

SECTION VIII PLAYOFF POLICY

The following formula would be used to establish the number of teams that would qualify for "Post seasons 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 for 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
9-11 teams	- 6 team bracket
12-16 teams	- 8 team bracket
17-20 teams	- 10 team bracket
21-24 teams	- 12 team bracket
25-28 teams	- 14 team bracket
29-32 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 Policy).