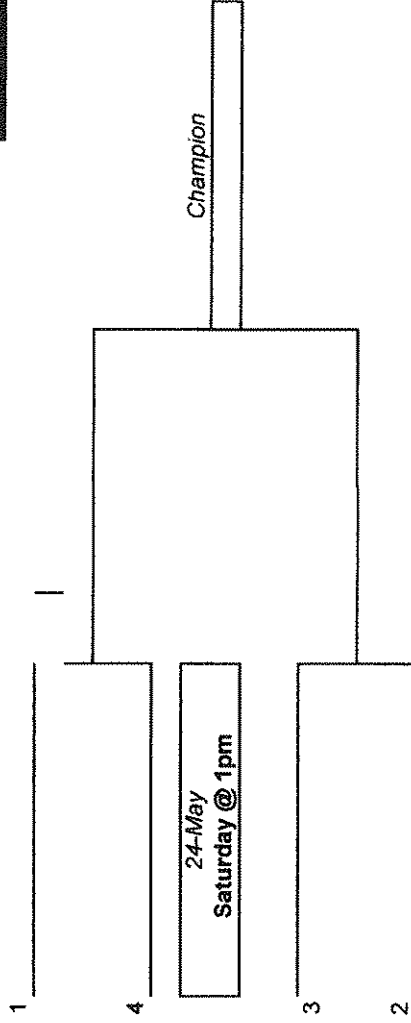
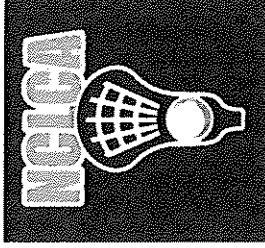
2025 BOYS LACROSSE CLASS "C" BRACKET



# 2025 BOYS LACROSSE CLASS "D" BRACKET

Hofstra  
SEMI-FINALS  
May 24th  
Saturday @ 11AM

Hofstra  
FINALS  
May 31st  
Saturday @ 12:30pm





## NYSPHSAA/Section VIII Boys Lacrosse



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Monday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Start Date of Season

6 Days of Practice Before 1<sup>st</sup> Contest

Monday March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Logically 1<sup>st</sup> Contest Allowed

Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Rd. Class "B" @ Higher Seed  
9 @ 8 & 10 @ 7

Thursday May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Quarter Finals Class "C" Playoffs @ Higher Seed  
Quarter Finals Class "A" Playoffs @ Higher Seed

Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup>

Quarter Finals Class B @ Higher Seed  
1 vs 9 @ 8 Winner; 5 @ 4; 2 vs 10 @ 7 Winner; 6 @ 3

Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup>

Semi-Finals Class "D" @ Hofstra U.  
1 vs 4 @ 11AM & 2 vs 3 @ 1pm

Tuesday May 27<sup>th</sup>

Semi-Finals Class "C" @ Hofstra @ 3:30pm  
Winner of 8 @ 1 vs 5 @ 4 Winner  
Semi-Finals Class "A" @ Hofstra @ 5:30pm  
Winner 8 @ 1 vs 5 @ 4 Winner  
Semi-Finals Class "B" @ Hofstra @ 7:30pm [1 vs 8/9 vs 4/5 winner]

Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup>

Semi-Finals Class "C" @ Hofstra @ 3:30pm  
Winner of 7 @ 2 vs 6 @ 3 Winner  
Semi-Finals Class "A" @ Hofstra @ 5:30pm  
Winner 7 @ 2 vs 6 @ 3 Winner  
Semi-Finals Class "B" @ Hofstra @ 7:30pm 2 vs 7/10 vs 3/6 winner]

Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

Finals Class "C" @ Hofstra @ 10am  
Finals Class "D" @ Hofstra @ 12:30pm  
Finals Class "A" @ Hofstra @ 3:00pm  
Finals Class "B" @ Hofstra @ 5:30pm

## **2025 REGIONAL CONTESTS**

### **Class A & B**

11/8 @ 1 Winner goes to Middletown for Semis will play winner of 9/4  
9@4 Winner goes to Middletown for Semi will play winner of 11/8/1  
6@5 Winner goes to Cortland for Semis will play winner of 3/2  
3@2 Winner goes to Cortland for Semis will play winner of 6/5

### **Class C & D**

8/11 @ 1 Winner goes to Middletown for Semis will play winner of 9/4  
6/5 @ 3 Winner goes to Cortland for Semis will play winner of 10/2  
9@4 Winner goes to Middletown for Semis will play winner of 8/11/1  
10@2 Winner goes to Cortland for Semis will play winner of 6/5/3

## **MIDDLETOWN EAST SEMI FINAL SITES/TIMES**

**Class C @ Faller @ 4pm**

**Class D @ Turf @ 4:30pm**

**Class A @ Faller @ 6:30pm**

**Class B @ Turf @ 7pm**

## **CORTLAND WEST SEMI FINAL SITES/TIMES**

**Class C @ White @ 3pm**

**Class D @ Grady (red) @ 4pm**

**Class A @ White @ 5:30pm**

**Class B @ Grady (red) @ 6:30pm**

BOYS LACROSSE - 2025-30												
9 Sections in Class A/B and 10 Sections in Class C/D												
2025			2026		2027		2028		2029		2030	
	Sub Regional	Regional Final	Sub Regional	Regional Final	Sub Regional	Regional Final	Sub Regional	Regional Final	Sub Regional	Regional Final	Sub Regional	Regional Final
Class A	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 1 9 @ 4 6 @ 5	1 @ 4	1/4 @ 9 8 @ 11 5 @ 6	3 @ 2	3/2 @ 4 1 @ 9 6 @ 5	5 @ 6	5/6 @ 3 4 @ 9 2 @ 1	9 @ 4	9/4 @ 2 6 @ 5 11 @ 8	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 1 9 @ 4 5 @ 6 3 @ 2
due to S10	10 @ 3	10/3 @ 2	10 @ 2	10/2 @ 3	Rotation TBA			8 @ 11		1 @ 3		
Joining Class A in Dec 2024												
Class B	11 @ 8	11/8 @ 1 9 @ 4 6 @ 5 3 @ 2	1 @ 4	1/4 @ 9 2 @ 3 5 @ 6 8 @ 11	3 @ 2	3/2 @ 4 1 @ 9 6 @ 5 11 @ 8	5 @ 6	5/6 @ 3 4 @ 9 2 @ 1 8 @ 11	9 @ 2	9/2 @ 4 6 @ 5 11 @ 8 3 @ 1	5 @ 6	5/6 @ 3 4 @ 9 2 @ 1 8 @ 11
Class C	8 @ 11 6 @ 5	8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3 9 @ 4 10 @ 2	3 @ 10 1 @ 9	3/10 @ 2 1/9 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	11 @ 8 6 @ 5	11/8 @ 9 6/5 @ 4 3 @ 10 2 @ 1	10 @ 2 4 @ 3	10/2 @ 1 4/3 @ 9 8 @ 11 5 @ 6	8 @ 11 6 @ 5	8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3 2 @ 10 9 @ 4	4 @ 1 9 @ 2	4/1 @ 3 9/2 @ 10 11 @ 8 5 @ 6
Class D	8 @ 11 6 @ 5	8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3 9 @ 4 10 @ 2	3 @ 10 1 @ 9	3/10 @ 2 1/9 @ 4 11 @ 8 5 @ 6	11 @ 8 6 @ 5	11/8 @ 9 6/5 @ 4 3 @ 10 2 @ 1	10 @ 2 4 @ 3	10/2 @ 1 4/3 @ 9 8 @ 11 5 @ 6	8 @ 11 6 @ 5	8/11 @ 1 6/5 @ 3 2 @ 10 9 @ 4	4 @ 1 9 @ 2	4/1 @ 3 9/2 @ 10 11 @ 8 5 @ 6
* Due to Section 10 declaring their participation in Class A for 2025 (on Dec 4, 2024), a revised rotation for 2025 and 2026 was created by NYSPHSAA on 12/12/24.												
* On May 13, 2024, the committee supported the original rotation with a 5-3 vote												
5-3 Supported by Committee												
as of May 13, 2024 @ 10:10 pm												

	# Sub Reg Games		A/B # Home	C/D # Home
	A/B	C/D		
1	2	4	7	8
2	3	4	7	8
3	2	4	6	6
4	3	8	9	8
5	3	6	6	6
6	3	6	6	6
7				
8	3	6	6	6
9	2	4	7	6
10		4		8
11	3	6	6	6
NOTES:				
	* Balance for # of sub was primary focus. Best efforts if A/B was 4 games then C/D was 6 games, viceversa.			
	* Home/Away was balanced for 6 years, all classes			
	* A/B are mirror image of each other thru 2029			
	* C/D are mirror image of each other thru 2030			
	* Outlier odd travel 10/2 @ 1. Necessary for balance. Reasonable because its on a Saturday (2028 & 2030)			
	* Class A - 2030 repeat of 2025 with 5/6 switched			
	* Class B - 2030 repeat of 2028			
	** Class A and B repeats are necessary to make a 6-year rotation and balance rest of rotation.			
	* A/B and C/D grouped due to same # of sections			

**2025-NYSPHSAA BOYS LACROSSE COMMITTEE**    Revised

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# 2023-24 SPORT COORDINATOR REPORT FORM

Email this completed form to Joe Altieri, [altieri@nysphsaa.org](mailto:altieri@nysphsaa.org). Thank you.

Sport: BOYS LACROSSE

Girls ☐ Boys ☒

Coordinator: Jim Amen Jr.

## 2023-24 State Champions & Any Issues This Year:

Class "D" Cold Spring Harbor (VIII) 12  
Marcellus (III) 7

Class "A" McQuaid Jesuit (V) 8  
Farmingdale (VIII) 7

Class "B" South Side (VIII) 12-  
Victor (V) 11

Class "C" Bayport Blue Point (XI) 13-  
Jamesville-DeWitt (III) 6

## 2024-25 State Championship

Hobart William Smith

Location:

June 14, 2025

Date(s):

Notes About Upcoming Championship:  
Need to make sure Hobart William  
Smith is a suitable sight. As good as  
Hofstra U. is and was.

## 2023-24 State Championship Finances:

Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_

Admission Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Expenses: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Revenue: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding Invoices ☐

## Current Issues Impacting Sport:

Shot Clock coming in for 2025 Season. Should  
change our game for the better.  
Purchase of

## Future Items For Consideration (this includes current proposals, upcoming proposals, other):

The impact of not beginning on the 2nd Monday of March as we have been reduced to a 13 week season has created an unsafe situation for our lacrosse student-athletes. Playing 3 games in a week is not good for our sport. In addition...if we had another week (Week 36) we could spread the season out for better post season dates. We possibly could play our sub-regional games on a Saturday and not a Wednesday.

Todd Nelson  
Combined Practice  
Mar 7, 2025 at 12:38:46 PM  
Jim Amen

Jim.

I order to have a combined practice in Lacrosse both teams would need to have the minimum number of practices in order to drill or scrimmage against each other. I hope this helps.

Todd Nelson  
Assistant Director  
NYSPHSAA



## NYSPHSAA/Section VIII Boys Lacrosse



Jim Amen Jr.

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### Lacrosse Scrimmage Rules: as per NYSPHSAA

1. A lacrosse scrimmage must have modified time periods. Scrimmages must also include one or more of the following:
2. Alternate possessions.
3. Start the scrimmage with either a Draw (girls) or a Face-off (boys).
4. Include the following game situations:
  - a. Face-off/Draws – Boys/Girls
  - b. Clears and Rides – Boys/Girls
  - c. Extra Man and Man-Down– Boys/Girls
  - d. Fast Breaks – Boys/Girls

**NOTE: A COMBINED PRACTICE WITH ANOTHER TEAM BEFORE THE FIRST 6 DAYS IS NOT ALLOWED**

- a. Require that individual or team records and performances achieved during participation by such ineligible student shall be vacated or stricken.
- b. Require that team victories shall be forfeited to opponent.
- c. Require that team or individual awards earned by such ineligible student be returned to the Association.
- i. NYSPHSAA Sections may sanction, censure or place schools on probation that fail to address derogatory or inappropriate behavior deemed harmful to physical or mental well-being for those involved in interscholastic activities. (July 2023)

## 20. POST-SCHEDULE:

No team or individual student may represent its school in any post-schedule contest other than those conducted by school or State Association authorities in accordance with approved standards.

NOTE: If contests are within the season established by the Section, within the maximum number allowed and conducted by school authorities, they are allowed.

## 21. POST SEASON:

No team, or individual student, may represent its school in any post-season games, meets, or tournaments.

## \* 22. PRACTICE SESSIONS:

**Athletes must meet all Standards of Eligibility to participate in practice.**

a. An organized practice in grades 7-12 is a session for the purpose of providing instruction and practice in physical conditioning activities, skills, team play, and game strategy designed expressly for that sport under the supervision of a qualified coach appointed by the Board of Education of the local school district. Such instruction and practice shall be held only during the season designated for that sport. Athletes who switch from one sport to another sport are permitted to count conditioning practices toward their new sport as follows (excluding bowling, golf, and rifle):

1. Sports with six (6) practices for the individual before the first contest/ scrimmage will be allowed to carryover three (3) days.

2. Sports with ten (10) practices for the individual before the first contest/ scrimmage will be allowed to carryover four (4) days.

**NOTE:** Athletes whose seasons are lengthened due to participation in NYSPHSAA Regional and Championship contests are allowed to count conditioning practices towards their new sports as follows: 1) Sports with six (6) practices for the individual before the first contest/ scrimmage will be allowed to carryover three (3) days; 2) Sports with ten (10) practices for the individual before the first contest/ scrimmage will be allowed to carryover four (4) days.

b. No student or team may be permitted to participate in school organized practice or play on seven consecutive days during the regular season. Specifically, during the regular season, physical and/or instructional activities related to the sport on seven consecutive days are prohibited.

NOTE: Any contests leading up to Sectional play is considered "regular season."

Only one practice session a day and only six days of a calendar week may be counted toward the total practice sessions required. A practice session conducted on the same day as a game cannot be counted to meet the minimum practice requirement to be eligible for that day's contest. All required practice sessions shall be organized and planned for a reasonable length of time and shall include vigorous activity specific to the sport for the purpose of improving the physical condition of the players. Warm-ups prior to a game/ contest are not considered "practice." Each of the required number of practices for an individual must include vigorous activity.

NOTE: Practice is considered an integral part of the interschool program in that sport. An individual must be eligible according to age and all other Eligibility Standards to participate in practices or competitions with the high school squad in that sport.

c. School sponsored activities conducted out of the sport season such as general conditioning, weight training, weight lifting, intramurals, recreation, open gyms, club activities and camps are permitted:

1. if such programs are not mandated by coaches or school personnel;
2. if such programs are available to all students.

d. Non-school sponsored activities are permitted if such programs are not mandated by coaches or school personnel. It is recommended that no school equipment be used for these programs as per State Comptroller Opinion 85-37.

e. Upon returning from military training, student-athletes shall be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics once they have completed the required number of practices. Eligibility for participation will also include meeting all eligibility requirements imposed by the Commissioner of Education and NYSPHSAA such as, but not limited to, health examination, age, grade, etc.

f. Schools that have made arrangements with another member school to share the use of a practice facility may do so without violating the Scrimmage Regulation if the athletes/teams do not scrimmage before the required number of practices has been completed.

g. Games and practice between students and adults (alumni or faculty) are not approved.

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### 23. PROFESSIONAL TRYOUTS:

No tryouts for, or practice, with a specific professional team and their affiliates, are approved except during the summer vacation. A student who participates in such a tryout is ineligible to represent the school in that sport - See Amateur Rule. A school may apply on behalf of the student to their section for reinstatement one year from the date of the latest violation.

### 24. PROXIES:

In addition to the individuals designed to act as proxies in Article III Section (1)(g) and Article V Section (1) of the NYSPHSAA Constitution a member who is not able to attend a Central or Executive Committee meeting may designate the Section Executive Director of that Section to act as a proxy.

### 25. RECRUITMENT AND UNDUE INFLUENCE:

Recruiting and Undue Influence is defined as the use of influence by any person connected directly or indirectly with a NYSPHSAA school to induce a student to transfer from one school to another, or

1/23/23, 9:48 AM

Gmail - Fwd: Suspension of Play until next day



James Amen <jimamen1@gmail.com>

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7 messages

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Thu, Jan 19, 2023 at 2:21 P

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Todd, Jim, Lets talk the NFHS rule book only has a brief section on Interrupted games...NFHS rules does not get into procedure beyond the situation from the point of interruption. Is there any State/ Section wording on this that would help Richard with his question. Walt m

**Section 5 Interruption of Game Rule 3-5 P. 29**

If a game is interrupted because of events beyond the control of the responsible authorities, it shall be continued from the point of interruption unless there are conference, league or state association rules to cover the situation. Both teams are permitted to make roster changes. By mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and approval of the referee, any period may be shortened or the game terminated

**SITUATION AND RULING RULE 3, SECTION 5 3.5 SITUATION:** Because of a situation beyond the control of the responsible authorities (weather, etc.), a game is interrupted. Prior to resuming play, the head coach of Team A requests that the remainder of the game be played with 10-min ute quarters. **RULING:** Provided both head coaches and the referee agree, this would be allowed due to the unusual circumstances.

-----Original Message-----

From: Richard Saulino <rsaulino@rhcsd.org>

To: waltmunze@aol.com <waltmunze@aol.com>

Sent: Thu, Jan 19, 2023 1:51 pm

Subject: Suspension of Play until next day

Walt,

Quick question: where in the rule book does it say what the procedure is for a game that is in progress and has to be postponed to another date (next day) I would like to site the rulebook, if I can, in our Section Handbook.

Thanks,

Rich

Regards,

R. Saulino

Social Studies Teacher

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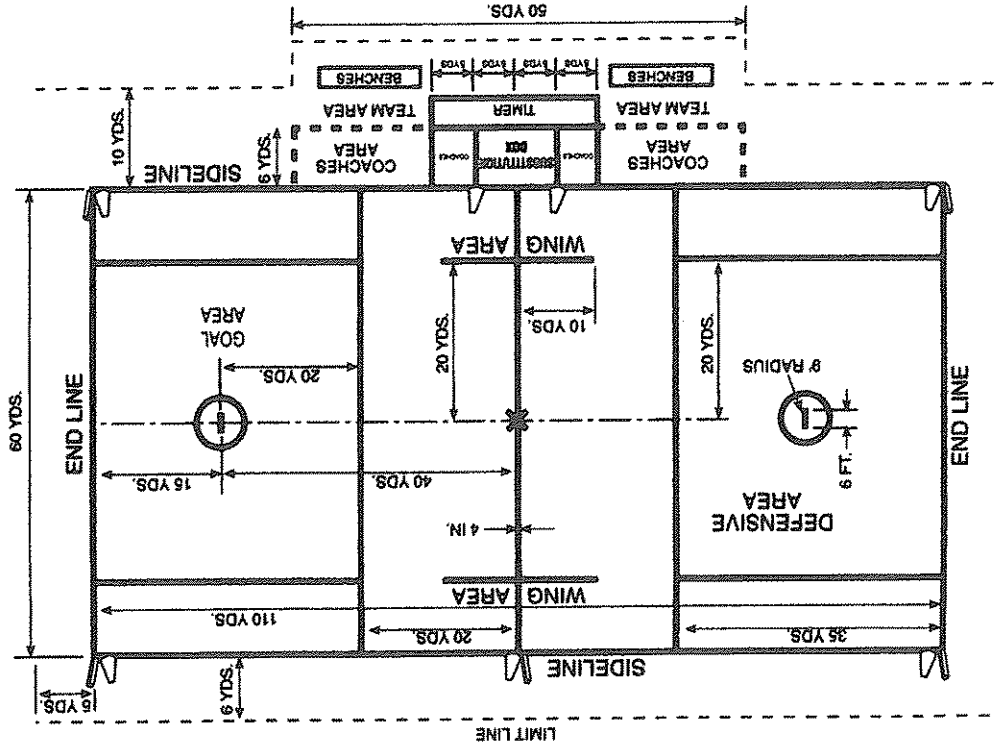
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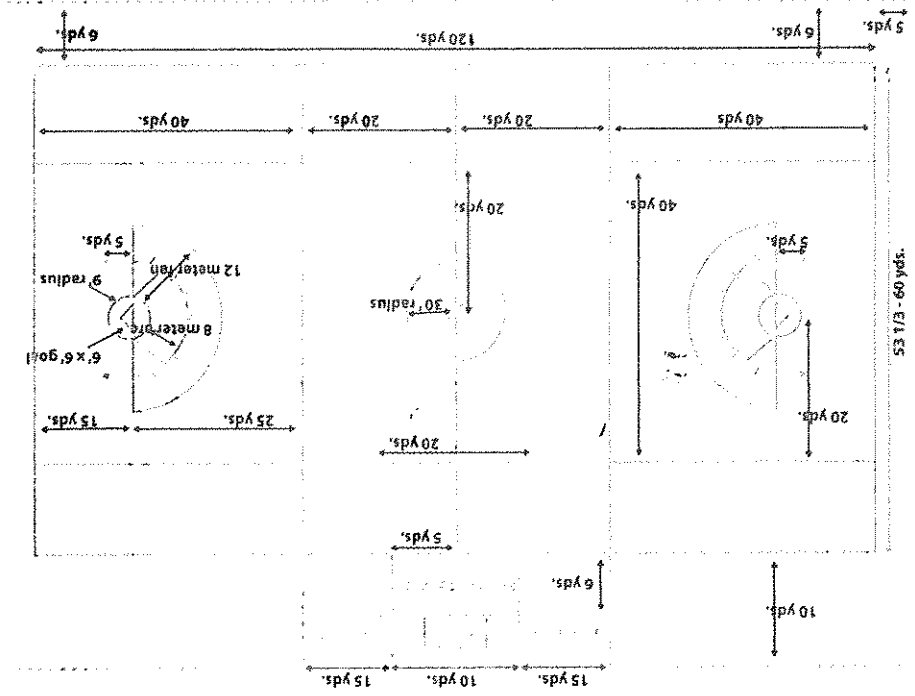
# Boys Lacrosse Field Diagram



2025



# Boys and Girls Unified Field Diagram (120 yards)

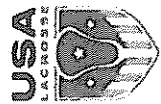


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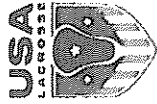
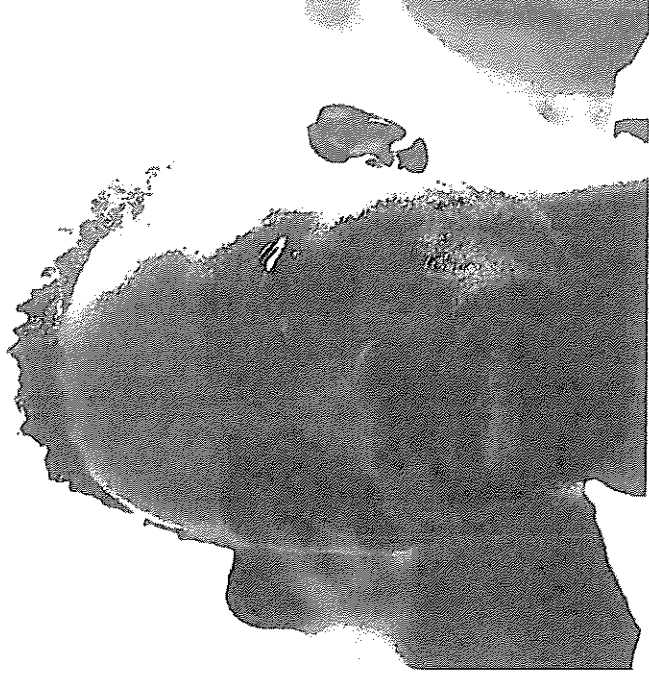


# 2025 POINTS OF EMPHASIS



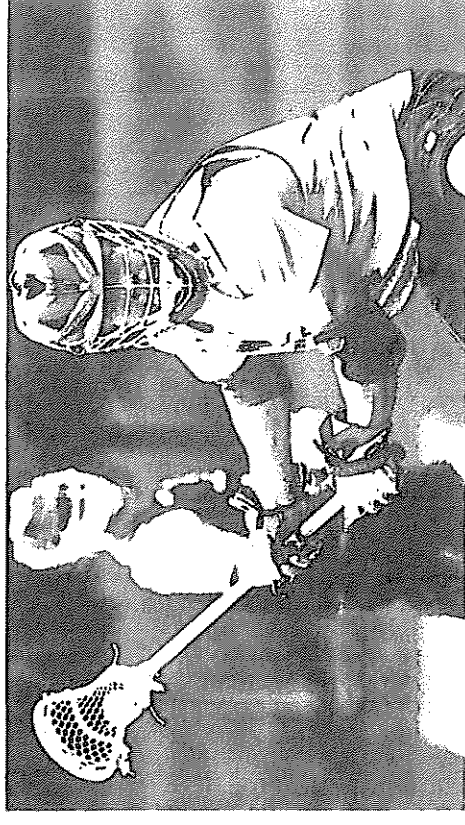
# EYE SHADE

- Eyeshade (grease or non-glare strips/stickers) must be a solid stroke with no words, numbers, logos, or symbols.
- Eyeshade extending beyond the eye socket or below the cheekbone is prohibited.
- Violation of the eyeshade rule (1-10-1h) results in a one-minute non-releasable personal foul for illegal equipment
- Officials should check for eyeshade violations and address potential issue before the game begins.



# PROPERLY WORN EQUIPMENT

- Chinstrap must be worn on the chin and securely attached at all helmet attachment points. Helmet should not be removable without detaching the chinstrap.
- Rule 5-6: Use of non-conforming equipment is prohibited and penalties for illegal equipment or improper wear are a non-releasable foul.
- New wording clarifies that chinstraps are intended to be worn securely on the chin, not under it.

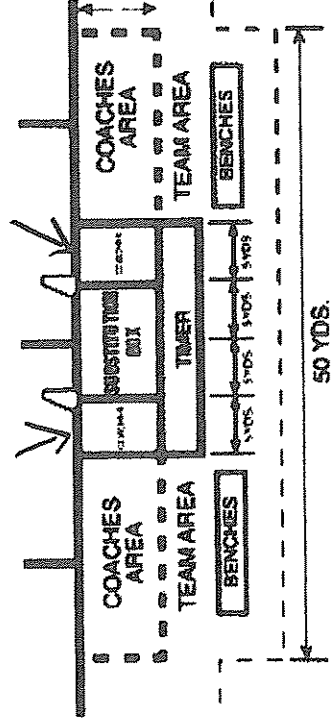


# SCRIMMAGE AREA

- The scrimmage area is the area that is roughly within five yards in all directions of the ball or part of active play. The player in possession of the ball is always in the scrimmage area.

# NEW FIELD DIAGRAM

- New field diagram clearly defines the Coaches Area and Team Area.
- Expanded Coaches Area provides:
  - Greater separation between teams.
  - Better sightlines for table staff.
  - Improved transitions from the substitution box.
- During live play, off-field players and substitutes must stay in the Team Area until substitution is imminent.
- Substituting players should stay in the substitution box, giving the exiting player the right of way.
- Coaches must stay on the sidelines during live play.



# UNINTENTIONAL vs. INTENTIONAL CHECKS INVOLVING HEAD/NECK

- Unintentional Contact to Head/Neck: Occurs if initial force is to the body but unintentionally slides to the head/neck and shall result in a 1- minute non-releasable penalty.
- Intentional Contact to Head/Neck: Players making body checks to the body and intentionally slide up into an opponent's head/neck receive a 2 - 3 minute non-releasable penalty.



# NFHS Rulebooks Corrections

- Page 36 - 4.5.3 SITUATION A: During normal play, A1 makes a pass to A2. While the ball is in flight, B1 commits (a) a technical foul or (b) a personal foul. RULING: In (a), the official calls out "play on" and the "play on" is over if the pass is completed. If the pass is not completed, award the ball to Team A. In (b), Flag down, slow whistle.

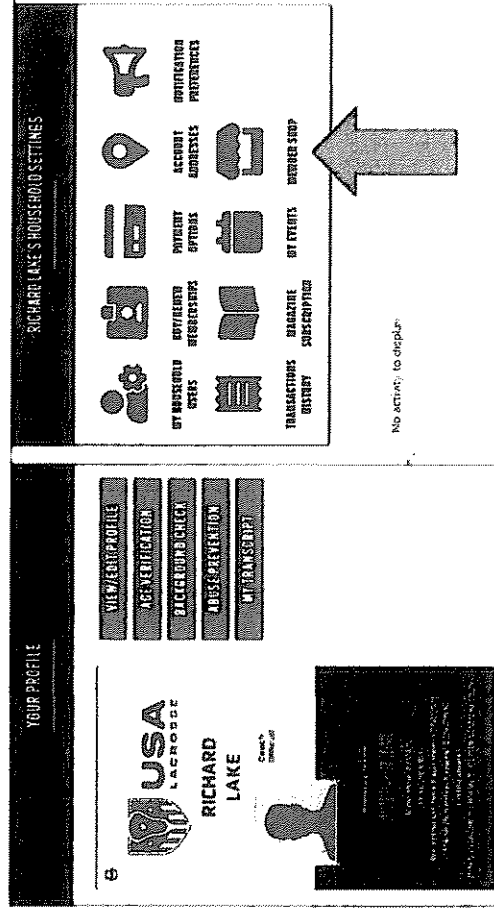
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## **Risk Minimization at Forefront of High School Boys Lacrosse Rules Changes**

By NFHS on June 26, 2024 [nfhs news](#)

Risk minimization – particularly as it relates to lost equipment during play, proper wearing of the helmet and appropriate instances for checking an opponent's crosse – was the focus of the rules changes forwarded by the NFHS Boys Lacrosse Rules Committee for the 2025 season.

These topic areas headlined the eight total rules changes recommended by the committee, which discussed and compiled its proposals at its annual rules meeting held June 4-6 at The Alexander hotel in Indianapolis. All eight changes were subsequently accepted by the NFHS Board of Directors.

"This year, the committee focused on equipment and making sure that student-athletes are protected when it comes to what they are wearing," said Dr. James Weaver, NFHS director of performing arts and sports and liaison to the Boys Lacrosse Rules Committee. "The committee has done an excellent job in reducing the risks for players, coaches and officials. The committee also continued its goal of simplifying the way lacrosse is officiated by simplifying certain rules and simplifying more complex rules."

Rule 4-24-7 was edited to mandate that officials stop play any time a player in the scrimmage area loses a piece of mandatory equipment, regardless of how the equipment is lost or whether other players are in the immediate vicinity. Previously, the rule stated that a player must lose the equipment "in a legal way" for a stoppage to occur and that no stoppage was required if the player was deemed far enough away from the action. Now, play may only continue if the player who lost the mandatory equipment did so outside the scrimmage area.

A small but impactful change was made to Rule 1-9-1a clarifying that the helmet must be worn with the chin strap "on" the chin rather than "under," as previously written, while being firmly attached at all the helmet's manufactured attachment points. Regarding player safety, the slight alteration to this rule should make for a more secure helmet fit.

The three instances where a player can use his crosse to check an opponent's crosse are now more clearly laid out in Rule 4-16. According to the new listing, a legal check of an opponent's

## Quick Guide for NYS Shot Clock 25

### Initiate a shot clock

1. Possession inside goal area
2. Possession after the 10-second count is satisfied

### Reset a shot clock to 60-seconds after offense regains possession

1. In the goal area following a defensive possession (if outside goal area 10-second count)
2. A valid shot hits goalkeeper or goal pipe
3. A live ball technical foul on defense
4. The resumption of play after administration for a defensive penalty
5. An inadvertent horn with offense in possession or entitled to possession

### Shot clock turns off

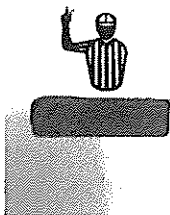
1. A valid shot
2. Defense gains possession
3. Goal
4. 60 seconds expires without a valid shot
5. A valid shot returns to defensive half of the field
6. End of period unless an extra-player situation

### Allow a shot clock to continue to run

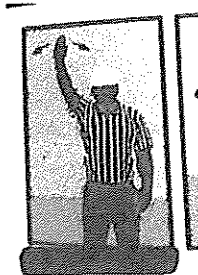
1. During a flag down foul on defense and possession has not changed
2. A ball that returns to defensive half of the field caused by the defense
3. During the 12 goal score differential in the 2nd half

### Shot clock will stop. Then restart with game clock from the point of stoppage

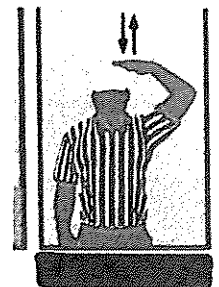
1. The ball or a shot goes out of bounds, no change of possession or violation
2. Team timeout
3. Officials timeout
4. Injury
5. Equipment issues
6. Inadvertent whistle or flag
7. Extra-player situations at end of period with offense in possession



Initiate, Start or Reset



Shot Clock Off



Shot Clock Violation

## BOYS LACROSSE SHOT CLOCK OPERATOR REFERENCE SHEET

The home coach shall provide two trained clock operators: one for the shot clock and one for the game clock.

A shot clock shall be located at each end of the field visible to players, coaches and game officials. If only one clock is available, it shall be located at the midfield opposite the table.

If the shot clock is not operated at field level, two-way communication should be available between the table and the clock operators.

### Procedure for Shot Clock Malfunctions or Not Available

- Should have a digital handheld timer with the ability to count down
- Or may refer to the game clock

Shot clock must be monitored by the table area shot clock operator and verbally communicated with *10 seconds remaining* to the officials and coaches.

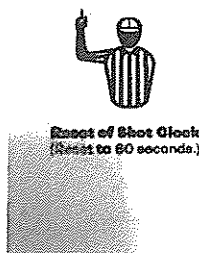
A horn should be sounded using the game clock or handheld at the expiration of the shot clock.

When referring to a game clock, it is recommended that the shot clock operator maintain written notation of when the shot clock will expire.

### SHOT CLOCK OPERATOR INSTRUCTIONS

START the shot clock when:

- Possession inside goal area
- Possession after the 10-second count is satisfied
- Shot clock restarts with resumption of play



NOTE #1: The officials shall signal with a reset signal for starting the shot clock. Paying close attention to the official's signals is paramount. The official's signal for the shot clock reset will be one hand raised in a twirling motion.

NOTE #2: Do not rush to reset the shot clock if a player does not have clear possession or if the officials have not signaled for a reset of the shot clock.

### SHOT CLOCK RUNS

- During flag-down situations and possession has NOT changed
- During the 12 goal score differential the 2nd half

### RESET the shot clock

- When officials' signal for a reset of the shot clock.
- After inadvertent horn and offense retains possession
- After administration of time serve penalty against defense

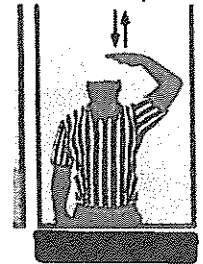
### STOP and HOLD the shot clock, then restart with game clock from the point of stoppage

- A ball goes out of bounds and offense retains possession
- time-out
- injury
- equipment time-out
- Inadvertent flag or whistle
- Extra-player situations at end of period with offense in possession

### EXPIRATION of the shot clock.

- At the expiration of the shot clock, the operator must sound the horn.

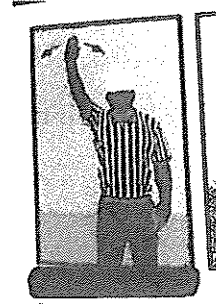
The official shall tap the top of his head to indicate the shot clock has expired resulting in a turnover



### TURN OFF the shot clock if:

1. A valid shot hits goalkeeper or goal pipe
2. Defense gains possession
3. Goal
4. 60 seconds expires without a valid shot
5. A valid shot returns to defensive half of the field
6. End of period unless an extra-player situation

The official shall raise an arm above his head and wave side to side (similar to fair catch signal) to turn a shot clock off.



### NYS 2025 Shot Clock Situations and Rulings

A 60-second shot clock will be started when the ball has been advanced into the goal area with possession or after Team A gains possession and the 10-second count has been satisfied.

If the shot clock expires without a valid shot, the ball is awarded to the defensive team.

Rule 4.14. Advancing the ball into the goal area within 10 seconds will include:

- a. After crossing the center with possession.
- b. After initially gaining possession in the offensive half of the field.
- c. After regaining possession in the offensive half of the field following a defensive possession
- d. When the ball touches anything within the goal area or a player with possession touches the line or is inside the goal area.

Note: The over and back rule will apply if the 10 second count is satisfied or possession gained in the goal area.

#### Shot Clock Resets will occur:

1. After regaining possession in the goal area offensive following a defensive possession.
2. After a valid shot is taken that hits the goalkeeper or goal pipe and possession is regained by the offense.
3. After a loose ball play-on situation the offensive team regains possession. The shot clock stops. Reset when possession is gained and official signals (twirls)
4. After adjudication of a defensive foul. Reset (New 60-seconds)

Note: Officials will signal the shot clock to start or reset with one hand raised in a twirling motion. Shot Clock is off, until Team A player has clear possession.



## Shot Clock Procedures and Situations

### A Valid Shot:

Is an attempt to score that is taken above the goal line extended (GLE) that makes contact with the goalkeeper, his equipment, hits the goal pipe or scores a goal.

During a shot clock Team A shoots and the ball hits the goal pipe or the goalkeeper, The shot clock stops. A reset will occur when Team A regains possession.

Note: The official shall raise an arm to stop the shot clock with a wave off. If offense regains possession, the official twirls for a reset.

### Shot Clock Technical Foul:

During a shot clock a loose ball technical foul occurs by defense, the shot clock stops. If the offended player gains possession or the whistle is blown and the ball is awarded to the team that was fouled, the shot clock will reset.

### Flag Down During Shot Clock:

During a shot clock, a flag-down foul committed by defense. The shot clock continues. After adjudication of the penalty, the shot clock will be reset when play resumes.

### A Shot That Returns to Defensive Half of Field:

During a shot clock, a valid shot hits the goalkeeper or the goal pipe, and the ball returns to the defensive half of the field. **The shot clock turns off.**

If Team A gains possession they have 20-seconds to advance the ball beyond midline and then 10 seconds to advance into goal area

If Team B gains possession they have 10-seconds advance the ball

### Over & Back:

**During a shot clock** If the offense causes the ball to cross back over the centerline. An over and back violation has occurred.

If a loose ball that leaves the offensive half of the field caused by the defense, the shot clock will continue to run.

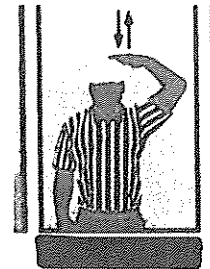
If team A gains possession, they may use the entire field of play for the remaining time on the shot clock. Once the ball returns to offensive half, then over & back is in force. (No Reset)

**Shot clock is off** and the 10 second count has been satisfied. If the offense causes the ball to cross back over the centerline. An over and back violation has occurred.

### Shot Clock Violation:

The shot clock expires while the offensive team has possession or was the last team to have possession during a loose ball. Defensive team shall be awarded the ball nearest the spot of violation.

**Note:** The official shall tap the top of his head to indicate the shot clock has expired resulting in a turnover.



### Shot Clock Situations

#### Goal Counted or Not Counted:

A Goal shall be disallowed when the ball is released after the period has ended or the shot clock has expired.

If the ball was released prior to the shot clock expiring, the Goal shall be allowed.

Shot Clock Stops and will restart at the point of the stoppage when:

- Game Clock Stops
- Team or Officials Timeout or Injuries
- Equipment Situations
- Inadvertent flag and/or inadvertent whistle

NOTE: During the 12-goal score differential the 2nd half the shot clock will run and be stopped during time outs or injuries.

Shot Clock Operator Error:

When the shot clock does not start within 5-seconds of the official's signal to start play or reset the shot clock, the official's should stop play and adjust the shot clock.

NOTE: In the event of an imminent scoring opportunity, officials shall allow the play to continue.

Period Ends During a Shot Clock

If the period ends during the shot clock and either team has an extra player situation in progress, the team in possession of the ball shall start with the ball to begin the next period.

- The shot clock will restart at the point of the stoppage.
- A defensive penalty at the end of a period will reset shot clock
- The shot clock may be turned off or reset if additional penalties or violations occur between periods or possession changes
- Shot clock is turned off if a face-off is pending.



### Procedure for Shot Clock Malfunctions or Not Available

- Have a digital handheld timer with the ability to count down
- Refer to the game clock.

It must be monitored by the table area shot clock operator and verbally communicated with 10 seconds remaining to the officials and coaches.

A horn should be sounded either by the actual clock or table timer at the expiration of the shot clock.

When referring to a game clock, it is recommended that the shot clock operator maintain written notation of when the shot clock will expire.

### Shot Clock Operators

- The home coach shall provide two trained clock operators: one for the shot clock and one for the game clock.
- A shot clock shall be located at each end of the field visible to players, coaches and game officials. If only one clock is available, it shall be located at the midfield opposite the table.
- If the shot clock is not operated at field level, two-way communication should be available between the table and the clock operators.

Note: A separate shot clock procedure document is available

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qmiKpxnRAhvq2nCHeDsjouxXRjIdOUc3k5pyLsVCDHg/edit?usp=sharing>

### Other Rules Affected

Rule 3, Section 2 Art 2 and Section 3 Situation 3.3

Rule 4, Section 14, Article 3

Rule 6, Section 10, Articles 1,2,3

## POINTS OF EMPHASIS for Athletics Administrators

1. Just like in Basketball- Must have 2 people-one for scoreboard & one for shot clock.
2. If the Shot Clock Operator is in PressBox there must be two way communication to the scorers table at midfield. [Walkie Talkies]
2. Must have by NFHS rule a Scorers Table, handheld timing device, horn and scorebook or penalty to Home team will be assessed. (technical foul) No Face-Off @ start of game.
3. If you do not have a Shot Clock you must communicate in advance to the opposing school to inform them of this, so it is not a surprise when they show up for the contest.
4. All games Varsity & Junior Varsity contests **MUST** be played with Shot Clock protocols.
5. Coaches cannot suggest to officials that they **DON'T** want to play with Shot Clock.
6. If for some reason the shot clock is not working...use the handheld timing device, stop watch, cell phone to maintain Shot Clock protocols. Game must go.



# 2025 Boys Lacrosse Shot Clock Operators Guide





For Varsity & Jr. Varsity Boys' Lacrosse contests, a 60-second shot clock will be implemented for the 2025 season.

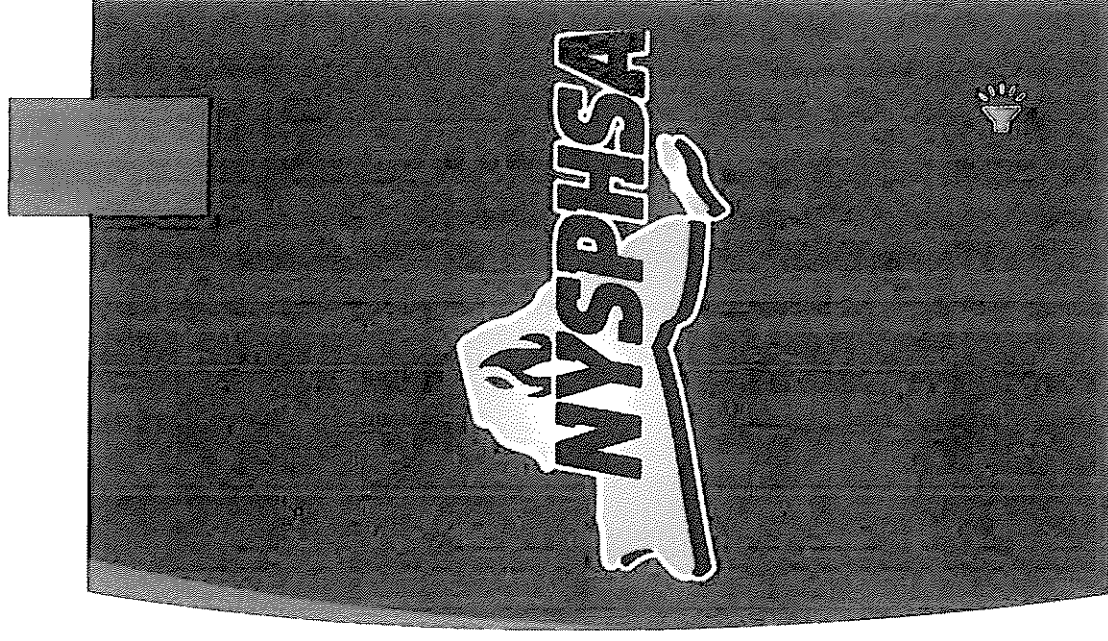
# Shot Clock Operators

The shot clock operator is responsible for accurately keeping track of the shot clock, starting and stopping it based on the referee's whistle and/or signals. They must communicate with officials, sound a horn if the shot clock has expired and execute proper shot clock resets.

The home coach shall provide two trained clock operators: one for the shot clock and one for the game clock.

A shot clock shall be located at each end of the field visible to players, coaches and game officials. If only one clock is available, it shall be located at the midfield opposite the table.

If the shot clock is not operated at field level, two-way communication should be available between the table and the clock operators.



# Procedure for Shot Clock Malfunctions or None Available

- Shall have a digital timer with the ability to count down
- Or refer to the game clock

It must be monitored by the table area shot clock operator and verbally communicated with 10 seconds remaining to the officials and coaches.

A horn should be sounded either by the actual clock or table timer at the expiration of the shot clock.

When referring to a game clock, it is recommended that the shot clock operator maintain written notation of when the shot clock will expire.





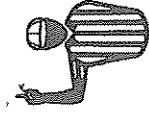
# Starting Shot Clock

**START** the shot clock when any official has signaled:

- Possession inside goal area

- Possession after the 10-second count is satisfied

- Shot clock restarts with resumption of play



**Reset of Shot Clock**  
(Reset to 60 seconds.)

The official's signal for the shot clock to start or reset will be one hand raised in a twirling motion. Pay close attention to the official's signals.

Do not rush to reset the shot clock if a player does not have clear possession or if the officials have not signaled for a reset.



# SHOT CLOCK RUNS

During a flag-down situations and possession has NOT changed

During the 12-goal score differential the 2nd half





# Shot Clock Resets

When officials' signal for a reset of the shot clock

After inadvertent horn and offense retains possession

After administration of time serve penalty against defense



# STOP and HOLD Shot Clock

When play resumes, shot clock will restart with game clock from the point of stoppage if:

A ball goes out of bounds and offensive team has possession

A time-out is granted

An injury occurs

An equipment time-out is required

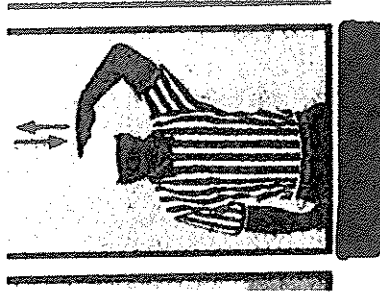
An Inadvertent flag or whistle has happened

An Extra-player situations at end of period with offense in possession



# Shot Clock Expiration

At the expiration of the shot clock, the operator must sound the horn.



The official shall tap the top of his head to indicate the shot clock has expired resulting in a turnover



# Turn Shot Clock Off

✓ valid shot hits goalkeeper or goal pipe

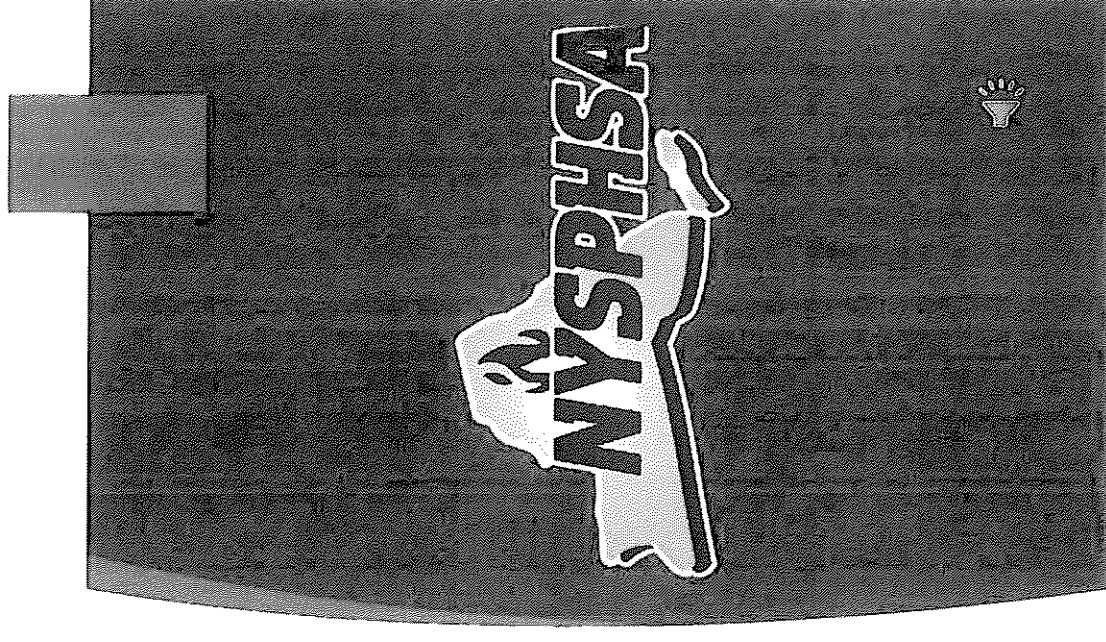
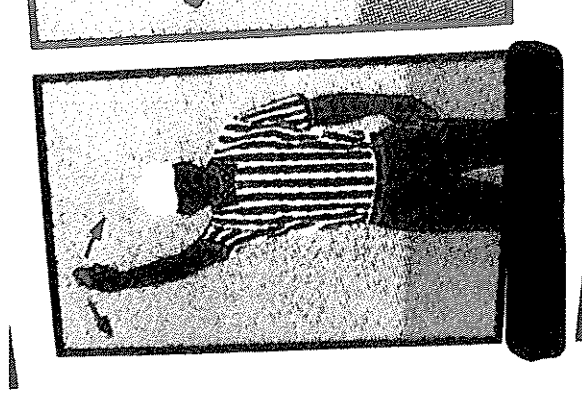
✓ defense gains possession

✓ goal is scored

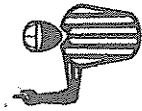
✓ 30 seconds expires without a valid shot

✓ valid shot returns to defensive half of the field

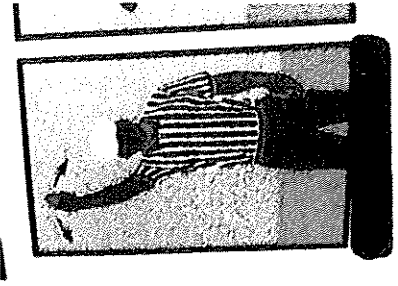
✓ end of period unless an extra-player situation



# Officials' Signals



Reset of Shot Clock  
(Reset to 60 seconds.)



Start or Reset Shot Clock



Shot Clock Violation





# Documents and Notes

A separate shot clock procedure document is available

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qmiKpxnRAhvg2nCHeDsjoUxXRjidOUc3k5pyLsVCdHg/edit?usp=sharing>

Do not reset or turn shot clock at the end of a quarter if there are penalties that will carry over to the next period.

When no visible shot clock is available, use the game clock noting the time the shot clock will expire and announce it to the benches.  
Example: With 10:25 on the game clock, Verbalize, "Shot clock expiration is at 9:25"

At least one official will signal for resets, violations or shot clock off.





Have a great season!



## 2025 BOYS LACROSSE MODIFIED RULES

Follow NFHS 2025 Rules including the *2025 Rule Changes* WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS

### Game Rules:

1. The length of quarters, including a fifth quarter, shall be 10 minutes.
2. In the event of a tie, there shall be one 4-minute sudden victory overtime.
3. There shall be no such thing as a "brush" in the modified program. Contact between the crosse and helmet is a personal foul.
4. In a five-period lacrosse game, the "mercy rule" shall be in effect at the end of the third period. Subject to local modifications.
5. Substitutes are permitted whenever the ball goes out of bounds. (Horn allowed) Or may take place during live play according to Rule 4-21 Art. 1
6. When a goalie gets a penalty, the in-home player may serve the penalty if a second goalkeeper is unavailable.
7. A goal will be disallowed after the horn sounds to indicate the end of the period.
8. For all restarts, ALL players shall be 5 yards or more away from the players in possession of the ball. No running restart.
9. Jersey, Shorts, Under-jerseys, Compression Wear & Sweatpants shall be the same dominant color for all teammates but are not restricted by number size/location/inserts or trim specifications or measurements or manufacturer logos.
10. When there is an existing flag down foul by a team and they commit a second foul under the slow whistle, the officials shall stop play immediately and assess both penalties.

### Removed from the Modified Exceptions (2024)

A one-arm swing with a crosse, whether contact is made or not, shall be considered a personal foul--slashing. This includes the "over-the-head" check.





## Nassau County High School Athletic Association Section VIII Officiating Report Form

This report is to be completed and submitted by coaches and/or athletic directors within 48 hours of the game/contest.

Sport: \_\_\_\_\_ Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Home School: \_\_\_\_\_ Away School: \_\_\_\_\_

Official's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Description of Officials Performance

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### Any Specific Examples of Officiating Mechanics (Attach/Send if Needed)

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Person Completing Form: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete form and email to Patrick Pizzarelli at [ppizzarelli@nasboces.org](mailto:ppizzarelli@nasboces.org)

## Request for Medical Waiver of NYSPHSAA – Regulation #25

To be eligible for sectional, intersectional or state competition, a team must have competed in six (6) school scheduled contests during the season. To be eligible for sectional, intersectional or state competition, a team must have competed in six (6) school-scheduled contests which occurred on six different dates during the season. An individual is eligible for the team if he/she has been an eligible participant on a team in that sport in that school for a minimum of six (6) scheduled contests during the regular season. For football, a student must be an eligible participant for a minimum of three (3) contests. Contestants in individual sports (archery, badminton, bowling, cross country, fencing, golf, gymnastics, rifle, skiing, swimming tennis, outdoor track, winter track and wrestling) must also have represented their school in six (6) scheduled contests during the season to be eligible. These required contests must occur on six different dates and must be concluded prior to the conclusion of the team's regular schedule.

School \_\_\_\_\_ Sport \_\_\_\_\_  
Athlete \_\_\_\_\_ Date Request Submitted \_\_\_\_\_  
Nature of Injury/Illness \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Injury/Onset of Illness \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Medical Clearance \_\_\_\_\_

Record of Participation in Competitions (Exclusive of Section Tournaments):

\*For Wrestling Only

	DATE	OPPONENT	* Weigh-in validated by Athletic Director
1.	_____	_____	* _____
2.	_____	_____	* _____
3.	_____	_____	* _____
4.	_____	_____	* _____
5.	_____	_____	* _____

### Note:

All pertinent medical documentation must accompany this request before it will be considered. Such material **MUST VERIFY** the date of onset of the illness/injury and date physical activity may resume. **NOTES FROM PHYSICAL THERAPISTS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.**

Medical Documents Attached:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Request and documentation must be received by the sport coordinator and the Section VIII Office prior to the last league contest.**

*Approved by the Athletic Council - 2005*

**NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION/SECTION VIII  
PROCEDURES FOR PROTESTS OF ATHLETIC EVENTS**

Approved June 2017

1. The protesting coach will inform the referee and the opposing coach at that point in the game immediately following the situation protested.
2. The time, score and situation will be identified in the scorebook (if applicable) or recorded by an official or both coaches as soon as the protest is announced to the officials and opposing coach.
3. A subsequent protest in the same game will be required to be announced and recorded, using the same procedures described above for each specific point of protest.
4. The protesting coach is required to notify the sport coordinator within 24 hours of the contest.
5. The athletic director of the protesting school is required to file a written protest giving specific details of the situation, time, and score to the Office of the Executive Director within 24 hours of the contest. The report must be accompanied by \$75.00 check payable to the Section VIII Athletic Council. The protest will require the signatures of the coach, athletic director, and principal of the school. Copies of the protest must be sent to the sport coordinator, the protest chairperson, and the opposing coach within 24 hours of the contest by the protesting school.
6. The Section VIII sport coordinator will notify the Executive Director of Section VIII who in turn will notify the game officials involved and direct that a written statement from the game officials be filed with the sport coordinator within 24 hours.
7. The sport coordinator will arrange for a meeting as soon as possible. The following should be included or be represented:
  - a. The protesting coach
  - b. The opposing coach
  - c. A rules interpreter
  - d. Sport Coordinator of that sport
  - e. Office of the Executive Director
8. Attendance of the game officials involved in the protested contest will be mandatory unless extenuating circumstances preclude their attendance.

Protest Committee Options:

- a. To deny the protest
  - b. To uphold the protest and direct that the game be replayed from the point of protest.
  - c. To uphold and protest and direct that the game be replayed in its entirety.
  - d. To deny the protest and recommend some further action by the High School Association.
  - e. To uphold the protest and recommend some further action to the High School Association.
9. An appeal of the decision of the Protest Committee may be made. This request must be filed within 72 hours of notification of this decision to the Section VIII Appeals Committee upon submission of a \$75.00 fee (a second \$75.00 fee if original protestor).
10. In the case of a protest or an appeal that is upheld, the fee will be returned.

## SECTION VIII OUT OF SPORTS SEASON ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

In order to protect all eligible student-athletes from exploitation and coercion, the following principles should be adhered to:

- We, all member districts, do not limit individual students' opportunities to participate in other sports and athletic experiences.
- We do not exert pressure on student athletes to participate in an athletic activity outside of any sport season (as defined by the Section).
- We support and preserve the integrity of each interscholastic sports program by enforcing these principles.
- We insure that the spirit and intent of this policy be understood and adhered to by all members of the Section.

To that end, the following guidelines will be in force replacing the former "Camp and Recreation Rule":

- Section VIII members will conduct programs which are recreational in nature as defined by this regulation. Intramurals, strength and conditioning programs, and recreation programs which are **open to all students** are permitted.
- During any approved activity **individual sport skills** may be taught to students.
- The same opportunity for instruction and personal improvement must be available to all students participating in the activity.
- **Team strategy and roster specific workouts limited to members of an athletic team are prohibited.**
- Recreational activities must be open and publicized to all eligible bona fide students.
- During the summer, Section VIII members may conduct leagues, camps, clinics, and similar activities at their facilities.
- Members shall observe the starting and ending dates of each sports season as set by the Section annually.

It is also the spirit of this rule that we encourage, enable, and permit athletes to participate in more than one sport during the course of the year. Students should not be coerced to participate in other activities organized during a specified sports season to maintain good standing in an out of season sport. It is the responsibility of the local athletic administrator to regulate, monitor, and require compliance with the tenets of this rule for it to be effectively observed.

All who are concerned with the proper conduct and with the intent and spirit of any interscholastic sport are obligated to report any violation or perceived violation to the Ethics Committee through the Executive Director's office. All violations will be adjudicated by the Ethics Committee which could result in forfeiture of eligibility and/or sanctions of the students, teams, coaches, or schools involved.

It is recommended that this policy and standard be made available to all students, parents, coaches and other school personnel concerned with the conduct of our interscholastic programs.

Approved June 9, 2004  
Athletic Council

### **HEAT ALERT POLICY FOR SECTION VIII**

Each school district is responsible for monitoring the T.H.I. (Temperature Humidity Index) and establishing their own guidelines for practices.

All required practice sessions shall be organized and planned for a reasonable length of time and shall include vigorous activity specific to the sport for the purpose of improving the physical condition of the players. Each of the required number of practices for an individual must include vigorous activity; however, practice sessions required for the team beyond those needed by the individual may be used solely for meetings, film review and similar activities.

### **THUNDER AND LIGHTNING POLICY**

If thunder or lightning is observed, all outdoor activities will be suspended immediately. Shelter should be sought in appropriate locations. Resumption or results of contest(s) should be governed by the rules of the particular sport. Before resuming contest, officials should wait a minimum of thirty (30) minutes after the last observable lightning strike or thunder heard.

Decision by the State Executive Committee 10/25/04

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### **\* SECTION VIII VIDEOTAPING POLICY**

The Section recognizes the value of videotaping opponents as athletics teaching tool, but it also recognizes that certain general conditions to regulate videotaping should be observed section wide to protect student athletes and athletic departments.

Videotaping at Section VIII approved and sanctioned athletics contests is permissible. This does not include practices or scrimmages unless approved by the participating teams.

All videotaping will be used for instructional purposes to include scouting. The individual's right to privacy requires that the anonymity of the student athlete's images displayed in the product of the videotaping be maintained and protected unless expressed in written consent to share his/her identity is provided.

Videotaping of any contest may not be used in a commercial enterprise. Specific limitations, regulations, and/or requirements regarding videotaping should be referenced and included in all sport specific handbooks.

### **\* \* POLICY ON WAGERING**

It is against Section VIII practice or policy and the policy of the individual school district where such an event is taking place to permit gambling, wagering, or betting on all Section VIII athletic events at any time.

**NASSAU COUNTY PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION – SECTION VIII  
COMMUNICATION PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULE CHANGE POLICY**

1. Schedules

- An opportunity to make changes and additions is provided to schools after schedules are devised. These changes and additions are accommodated on the Section Website. Schedules **MUST** be checked. **It is important all changes be made prior to the established deadline.**
- Schedule changes:
  - 1) All date changes must be **mutually agreed upon.**
  - 2) Host schools must notify visiting schools of changes in times, sites, prior to entry on Website.
  - 3) The Section accepts changes only from HOST SCHOOLS.
- From the time assigning is begun to the time finalized schedules are released to schools, additions and changes **WILL NOT** be accepted.
- Finalized schedules (indicating official assignments) must be thoroughly checked by each school to confirm all requested changes and additions.

2. Changes

Changes in schedules made after officials have been assigned create problems.

**Please Note:**

- a) The Section VIII Office must be notified immediately by the home school of all changes, postponements, cancellations, etc. **(including reason for change).**
- b) THE HOME SCHOOL MUST INFORM OFFICIALS OF THE CHANGE AND ADVISE THEM TO CONTACT SECTION VIII FOR REASSIGNMENT, IF THEY ARE UNAVAILABLE TO MOVE WITH THE CHANGE.
- c) Schools dropping teams are responsible for notifying all opponents and all officials immediately and before that team's data is deleted from the Website.
- d) Due to numerous changes (turnbacks, injuries, etc.), official assignments should be checked by the host school on a daily basis. **DO NOT RELY** on the original assignments to remain unchanged!

3. Weather Problems or Emergencies

In the case of a postponement due to **rain, snow, or emergency**, the home school notifies the assigned officials and advises them to contact Section VIII for reassignment. **(Rescheduled contests must be on the next available date.)**

## **NYSPHSAA WIND CHILL PROCEDURES**

### Administration of Wind Chill Procedures:

- Feels Like Temperature (Wind Chill) will be checked 1 hour before the contest/ practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 39 degrees (Fahrenheit) or lower.
- Download WeatherBug app to your phone or log into [www.weatherbug.com](http://www.weatherbug.com).
- Enter the zip code or city and state in the location section of the app or on-line
- If the Feels Like temperature (wind chill) is 10 degrees or below, the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the Feels Like temperature (wind chill) at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the Feels Like temperature (wind chill) is -11 degrees (Fahrenheit) or lower, the contest will be suspended.

Please refer to the following chart to take the appropriate actions:

	Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) above 40 degrees	Full activity, no restrictions
<b>R E C O M M E N D E D</b>	Wind Chill Caution: Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) 39 degrees to 20 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notified coaches of the threat of cold related illnesses. Have students and coaches dress in layers of clothing.
	Wind Chill Watch: Hourly Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) 19 degrees to 10 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notify coaches of the threat of cold related illnesses. Have students and coaches dress in layers of clothing. Cover the head and neck to prevent heat loss.
	Wind Chill Warning: Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) 9 degrees to -10 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notify coaches of the threat of cold related illnesses. Have students and coaches dress in layers of clothing. Cover the head and neck to prevent heat loss. Consider postponing practice to a time when the Hourly Real Feel temp is much higher. Consider reducing the amount of time for an outdoor practice session.
<b>REQUIRED</b>	Wind Chill Alert: Feels Like Temperature (wind chill) -11 degrees or lower	No outside activity, practice, or contest, should be held.

Special Note: Alpine Skiing will be exempt from this policy and will follow the regulations of the host ski center where the practice or event is being held.





## HEAT INDEX PROCEDURES

### Administration of Heat Index Procedures:

- Feels Like Temperature (Heat index) or THI using a Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Indicator (see chart below) on the field will be checked 1 hour before the contest/practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 80 degrees (Fahrenheit) or higher.
- Download WeatherBug app to your phone or log into [www.weatherbug.com](http://www.weatherbug.com). Schools may also use a Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Indicator (see chart below) on the field that will be used.
- Enter zip code or city and state in the location section of the app or on-line or determine the THI by using a Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Indicator.
- If the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Indicator is in the recommended range (yellow – WeatherBug or green, yellow, orange, red – WBGT), the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the Feels Like temperature (heat index) or Wet Bulb Temperature Indicator is in the required range (red – WeatherBug or black – WBGT), the contest will be suspended.

Please refer to the following chart when using Weather Bug app, to take the appropriate actions:

	Feels Like Temp(Heat Index) under 79 degrees	Full activity. No restrictions
R E C O M M E N D E D	Heat Index Caution: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) 80 degrees to 85 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session.
	Heat Index Watch: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) 86 degrees to 90 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when Feels Like temp is lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time).
	Heat Index Warning: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) 91 degrees to 95 degrees	Provide ample water and water breaks every 15 minutes. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when Feels Like temp is much lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time). Light weight and loose fitting clothes should be worn. For Practices only Football Helmets should be worn. No other protective equipment should be worn.
	Heat Index Alert: Feels Like Temp (Heat Index) 96 degrees or greater	No outside activity, practice or contest, should be held. Inside activity should only be held if air conditioned.

Please refer to the following chart when using Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Indicator, to take the appropriate actions:

Cat 3	Cat 2	Cat 1	Activity Guidelines
< 82.0°F < 27.8°C	< 79.7°F < 26.5°C	< 76.1°F < 24.5°C	Normal Activities – Provide at least three separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 3 min each during the workout.
82.2 - 86.9°F 27.9-30.5°C	79.9 - 84.6°F 26.6-29.2°C	76.3 - 81.0°F 24.6-27.2°C	Use discretion for intense or prolonged exercise; Provide at least three separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 4 min each.
87.1 - 90.0°F 30.6-32.2°C	84.7 - 87.6°F 29.3-30.9°C	81.1 - 84.0°F 27.3-28.9°C	Maximum practice time is 2 h. <u>For Football:</u> players are restricted to helmet, shoulder pads, and shorts during practice. If the WBGT rises to this level during practice, players may continue to work out wearing football pants without changing to shorts. <u>For All Sports:</u> Provide at least four separate rest breaks each hour with a minimum duration of 4 min each.
90.1 - 91.9°F 32.3-33.8°C	87.7 - 89.6°F 31.0-32.6°C	84.1 - 86.0°F 29.0-30.0°C	Maximum practice time is 1 h. <u>For Football:</u> No padded equipment may be worn during practice and there may be no conditioning activities. <u>For All Sports:</u> Rests must be 20 min and occur at least once throughout the hour of practice.
≥ 92.1°F ≥ 33.4°C	≥ 89.8°F ≥ 32.1°C	≥ 86.2°F ≥ 30.1°C	No outdoor workouts. Delay practice until a cooler WBGT is reached.



Fig. 2. Heat safety regions.

Use this link to determine the category of your location.  
 Link: <http://www.castlewilliams.com/wbgt-regions.html>

## TRANSFER REGULATION

a. A student in grades 9-12 who transfers, with a corresponding change in residence of his/her parents (or other persons with whom the student has resided for at least six months) shall become eligible after starting regular attendance in the second school. A residence change must involve a move from one school district to another. Furthermore, when a student moves from public school district to another public school district for athletic eligibility the student must enroll in the public school district or in a private school within that district's boundaries of his/her parent's residency. For athletic eligibility, a residency is changed when one is abandoned by the immediate family and another residency is established through action and intent. Residency requires one's physical presence as an inhabitant and the intent to remain indefinitely. The Superintendent, or designee, will determine if the student has met district residency requirements.

b. A student who transfers without a corresponding change in residence of his/her parents (or other persons with whom the student has resided for at least six months prior) is ineligible to participate in any interscholastic athletic contest in a particular sport for a period of one (1) year if as a 9-12 student participated in that sport during the one (1) year period immediately preceding his/her transfer. Students who transfer from any school to the public school district of the residence of his/her parents (or other persons whom the student has resided for at least six months) or a private school within that district's boundaries shall receive a waiver from the Transfer Rule. Such a transfer without penalty will only be permitted once in a high school career. ***Schools must submit the required transfer form to the Section office. Athletes are not permitted to practice before the form has been submitted. Athletes are not permitted to compete without approval.*** NOTE: A student in a foreign exchange program listed by CSIET has a one-year waiver of the Transfer Rule. If such a student elects to stay a second year he/she becomes a foreign student at the start of the school year with item (b) in effect.

**Exemptions to (b):** For athletic eligibility a student must enroll in the public school district or in a nonpublic school within that district's boundaries of his/her parent's residency.

**Note:** Multiple High School Districts - The policies/boundaries of the school district will be followed. If the district has an open enrollment policy, the interpretation to be used will be the same as used for students of K-8 school districts. When a student enrolls in 9th grade, that is the district (building) of their residence. Any subsequent transfer would be subject to the Transfer Rule.

1. The student reaches the age of majority and established residency in a district and can substantiate that they are independent and self-supporting.

2. If a private or parochial school ceases to operate a student may transfer to another private or parochial school of his/her choice. Otherwise, a student must enroll in the public school district of his/her parents' residency.

3. A student who is a ward of the court or state and is placed in a district by court order. Guardianship does not fulfill this requirement.

4. A student from divorced or "legally" separated parents who moves into a new school district with one of the aforementioned parents. Such a transfer is allowed once every six months. The legal separation agreement must address custody, child support, spouses support and distribution of assets and be filed with the County Clerk or issued by a Judge.

5. A student who is declared homeless by the superintendent pursuant to Commissioner's Regulation 100.2.

6. A student of a military employee who is transferred to an active military base may enroll in the non-public school closest to their residence and maintain eligibility if the student enrolls in a non-public school immediately following the change in residence.

**NOTE: It is provided, however, that each school shall have the opportunity to petition the section involved to approve transfer without penalty based on an undue hardship for the student. Educational Waivers will not be considered as an undue hardship effective for the 2015-2016 school year.**

c. Transfer students trying out for sports before school opens in the fall shall register and be accepted by the principal of that school before the medical examination and the first practice. This shall constitute the start of the regular attendance for falls sports.

**NOTE:** After approval by the school medical officer a student may practice immediately and must satisfy the specific sports standard according to the number of practice sessions.

d. Practices at the previous school may be counted toward the minimum number of practices required provided the principal or athletic director of the previous school submits, in writing, the number and dates of such practices to the principal or athletic director of the new school.

#### **Transfer Appeal Guidelines:**

**Financial** – Appeals require documented proof of a significant loss of income or a significant increase in expenses.

- Written description outlining the circumstances that led to the financial hardship
- Appropriate documentation may include:
  - Evidence of loss income or change in financial obligation that are not self imposed.
  - Family W2 forms – pay stubs
  - Notarized statement from parent
  - Statement from employer or professional with knowledge of circumstances
  - Most recent tax returns – two years

**Health and Safety** – Appeals are considered for safety, mental health, personal relationships and other similar circumstances.

- Written documentation is required from Superintendent of Schools or HS Principal of the sending school indicating the specific circumstances which necessitated the transfer.
- Supporting documentation from a third party outside of the school may be submitted (ex. police report)

# TRANSFER APPEAL GUIDELINES

## **NYSPHSAA TRANSFER RULE**

For consideration when determining hardship waivers of the Transfer Rule

**Financial** – Appeals require documented proof of a significant loss of income or a significant increase in expenses.

- Written description outlining the circumstances that led to the financial hardship. Appropriate documentation may include:
  - Evidence of loss of income or change in financial obligations that are not self imposed.
  - Family W2 forms – pay stubs.
  - Notarized statement from parent.
  - Statement from employer, attorney, accountant, social services or other professional personnel with knowledge of the circumstances.
  - Most recent tax returns – past two years.

**Health and Safety** – Appeals are considered for safety, mental health, personal relationships and other similar circumstances.

- Written documentation is required from Superintendent of Schools or HS principal of the sending school indicating the specific circumstances which necessitated the transfer.
- Supporting documentation from a third party outside of the school may be submitted. Example: Police report.

### **Educational –**

- Evidence that the student is taking three units of credit in a particular subject area or any combination of three units of credit in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate or dual college credit courses not offered in the sending school which qualify for graduation requirements. Each dual college credit course is the equivalent of one unit of study at the high school level. The Director of Guidance or Principal of the sending school must submit a list of their school's course offerings. The Director of Guidance or Principal of the receiving school must submit a copy of the student's schedule through grade 12 and a list of course offerings. Subsequent verification of the student's schedule may be requested.
- Written documentation from Superintendent of Schools or HS principal of the sending school indicating the specific academic circumstances requiring the transfer.

### **Foreign Exchange student –**

- Report these students through the Section office by using a standardized form.

*Updated June 13, 2011*

## APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

School \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sport(s) in which eligibility extension is requested \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for request \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Year of entry into 9th Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Original date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Expected date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic participation record:

	Year	Sport(s)
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____

Date of Injury/Accident: \_\_\_\_\_ Date cleared for participation: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to provide any necessary confidential information requested by the Section VIII Appeals Committee.

Parent's/Guardian's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic Director's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's signature \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief School Officer's Signature

**(BE SURE TO INCLUDE PERTINENT MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION, TRANSCRIPT, ETC.)**

Send original to:  
John Franchi, Appeals Committee  
C/O Bethpage HS  
10 Cherry Avenue  
Bethpage NY 11714

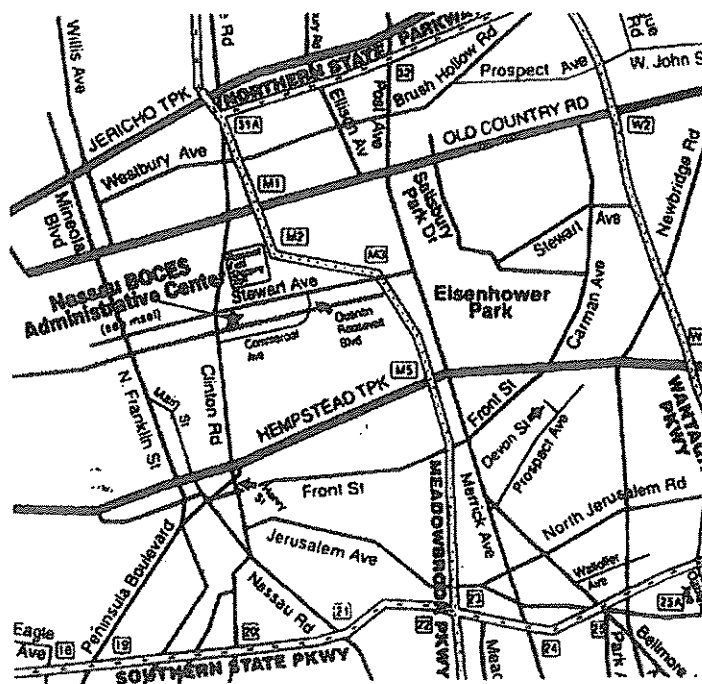
Send a copy to:  
Section VIII - Interscholastic Athletic  
George Farber Administrative Center  
P.O. Box 9195 - 71 Clinton Road  
Garden City, NY 11530  
PPIZZARELLI@NASBOCES.ORG

## POLICY ON TRANSPORTATION

- (1) Section VIII will supply transportation to and from State Championships.
- (2) Each and every participant representing Section VIII is required to travel by the transportation provided by the Section.
- (3) No Sports Coordinators (or his/her designee), Coach or Supervisor has the authority to release the student/athlete from traveling on the transportation provided by the Section.
- (4) **Exception** - If a student/athlete requests not to travel by Section sponsored transportation, the following procedure must be followed:
  - (a) The student/athlete must submit a written request to be released to the custody of their parent/guardian to his/her coach stating the reason for not traveling with the section and signed by the parent/guardian.
  - (b) If the coach **approves** this request, he/she will submit the request to the District Director, Building Director, and Building Principal for their written **approval**.
  - (c) Once the request is approved in writing by those administrators listed in (b), the coach will submit this written approval to the Section Sports Coordinator(s) (or his/her designee) with a carbon copy to the Executive Director.
  - (d) This then relieves the Section and its Sports Coordinator(s) (or designee) of being liable for deciding he/she cannot control.

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SECTION VIII EMERGENCY WAIVER OF TRANSPORTATION POLICY

I am the father, mother, guardian of \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby request that permission be granted to transport my son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_

to/from an intersectional (state) competition on \_\_\_\_\_

(date)

I am fully aware that it is the policy of Section VIII of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association that students be transported to and from such activities on the transportation provided by the Section. I hereby agree that I will be fully responsible for and hold the Section harmless for any damages including injuries to \_\_\_\_\_ which may arise as a result of transporting him/her to or from this intersectional or state competition.

Sport \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by:

Coach \_\_\_\_\_

Building Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_

District Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_

Principal \_\_\_\_\_



## Section VIII Gate List

**REQUIRED:** This completed form must be submitted at the game site one hour before the contest is scheduled to begin.

## School

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

## Sport

**TEAM PERSONNEL:** Coaches, Trainers, Managers, Scorekeepers, etc. who are NOT traveling with the team

	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME
1 - Coach		
2 - Coach		
3 - Coach		
4 - Mgr		
5 - Mgr		
6 - Trainer		
7 - Scorer		
8 - Scorer		
9 - Video		
10 - Other		

**GUESTS:** Board of Education (7), Superintendent, Principal, Athletic Director and other guests of the school district

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME
1 - BOE		
2 - BOE		
3 - BOE		
4 - BOE		
5 - BOE		
6 - BOE		
7 - BOE		
8 - Supt		
9 - Princ		
10 - AD		
11		
12		
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15		
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You are entitled to 20 complimentary guests; you will be charged for any additional names.



## NYSPHSAA Championship School Gate List

*This list is for TEAM SPORTS during the State Semifinals & Finals ONLY.  
For information regarding Regional events, contact the HOST Section.*

School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Championship Event: \_\_\_\_\_  
Championship Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Championship Site: \_\_\_\_\_

Please write down the number of players and bench personnel your school will be bringing to the Championship event. Please note that each sport has a maximum number of players and team personnel allotted for each school. These individuals will receive credentials to gain access to the facility. If your school chooses to list more than the maximum number allowed, NYSPHSAA will bill the school for the difference. Please keep in mind, credentials and awards will be provided **only** for the maximum number allowed.

# of Student-Athletes: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Team Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

This list below is designated for school administration and appropriate school personnel. The list is limited to a maximum of 8 individuals and is **exclusive** of the participating student-athletes and team personnel. This list **ONLY** provides entrance into the facility. It **DOES NOT** provide field/floor access. If your school wishes to have more than 8, NYSPHSAA will bill the school for the additional individuals. **Team photographers and videographers should contact Lexi Swatt ([lswatt@nysphsaa.org](mailto:lswatt@nysphsaa.org)) for a media credential PRIOR TO THE EVENT. They do NOT need to be listed below.** This list should be faxed to the NYSPHSAA office (518-690-0775) or sent via email to Kristen Jadin at [kjadin@nysphsaa.org](mailto:kjadin@nysphsaa.org) **two days prior** to the championship event. Please type or print names and titles below.

*For admission staff only:*

Name	Title		Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					

NYSPHSAA Staff Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT RELEASE FORM  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE**

Your son/daughter has qualified to participate in a NYSPHSAA Championship. In order to ensure he/she receives the proper medical care as needed you must provide the health information below. By signing this form you are authorizing the school's coach or administrator, or tournament official to act on your behalf in authorizing emergency medical, dental, surgical care and hospitalization for your son/daughter in your absence.

Thank you for your cooperation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Athlete Name) (Birthdate)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) (Phone)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Name) (Address) (Home&Business phone)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Athlete's School) (Principal) (School phone)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Who to contact in case of emergency, other than parent/guardian) (Phone)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Family Physician ) (Phone number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Allergies or special conditions)

*I have read and understand the above parent release form. I do hereby authorize the care referenced above for my child; and I do further release the NYSPHSAA and its agents from any claim whatsoever on account of care authorized pursuant to this emergency medical care release form.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Signature) (Date)

# Code of Conduct

## For Regional & Championship Competitions



## Responsibilities and Guidelines for Athletes and Coaches Participating in Regional and Championship Contests

### Introduction

Any New York State Championship must achieve a standard of Excellence which places it beyond criticism either from an organizational or educational point of view. In essence, each championship represents all of New York scholastic sports and if, for any reason, something disrupts a championship, then the impact of such disruption will be felt by the NYSPHSAA, Inc. and its member schools. What appears at present to pose the greatest threat is the misbehavior of athletes or the lack of supervision responsibilities by coaches while attending such championships.

### Code of Conduct for Athletes

1. Use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products and other drugs (unless prescribed by a physician) will not be tolerated.
2. All curfews and bed checks will be adhered to as set up by the supervisor or coach in charge.
3. Athletes are responsible for their conduct in regard to public property such as: hotel rooms, transporting vehicles, field and courts, locker rooms, etc. Athletes or the school that they represent will be held financially responsible for any damage that they incur.
4. Hotel rooms will be inspected by the supervisor and the occupants of each room prior to the occupying of each room and again before check-out.
5. Athletes must use transportation authorized by their section and school to and from the event.
6. There will be no gambling of any kind.

### General Guidelines

1. Athletes should stay in groups when traveling or sightseeing. DO NOT TRAVEL ALONE or leave the group.
2. Athletes should make sure the supervisor/coach knows where they are, who is with them, and when they will return when leaving the general area of the contest.
3. Dress for all trips should be neat, clean and socially acceptable. Athletes are representing their Section as well as their own school district. All actions reflect on these institutions.

### Violation - Penalties

If an athlete violates an established rule, the coach or supervisor in charge has the responsibility of disciplining the athlete using the following guidelines:

1. If the violation is prior to the contest or event, the athlete will not be allowed to compete in the contest or further contests. The Section and home school will be notified and a recommendation from the Section for disciplinary action will be given.
2. If the violation is after the contest or event, the home school will be notified and a recommendation from the Section for disciplinary action will be given.
3. If a situation becomes intolerable, the parents and school will be notified immediately and arrangements will be made to transport the athlete home, at Section/school expense, and in the custody of a Section/school representative. If proper action is not taken by the home school, sanctions may be imposed by the Section and/or State Association against the athlete or school district.

*I have read and understand the Code of Conduct.*

Athlete Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Coaches/Supervisors Responsibilities

1. Enforce Code of Conduct for athletes. Discipline violators on the spot. Report problems to supervisors and send written reports to the Section and home school district.
2. Set curfews and bed checks and implement them.
3. Be responsible for athletes from departure point of trip until trip is completed and ensure that all athletes have transportation to their home.
4. Conduct room checks and inspection of hotel room with occupants of each room prior to the night's stay, and check/inspect each hotel room after the night's stay. Report any damage, which will be the responsibility of the occupants of the room.
5. Submit Hotel Report form to hotel.
6. Make sure all parent signature slips are in and emergency information is complete.
7. Notify proper authorities in cases of serious injury to athletes.
8. Know where athletes are at all times.
9. Abstain from the use of alcohol and controlled substances (unless prescribed by a physician). If violated the protocol/possible penalty is: 1) the school and Section will be notified; 2) documentation of the incident will occur; and 3) a recommendation from the Section for disciplinary action will be given.
10. Abstain from gambling of any kind.

*I understand my responsibilities to my athlete(s) and expectations of my behavior.*

Coach/Supervisor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### CONSENT FOR USE OF PHOTOGRAPHY FOR PUBLICITY OR ADVERTISING PURPOSES

I do hereby consent to the use of my photographs in association with any production, media, or news events for the New York State Public High School Athletic Association.

I understand that the New York State Public High School Athletic Association may use my photographs or stories in publications, press materials, web sites, and print and television advertisements promoting the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, its philosophies, and programs.

I hereby irrevocably consent to and authorize the use and reproduction by you, or anyone authorized by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, of any and all photographs which you have taken during this sport season of me, negative or positive, for any purpose whatsoever, without compensation to me. All negatives and positives, together with prints shall constitute the property of the NYSPHSAA, solely and completely.

*I hereby consent to the use of my photograph(s). (sign only if 'yes')*

Athlete Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# **HELP WANTED**

**EVERY ATHLETIC TEAM SHOULD HAVE  
A MAN WHO PLAYS EVERY POSITION,  
NEVER MAKES AN ERROR, AND  
KNOWS JUST WHAT THE OPPOSITION  
IS PLANNING... BUT SO FAR THERE'S  
BEEN NO WAY TO GET HIM TO PUT  
DOWN HIS POPCORN AND COKE TO  
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