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ON THE COVER

Girls Basketball and Football are two of the sports that take center stage in the fall, culminating with the MHSAA Finals in both sports. The Girls Basketball Finals take place in East Lansing Dec. 2-4, while the Football Finals will be in the Pontiac Silverdome Nov. 26-27.

(Photos by 20-20 Photographic)

SPREAD THE WORD:

EFFECTIVE THIS FALL "NO TEST, NO COACHING"

NEW BASIC REQUIREMENT FOR MHSAA TOURNAMENT COACHING ELIGIBILITY

If you are a high school head coach reading this article, you are most probably a head coach who attends the annual rules meeting in your sport. If for some reason you are unable to attend the yearly meeting, you are probably one who takes the coaches examination and returns the test on time, with a passing grade of at least 70 percent.

There are, however, some coaches every fall, winter and spring who do not attend a rules meeting and after numerous notices, do not return a coaches exam, or do not return the coaches exam with a passing grade (70 percent).

The Representative Council, in March 2004, determined that this basic requirement of a head coach to take, pass and return on a timely basis a rules exam if they are not present for the annual rules meeting should have a means of enforcement or penalty. The Council stipulated that beginning with the fall of 2004, coaches who do not return the test with a passing grade after two mailings will not be allowed to coach in the MHSAA tournament that season. The **team** can participate unless the school has had no representation at rules meetings for two years, but the regular season coach – who for any reason missed this basic test requirement – will not be allowed to be present at the tournament site when his or her team is participating. In addition to the coach being barred from the contest, **a school administrator must be present to supervise competitors.**

Failing to fulfill the meeting attendance requirement – followed by failing to submit a passing test after two mailings sent in duplicate to coaches, athletic directors and principals – will result in at least a substitute coach being present at tournament time. It is a minimal and basic requirement that must be met by the men and women who are so valuable and visible in the wider picture of educational athletics.

As the rules meeting schedule runs its course, the MHSAA will be listing on mhsaa.com the schools, by sport, whose coaches have yet to return their exam with a passing grade. It is hoped that the "Current Ineligible Coaches List" will alert coaches or other concerned parties and remind them of this basic requirement that must be met to allow them to be present at MHSAA tournaments where their team is participating.

The MHSAA is hopeful that 100 percent compliance can be achieved and will communicate this new requirement in many varied forms until the weeks prior to the tournament. Please assist by spreading the word to all those who may miss one of the many messages: **Effective immediately, head coaches must attend the rules meeting or submit a passing exam on time to be eligible to coach in this years MHSAA Tournaments. ■**

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Any individual who is a representative of a member school (faculty member or Board of Education member) may become a candidate for the MHSAA Representative Council. Please contact the MHSAA Executive Director for an outline of procedures.

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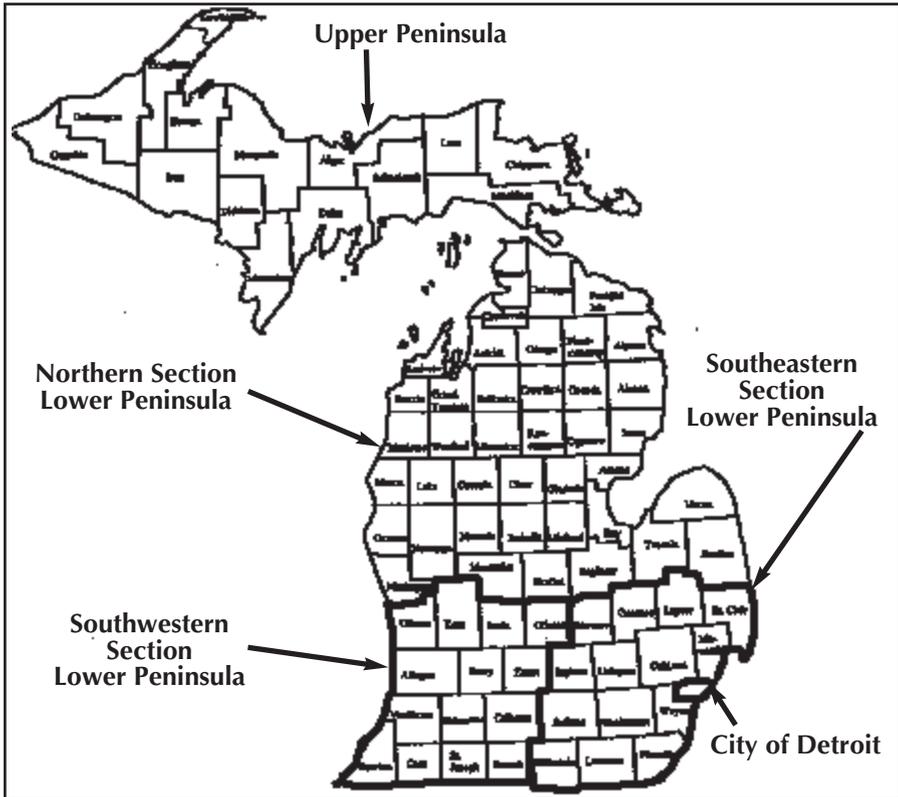
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REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL AND UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Ballots to be Sent to Schools August 25, 2004

MAP OF REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL SECTIONS



Ballots for Representative Council elections will be mailed to principals of member schools from the MHSAA office Aug. 25, 2004. The ballots will be due back in the MHSAA office Sept. 9, 2004.

Eight positions for membership on the Representative Council will be up for election this fall. Vacancies for two-year terms beginning December 2004 will occur as follows: Class C-D Upper Peninsula and Northern Section L.P.; Class A-B Southwestern Section L.P., Southeastern Section L.P., and Northern Section L.P.; Statewide At-Large; Junior High/Middle School, elected on a statewide basis; and Private and Parochial

High Schools.

In addition to the above named Representative Council positions, there are two Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee positions to be voted in September. A representative of the Class D schools and an Athletic Coach will be elected by the principals of the Upper Peninsula schools.

Look for the ballots and return them in time to be counted by the Board of Canvassers. Be sure you mark your ballot correctly and signatures are affixed in the proper places. Ballots must have two (2) signatures to be considered valid.

Details of the Representative Council com-

position may be found near the beginning of the *MHSAA Handbook*.

Following the due date of Sept. 9, 2004, the Board of Canvassers as provided in Article IV of the Constitution of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, will meet and declare the winners for the various vacancies.

In accordance with the approved nomination and election procedures, listed candidates have submitted their desire to run for a position by March 15, 2004. They have included an approval to serve from their respective Superintendent or Principal and have certified their qualifications to run for the office which they seek. No write-ins will be possible because each candidate must be approved by March 15 in order to run for a position on the Representative Council.

Following are the declared candidates and the vacancies which will occur in December 2004:

**REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
CANDIDATES FOR
SEPTEMBER 2004 ELECTION**

Northern Section, Lower Peninsula - Class A and B Schools

Peter Ryan, CMAA, Athletic Director, Saginaw Township Community Schools

Southwestern Section, Lower Peninsula - Class A and B Schools

Fred Smith, CMAA, Athletic Director, Kalamazoo-Comstock High School

Southeastern Section, Lower Peninsula - Class A and B Schools

Eric C. Federico, Assistant Superintendent, Gibraltar School District

Brian M. Swinehart, CAA, Athletic Administrator, Westland-John Glenn High School

Upper Peninsula - Class C and D Schools

James Derocher, Superintendent, Negaunee Public Schools

Northern Section, Lower Peninsula - Class C and D Schools

William D. Newkirk, Superintendent, Sanford-Meridian Public Schools

Statewide At-Large

Scott C. Grimes, Principal, Grand Haven High School

Junior High/Middle Schools

Keith Eldred, Athletic Director, Williamston Middle School

Private and Parochial High Schools

Vic Michaels, Director of Physical Education & Athletics, Archdiocese of Detroit

**UPPER PENINSULA
ATHLETIC COMMITTEE**

Athletic Coach

Paul Polfus, Basketball Coach, Carney-Nadeau High School

Class D Schools

Joe Reddinger, Athletic Director, Felch-North Dickinson High School

Leon Sutherland, Athletic Director, Ontonagon Area High School ■

*The Only Official Interpretations
Are Those Received In Writing*

Not all the facts presented to the Executive Committee and Representative Council as part of requests to waive eligibility regulations are included in the reports of those meetings, either because of the volume of material reviewed or the confidentiality requested by schools for their students, parents or faculty.

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Thompsonville, May 2-4, 2004

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
William Newkirk, Meridian
Jim Derocher, Negaunee
Ken Dietz, Hartford
Lafayette Evans, Detroit
Eric Federico, Gibraltar
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Margra Grillo, Gladwin
Scott Grimes, Grand Haven (2nd & 3rd)
Leroy Hackley, Byron Center
Karen Leinaar, Benzonia
Vic Michaels, Detroit
Pete Ryan, Saginaw
Randy Salisbury, Britton

Members Absent:

Kathy McGee, Flint
Fred Procter, Beverly Hills
Michael Shibley, Rockford
Pam Wong, Lansing

Also Present:

Ed Sikorski, Ann Arbor (2nd & 3rd)

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen
Nate Hampton
John Johnson
Gina Mazzolini
Tom Minter
Tom Rashid
Jack Roberts (Recorder)
Mark Uyl (3rd & 4th)
Kathy Westdorp
Karen Yonkers

Accounts of Meetings - Motion by Randy Salisbury, supported by Scott Grimes, to approve the minutes of the Representative Council Meeting of March 26, 2004; and the Executive Committee Meeting minutes of March 25 and April 21, 2004. Adopted.

Dan Flynn, with assistance from Jim Derocher, Tom Rashid and Nate Hampton, provided an oral report of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee Meeting held in Escanaba on April 30, 2004.

REPORTS

Legislation - The executive director indicated there was little interest at this time in the Michigan Legislature for issues related to interscholastic athletics. The anti-hazing bill has passed both the House and Senate and will be signed by the governor.

Litigation - Attorney Edmund Sikorski reported that the lawsuit involving the MHSAA enrollment rule has ended success-

fully, with the Michigan Supreme Court declining to review a decision of the Michigan Court of Appeals favorable to the MHSAA membership. The association is waiting for the decision of the Michigan Supreme Court in a case involving the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. Oral argument in the sports seasons litigation will occur June 17 before a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in Cincinnati.

Administration - The executive director reported that **MHSAA membership** during the 2003-04 school year reached 765 high schools (the highest in recent history) while the number of junior high/middle schools which provided School Directory information dropped to 373 (lowest in recent history) as of April 1, 2004.

As of April 7, 2004, there were 168 **cooperative program agreements** for high schools (an increase of nine over the previous

year) and 49 cooperative program agreements for junior high/middle schools (an increase of 1). At the high school level, ice hockey continues to be the most popular sport for cooperative programs, followed by boys swimming & diving, girls swimming & diving, girls gymnastics and football. At the junior high/middle school level, boys and girls track & field are the most popular sports for cooperative programs, followed by football and wrestling. The executive director summarized the situation by stating that there is continuing growth and growing problems in cooperative programs, some of which have been addressed by the Representative Council during the last two years, and others which need to be addressed during the next two years to assure that cooperative programs provide healthy opportunities for students without creating unfair competition between teams.

Eligibility advancement applications were received and approved for 16 students during the 2003-04 school year, the lowest since this eligibility provision was first established for the 1987-88 school year. The record high was 94 applications during the 1991-92 school year.

It was reported that 205 **Educational Transfer Forms** were processed for the 2003-04 school year through April 9, 2004, a decrease from 220 in 2002-03, 245 in 2001-02 and 262 in 2000-01 (which tied the record set in 1996-97). Public school to public school transfers continue to be the most common (143), and the divorce exception (No. 8) continues to be the most frequent (127) reason for the Educational Transfer Form to be used.

Travel Forms for Out-of-State Practice were filed by 40 schools for the 2003-04 school year, the lowest since this requirement was first established in 1994-95. The record high was 77 filings during the 1998-99 school year. Council members speculated on the reasons for the decline in travel form submissions, including turnover in athletic administrators and the decrease in travel because of deteriorating school finances; but Council members were concerned that many schools were failing to comply with the regulation because they were unaware of the regulation or circumventing it.

Motion by William Newkirk, supported

by Karen Leinaar, to list schools which have completed the Travel Form for Out-of-State Practice on the MHSAA Web site, as well as in the *MHSAA Bulletin*. Adopted.

Council members encouraged raising awareness of this requirement at Athletic Director In-Service programs. There was discussion about the need for a *Handbook* interpretation to clarify when the Travel Form for Out-of-State Practice was appropriate. Motion by Ken Dietz, supported by Randy Salisbury, to add the following Interpretation to Regulation II, Section 6: "When a school-sponsored team, or group of students which resembles the school team, intends to conduct practice sessions out of state at a site more than 600 highway miles round-trip from that school, the Travel Form for Out-of-State Practice is required. For the purpose of this Section, it shall be considered a practice for a school team if a school coach in that sport is present with any number of players from that school's team, other than his/her family members." Adopted.

The seven **Update Meetings** of October and November 2003 were attended by 1,060 persons. The schedule of Update Meetings for 2004 was presented, corresponding to the schedule of 2003.

A summation of **mailings** from the MHSAA office to Representative Council members during 2003-04 was provided.

A listing of **violations by schools and officials** between April 16, 2003 and April 15, 2004 indicated that the total number of violations for the year was average, but the number of violations by schools for failure to rate officials was the lowest since 1995-96.

The associate director described the **Athletic Director In-Service** programs conducted by the MHSAA during 2003-04. By scheduling some programs on the same day and at the same site as Update Meetings and scheduling other programs in conjunction with regularly scheduled league meetings, the MHSAA attracted more than 540 attendees, the largest ever.

Attendance at **coaches education programs** during 2003-04 was about 70 percent of the previous year, which had been the second best ever. Leadership voids at both the Youth Sports Institute and the MHSAA office, financial problems of schools and other factors were cited for the decline.

The executive director reported that every part of the MHSAA's coaching education efforts needs attention. This includes curriculum – it needs to be broader in scope, deeper in practical application, more flexible to fit different formats and time schedules, more quickly revised to keep up with best practices of coaching and coaches' education, and more support for curriculum is needed in the form of power point, videos and pamphlets/booklets. More presenters are needed and more training and evaluation need to be given to presenters. More promotion is necessary, involving Michigan Association of School Boards, Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals, leagues and conferences and coaches associations.

Officials Registrations increased significantly for the fourth consecutive year to 12,159 as of April 15. Seven of 12 sports reached their 10-year high during 2003-04.

Rules meeting attendance figures for 2003-04 were presented.

Officials Reports for the spring 2003, fall 2003, and winter 2003-04 seasons were reviewed, revealing a significant reduction in negative reports and ejections for the spring and fall seasons but a significant increase in negative reports and player ejections for the winter of 2003-04. Player ejections increased from 50 to 69 in boys basketball in the winter of 2003-04 compared to the winter of 2002-03, while ice hockey player ejections increased from 121 to 127 and wrestling ejections increased from 45 to 49. The executive director opined that one cause is the increasing television exposure to student spectator sections at college basketball games and the resulting decline in decorum of high school student spectator sections. Keith Eldred noted that in spite of the spike, given the numbers of schools, sports, participants, coaches and spectators, negative experiences in school sportsmanship are very rare.

Video - The communications director presented plans for making and distributing a video to all schools in advance of the 2004-05 school year to promote the role of coaches in educational athletics.

The executive director reported on two intended **special initiatives for 2004**: (1) that the MHSAA would host a meeting with the leadership of youth sports organizations in Michigan to attempt to develop collabora-

tive efforts in areas of common concern, such as coaches' education, recruiting and training of officials, improving sportsmanship, and nurturing the health and welfare of participants; and (2) rewarding and encouraging the 10-year service award recipients of the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association with a retreat-like experience that would both encourage and equip these athletic administrators to remain in the service of school sports.

PRESENTATIONS

The position statements of the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association and the Michigan High School Coaches Association were available for the Council's review.

The executive director of the Michigan Interscholastic Golf Coaches Association addressed the Council regarding three agenda items.

DISCUSSION

As is its custom, the Representative Council devoted a large portion of its Sunday session to discussion without the pressure of motions.

It was noted that until the late 1970s, cheerleading was viewed only as a popular support activity for high school athletics. In the early 1980s, cheerleading advisors first approached the MHSAA for assistance; however, as cheerleading was sponsored and conducted at the time, it was generally outside the responsibilities of the high school athletic association. Later in the 1980s, cheerleading began to emerge as one of schools' major areas of concern related to athletics, and the MHSAA responded with a publication of cheerleading guidelines which were intended to focus the activity on spirit leadership for schools and safety of students.

Gradually, the role of traditional sideline cheerleading has given way to more athletic squads, some of which were involved in competitions as much or more than providing spirit and support along the sidelines of football and basketball games. "Game" cheerleaders were attempting more risky skills and stunts, and cheerleading squads were taking more distant trips to competitions and fundraising year-round to subsidize their activities. At the same time, cheerleaders

were asking for credibility as athletes, and schools were seeking an additional sport for girls in the winter.

The MHSAA's response was to establish a Girls Competitive Cheer Tournament in the winter which meets all the criteria of a sport. Competitive cheer was served and supported in the same way the MHSAA served 12 other boys sports and 11 other girls sports at the time. The MHSAA established terms and conditions for the sport, trained and registered judges, prepared publications and videos for coaches' education, and conducted its first tournament in 1994.

With game or sideline cheerleading in existence in most schools in the early 1990s, some schools combined their entry into MHSAA competitive cheer with the policy that **only** their competitive cheer team would enter competitions.

Many other schools allowed both sideline cheerleading squads and competitive cheer teams to compete, while some schools declined to enter MHSAA competitive cheer and allowed their sideline cheerleading squads to compete. In both cases, schools discovered that the problems they wanted solved remained unsolved. In many cases, schools which did not select the path of restricting competition to the MHSAA competitive cheer format during the winter season have reported that their policy has not allowed them to enhance the quality and safety of sideline cheerleading at games or to reduce the distant travel and frequent fundraising of these squads to support travel expenses, entry and trophy fees, insurance and other costs.

Most Representative Council members offered their observations, and former assistant director and current project manager Suzanne Martin provided history and perspective, as well as interpretations and clarifications of input which the MHSAA has been receiving regarding proposals that have been developed to try to solve once and for all the problems that schools asked the MHSAA to address during the late 1980s and early 1990s.

There was consensus that some cheerleading advisors, who first sought and welcomed the MHSAA's involvement in cheerleading, changed their attitude and, rather than supporting competitive cheer as a sport

in the winter, continued to promote cheerleading as a non-athletic activity while at the same time sponsoring competitions for sideline cheerleading squads to underwrite the budget of a non-school organization.

A number of Council members indicated they were prepared to vote immediately in support of proposals that would limit competition to the MHSAA competitive cheer season. Other Council members supported the staff's recommendation that there be continuing discussion of the topic in general and the proposals in particular during the summer and fall to assure that the MHSAA Representative Council is hearing from the administrators of member schools and the student-athletes, and not merely coaches who may be protecting financial interests.

This discussion was followed by an item-by-item review by Suzanne Martin of the proposals from the MHSAA Competitive Cheer Committee to the Representative Council on many aspects of MHSAA competitive cheer. There was discussion regarding the need to balance development of the sport against the needs of emerging programs. The dual objectives of pursuing excellence and promoting growth of the sport were reaffirmed and will be used to evaluate committee recommendations.

REGULATIONS

Regulations I through V of the *MHSAA Handbook* and their Interpretations were submitted for review by the Representative Council, which added significantly to the editorial revisions.

Motion by Keith Eldred, supported by William Newkirk, to approve the consent package of miscellaneous changes for the purpose of organization, clarity or updating and to incorporate changes or Interpretations previously adopted by the Representative Council. Adopted.

Regulation I, Sections 11 & 12 - Motion by Pete Ryan, supported by Karen Leinaar, to revise 2003-04 *MHSAA Handbook* Interpretation No. 113 by changing "full retail price" to "fair (current) market value," remove reference to "personal" and "personalized," and move this Interpretation from Section 11 to Section 12. Adopted.

Regulation II, Section 11(H) - Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Randy

Salisbury, to approve the following addition: "4. When a multi-team event is suspended, it shall be counted as a contest/day of competition for any school which has had one or more eligible athletes participate, regardless of scoring opportunity or results." Adopted. (In addition, Section 11[H] will become Section 11[D] in the 2004-05 *Handbook* as a result of the reorganization approved in the consent package.)

Regulation II, Section 11 - Motion by Eric Federico, supported by Randy Salisbury, to state that the 15 days when coaches may coach their district's students under certain circumstances in competition during the summer (7 days in football) are subject to the same out-of-state travel limits that apply to school teams during the school season under Regulation II, Section 6. Adopted. (In addition, as part of the consent package, the Council approved a rewrite of Section 11[G] which will become Section 11[H] in the 2004-05 *Handbook*.)

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Pete Ryan, to add to this change that it will not apply to camps conducted within Michigan. Adopted.

Regulation III, Section 2 - Motion by Randy Salisbury, supported by Scott Grimes, to add this Interpretation after Interpretation No. 230 of the 2003-04 *MHSAA Handbook*: "It is permissible for 8th-graders who have not reached the maximum age for competition limited to 7th-graders to play in an event otherwise limited to 7th-graders." Adopted.

Regulation V, Section 4(D) - Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Dan Flynn, to revise this Section to read as follows: "If a contestant or team competes in a meet, match or tournament in violation of any of the limitations of competition of Regulations II and IV, the entire meet or contest is forfeited." Adopted.

Policies and Guidelines - Motion by Eric Federico, supported by Margra Grillo, to approve the reorganization of certain Handbook pages to clarify which matters are policies and which are merely guidelines or recommendations, and to approve all editorial changes therein. Adopted.

Non-Traditional Schools and Transfers - The executive director presented an outline of the application of the transfer regulation when a non-traditional school is involved,

providing the basic principles of the regulation and a listing of MHSAA Executive Committee interpretations to date. If a change of school involving a non-traditional school does not fit the basic principles or interpretations, then a transferring student whose circumstances do not fit one of the stated exceptions to the transfer regulation must be declared ineligible unless waiver is granted by the MHSAA Executive Committee.

MEMBER CONCERNS

Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian High School - An administrator from this member school offered suggestions regarding how candidates to the MHSAA Representative Council should be made known to member schools. The Representative Council discussed these recommendations and reviewed procedures used by the Michigan Association of School Boards for elections to its Board of Directors. It was noted that there has not been inappropriate campaign or promotional activity by any candidates, and there was no sentiment to make any changes at this time.

JUNIOR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Keith Eldred, to approve the Junior High/Middle School Committee recommendation to conduct a survey of all member and non-member junior high/middle schools in Michigan to ascertain why schools choose not to be MHSAA members, the number of games and lengths of seasons for non-member schools and member schools alike, the sports sponsored, and the degree of involvement each member and non-member school has with intramural, club and community sports teams. Adopted. Council members provided many suggestions to staff for making this one-time survey to the principals of junior high/middle schools as informative as possible.

CLASSIFICATION

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Pete Ryan, to not approve the Classification Committee recommendation to authorize the Executive Committee to consider on a case-by-case basis requests for permitting participation by 8th and 7th-graders on the subvar-

sity teams of high schools with enrollments slightly over the established enrollment limits of 99 and 49 students, respectively. Adopted (no change).

At its May 2003 meeting, the Representative Council approved the January 2003 Classification Committee recommendation to explore (a) alternatives within the four-class format for enhancing the opportunity for smallest Class D schools to experience success in MHSAA District Tournaments, and (b) MHSAA sponsorship of regular season invitational tournaments for smaller Class D schools. In January 2004, the Classification Committee was of consensus that the MHSAA office communicate directly with the schools in this enrollment range to survey specific plans and that staff should demonstrate with lists and maps how the various proposals would look.

The Council was complimentary of the research and presentation by MHSAA staff and interns and agreed that these ideas should be shared with Class D schools of any size, since all may be affected by any special considerations for the smallest Class D schools.

The Council reviewed the summary of MHSAA tournament classifications for 2004-05.

OFFICIALS

The Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee had requested discussion by the Council to examine if there might be an acceptable alternative to annual rules meeting attendance for MHSAA tournament officials selection criteria. It was consensus of the Council that the staff should develop proposals that might be reviewed by the U.P. Athletic Committee and Officials Review Committee, as well as other appropriate forums, and presented to the Representative Council at its December meeting.

Motion by Vic Michaels, supported by William Newkirk, to not approve the Officials Review Committee recommendation to eliminate the requirement that an annual MHSAA registration patch be worn by officials. Adopted (no change).

There was a discussion by Council and staff regarding the increasing problems which are occurring for schools, officials and assignors as a result of the decreasing involvement of local athletic directors in the assignment of

regular-season contest officials.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Scott Grimes, to approve the "Standards for Assignors" which originated with the Officials Review Committee but was modified by staff and then reviewed by assignors and league and conference personnel. Adopted.

Motion by Vic Michaels, supported by Lafayette Evans, to approve the staff recommendation that entry round tournament managers assign and replace entry round tournament officials in the sports of wrestling, baseball, softball and lacrosse (as is currently the case in volleyball, soccer and ice hockey). Adopted, including applicable procedures.

The Council also reviewed points of emphasis and communication to better define the role of registered assignors and approved associations in assisting officials selection committees and MHSAA staff both in the process of selecting and replacing tournament officials. These points of emphasis will be communicated in MHSAA publications and at the July 2004 meetings for registered assignors, leadership of local officials associations and trainers.

COMMITTEES

The Council was supplied with a description of MHSAA committees, a copy of the MHSAA Sport Committee Guide, a review of the committee appointment procedures adopted by the Representative Council in May of 1987, a list of those who had identified themselves as candidates for committees in 2004-05, a list of schools not represented on any committees for the past five years, and a list of those who had declined committee appointments in 2003-04. Council members were encouraged to submit nominations for committees, making special efforts to provide nominations from principals, small schools, females and minorities, and any school which has not been represented in recent years. The staff will compile the suggestions and submit them to the Executive Committee for review and appointment by the Executive Committee in August. Names of committee members selected to serve during the 2004-05 school year will be published in the November 2004 *Bulletin*. The only exceptions are those committees involving the selection of tournament officials and

award recipients.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Future Tournament Sites - The Council reviewed a summary of confirmed and prospective sites of MHSAA Final Tournaments through the 2005-06 school year.

Finances - Council and staff explored ways that MHSAA tournament organization might assist local school finances and MHSAA policies might be modified to assist in cost reduction at the local level during the regular season.

Each staff member reported on recent and proposed changes in their sports that may have impact on school budgets, especially those relating to participant safety which the MHSAA and local schools will not be in a position to ignore.

The MHSAA was encouraged to communicate more about its catastrophic accident medical insurance program, and the limitations of those programs when schools modify competitive formats. The association was encouraged to continue communicating and surveying schools regarding pay to participate.

The Council was reminded that a special meeting of the Finance Committee has been requested by the executive director to review all MHSAA tournament financial policies. It will occur Nov. 18, 2004.

Image-Taking Devices - Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Eric Federico, to approve for distribution the "Notice Regarding Image-Taking Devices in Locker Rooms" which the MHSAA staff put into use during 2003-04 tournaments. Adopted.

Baseball/Softball - Motion by Vic Michaels, supported by Eric Federico, to approve the Baseball/Softball Committee recommendation to allow District managers to conduct the draw in the third week prior to the District Tournament week (two weeks earlier). Adopted.

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Scott Grimes, to approve the Baseball/Softball Committee recommendation to allow Regional managers the option to conduct the Semifinal and Final rounds of the Regional Tournament on Friday. Defeated.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Dan Flynn, to approve the Baseball/Softball

Committee recommendation to retain the current MHSAA policy that allows conferences and/or schools the option to use a double first base during regular season play and to reaffirm that the double first base will not be used or be physically present in any MHSAA tournament contest. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Margra Grillo, to not approve the Baseball/Softball Committee recommendation to utilize four umpires at the Semifinals and Finals of the MHSAA Baseball Tournament. Adopted (no change). (It is intended that this proposal will be returned to the committee to consider elimination of the three official system at all levels of the MHSAA Baseball Tournament: Districts and Regionals would remain two umpires; the Quarterfinals would change from three umpires to two umpires; and the Semifinals and Finals would change from three to four officials.)

Basketball - Motion by Keith Eldred, supported by William Newkirk, to not approve the Basketball Committee recommendation to assign three officials at MHSAA District Tournaments. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Randy Salisbury, supported by Karen Leinaar, to not approve the Basketball Committee recommendation to allow a coaching box up to 14 feet. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Keith Eldred, supported by Dan Flynn, to approve the Basketball Committee recommendation to allow leagues or conferences to modify the current point differential rule at the junior high/middle school level as best fits their needs locally. Adopted.

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Margra Grillo, to not approve the Basketball Committee recommendation to eliminate the prohibition of coaches playing with students during open gyms. Adopted (no change).

Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Scott Grimes, to not approve the Basketball Committee recommendation to increase officials' mileage rate which had been increased for 2003-04. Adopted (no change).

Bowling - Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the Bowling Committee recommendation to add

restrictions for blue jeans to the uniform/dress code for both regular season and MHSAA tournaments. Adopted.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Margra Grillo, to approve the Bowling Committee recommendation to increase Regional singles qualifying games from four to six. Adopted.

Motion by Eric Federico, supported by Lafayette Evans, to approve the Bowling Committee recommendation to establish annual rules meetings for bowling schools and head coaches as in other MHSAA sports, effective with the 2004-05 school year. Adopted.

Motion by Ken Dietz, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the Bowling Committee recommendation to change the first contest date from Monday the week of Dec. 1 (Nov. 29, 2004) to Saturday the week of Dec. 1 (Dec. 4, 2004). Adopted.

Motion by Ken Dietz, supported by Vic Michaels, that another year of high school bowling is observed and evaluated before taking action on the Bowling Committee's recommendation to allow participation in YABA league programs during the MHSAA bowling season without loss of high school eligibility. Adopted (no change).

Girls Competitive Cheer - Motion by Randy Salisbury, supported by Eric Federico, to encourage the continued development and discussion of policies and procedures that will address the concerns that member schools have presented to the MHSAA relative to cheerleading.

- A. The proposals should (1) assure that MHSAA competitive cheer is administered according to policies that parallel other interscholastic sports, both in and out of season; and (2) assist schools in promoting sideline (game) cheerleading squads that focus on spirit and sportsmanship and engage in limited, if any, competition.
- B. The discussions should include (1) mailings to member school administrators about issues and proposals; and (2) presentations at the MIAAA's Summer Workshop, MHSAA Athletic Director In-Service events in August, MHSAA Update Meetings in October, and other appropriate forums.

It is intended that the Council will take action on specific policies and procedures at its December 2004 meeting. Adopted.

Motion by Scott Grimes, supported by William Newkirk, to approve the Girls Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to eliminate the use of a "hole," except when such is required for a team because of injury or illness that occurs after the start of competition in Round 1 for that team that day. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Jim Derocher, to not approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to change the value range of the skills allowed in Round 2. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation for the MHSAA office to authorize limited experimentation regarding scoring procedures in Round 2 for the required skills in the routine where each skill will be judged on a scale from 1 to 10 and a multiplier used to determine the score. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Randy Salisbury, to approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to discontinue purchase and distribution of the National Federation Spirit Rule Book and to develop and incorporate appropriate competitive and safety rules within the existing MHSAA Girls Competitive Cheer Rules and Regulations Manual; however, accepting also the staff's recommendation that this would be completed for the first time for the 2005-06 competitive cheer season. Adopted.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Scott Grimes, to approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to invite the Junior High/Middle School Committee to consider a recommendation to allow a maximum of eight competitions for a competitive cheer team. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Eric Federico, supported by Lafayette Evans, to not approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to reclassify the MHSAA Competitive Cheer Tournament so that all Class A and B schools are divided into three equal divisions and all Class C and D schools are placed in a fourth division; but to apply the current process as stated in the 2003-04 *MHSAA Handbook* on page 85 for considering

changes in MHSAA tournament classifications. Adopted (no change).

As a matter of policy adopted by the Representative Council in May of 2003, if the Competitive Cheer Committee continues to meet in late winter or early spring, the Council will delay action on or decline to approve all proposed changes in competitive cheer rules, except those that are considered an emergency, until the second May Council Meeting after being proposed by the Competitive Cheer Committee. Proposals will be taken up only after they have been discussed by the competitive cheer community, reviewed again by the Competitive Cheer Committee and submitted again to the Representative Council.

Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Dan Flynn, to not approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to stipulate that safety judges shall assess a seven-point penalty if one or more team members perform a different jump than other team members for either of the two required jumps in Round 2. Adopted (no change).

Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Dan Flynn, to not approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to allow teams to perform any five of the 25 Round 2 skills offered as long as one skill each is selected from the flexibility, jump and tumble categories. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Margra Grillo, to not approve the Competitive Cheer Committee recommendation to change the Round 3 choreography chart in several ways. Adopted (no change).

Cross Country/Track and Field - Motion by Vic Michaels, supported by Lafayette Evans, to not approve the Cross Country/Track & Field Committee recommendation to adopt the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association proposal for no-show teams at MHSAA Cross Country Regionals. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the Cross Country/Track & Field Committee recommendation to reestablish the Cross Country Site Selection Committee, with the additional provision that this would be for the spring of 2004 and 2005 only. Adopted.

Motion by Pete Ryan, supported by Keith

Eldred, to approve the Cross Country/Track & Field Committee recommendation to allow schools to host Cross Country Regionals on Friday, but with the additional provision that a 4 p.m. or later starting time would be required for Regionals run on a Friday. Adopted.

Motion by Eric Federico, supported by Vic Michaels, to not approve the Cross Country/Track & Field Committee recommendation to establish yearly required rules meetings in cross country, separate from track & field. Adopted (no change).

The Representative Council received a referral from the MHSAA Executive Committee which had twice considered a member school's request to be reassigned to a different Track & Field Regional because its graduation ceremonies conflicted with the Friday date for the Regional Track & Field Meet to which it has been assigned. Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Vic Michaels, to uphold current policy and past practice and deny the request of the school to have its Regional track & field assignment changed, noting that what might be considered appropriate relief by one school could affect the opportunities for teams and individuals assigned to other Regionals and would create a problematic precedent for other situations and all sports. Adopted.

Football - Motion by Pete Ryan, supported by Eric Federico, to approve the Football Committee recommendation to rewrite Regulation II, Section 9(B) as follows, effective Aug. 1, 2005 (boldface is new): "A school team shall not play a game of football until it has practiced for a period of three weeks during which practices are conducted on at least 14 separate days. The first varsity game may be played on **Friday** or thereafter of the 13th week before Thanksgiving (National Federation week No. 8). The first freshman or junior varsity game may be played on the day before. (**In those years where there is only one game permitted before Labor Day, the first game for varsity may be played on Thursday and the first game for junior varsity or 9th grade may be on the day before.**)" Adopted.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Eric Federico, to approve the Football Committee recommendation to confirm that

the requirement that there be at least 14 separate days of preseason practice before football competition applies to all levels of football, including junior high/middle schools. Adopted.

Golf - Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve the Golf Committee recommendation to allow coaches to coach at the Regional tournaments under the same restrictions as followed at the Finals. Schools must provide a qualified substitute observer in order for the coach to have the privilege. Adopted.

Motion by Randy Salisbury, supported by Jim Derocher, to not approve the Golf Committee recommendation to eliminate the blackout dates for practice rounds at Finals courses. Adopted (no change).

Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Dan Flynn, to acknowledge that the number of participants at the Boys Golf Finals is too large, but to not approve at this time the Golf Committee recommendation for District tournaments in boys golf and to return the Golf Committee's proposal for additional study and ideas for reducing the size of the Finals field and improving the MHSAA's postseason tournament in golf. Adopted (no change).

Girls Gymnastics - Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve the Girls Gymnastics Committee recommendation to require that the MHSAA Girls Gymnastics Final Meet host provide a spring floor for floor exercise competition. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Margra Grillo, to approve the Girls Gymnastics Committee recommendation to allow the Gymnastics Judges Selection Committee to contract two meet referees at each session of the MHSAA Final Tournament. Adopted.

Ice Hockey - Motion by Pete Ryan, supported by Dan Flynn, to not approve the Ice Hockey Committee recommendation to establish a District level for the 2004-05 MHSAA tournament, but to attempt to accomplish the committee's intent without District tournaments by providing two geographically determined brackets within each Regional for the 2005-06 tournament. Adopted.

Lacrosse - Motion by Pete Ryan, sup-

ported by Margra Grillo, to approve the Lacrosse Committee recommendation to require MHSAA Lacrosse Tournament officials to register with the MHSAA, attend an MHSAA rules meeting, and complete both an MHSAA-approved three-hour training session and a rules/mechanics examination annually. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Eric Federico, to approve additional *MHSAA Handbook* language, similar to soccer, for the non-school day multi-team events that was approved by the Council at its March meeting. Adopted.

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the Lacrosse Committee recommendation that two Lacrosse Committees be established, one for girls and one for boys, with each to meet two times each year: in early February to select host sites, place teams in Regions and select officials; and in May to place teams on the brackets within each Region. The decisions of the committees are based on established criteria and are final and not subject to appeal. Selection of committee members would follow MHSAA policy and committee practices; schools may nominate individuals for membership on the committee; and the coaches associations will have representation. Adopted.

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Jim Derocher, to approve additional details for the Tier 3 Postseason Development Tournament that was approved in concept by the Representative Council in March. The Tier 3 Postseason Development Tournament will be for teams first established in 2004 through 2007, and it will be held if a minimum of eight teams indicate the intention to participate prior to the winter Lacrosse Committee meetings. The site and time of the Tier 3 Final game will be determined depending on the Division 1 and 2 Finals. Only the teams in the Final game of the Tier 3 tournament will receive reimbursement for expenses. The financial and management responsibility for all Tier 3 games prior to the Final games are with the competing schools. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Ken Dietz, to approve the dates, hosting structure and stipulations for the spring 2005 Lacrosse Tournaments to accommodate

approximately 32 boys teams each and 16 girls teams each in Divisions 1 and 2. Adopted.

Alpine Skiing - Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve the Ski Committee recommendation to apply the limited team membership rule to each individual skier from the point of the **team's** first participation in a contest or a scrimmage. Adopted.

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Karen Leinaar, to not approve the Ski Committee recommendation to stipulate that if an athlete is in attendance at his/her team's high school meet slipping courses or carrying coats but not racing for points, his/her participation as an auxiliary team member will qualify as a "start." Adopted (no change).

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Vic Michaels, to approve the Ski Committee recommendation for, and the Executive Committee wording of, a waiver procedure when a student does not have four starts to qualify for entry into the MHSAA Regionals or Finals, with the addition that the request for waiver must be received at the MHSAA office by Noon of the last business day prior to the MHSAA meet. Adopted.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Randy Salisbury, to not approve the Ski Committee recommendation to conduct the Ski Regionals one week earlier, on the second Tuesday before the Presidents Day holiday. Adopted (no change).

Soccer - Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Eric Federico, to approve the Soccer Committee recommendation to require that all host sites for MHSAA tournaments provide soccer field markings that contrast with any other sport markings on the same field. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Margra Grillo, to approve the Soccer Committee recommendation to move the starting times for the championship games of both the Boys and Girls MHSAA Finals from 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to Noon and 2:30 p.m. Adopted.

Motion by Leroy Hackley, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the Soccer Committee recommendation to require at least two full days of rest between the Regional Semifinal and Final games if the Regional Semifinals are played on different days. Adopted.

Motion by Eric Federico, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the Soccer Committee recommendation to allow District sites to determine if they wish to also host the Semifinal games as well as the District Final. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Margra Grillo, to approve the Soccer Committee recommendation to extend the application of the point differential rule to the last game of each level of tournament play. Adopted.

Motion by Vic Michaels, supported by Dan Flynn, to approve the Soccer Committee recommendation to place "byes" in District brackets so that those teams receiving them do not become the home team in the next round of the District Tournament. Adopted, with immediate effect.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by William Newkirk, to not approve the Soccer Committee recommendation to determine champions by a "shootout" after regulation and overtime field play (eliminate co-champions). Adopted (no change).

Swimming & Diving - Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Keith Eldred, to not approve the Swimming & Diving Committee recommendation to allow a school coach to conduct a non-school program that doesn't exclusively include or benefit students from his/her school. Adopted (no change). There was consensus that there be continued effort by staff and sport committees, and possibly an ad hoc committee, to address the need for modification of the "three-player" rule in all sports, individual sports or selected individual sports.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Vic Michaels, to approve the Swimming & Diving Committee recommendation to develop an evaluation form for Final Meet officials and to use the results in the selection of officials in subsequent years. Adopted.

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Karen Leinaar, to not approve the Swimming & Diving Committee recommendation to reclassify the MHSAA Swimming & Diving Meets from two equal divisions to three divisions. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Vic Michaels, supported by Pete Ryan, to not approve the Swimming & Diving Committee recommendation to increase the number of divers who may quali-

fy for Regionals by counting the number of divers participating in the league/conference meet who placed in the top 16 at the MHSAA Final Meet the year before and to add that total to the number currently able to qualify. Adopted (no change).

Tennis - Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve the Tennis Committee recommendation to increase the number of seeds allowed at the MHSAA Final Meet to six in each flight. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Vic Michaels, to approve the Tennis Committee recommendation to decrease the number of points to ten for the additional qualifier in a draw of eight. Adopted.

Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Ken Dietz, to approve the Tennis Committee recommendation to stipulate that at the Regionals and Finals, two schools cannot draw each other more than twice in all flights in their first match competition. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Dan Flynn, to not approve the Tennis Committee recommendation that a tournament will count as a competition for every participating school when any match of the tournament begins, whether or not the school's player is involved in the first match. Adopted (no change - see earlier action under Regulations).

Motion by Lafayette Evans, supported by Jim Derocher, to approve the Tennis Committee recommendation to stipulate that no protest is allowed to the decisions of seeding committees regarding either seeds or placements of seeds at the Regional or Final Tournament. Adopted.

Girls Volleyball - Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve three out of five game matches with rally scoring to 25 points (15 in fifth game) for the MHSAA tournament and regular season dual competition at the varsity level, effective in 2004-05. All other levels and formats shall remain a matter for local determination with respect to game and match length. MHSAA District Tournament contests may be scheduled for one day only, Friday or Saturday. No "Predistricts" shall be approved. Adopted.

Motion by Ken Dietz, supported by Margra Grillo, to approve the Volleyball

Committee recommendation that beginning with the 2005 tournament, Classes D and A will rotate with Classes C and B in the scheduling of matches at the Semifinals and Finals. Adopted.

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve the Volleyball Committee recommendation that the use of two officials be recommended at the subvarsity level. Adopted.

Wrestling - Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Eric Federico, to approve the Wrestling Committee recommendation to eliminate the 50 percent rule that requires an athlete to have wrestled at least half of his/her matches at a certain weight class during the season in order to wrestle that weight in the Individual District Tournament. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Vic Michaels, to approve the Wrestling Committee recommendation to allow wrestlers to compete at their approved lowest minimum weight during an appeal for a lower weight. Adopted.

Motion by Pete Ryan, supported by Ken Dietz, to approve the Wrestling Committee recommendation to establish Jan. 15 as the last date for hydrostatic appeals, the one exception being for a wrestler who receives an alpha measurement for the first time after Jan. 15 - this athlete has 21 days or the alpha deadline, whichever is first, for a hydrostatic appeal. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Vic Michaels, to approve the Wrestling Committee recommendation to establish a 48-hour wait period before retesting for wrestlers who fail hydration tests for initial skinfold measurements, as well as for skinfold appeals and hydrostatic appeals. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Dan Flynn, to not approve the Wrestling Committee recommendation to require only a single weigh-in on Thursday morning for the Individual Final Tournament and to maintain the weigh-in schedule that was implemented for the first time at the 2004 MHSAA Individual Wrestling Finals. Adopted (no change).

Motion by Dan Flynn, supported by Pete Ryan, to allow Individual District Tournament managers to use four mats with

prior MHSAA staff approval provided space allows, no additional officials are utilized, and the additional mat is used for the first and second full rounds of competition only. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Eric Federico, to approve the Wrestling Committee recommendation that when a day of school attendance does not precede the scheduled meet, the principal or his/her designee (not a coach) shall administer the "home weigh-in" in the following manner:

- (a) If the home weigh-in is to be held on the day before the meet, it must be no earlier than 3 p.m.
- (b) If the home weigh-in is to be held on the day of competition, it must be after 7 a.m. but before 4 p.m.

(Change eliminates restriction on home weigh-ins on days without school.)

In either case, all wrestlers on a team shall weigh in at the same time following the MHSAA/NF weigh-in procedure.

Adopted.

Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Karen Leinaar, to approve the staff recommendation to implement the online weight certification program of the National Wrestling Coaches Association. Adopted.

Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Vic Michaels, to not approve the Wrestling Committee recommendation to require skin-fold assessor certification to include successful completion of an annual exam in all cases, and attendance at a certification meeting for first-year assessors and every third year for veteran assessors. Adopted (no change; the mandatory annual meeting will be necessary at least in 2004-05 because of the new online weight certification procedures).

OPERATIONS

Calendar - Motion by Pete Ryan, supported by Lafayette Evans, to request that the sport committees in cross country/track & field, tennis and baseball/softball discuss the need to establish a minimum period between the earliest practice and first contest and to prepare specific recommendations for the Representative Council's review not later than May 2005. Adopted.

Motion by William Newkirk, supported

by Randy Salisbury, to approve the seven-year calendar of MHSAA events, amended by earlier actions of the Representative Council. Adopted.

Meeting Expenses - Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Eric Federico, to approve the expenses for this meeting as follows: the specified hotel rate, the IRS stipulated per diem, and a 30 cents per mile mileage allowance, round-trip. Adopted.

Future Meetings - The next meeting of the Representative Council is Dec. 3, 2004, at the MHSAA office in East Lansing.

The March meeting of the Representative Council will be March 18, 2005, at the MHSAA office.

Motion by William Newkirk, supported by Ken Dietz, for the staff to negotiate with the Double JJ Resort at Rothbury as the first choice and Garland in Lewiston as the second choice for the Spring meeting of the Council on May 1-3, 2005. Adopted.

Allen W. Bush Awards - Voting will be delayed until December.

Women in Sports Leadership Award - The MHSAA Awards Committee presented three finalists for the Women in Sports Leadership Award which in 2004-05 will be presented during the Girls Basketball Finals at the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lansing. The results of the Representative Council's selection will be made public at a later date.

Scholar-Athlete Program - A long discussion followed the presentation of the Scholar-Athlete Committee's recommendations for revising the MHSAA Scholar-Athlete program. Motion by Karen Leinaar, supported by Pete Ryan, to approve the appointment of a subcommittee of the Scholar-Athlete Committee to conduct further discussions regarding the Scholar-Athlete program, address the Council's concerns and present the results of this work to the Council not later than its March 2005 meeting. Adopted.

Finance - Motion by Jim Derocher, supported by Margra Grillo, to approve the 2004-05 revenue and expense budgets of \$8,164,500 and \$8,136,260, respectively, and a capital improvements budget that would result in additions to cash of \$12,280. Adopted. ■

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thompsonville, May 1, 2004

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
William Newkirk, Meridian
Eric Federico, Gibraltar
Karen Leinaar, Benzonia

Staff Member Present:

Tom Rashid
Jack Roberts (Recorder)

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility - The Executive Committee reviewed its authority under Article VII of the MHSAA Constitution and specifically its responsibility to consider each application for waiver of an eligibility requirement on its individual merits, determining if the regulation serves the purpose for which it was intended in each case or if the regulation works an undue hardship on any student who is the subject of a request for waiver. (These underlying criteria may not be restated for every subject of these minutes.)

The Executive Committee was reminded that it was the responsibility of each member school involved to provide sufficient factual information about the specific request for the Executive Committee to reach a decision without further investigation. If information is incomplete, contradictory or otherwise unclear or has been received too late to be studied completely, the Executive Committee may deny the request for waiver or delay action. Such requests may be resubmitted to the Executive Committee with additional information at a subsequent meeting or appealed to the full Representative Council.

It is possible that some of the information presented as facts to the Executive Committee by school personnel and others may be inaccurate. However, to avoid constant repetition in these minutes of phrases such as "it was alleged" or "it was reported," no attempt is made in the introduction of each waiver request to distinguish between truth, allegation, hearsay, opinion, summary or conclusion.

A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the

academic environment. The Executive Committee was cautioned to avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority.

Students for whom waiver of a particular regulation is granted must be eligible in all respects under all other sections and interpretations of the regulations prior to their participation. Adoption of these regulations is a choice schools make locally when they consider their option of MHSAA membership. Consistent with rulings of the Attorney General and Michigan Supreme Court, schools are not bound by the decisions of the Executive Committee, but the association may limit participation in the post-season tournaments it sponsors to those schools which choose to apply rules and penalties as promulgated by the MHSAA and adopted by each member school's board of education. The MHSAA exercises no independent authority over schools or students.

Cooperative Program Renewals (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) -

A. Pursuant to instructions from the Representative Council, MHSAA staff reviewed the Cooperative Team Renewal Forms so far received for cooperative programs that involve Class A and B schools or three or more schools of any size. Staff provided seven such programs to the Executive Committee for review; and the Executive Committee requested additional follow-up regarding two:

- The Executive Committee expressed concern that the cooperative program in ice hockey for Dearborn, Dearborn-Edsel Ford and Dearborn-Fordson High Schools cut 19 of 40

students who tried out for the team in 2003-04; and it requested that MHSAA staff communicate to the schools that this situation must be addressed for this cooperative program between schools of a combined enrollment of more than 5,000 students to continue to exist after the 2005-06 school year.

- The Executive Committee declined to accept the Cooperative Team Renewal Form in ice hockey for Rochester, Rochester-Adams and Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek High Schools until the school district clarifies that a relationship with three community ice hockey programs is not in violation of MHSAA regulations.
- B. Pursuant to instructions of the Representative Council in 1997, the Executive Committee must review Cooperative Team Renewal Forms for cooperative agreements in girls soccer where the combined enrollment exceeds the maximum for Class B. These programs were established before 250 schools had sponsored girls soccer. Two are due to be reviewed this year. None had been submitted by April 30.
- C. Pursuant to instructions of the Representative Council in 2002, the Executive Committee must review Cooperative Team Renewal Forms for cooperative agreements in girls golf where the combined enrollment exceeds the maximum for Class B. These programs were established before 250 schools had sponsored girls golf. Two are due to be reviewed this year. None had been submitted by April 30.
- D. The Representative Council's May 2002 action was to cap the enrollment of cooperative programs at 3,500 students and to allow those cooperative programs that existed prior to Aug. 1, 2002 to renew as scheduled and be allowed to operate through the 2005-06 season. Those cooperative programs which have combined enrollments of 3,500 and wish to operate beyond 2005-06 must petition the Executive Committee prior to April 15,

2006. The Renewal Forms for seven such 3,500-plus programs, which have been submitted according to existing procedures, were provided to the Executive Committee for informational purposes (two were included in A above).

The Executive Committee requested that MHSAA staff provide each of these schools a reminder of the April 15, 2006 deadline for requesting waivers of the 3,500 student limit and the criteria which the Representative Council has approved for the Executive Committee's consideration of waiver requests.

Wyoming-Godwin Heights, Wyoming-Kelloggville, Wyoming-Rogers and Wyoming Park High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls and boys swimming & diving between these four schools which have all been in cooperative swim programs previously. The former programs have dissolved: in girls swimming, Rogers was with Wyoming Park (Division 1) and Godwin Heights was with Kelloggville (Division 2). All four schools were formerly in a boys swimming & diving agreement begun in 1996 with Rogers (Division 1) as the primary school. The present approved application will place Godwin Heights as the primary school for both sports. The combined enrollment of the four schools is 2,727, placing both teams in Division 1 for boys and girls swimming & diving.

Middleville-Thornapple Kellogg and Hastings High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - A request to waive the April 15 deadline for full submission of a cooperative program application was received from these two schools applying for a cooperative program in boys and girls swimming & diving. Thornapple Kellogg sponsored girls swimming & diving previously and would be the primary school. An application has been received except that both schools' Board of Education meetings are May 10 and May 17 with the question as an action item on the agendas. The combined enrollment of 1,797 would place the teams in Division 1 of both girls and boys swimming & diving. Support from the OK Conference was received.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver until not later than June 1, 2004.

Taylor-Kennedy and Taylor-Truman High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) -

The Executive Committee approved the addition of boys swimming & diving to the cooperative program that currently exists between these schools in girls swimming & diving. Both schools have sponsored a program previously, but Truman's program was cancelled for lack of participation during last season. Kennedy will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 3,190 (Division 1).

Zeeland Public Schools (Regulation I, Section 1) - The Zeeland Public Schools are transitioning into the opening of a second high school in the fall of 2005. At the present time, the district operates with one high school in two buildings. The new building (West) has half the district's 9th and 10th graders, all 11th graders and no 12th graders; and there are separate subvarsity sports teams in some sports for these 9th and 10th graders. The 11th graders return to the Zeeland East building for their senior year in 2004-05.

The MHSAA was asked if in 2005-06, the 15 or fewer 12th-grade students who have been housed in the West building and playing on East's varsity teams for two or more school years may have the option to play their senior varsity season at East High School even though they become enrolled in and are attending West High School in 2005-06.

At its March 25, 2004 meeting, the Executive Committee tabled the request pending receipt of the following additional information: the name of each student - with current building, grade in school and the sport(s) involved - who could potentially be included in this request, and the anticipated enrollment of each school in 2005-06.

The information was provided, and the projected enrollments are 827 at East High School and 795 at West High School.

The Executive Committee determined that students will be eligible only at the school where they are enrolled and in attendance for the 2005-06 school year.

Adrian-Madison High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment on behalf of a 10th-grade student

who lived in another school district with his father and moved into the Madison School District with his mother, enrolling on March 10, 2004. The parents have separated but are not divorced.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver effective with the student's 91st school day of enrollment at Madison High School.

Almont High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only until the first day of the second semester of the 2004-05 school year on behalf of a 9th-grade student who enrolled at Almont High School on April 26, 2004, after attending Lapeer East High School. The student has not participated in high school athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are actually conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Almont High School.

Ecorse High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who left Ecorse High School on Feb. 3, 2004 and enrolled in the Taylor Schools. The student reenrolled at Ecorse on April 5, 2004 because he reportedly could not afford the participation fees.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Ecorse High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment on behalf of a 10th-grade student whose father is deceased and who was previously enrolled in the Taylor Schools while living with his mother. Due to family problems, the student has moved with an aunt into the Ecorse district, enrolling on March 15, 2004.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver effective with the student's 91st school day of enrollment at Ecorse High School.

Flint-Carman-Ainsworth High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was tabled at the April 21, 2004 Executive Committee meeting pending receipt of additional infor-

mation regarding the circumstances that necessitated the most recent change of residence made by an 11th-grade student whose father left home when the student was five and whose mother left her with her stepfather when she was nine. During 9th grade, the student attempted a fresh start with an aunt and uncle, and she attended Bentley High School. When that situation failed, she returned to her stepfather's residence and she attended Holly High School. When her stepfather was incarcerated, she was put in foster care. The student enrolled at Carman-Ainsworth to start the 2003-04 school year and resided in the district with a family for whom she had babysat. On Sept. 23, 2003, the student changed schools back to Holly and lived with her stepfather once again. On Jan. 21, 2004, the student reenrolled at Carman-Ainsworth. She is currently residing with the same family as at the start of her 11th-grade year.

Additional information was submitted regarding the father's continued use of illegal substances despite his previous incarceration and parole, as well as verbal and physical threats against the student by the stepfather's new girlfriend.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Macomb-Dakota High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment on behalf of a 10th-grade student. The student, who attended Warren-De La Salle Collegiate, registered at Dakota High School, the school of his residence, on March 19, 2004, and began attending classes on March 22. The request was denied by the Executive Committee at its April 21, 2004 meeting. Additional information was submitted including parental concerns over a tire slashing, racial intimidation, physical safety and emotional well being so as to satisfy Interpretation No. 90 regarding "other compelling circumstances" to grant eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Onsted High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation on behalf of an 11th-grade

student who lives in Onsted and is attending Clark Lake, a non-traditional school in the Columbia School District. He intends to reenroll at Onsted, his base/original school, in the fall of 2004. Onsted's non-traditional program was at capacity and the student's parents consented to send the student to Clark Lake on March 19, 2004, where other Onsted students also attend. Interpretation #46 permits eligibility under the current semester record section at the base/original school when the student attends a non-traditional program administered directly by the school or through a consortium (which is not the case in this instance).

The Executive Committee noted the student attempted to remain in Onsted Schools and that the student's 2 2/3 years at Onsted High School make that the most appropriate school for the student's 12th grade year; and the request for waiver was granted.

Sparta High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who lives with her older sister in Sparta and whose parents reside in Utah. The student attended school in Utah from April 12 to April 20, 2004, anticipating her permanent move at the end of this school year. Due to differences in scheduling (eight blocks versus four blocks), the student reenrolled at Sparta after seven school days and returned to the home of her sister.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Harbor Beach-Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic School (Regulation III, Section 1) - A request was made to waive the enrollment regulation and particularly Interpretation No. 228 to permit 6th-grade students to participate with and against 7th- and 8th-grade students in the 2004-05 school year. The school is in a cooperative program with Harbor Beach-Zion Lutheran in boys and girls basketball. Zion Lutheran projects an enrollment of 19 junior high students; Our Lady of Lake Huron estimates an enrollment of 29 junior high students.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for boys and girls basketball for the 2004-05 school year.

Northern Lakes Conference (Regulation III, Section 1) - The league

requested waiver of the enrollment regulation to permit 6th graders to participate with and against 7th and 8th graders for schools which could not field a team without using 6th graders. The high schools in the Northern Lakes Conference include enrollments of 95, 85, 68, 64, 62 and two schools with 47 students. Girls and boys 7th and 8th grade basketball is played in the fall in the Northern Lakes Conference.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for the 2004-05 school year.

Taylor School District (Regulation III, Section 1) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program between three middle schools of the Taylor School District - Hoover, Brake and West - in what is termed "coed swimming," commencing Nov. 14, 2004. Hoover will be the primary school.

Metro League Hockey Jamboree - The Flint Metro League submitted a proposal to conduct an event on a Saturday during the 2004-05 ice hockey season that would include skills competition between the six teams as well as three regulation ice hockey games. The skills competition would include four skaters and a goalkeeper from each of the six teams. There would be four events: fastest skater, slickest stick handler, hardest shot, penalty shot. Points would be awarded, and the team that earned the most points would receive a traveling trophy.

Citing *Handbook* Interpretation No. 177 and National Federation ice hockey rules, as well as the limits of competition under Regulation II, Section 10, the Executive Committee determined that the proposal of the Flint Metro League could not be approved.

Tournament Assignments - At its April 21, 2004 meeting, the Executive Committee

discussed and reaffirmed MHSAA policies regarding postseason tournament assignments when local events conflict. Dates and times are not to be changed without the consent of all competing teams, tournament managers and contest officials. Schools are not to be reassigned to other Districts or Regionals, except to adjacent tournaments when geography dictates and where adding a team will not cause an imbalance of more than two schools in adjacent Districts or Regionals.

The Executive Committee discussed a letter from a school that has a conflict with graduation ceremonies and the MHSAA Regional Track & Field Meet on Friday evening, May 21, 2004. The school had scheduled its graduation early in order to allow a construction project to begin earlier, and the school's experience had been to have Regional Track & Field Meets on Saturday.

The Executive Committee explored several alternatives before requesting that the full Representative Council discuss the general policies and specific application at its May 2 meeting.

Representative Council - The Executive Committee reviewed the schedule and agenda for the May 2-4 meetings.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are scheduled for Wednesday, June 9, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing; Thursday, Aug. 5, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Friday, Aug. 20, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Monday, Sept. 27, at 9 a.m. in Traverse City (following Annual Business Meeting/Update Meeting breakfast); Thursday, Oct. 21, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Thursday, Dec. 2, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council Meeting is Dec. 3). ■

NOMINATIONS FOR SPECIAL AWARDS

The MHSAA will continue to receive nominations for the Women in Sports Leadership Award, the Charles E. Forsythe Award, the Vern L. Norris Award, and the Allen W. Bush Awards. Conferences, officials associations, and individuals may nominate deserving candidates. Names submitted last year will continue as nominees in this year's selection process.

Nomination forms are online at mhsaa.com. Deadlines for nominations are October 15 for the WISL Award and for the Forsythe Award, Feb. 15 for the Norris Award, and April 1 for the Bush Awards.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, June 9, 2004

Members Present:

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan
Keith Eldred, Williamston
William Newkirk, Meridian
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Marga Grillo, Gladwin

Staff Member Present:

Tom Rashid
Jack Roberts (Recorder)

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility

- The Executive Committee reviewed its authority under Article VII of the MHSAA Constitution and specifically its responsibility to consider each application for waiver of an eligibility requirement on its individual merits, determining if the regulation serves the purpose for which it was intended in each case or if the regulation works an undue hardship on any student who is the subject of a request for waiver. (These underlying criteria may not be restated for every subject of these minutes.)

The Executive Committee was reminded that it was the responsibility of each member school involved to provide sufficient factual information about the specific request for the Executive Committee to reach a decision without further investigation. If information is incomplete, contradictory or otherwise unclear or has been received too late to be studied completely, the Executive Committee may deny the request for waiver or delay action. Such requests may be resubmitted to the Executive Committee with additional information at a subsequent meeting or appealed to the full Representative Council.

It is possible that some of the information presented as facts to the Executive Committee by school personnel and others may be inaccurate. However, to avoid constant repetition in these minutes of phrases such as "it was alleged" or "it was reported," no attempt is made in the introduction of each waiver request to distinguish between truth, allegation, hearsay, opinion, summary or conclusion.

A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the academic environment. The Executive

Committee was cautioned to avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority.

Students for whom waiver of a particular regulation is granted must be eligible in all respects under all other sections and interpretations of the regulations prior to their participation. Adoption of these regulations is a choice schools make locally when they consider their option of MHSAA membership. Consistent with rulings of the Attorney General and Michigan Supreme Court, schools are not bound by the decisions of the Executive Committee, but the association may limit participation in the post-season tournaments it sponsors to those schools which choose to apply rules and penalties as promulgated by the MHSAA and adopted by each member school's board of education. The MHSAA exercises no independent authority over schools or students.

Cooperative Program Renewals (Regulation I, Section 1[F])

- A. Pursuant to instructions from the Representative Council, MHSAA staff reviewed the Cooperative Team Renewal Forms so far received for cooperative programs that involve Class A and B schools, or three or more schools of any size. Staff provided forms for six such programs for Executive Committee review.
- B. Pursuant to instructions of the Representative Council in 1997, the Executive Committee must review Cooperative Team Renewal Forms for cooperative agreements in girls soccer where the combined enrollment exceeds the maximum for Class B. These programs were established before 250

schools had sponsored girls soccer. Of two due to be reviewed this year, one is being dissolved. Renewal of the Lathrup Village-Southfield-Lathrup and Southfield High School cooperative agreement has not been received.

- C. Pursuant to instructions of the Representative Council in 2002, the Executive Committee must review Cooperative Team Renewal Forms for cooperative agreements in girls golf where the combined enrollment exceeds the maximum for Class B. These programs were established before 250 schools had sponsored girls golf. Of two due to be reviewed this year, one was submitted and approved. Renewal of the Saginaw-Arthur Hill and Saginaw Arts & Sciences cooperative agreement has not been received.
- D. Information was provided in light of the Representative Council's May 2002 action to cap the enrollment of cooperative programs at 3,500 students and to allow those cooperative programs that existed prior to Aug. 1, 2002 to renew as scheduled and be allowed to operate for only three years, through the 2005-06 season. Those cooperative programs which have combined enrollments of 3,500 and wish to operate beyond 2005-06 must petition the Executive Committee prior to April 15, 2006. The Renewal Forms for five such 3,500-plus programs, which have been submitted according to existing procedures, were provided to the Executive Committee for informational purposes.

The Executive Committee requested that MHSAA staff provide each of the schools involved a reminder of the April 15, 2006 deadline for requesting waivers of the 3,500 student limit and the criteria which the Representative Council has approved for the Executive Committee's consideration of waiver requests.

- E. At its May 1, 2004 meeting, the Executive Committee declined to accept the Cooperative Team Renewal Form in ice hockey for Rochester, Rochester-Adams and Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek High Schools until the school dis-

trict clarified that a relationship with community ice hockey programs was not in violation of MHSAA regulations.

From the printed material submitted and the explanation provided by telephone, it is understood that, rather than conducting a cooperative ice hockey program at the varsity level and a lower level program in ice hockey at each school (which would violate the intention of cooperative programs), Rochester Community Schools is actually following a course which will allow it to comply with the 3,500-student limit for cooperative programs by the 2006-07 school year.

Established RCS policy which is applied to all sports requires demonstrated support over three years before new sports or additional levels of sports will be added. The non-school sponsored ice hockey teams which involve students who attend Rochester, Adams and Stoney Creek High Schools are not administered or supported by Rochester Community Schools, but are completing their second of three years necessary to demonstrate to RCS that sufficient participation and finances exist to sustain the teams if made a sponsored sport at each school separately.

Therefore, it is likely that the "Rochester United" cooperative program in ice hockey will involve no more than two schools (Rochester and Stoney Creek) after the 2004-05 school year and a separate and distinct high school ice hockey program will be sponsored by Adams High School in 2005-06.

The Executive Committee accepted the school district's explanation and approved the renewal of the existing cooperative agreement.

Bloomfield Hills-Lahser and Bloomfield Hills-Andover High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in girls and boys lacrosse between these two schools of the same district. Andover will be the primary school for boys lacrosse, Lahser will be the primary school for girls lacrosse. These schools have sponsored a girls and boys team previously in a format resembling a cooperative program. The combined enrollment will be 2,038.

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Ecorse High School and Detroit-Charlotte Forten Academy (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in football between these two schools. The combined enrollment for the program will be 610.

Harper Woods-Notre Dame and Harper Woods High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys swimming & diving between these two schools. These schools previously sponsored a cooperative team in 1999-00 and dissolved after the 2002-03 school year. The combined enrollment will be 1,092, placing the team in Division 2. Both schools sponsored the sport last year. Notre Dame will be the primary school.

Laingsburg and Bath High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved the addition of boys and girls soccer to the cooperative agreement that has existed between these two schools in wrestling. The combined enrollment of 713 will not change the Division 3 placement of the sport previously sponsored by Laingsburg, which will be the primary school.

Middleville-Thornapple Kellogg and Hastings High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls swimming & diving between these schools. Thornapple Kellogg sponsored girls swimming & diving previously and will be the primary school. The combined enrollment of 1,797 will place the teams in Division 1 of both girls and boys swimming & diving.

Bangor High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 & 5) - A request was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student to waive the maximum semesters portions of the eligibility regulation to provide additional semesters of eligibility. The student attended the Chicago Public Schools for his 9th and 10th grade years before leaving school in the first semester of his 11th grade year on Oct. 16, 2002. On July 8, 2003, the student moved to Bangor with his mother and completed a home school program he had begun in January, earning credit for four classes as of Sept. 15, 2003 which were accepted as previous semester credit at Bangor High School.

The student participated in athletics at Bangor during the 2003-04 school year. The student requested additional semesters due to extenuating circumstances involving domestic abuse by the father that caused the changing of schools and residences.

The Executive Committee determined that the student had received grades and credits in eight semesters prior to the 2004-05 school year, and the request for waiver was denied. In addition, the Executive Committee instructed staff to inquire if this student had participated while ineligible during the first semester of the 2003-04 school year at Bangor High School.

Carson City-Crystal High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a student who will be an 11th grader in 2004-05. He attended Cedar Springs High School for 9th and 10th grades while living with his father in Cedar Springs until April 2, 2004, when he and his father relocated to the home of a woman in Crystal who has three children attending Carson City-Crystal Schools. The student completed the school year at Cedar Springs. In September, the student, his father, this woman and her three children will relocate to a home in Stanton. The three children will remain in Carson City-Crystal Schools. This student will enroll there for the first time in August.

The Executive Committee noted that the student will be eligible and remain eligible by rule if he attends classes at Carson City-Crystal High School before the student and this family relocate to Stanton. The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver if the student is not eligible by this sequence of events.

Dundee High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment was made on behalf of 10th-grade student who attended Dundee schools through the 7th grade before enrolling in 8th grade at Monroe Junior High School. The student enrolled in 9th grade at Dundee High School, the school of his residence, on March 15, 2004.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver effective with the student's 91st school day of enrollment at Dundee High School beginning March 15, 2004.

Jackson-Lumen Christi High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who attended Union City High School and has registered to attend Lumen Christi High School in August of 2004. The student is the son of the former Union City varsity boys basketball coach and was one of two underclassmen on the varsity basketball team. The father was let go at the season's end after a team boycott that occurred when this student had started a game. Citing the very divisive nature of the season and the treatment received by the student, the family and others in both school communities feel it is imperative the student change schools this fall.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Rochester-Adams High School until enrolling at Stoney Creek High School on March 30, 2004. Both schools and the parents reported that the change of schools was necessitated and agreed upon by all parties due to significant harassment and a conflict with another student. The history of the situation involves physical threats and assault against the student by a 12th-grade student at Adams High School.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver, citing insufficient independent documentation.

Sturgis High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Sturgis schools from Kindergarten through the 9th grade until the start of the 2003-04 school year when his father's employment was transferred to Hong Kong. The student attended an international school for the 10th grade and wishes to return and reside in Sturgis with a local minister while his parents remain in Hong Kong.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Vicksburg High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-

grade student who attended Coopersville High School, participated in athletics, and intends to enroll this fall at Vicksburg. The student's family has purchased a home in the Portage Central district and was erroneously informed by the realtor that the residence was within the Vicksburg district. The student prefers attending Vicksburg due to its similarity to the previous school in enrollment and other factors.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Wyoming-Tri-unity Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation and specifically Interpretation No. 59 (closest nonpublic school) was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who is moving with his parents from Riverview to Jenison. The family is moving to give assistance and be closer to a 32-year-old married brother with children who has been diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease. Although it is not the closest nonpublic school, the student wishes to attend Tri-Unity Christian because the older brother is a graduate of that school.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Kalamazoo Valley Association (Regulation II, Section 10) - A request was made to waive the limitation on competition that prohibits a wrestler from participating in more than two matches on a school night so that the league wrestling tournament, consisting of five teams, may be held on a Thursday night, running from 5 p.m. to approximately 9 p.m. Some wrestlers may have to wrestle more than two matches.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Caledonia-Kraft Meadows and Caledonia-Duncan Lake Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section I[D]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in cross country, wrestling and track & field beginning with the 2004-05 school year when the current Caledonia Middle School will be splitting into two separate schools.

Galien Junior High School (Regulation III, Section 1) - A request was made to waive the enrollment regulation to permit 6th graders to participate with and against 7th

and 8th-graders in basketball, volleyball, track & field and wrestling. The projected 2004-05 enrollment in grades 6-8 is 61 students; the high school enrollment is 79 students.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for the 2004-05 school year.

Holt-St. Matthew Lutheran School (Regulation III, Section 1) - A request was made to waive the enrollment regulation to permit 5th and 6th-graders to participate on teams for 7th and 8th-graders in 2004-05. The K-8 school has approximately 40 students.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for 6th-grade students only for the 2004-05 school year.

Saline-Washtenaw Christian Academy (Regulation III, Section 1) - A request was made to waive the enrollment regulation to permit 6th graders to participate in basketball and volleyball with and against 7th and 8th graders. The high school enrollment is 42.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for the 2004-05 school year.

Rules Meeting Examinations - MHSAA Regulation II, Section 8(B) states that each head coach of a varsity team in a sport under MHSAA jurisdiction shall attend the MHSAA rules meeting for that sport for the current school year if meetings are held. If the head coach does not attend the meetings, an administrator or designee from that coach's school shall attend. Any head coach who misses the meeting for any reason shall answer correctly 70 percent of the questions on the rules examination for the sport. Pursuant to Representative Council action in March of 2004, the following is new for 2004-05:

"A head coach who fails to attend a rules meeting and then after two mailings from the MHSAA does not submit to the MHSAA examination results with at least 70 percent of the questions answered correctly, shall be prohibited from coaching in that season's MHSAA tournament for the sport involved and shall not be present at the facility where the MHSAA tourna-

ment involving that coach's team is being held. An administrator of that school shall be present with supervisory capacity over the school's competitors."

Staff described efforts that are intended to communicate the rules examination requirement and the consequences for coaches who fail to meet the requirement. Specific consensus was sought and received for the following policies:

1. Schools whose varsity head coaches do not attend a rules meeting will be listed on mhsaa.com. They will be removed from the list as their varsity head coaches complete the exam requirement.
2. If a school's varsity head coach does not submit a passing examination by the end of the business day seven calendar days before the earliest day of competition for the entry level of the tournament, that school will have to replace that coach and have a school administrator present to supervise the team.

Personnel -

- A. The Executive Committee approved the executive director's Standards of Performance, effective Aug. 1, 2004, and extended his contract through July 31, 2007.
- B. Pursuant to Council approval in March and the Finance Committee's review of documents in May, the Executive Committee adopted the MHSAA Retiree Health and Dental Plan and authorized the executive director to execute said Plan and any other necessary documents.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 5, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Friday, Aug. 20, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Monday, Sept. 27, at 9 a.m. in Traverse City (following Annual Business Meeting/Update Meeting breakfast); Thursday, Oct. 21, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; and Thursday, Dec. 2, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council Meeting is Dec. 3). ■

UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Bark River, April 30, 2004

Members Present:

Russ Bailey, Ewen-Trout Creek
James Derocher, Negaunee
Don Edens, Kingsford
Dan Flynn, Escanaba
Bruce Horsch, Houghton
Paul Polfus, Carney-Nadeau
Joe Reddinger, North Dickinson

Staff Member Present:

Nate Hampton (Recorder)
Tom Rashid

The Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee met in Harris on Friday, April 30, 2004, in conjunction with the Upper Peninsula Athletic Directors Annual Spring Meeting.

Following the welcome and introduction to additional meeting materials, the committee welcomed two presentations by concerned Upper Peninsula constituents:

1. Presentation by Eastern End Athletic Directors Dave Miller, DeTour; Chuck Bennin, Pickford, and Carl Anderson, Rudyard. Eastern End schools shared concern for their perception for lack of representation on the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee in matters affecting tournament officials selection and school assignments to various levels of tournaments.
2. Wrestling Coach Bob Madigan of Norway led a contingent of seven other Upper Peninsula wrestling coaches making a passionate request to the committee to change the current format of the Upper Peninsula Wrestling tournament to allow Upper Peninsula schools to participate in the Lower Peninsula Individual Tournament and to dissolve the separate Upper Peninsula tournament.

SITE SELECTION FOR REGIONAL BASKETBALL VENUE IN 2004-05

Responding to requests from member schools and informational discussion at the athletic directors meeting, the committee held a lengthy discussion on its previous decision for a 1-year trial to split Class C and Class D into separate sites. An effort would be made to relocate the Class C girls and boys Regional Tournament to a high school site in

a central Upper Peninsula location, and the Class D tournament to either remain at Michigan Technological University or be placed at a high school site.

All committee members praised the efforts and organization of tournament managers at Michigan Tech and emphasized that the changes are being made to alleviate travel concerns for teams and fans of Class C schools in eastern Upper Peninsula communities.

It was determined by the committee to locate Class C Regional Tournament No. 24 at Marquette High School and to retain Class D Regional No. 32 at Michigan Tech.

This format will remain for one year with continued evaluation at the 2005 April meeting.

SELECTION OF SITES FOR 2004 DISTRICT AND REGIONAL GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

The committee made the following selections for the 2004 Girls Basketball Tournament:

Class A, District No. 12 will follow pre-existing format. Class B, District No. 64 will be held at Sault Area High School. Class C District sites will be: Manistique, Ishpeming, L'Anse, and Stephenson. Class D District sites will be: Pickford, Cooks-Big Bay de Noc, Carney-Nadeau, Crystal Falls-Forest Park, Watersmeet, and Chassell. Regional 24 will be held at Marquette High School, Regional 31 will be held at Newberry High School, and Regional 32 will be held at Houghton-Michigan Technological University. Class C Quarterfinal No. 12 will be selected by the Lower Peninsula committee (consider Manistique). Class D

Quarterfinal No. 16 will be played in either Escanaba or Sault Area, according to the longstanding past practice for assignment. Class D Quarterfinal No. 17 will be assigned by the Lower Peninsula committee.

UPPER PENINSULA TRACK AND FIELD ASSIGNMENTS

The committee reviewed correspondence to realign school assignments to reflect enrollment equity.

The committee reaffirmed the MHSAA plan for establishing assignments by geographical location and made no changes.

UPPER PENINSULA INDIVIDUAL WRESTLING TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The committee, after a lengthy presentation made by concerned wrestling coaches, reviewed its authority and responsibility relating to decisions and recommendation for MHSAA tournament structure as stated in the *Handbook*. The presenters were advised that while there appears to be a consensus of the 18 Upper Peninsula wrestling coaches, there is no written or verbal acceptance by school administrations and school boards on dissolving the current Upper Peninsula Individual Wrestling Championship Tournament.

The committee further advised the presenting group to seek acceptance and approval from those that govern Upper Peninsula school policy and budgets.

UPPER PENINSULA CROSS COUNTRY SITE SELECTION

The committee selected Stephenson High School to host the Upper Peninsula Cross Country Finals.

UPPER PENINSULA TROPHY POLICY

The committee reviewed the current policies and recommended the following change:

"A runner-up trophy will be awarded if 10 or more schools of a classification, division, or group sponsor that particular sport.

Where there are fewer than 10 total schools in a particular classification, division, or group, a runner-up trophy will be awarded if at least 80% of the total schools sponsor the sport. There will be no runner-up trophy

awarded if there are fewer than nine (9) schools sponsoring a sport, even if that number represents 100 percent of the schools in that class, division or group."

EASTERN END REPRESENTATION

Following the presentation by Eastern End athletic directors, the committee had lengthy discussion on the perceptions and possibilities to resolve the stated issues.

The committee agreed to continue discussion on the possibilities of recommending to the Representative Council the opportunity to add two positions to the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee (1) on geography for under-represented areas; (2) to reflect gender representation.

In the short term, the committee will seek assistance from Eastern End schools by inviting written and/or personal presentations by an Eastern End representative specifically on matters relating to officials selections.

OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Class B Regional Basketball: The committee recommended to the Lower Peninsula Basketball Committee to consider an Upper Peninsula site at least every four years and a northernmost geographical pairing format.

Upper Peninsula Official Selections: The committee's discussions shared approval with the process used in replacing officials in this year's boys tournament that utilized the assistance of committee member Joe Reddinger, Felch, in replacing officials that, for various reasons, declined invitations.

There is, however, ongoing concern for the number of officials that are offered invitations, but do not meet the current criteria of working the specified number of games during the current season and those officials that, for various reasons, do not attend a rules meeting.

The committee will continue discussions and make recommendations following the May Representative Council Meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee will be held in Escanaba on Friday, Sept. 17, 2004. ■

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

“AMERICA’S MOST COMPETITIVE ADULT SPORT”

One of the most elusive of blessings is a well balanced life.

Think about that. How much mental illness is a part of one's body, mind or soul out of control? How much physical fatigue is a result of too much of one thing or too little of another, like too much work and too few workouts? How much emotional discomfort is caused by lack of time for spouse, children, charity, church, for recreation . . . re-creation?

One of the most elusive blessings of life is a well balanced life.

For children, there is danger in too much idle time. “The Music Man” preyed on the fears of the parents of River City, Iowa, haunting them that idle time would lead to boys' ruin.

But that was then, now is now. And the dangers to many kids may have more to do with too much to do than too little to do.

Certainly this is not the case for all children. Many underprivileged children are under-scheduled, under-supervised and under-challenged.

But for very many children who are involved in sports, in very many communities and circumstances, their quality of life is harmed at least as much as helped by the over-scheduling of adolescent lives by adult leaders, some with the best of intentions, some with bad intentions, and many with no clue at all.

Psychiatrist Alvin Rosenfeld writes of his concerns, using phrases such as, “the over-scheduled child rearing style” and saying “Parenting is now America's most competitive adult sport.”

Now coming to a high school near you are parents who have carried their crying five-year-olds to and from the mats of freestyle wrestling meets. Coming to a high school near you are parents who enrolled their six-year-olds in competitive soccer leagues and coached their seven-year-olds' teams to be sure “it is a good experience.” Coming to a high school near you are parents who have paid for private tennis lessons for

their children since they were eight years old, paid for private softball pitching lessons since they were nine years old, and paid for individual and team basketball camps since they were ten years old. Coming to a high school near you are parents who have taxied their children across town, state and country for competitions in ice hockey, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball, golf, tennis and more.

Now coming to us with high school students are parents who have exhausted themselves and their pocketbooks and are now saying, “You do it. You provide the uniforms, the transportation, the coaches; and most of all, you keep pushing, you keep over-scheduling, you keep doing it because they won't listen to their parents anymore.”

The loudest objections to any proposals to restrict the number or length of high school practices, the number of contests, the length of travel, coaching contacts out of season, and participation out of season have come from parents. Some objections have come from coaches, but the most objections and the loudest ones come from parents.

Not all parents fit this stereotype. Some parents criticize state high school associations for allowing too much, leaving no time for family vacations and insufficient time for the students' school work and church life. But these parents complain less now than other parents would complain later if new limits on athletic expectations were proposed.

The typical child involved in school sports lives in three worlds. There is the athletic world, both school and non-school. There is the academic world. And there is the personal world that includes non-athletic activities, church and community activities, after-school jobs and, of course, friends.

In school sports we're supposed to believe, and we're supposed to advance policies, that assure academics are placed ahead of athletics in the lives of students, at least within the academic day, week and year.

I suppose all sports have their bad moments, but these situations stand out as

obvious problems, as obvious cases of misplaced priorities:

1. High school swimming - it's the only sport high school administrators will allow to practice two times a day, even on school days, all season long.
2. Non-school ice hockey, soccer, volleyball and basketball - students travel great distances almost daily to practice and compete with elite teams in other towns, often playing more games outside the high school season than during the high school season.
3. Gymnastics - students start in the fall in clubs; and by the time the winter high school season is finished, so are these students' bodies: bruised, battered and bandaged. Child abuse might have fewer scars than what I have seen at MHSAA Girls Gymnastics Finals in March.
4. Baseball and softball and golf - students missing classes day in and day out to participate in regular season contests.

Obvious as these abuses are to educators, we doubt we could get consensus to change

anything. School administrators will agree, but parents will object to a reduction in swimming practices, restriction on non-school sports out of season, and prohibition on playing Sport A in a non-school program while on the school team in Sport B.

We are fighting to keep sensible limits in Michigan. That's a hard fight; it's a noble fight. Pushing for more restrictions, we would likely end up with less, so the cost benefit analysis of a fight for what's good for kids is a high risk enterprise with very low chance of reward or success.

Eighty percent of all youngsters who ever participated in sports have stopped doing so by the time they reach 13 years of age. It is no wonder.

And there is a corollary to this burnout among the students: the more we push (or simply allow) the over-scheduling of students, the harder it will be for us to find and keep their high school coaches. Excessive demands on athletes lead to excessive demands on coaches, burnout and exacerbation of the coaching shortage in educational athletics. ■

REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2004 SPORTSMANSHIP SUMMIT

The MHSAA will once again hold its bi-annual Sportsmanship Summit in Fall 2004. The summit will take on a different look as the MHSAA brings smaller regionalized sportsmanship workshops to different parts of the state.

September 29 - Saginaw - Horizons Center

October 4 - Battle Creek - McCamly Plaza

November 3 - Grand Rapids - DeVos Place

November 17 - Warren - DeCarlos Banquet Center

The Sportsmanship Summit will last from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at each of the sites. The cost is \$25 per participant. Registration at each site is limited to the first 400 students and administrators. The summit is geared to high school students, and schools are welcome to bring as many as 10 representatives including two administrators.

Registration forms are on the MHSAA Web site. If you have any questions, contact Andy Frushour at the MHSAA office - 517.332.5046.

SIGNIFICANT OPERATING PROCEDURE

MHSAA COMMITTEE SERVICE

Invitations to representatives of member schools and officials to serve on various MHSAA Committees were recently approved by the Executive Committee and mailed to school **principals** early this fall. Participation and attendance at MHSAA meetings is critical to the process that ensures member schools are heard in the deliberations of the Representative Council and in the seasonal operations of the MHSAA. **Principals are asked to permit staff time to attend and serve on committees.** Participation and attendance by your school administration and staff ensures **representation from your school while providing leadership and service for all schools.** Please consider service on an MHSAA committee when the invitation is extended – **and please respond quickly to the invitations** so that this process can serve its intended statewide purpose.

The following is reprinted from the *MHSAA Sport Committee Guide*:

Thank You for your service to the MHSAA. Your attendance and participation at meetings is critical to the process that ensures member schools are heard in the deliberations of the Representative Council. Being an informed committee member, active both as a listener and a participant, will help this process to serve its intended purpose.

1. Sport committees are intended to consist of a balance of administrators and varsity coaches in the particular sport, plus the president of the coaches association for that sport.
 - a. All appointees must be in the direct employment (at least part-time) of an MHSAA member school district or full-time employment of a league or conference of MHSAA member schools.
 - b. Pursuant to Representative Council action, effort also is made to secure...
 - (1) two currently registered MHSAA officials who meet the criteria for Representative Council candidacy (administrator, faculty member or board of education member of an MHSAA member school district), and
 - (2) one representative each from the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association and the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals
 - c. Candidates are solicited through the February MHSAA Bulletin, which includes a nomination form. Additional candidates are recommended by the Representative Council during its May meetings. MHSAA staff organizes the nominations, attempting to create a committee that represents schools of all classifications and regions. Appointments are made by the MHSAA Executive Committee at its August meeting.
2. Sport committee responsibilities include:
 - a. Recommending to the Representative Council changes regarding MHSAA regulations relative to the sport.
 - b. Recommending to MHSAA staff . . .
 - (1) appropriate procedures, sites and assignments for the MHSAA tournament in that sport and
 - (2) points of special emphasis for the sport season; proposals to the national playing rules committee.
3. The success of sport committee recommendations to the Representative Council is linked to the support shown for the recommendations by . . .
 - a. The coaches association of the sport.
 - b. Administrators associations such as MIAAA and MASSP.
 - c. Leagues and conferences.
4. Survey results are valuable when they

reflect the votes of people associated with all sizes of schools and regions of the state. Votes limited to boards of directors or convention attendees can under-represent the interests of smaller and more remote schools.

5. Personal agendas and single-issue committee members undermine the effectiveness of sport committees.
6. Sport committees must be cognizant of the cost of proposals – annual recurring expenditures to the MHSAA and to local schools. Additional costs should be avoided – especially during terms of economic downturn and revenue reductions to public education – unless there is a

compelling and direct impact on participant or spectator risk.

7. Ultimately, the Representative Council must consider more than the issues of a single sport and may determine that even a positive proposal that promotes one sport should not be approved because of the negative effect it might have on other sports or the educational mission of schools. It is the position of the Council that academics must precede athletics in policy-making and that young people should be students first and athletes second. ■

Remember to visit
mhsaa.net
to make all personnel, telephone and
address revisions necessary for the
2004-05 school year;
This is the only way information will
be updated for the printed 2004-05
School Directory

And We Quote —

*“Ask me my three priorities for Government, and I tell you:
education, education and education.”*

– Tony Blair, English Prime Minister

SIGNIFICANT OPERATING PROCEDURE

MASTER ELIGIBILITY LISTS

"SCHOOLS SHALL PREPARE a Master Eligibility List (Form-1 or its equivalent) of all students eligible for that sport under the provisions of the Regulations, including current semester record. Additions to the squad should be duly added. Current copies of the Master Eligibility List are to be available to competing schools upon request and must be submitted by the opt-out due date to the manager at the entry level of each MHSAA Tournament to which a school is assigned." (Regulation II, Section 4 *MHSAA Handbook*)

In 1997 the MHSAA eliminated the requirement that schools submit eligibility lists to the MHSAA Offices. Mailing or faxing eligibility lists to the MHSAA is unnecessary and wasteful – send eligibility lists to Tournament Managers with other required material to fulfill tournament entry requirements. Be sure to include any students who may be eligible for that tournament, such as JV players who may be "brought up." Unless you have a team entered in a reserve team basketball tournament that begins **after** the MHSAA tournament starts, one list per sport – not separate Freshman, JV and Varsity lists – is considered most efficient for this purpose.

Preparing the forms in advance of scrimmages or contests helps schools to ensure

that only eligible students enter competitions. See Regulation II, Section 4 for the complete regulation and interpretations. Administrators, support staff and coaches should use great caution and not just "fill out the form." The preparation of accurate and up to date eligibility lists remains a critical responsibility intended to ensure that all students participating on teams are eligible. "Eligible" means in compliance with several MHSAA and individual member school regulations including enrollment, age, current and previous semester academic minimums as well as the transfer rule. It is intended to be one last "double-check" seeking to prevent an ineligible student from participating in a scrimmage or contest. When in doubt, school administrators should contact the MHSAA for a written interpretation before a student competes.

The MHSAA Catastrophic Accident Excess Medical Insurance coverage and many school insurance coverage plans are extended only to students who are eligible and listed on an up-to-date eligibility list. To ensure that all your athletes are afforded the maximum protection available under the MHSAA's Catastrophic Insurance plan, your school must be able to show that the students were listed on their school's Master Eligibility List in that sport for that season. ■



HAMPTON RECEIVES HONOR

MHSAA Assistant Director Nate Hampton received the Operation Friendship Citizen of the Year Award in June at the organization's annual Student-Athlete Leader Banquet in Warren.

Operation Friendship is a joint project of the Detroit Public School League and the Catholic High School League. The Bazylewicz-Luby Citizen of the Year Award is named after the two former CHSL and PSL directors who started Operation Friendship in 1976.

"I can think of no one more deserving than Nate Hampton to receive this honor in recognition of the bridge-building and personalized administration that he has extended to so many throughout Michigan, but especially in the Metro Detroit area," said MHSAA Executive Director John E. "Jack" Roberts.

REVIEWING THE REGULATIONS

CHANGES ABOUND FOR 2004-05

The following pages address changes to policies and procedures approved by the MHSAA Representative Council in May and are in effect for the 2004-05 School year.

One Less Form to File: Teams Must Meet New Tournament Opt-Out Due Date

The MHSAA Representative Council took action in March 2004 to save schools time and the MHSAA resources by eliminating the "pre internet" tradition of completing an entry blank for each sport team entering an MHSAA postseason tournament. Tournament assignments will continue to be posted well in advance on mhsaa.com as in years past.

Replacing the sport by sport entry blank will be a pre season notification to each member school athletic director in the fall, winter and spring. The TOURNAMENT NOTIFICATION FORM (TNF) will be sent indicating all teams entered with their first round sites for the coming season based on the prior year's participation or prior notice to the MHSAA. The "TNF" will also include the first-round tournament site and manager information for each sport.

Two important requirements falling on the same deadline (the "**opt-out due date**") for participation in MHSAA Tournaments remain as in years past.

1. Schools must notify the tournament manger if they DO NOT intend to participate (to "**opt out**") as noted on the TNF by the stated **opt-out** date.
2. Schools must submit an accurate roster and MHSAA Eligibility List to the tournament manger by this same **opt-out due date**. In some sports (swim, cross country, and track) electronic entries must be submitted to the manger by this same **opt out due date**.

Over the years the entry blank may have become an unnecessary and expensive step, notifying schools of what was posted on

mhsaa.com months before the tournament. Those schools which would fail to submit entry blanks, eligibility lists and rosters on time in years past, are likely to be the same schools to miss the new opt out due date. Many in the discussion of this new process thought no new work for tournament managers would be involved. All school teams – large and small, new and veteran, city, suburban and rural – have the same responsibility to meet the two requirements of participation by the opt out due date. Schools which fail to withdraw or submit materials on time face the same penalties as in prior years: late fees payable to the tournament host schools, and the possible removal from future MHSAA tournaments.

Please check your calendars, and look for the fall Tournament Notification Form being mailed right after Labor Day. Please communicate on time with tournament managers.

Athletic Directors and coaches are reminded that the Master Eligibility List is the official listing of those students who are eligible to participate in an MHSAA tournament. While rosters may be updated with eligible athletes prior to the actual start of a tournament, an eligibility list must be accurate and include all those who may participate, including JV and Freshman athletes who may be "brought up." Unless you have a team entered in a reserve team basketball tournament that begins **after** the MHSAA tournament starts (MHSAA *Handbook*, Page 66, Interpretation No. 227), schools should submit one eligibility list per sport with all levels – Varsity, JV and Frosh – on the same form. ■

Standards for Assignors

(**Bold** is modification of Committee Proposal)

1. Assignors shall be paid by:
 - a. a **school or** league or conference, or
 - b. the members of an approved association who elect or hire an individual to assign for them. Turn-back fees, paid to an assignor by an official, do not violate this concept.
2. Assignors shall not collect fees for service from both a school, league or conference and an individual official or an officials association.
3. Assignors shall not require an official to be a member of a specific association in order to be assigned games under the control of the assignor. **Membership in any MHSAA Approved Association is an acceptable requirement.**
4. Assignors shall not require an official to pay a fee to participate in a **specific** camp, clinic or training activity in order to be evaluated and considered for assignments under the control of any assignor. Involvements in free events, for the same reason, are permitted. ■

Selection and Replacement of Tournament Officials

I. Change

Volleyball and soccer district and hockey regional managers have assigned entry round officials and replacements. Given the limited availability of officials and the problems associated with replacement of officials, it is now policy that entry round managers also assign and replace entry round tournament officials in wrestling, baseball, softball and lacrosse.

II. Points of Emphasis & Communication

- A. Considerations for assignments and replacement of tournament officials:
 1. A list of qualified officials will be provided by staff at the conclusion of the rules meeting period for the sport and supplemented by communication with assignors and official associations through the MHSAA staff.
 2. Managers must solicit requests of possible officials from assigned teams.
 3. MHSAA staff would assist individual tournament managers in the selection and replacement process as requested.
 4. The following conflict of interest guidance would prohibit an official from working a specific district or regional and would now appear in

tournament managers manuals and the *Officials Guidebook*:

"In all cases, officials must be neutral and may not officiate in any contest involving relatives or other similar close relationships. It is the official's responsibility to notify tournament management as soon as possible of a conflict of interest, so that a possible switch may occur.

- a. Official's son/daughter attends a participating school.
- b. Official (or an immediate family member) is a current or former staff member (teacher, coach, or employee) at a participating school.
- c. Official has a close connection or relationship to the coach of a participating team.
- d. Official is a recent graduate (1 to 10 years) or connected alumni of a participating school.

It is preferred that an official who is also a coach in the sport he/she officiate decline a tournament invitation in that sport in any class. Depending on the sport, a qualified official who works a full regular-season schedule, may be considered for tournament assignment or replacement by MHSAA staff."

- B. Registered assignors and approved associations may assist the Official Selection Committee and MHSAA staff in assisting with the process of selecting tournament officials and necessary replacements according to the following procedures:
 1. All MHSAA Committees may receive correspondence from schools and others. We suggest permitting written correspondence through the MHSAA Office from registered assignors and approved associations to be given to the officials assignment committee members by zone. Approved associations and leagues and conferences currently submit recommendations of specific officials to the selection committee.
 2. After assigning tournament officials, each zone committee would prepare a list of officials who were not selected, to be placed on a "first to call" replacement list to be used at the discretion of the MHSAA staff.
 3. Local officials associations and assignors can communicate with and submit a list of officials to MHSAA staff (after the initial assignments of officials are made) who, to their knowledge, attended a rules meeting but were not assigned, so as to supplement the "first to call" replacement list. This may serve to apply some local peer pressure through assignors/associations upon officials to attend rules meetings and submit schedules so as to qualify for tournament assignments. ■

Application of the Transfer Regulation When a Non-Traditional School is Involved

The basic principles are these:

1. If a student attends Sample High School and then enrolls in Sample Non-Traditional School, which is a program administered directly or through a consortium by the Sample High School District, that student may be eligible at Sample High School if that school counts for athletic enrollment purposes all the students who reside in Sample High School's attendance area and attend Sample Non-Traditional School.
2. If this student reenrolls at Sample High School, he/she is eligible insofar as the MHSAA transfer regulation is concerned.
 - A. Both basic principles hold even if the student's records and provides a diploma and graduation ceremony separate from Sample High School.
 - B. Both basic principles hold even if the student's first enrollment in grade 9 was at Sample Non-Traditional School, provided the student resides in the Sample High School attendance area.
 - C. The second basic principle holds even if students at Sample Non-Traditional School are not eligible at and counted by Sample High School.

If a change of school involving a non-traditional school does not fit the basic principles or interpretations above, then a transferring student whose circumstances do not fit one of the stated exceptions to the transfer regulation must be declared ineligible unless waiver is granted by the MHSAA Executive Committee. ■

The MHSAA Executive Committee has previously provided the following additional interpretations:

- A. Both basic principles hold even if Sample Non-Traditional School has had this stu-

Notice Regarding Image-Taking Devices in Locker Rooms

Adopted by the Representative Council, May 2004

Privacy issues are involved as still or video images can be transmitted instantly, stored and possibly used without the permission of the individual for posting on the Internet or in other areas. The small size of some of these devices, as well as the fact that many students and adults rely upon them for daily communication creates additional problems.

Recent advancements in the technology of cellular phones and PDAs equipped with digital cameras capable of storing or transmitting images have caused some national concern.

Beyond personal privacy, transmitting images from team areas could complicate efforts at promoting good sportsmanship and increase inappropriate acts of gamesmanship.

We are alerting MHSAA Tournament Mangers and Member Schools of this potential problem. The approach at MHSAA Tournaments will be:

PICTURE PHONES AND CAMERAS OF ANY KIND ARE NOT TO BE USED IN LOCKER ROOMS, WEIGH-IN ROOMS OR TRAINING ROOMS DURING MHSAA TOURNAMENTS.

If a tournament manager or athletic director discovers that someone has possibly photographed or transmitted inappropriate material managers and athletic directors should:

1. Obtain and record identification information in the event that images are later discovered, the person responsible may be located.
2. Inform the head coach or athletic director of the school involved as soon as possible.
3. Record pertinent facts such as date, team, location, time, etc.
4. Local district policy should govern if police are to be called.

NOTE: Public Act 155, effective Sept. 1, 2004, makes it a felony punishable by five years in prison, a \$5,000.00 fine or both to "Photograph, or otherwise capture or record, [a] visual image [of this nature, or to] Distribute, disseminate or transmit for access by any other person a recording, photograph or visual image the person has reason to know was obtained in violation of [this law]."

Waiver Procedure for Substitutes in MHSAA Alpine Ski Meets

If one or more of a team's qualified skiers (i.e., a skier with at least four starts) is unable to participate in the MHSAA tournament because of illness, injury or family tragedy (not ineligibility under MHSAA rules or school action for academic or disciplinary reasons), and there are no other members of the team with four starts, an administrator of that school may make a written request to the MHSAA to permit a substitute(s) who has been a member of the team for the entire season. The request must describe the proposed substitute's involvement with the team and the reasons he/she does not have four starts. The substitute's name must have been included previously on the Master Eligibility List.

A "start" is defined as actually skiing under the clock and attempting to score in one or both of the disciplines (slalom or GS) in a bona fide high school meet. If the slalom and GS of a meet are conducted on separate days and a student participates in both, it counts as one start only.

If the MHSAA administrator in charge of alpine ski and the executive director or his designee concur that this is a reasonable request, the school may allow the substitute to participate in the MHSAA tournament. The request must be received by noon of the last business day prior to the MHSAA meet. ■

Teams Practicing Out-of-State Required to Submit Out-of-State Travel Form

The tradition of taking a team on a "spring trip" for practice only is a separate issue from sanctioning a competition (see Sanction guidelines on next page). Any school which conducts practice sessions out of state at a site more than 600 miles round-trip must submit to the MHSAA office a Travel Form for Out-of-State Practice at least 30 days in advance of departure. This does not allow schools to compete in a scrimmage, practice or competition with a team from another school.

The following interpretation was adopted at the May 2004 Representative Council meeting and is effective for the 2004-05 school year:

"When a school-sponsored team, or group of students which resembles the school team, intends to conduct practice sessions out of state at a site more than

600 highway miles round-trip from that school, the Travel Form for Out-of-State Practice is required. For the purpose of this Section, it shall be considered a practice for a school team if a school coach in that sport is present with any number of players from that school's team, other than his/her family members."

MHSAA catastrophic insurance does not cover such events.

The form can be found on page 108 of the *Handbook* or on the MHSAA Web site. Pursuant to action of the Representative Council in May 2003, all schools which complete this form will be listed in the *MHSAA Bulletin* at the end of the school year.

A list of schools which completed the form in 2004-05 appears below.

Schools Submitting Out-of-State Travel Forms for 2004-05

BASEBALL

Allen Park Cabrini
B.H. Cranbrook Kingswood
Clinton
Chelsea
Coldwater
Coopersville
Dexter
Essexville Garber
G.R. Forest Hills Northern
Hamilton
Holt
Howard City Tri-County
Hudsonville
Ionia
Lake Odessa Lakewood
Lansing Sexton
Marysville
Mason
Portland
Rockford
Shepherd

Vermontsville Maple Valley
Wyoming Park
Zeeland

GOLF - GIRLS

Greenville

SOCCER - GIRLS

Chelsea

SOFTBALL

Allendale
Alma
Bath
Fenton
Flint Kearsley
Greenville
Grosse Pte. Woods U. Liggett
Hamilton
Howard City Tri-County
Hudsonville
Jenison

Lansing Everett
Martin
Milan
Petoskey
Portland
Rockford
Saginaw Swan Valley
St. Joseph Lake Michigan
Catholic
Southfield Christian
Troy Athens
Grosse Pte. Woods U. Liggett
Wyoming Park

SWIMMING

B.H. Cranbrook Kingswood

TENNIS

Whitehall

TENNIS - BOYS

Ann Arbor Greenhills

Summer Competition Subject to Travel Restriction

Concerned that National Championship competition may inadvertently be permitted in the summer months, the Representative Council took the following action in May 2004:

From *MHSAA Handbook* Regulation II, Section 11 (H): **“These 15 (or 7) days with competition (see next paragraph) in the summer are subject to the same out-of-state travel limits that apply to school teams during the school season under**

Regulation II, Section 6, except for camps conducted within Michigan.”

Application: During the summer prior to Monday the week of Aug. 15, 2005, coaches are limited to 15 days when they can coach in competition students in grades 7-12 of their school district if the teams involve more than the following number of players: Basketball - 3, Football - 7, Ice Hockey - 3, Lacrosse - 7, Soccer - 7, Volleyball - 3.

Sanctioning Procedures

The *MHSAA Handbook*, Regulation II, Sections 5 and 6 lists requirements for competitions which are hosted by non-member entities, involve teams or individuals from another state or are held out of the state. Depending on the situation, the following actions should be taken:

1. No action by MHSAA – Competition held in Michigan, conducted by member schools, needs no MHSAA approval. All such meets shall use MHSAA registered officials and rules of competition adopted by the MHSAA for that sport.
2. Approval by the MHSAA – Any meet or tournament with three or more teams held within Michigan for Michigan schools and sponsored by a non-member school or organization must be approved by the MHSAA prior to the contest.

The non-member school/organization must submit in writing the terms and conditions of the competition. The sponsors must assure that the competition will be conducted in accordance with MHSAA eligibility regulations, using MHSAA registered officials and rules of competition adopted by the MHSAA for that sport.

3. Sanction by State Association – Interstate competition, which is sponsored by a member school and involves three or more schools from border states, must be sanctioned by the state association of the host school, as well as the respective association of the state or states of participating schools.

The sanction form is on page 100 of the *Handbook*, and on the NFHS Web site (nfhs.org). The application must be received by the state association at least 30 calendar days before the event.

4. Sanction by the NFHS –
 - A. Any interstate competition involving two or more schools which is cosponsored by or titled in the name of an organization outside the high school community (e.g. a university, shoe company, etc.), in addition to being sponsored by a member school, shall require sanction by the NFHS office.
 - B. Schools must also receive NFHS sanction and state association sanction when:
 - (1) More than eight schools, at least one of which is from a state that does not border the host state; or
 - (2) Five or more states, at least one of which does not border the host state.
- * Whenever an event requires NFHS approval, there is a \$75 fee made payable to the NFHS. This payment must be sent along with the request for sanction to the state association office. The host school or the organization that is hosting the event should submit the request submitted to the state association office at least 90 days before the event to avoid being charged a late fee.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

UNNATURAL PERFORMANCE: **NCAA TEAMS WITH OTHER GROUPS TO SELL HEALTH AND SAFETY OVER SUPPLEMENTS**

Student-athletes who use dietary supplements to get ripped may get ripped off instead. That's what many health and safety experts think, and they're launching an educational campaign to say so.

This isn't the first attempt at raising awareness among student-athletes who rely on an unregulated billion-dollar industry to enhance athletics performance. The drug-education and drug-testing subcommittee of the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports sends an annual memorandum to athletics directors, compliance coordinators and athletic trainers that warns against the use of supplements, and athletic trainers work year-round to educate athletes about supplement use. But this latest effort employs a partnership approach with the American College of Sports Medicine and the National Federation of State High School Associations to deliver a four-poster series that emphasizes food, hydration, exercise and recovery over dietary supplements to maximize athletics performance.

"Food, hydration, exercise and recovery will never be found on an NCAA-banned substances list," said Mary Wilfert, NCAA assistant director of education outreach.

What does show up on the NCAA-banned substances list, though, are drugs that aren't always on supplement labels. That's what's causing some student-athletes to lose their eligibility via a positive drug test.

Of course, food, hydration, exercise and recovery aren't found in many mainstream advertisements, either. Indeed, the high-school and college student-athlete age groups are prime targets for the supplement industry, which has money to burn on flashy ad campaigns that promise quick and easy results.

"It's rather exhausting trying to beat the industry," admitted Augustana College

(Illinois) athletic trainer Rochel Rittgers, who chairs the drug-education and drug-testing subcommittee. "Our student-athletes are in an age group that wants something for nothing, something quick and fast with immediate results. Nutrition in the form of real food from the grocery store isn't flashy or exciting. It's difficult to sell that which we've known for 200 years."

BAD APPLES

Rittgers said not only is the industry influential, but student-athlete peers also steer decisions. Some student-athletes are getting information from their friends and roommates and they're considering that testimony as more valid than the information from athletic trainers and administrators. Rittgers emphasized this is a market-driven consequence, "but from a drug-testing point of view," she said, "we're not accepting 'I didn't know' anymore, because we have been inundating people with information for so long."

The NCAA and other health-and-safety-conscious groups have beat that drum for years. The annual memo reiterates that careless supplement use is causing student-athletes to lose their eligibility. The primary problem is that supplements aren't always what they seem. Some contain substances that aren't on the label, and some of those are NCAA-banned substances. Research shows in fact that about one-third of the supplement market in America has products not listed on the label. Thus, a student-athlete who purchases a product in good faith may be betrayed.

"There is no completely safe supplement due to the very poor regulations," said Rachel Olander of the Center for Drug Free Sport, the organization that administers drug testing for the NCAA and provides other drug-education services. "Supplements do not have to be guaranteed pure or safe --

they are not guaranteed by the Food and Drug Administration to be pure or safe. And the manufacturer does not have to prove that they are pure or safe before putting them on the market."

Olander oversees Drug Free Sport's Dietary Supplement Resource Exchange Center, established in 2001 as a confidential hot line and Web site to answer athletes' questions about dietary and banned substances. She said the problem is complicated further when supplement manufacturers that do play by the rules are tainted by those that don't disclose ingredients or that change them from batch to batch.

Rittgers in fact said the bad apples prevent athletic trainers from recommending any supplements at all, even though some might be safe. While many reputable businesses provide acceptable products, she said no one can know if they will continue to be reliable.

"We never recommend any product over another," she said. "What we do say to the athletes is that as far as we know from the research we've seen, this product has not been indicated in any positive tests. However, it is a buyer-beware market and there is no governmental regulation on this product or any other nutritional product."

For example, Rittgers said, while the supplement creatine hasn't been proven to be unsafe, she and others can't trust creatine because "we can't trust what else the manufacturer may be putting in the bottle." Rittgers said one week's formulation may be different from the next, too.

But even though the industry and its ability to advertise poses an almost unbeatable opponent, Rittgers said, "We have to keep chipping away."

POSITIVE APPROACH

The poster series does that by emphasizing that student-athletes can in fact get performance enhancement from food.

"There are credible nutritionists who can help with that, too," Olander said. "There are ergogenic effects from food, especially with timing – what you eat before and after practice or right after exercise."

Jim Whitehead, executive vice-president at the American College of Sports Medicine, said, "What we want to do with this educa-

tional outreach is to provide clarity and emphasize the role that healthy lifestyles can have in enhancing performance and the well-being of the student-athlete. We also want to avoid concerns about the ingestion of prohibited ingredients – avoid the inconsistency of the ingredients and the unknown quality of supplements in general."

Whitehead also emphasized that the posters and memos aren't the only approach.

"Many sports-sciences organizations are considering other avenues that would complement the posters," he said. "And it's going to take that kind of partnership to address the best way to combat an industry that has tremendous resources. We understand the reality of that fight, but through a consortium of organizations, we're looking at all available options. It's important that the posters be seen as one element in what is going to be a multi-faceted approach."

One difference from past efforts, Whitehead said, is that the current campaign focuses on the positive side rather than just simply railing against supplement use. **Because this new approach emphasizes performance enhancement through diet and health and quality of life, perhaps student-athletes will be more likely to listen.**

Olander said if student-athletes hear this same message from several sources, they may start to believe it, rather than succumbing to advertising that may not be able to back up the claims.

"There is no proof that 99 percent of dietary supplements work – in fact, there are very few that have any scientific evidence supporting their effectiveness," she said. "But when you look at a muscle magazine and see a 5-9 280-pound bodybuilder holding a can of product and saying that's how he did it...Ours certainly isn't as flashy of an approach as the supplement industry's, but it certainly is safer. And the benefits to the student-athletes are greater."

The NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committees will review the posters at their July meetings. The posters will then be distributed to campuses this fall.

"We can't spread the word enough," the NCAA's Wilfert said. "The student-athlete who uses a nutritional supplement without checking the ingredients with the athletics

staff and tests positive for banned substances will be held in violation of NCAA rules. And an athletics department that does not adequately educate current and incoming student-athletes about NCAA-banned substances, including the risks of over-the-counter nutritional supplement use, will be

held in violation in the event the student-athlete tests positive for such substances."

That's a message worth getting. ■

— Gary T. Brown
The NCAA News

PUBLIC ACT 31 REQUIRES NOTICE THAT POSSESSION/USE OF STEROIDS IS A CRIME

In 1990, the Michigan Legislature enacted Public Law 31 which requires athletic service providers – including both educational and recreational athletic facilities – to post notice that warns that any person who uses or knowingly possesses and androgenic anabolic steroid violates Michigan law and is punishable by imprisonment and fine.

PUBLIC ACT 187 PROHIBITS PROMOTION/DISTRIBUTION OF PERFORMANCE ENHANCING SUPPLEMENTS

Michigan public school employees and volunteers are prohibited by Public Law 187 from promoting or supplying dietary supplements which carry claims of enhanced athletic performance. The Law covers adrostenedione, creatine and any compound labeled as performance enhancing.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

THE REALITY OF PERFORMANCE- ENHANCING SUPPLEMENTS

Caution by parents, coaches and trainers should be used in the general surveillance of their athletes. Information by manufacturers about performance enhancing supplements is readily available on the Internet, and athletes can purchase these substances without supervision.

We urge all coaches and trainers to educate their athletes regarding these substances, and then most importantly, prohibit their use.

Coaches and athletes need to understand that supplements are not considered a "food or drug" and that the FDA does not regulate these substances, unlike anabolic steroids. Most supplements are labeled as dietary supplements and, based on a 1994 law, are beyond the jurisdiction of the FDA.

Supplement marketing claims many performance improvements for athletes, yet the medical and research community is divided

on these claims and the safety of using supplements. "Natural - Herbal" does not mean safe. In April 1996, the FDA issued a warning not to buy products containing ephedra/ephedrine/Ma huang,

"Natural - Herbal" products. Six years later, these products have now been banned for sale in California.

The supplement industry is a multi-billion dollar commerce, thus advertising aimed at athletes can be expected to increase.

Based on review of the current medical literature, we believe that these substances should not be used by high school athletes for the following reasons:

CREATINE

- A 1998 study involving Navy Seals using creatine showed no significant differences in obstacle course performance

time or decrease in body fat;

- At the 1998 American College of Sports Medicine Annual Meeting, six out of seven trials presented, showing no increase in performance by using creatine;
- Endurance athletes have been shown to decrease performance when using creatine;
- There is no assurance that athletes are using appropriate dosing, and using amounts that exceed those used in scientific studies may cause problems that are not known at this time;
- Risks of worsening of pre-existing kidney disease, dehydration and poor performance resulting from dehydration exist. Long-term side effects from both brief and long-term use remain unknown at this time;
- While some laboratory studies show a benefit of increased body mass and improved ability to sustain short bursts of explosive exercise, the studies have several flaws and results seen in the lab may not be the same as those seen on the field;
- A 1993 study showing increased strength from creatine use was repeated in 1998 using more test athletes and showed no increase in strength from using creatine;
- Studies showing benefits are usually small, done in exercise labs, and do not address long-term use or on-field performance. The longest trial lasted only 51 days;
- Increased body mass associated with creatine is from increased total body water and has not been proven to come from

increased lean muscle mass. Percent body fat is not decreased by creatine.

ANDROSTENEDIONE ("ANDRO")

- Broken down by the liver into testosterone, a compound made in the body which can help increase muscle mass, it also causes decrease in natural production of testosterone and can lead to testicular atrophy;
- High levels of testosterone increase hair growth, cause premature closure of bone growth plates leading to short stature and may have adverse effects on the liver and cardiovascular system;
- Banned by the NCAA, NFL and the International Olympic Committee;
- Testosterone is already at maximal production in teens and dietary supplementation is unnecessary;
- Manufacturers may recommend these substances not be used by young adults due to already elevated testosterone levels, but such warnings do not always appear in advertising efforts;
- Advertisements in print media and on the Internet, as well as by word of mouth between athletes, claim that "andro" and similar compounds are safe. We are currently unaware of any long-term studies conclusively supporting this claim. We are aware of the adverse effects seen in people with prolonged elevated testosterone levels and consider such conditions to be unhealthy.

— *Reprinted from the California Interscholastic Federation*

And We Quote —

“Example isn't another way to teach, it is the only way to teach.”

— Albert Einstein

HEALTH AND SAFETY

MEDTRONIC DONATES AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR TO FREELAND HIGH SCHOOL

As awareness of sudden cardiac treatment increases and school budgets get tighter, the ability for schools to acquire an automated external defibrillator (AED) has become a tough chore. Thanks to a generous and unexpected gift from Medtronic Physio-Control, Freeland High School no longer has to wonder how to fund an AED for its school.

At Freeland's Honors Award Assembly in May, a representative from Medtronic presented the school a LIFEPAK CR Plus as part of an effort to raise awareness about the lifesaving function of AEDs.

Medtronic Physio-Control facilitated the donation as part of a national education initiative called LIFEPAK Heart Safe Schools, a complete package of services that integrates the components necessary to bring lifesaving AEDs to schools across the country.

As part of this program, Medtronic is making the LIFEPAK CR Plus available to Michigan's high schools for a discounted price of \$1,595. The unit has a list price of \$2,395.

The American Heart Association estimates as many as 7,000 children and up to

450,000 Americans die each year from sudden cardiac arrest, and recent studies show that up to 70 percent of victims survive when AEDs are accessible and used within three to four minutes.

John E. "Jack" Roberts, executive director of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, commented, "We know from numerous studies about the availability of AEDs in public places that more lives can be saved if defibrillation technology and trained volunteers are available where people gather. We hope this donation helps raise awareness of the importance of AEDs. We commend Medtronic for offering the discounted price to Michigan schools, and we look forward to a time when the lifesaving devices are even more affordable during tough budget times."

With 350,000 LIFEPAK defibrillators distributed worldwide, Medtronic Physio-Control is the world's leading provider of external defibrillators for the treatment of sudden cardiac arrest. To find out more about AEDs and the LIFEPAK Heart Safe Solutions program, visit Medtronic's Web site at www.aedhelp.com or call 1-800-442-1142. ■

ELIGIBILITY ADVANCEMENT REMINDERS

School administrators, counselors and coaches are reminded to present advanced eligibility opportunities to over-age junior high/middle school students. MHSAA Regulations prohibit seventh and eighth-grade students who become 15 years of age before Sept. 1 to participate in interscholastic sports competition at their respective grade level. The same is true of 16-year-old 9th-graders in a 10-12 grade high school system if their birthday occurs before Sept. 1.

If the local school administration and parents can agree and arrange, these over-age students can be advanced athletically and participate in the 9-12 program, even if it is in a separate building.

The students will be limited to four years of high school eligibility and must maintain the requirement to be passing work in at least four full-credit courses.

Eligibility Advancement Application forms are available on the MHSAA Web site at mhsaa.com and are also included in the *MHSAA Handbook*, page 110. ■

UPDATE MEETINGS FOLLOW A.D. IN-SERVICES AT SELECT SITES IN 2004

Athletic Director In-Service Programs and Update Meetings will be sponsored by the MHSAA throughout the fall. Again this year, at five statewide locations, the Athletic Director In-Service program will be held in conjunction with the annual Update Meeting. Additionally, two NEW Athletic Director In-Service Sessions will be offered at the MHSAA Office Building this fall: Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004 and then a second session with new material on Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2004.

The Update meetings will present current issues, rules, regulations, future plans, and pertinent Representative Council matters. SUPERINTENDENTS, PRINCIPALS, ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS should attend the meetings each year. The Athletic Director In-Services will focus on rules, regulations, frequently asked questions, time-saving tips, and round table discussions. It is expected that all member school athletic directors attend an In-Service and an Update Meeting each fall.

If you plan to attend one or more of the meetings, please complete the reservation form and return it with payment **no later than one week prior** to that meeting to **Mandi Hoover, MHSAA, 1661 Ramblewood Dr., East Lansing, MI, 48823.**

MEETING DATES & SITES

2004 AD IN-SERVICES

1. Tuesday, August 17 - **New ADs** Session I, MHSAA Office (8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.)
2. Wednesday, Oct. 6 - Kalamazoo, Pine West (8:30 a.m.-Noon)
3. Monday, Oct. 11 - Comstock Park, English Hills Country Club (8:30 a.m.-Noon)
4. Wednesday, Oct. 13 - Frankenmuth, Zehnders (8:30 a.m.-Noon)
5. Monday, Oct. 18 - Gaylord Hidden Valley Otsego Club (8:30 a.m.-Noon)
6. Wednesday, Oct. 20 - Lansing, Holiday Inn South (8:30 a.m.-Noon)
7. Tuesday, Nov. 30 - **New ADs** Session II MHSAA Office (8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.)

2004 UPDATE MEETINGS

1. Monday, Sept. 27 - Traverse City, Grand Traverse Resort (7:15 am)
2. **Wednesday, Oct. 6 - Kalamazoo, Pine West (Noon-2 p.m.)**
3. **Monday, Oct. 11 - Comstock Park, English Hills Country Club (Noon-2 p.m.)**
4. **Wednesday, Oct. 13 - Frankenmuth, Zehnders (Noon-2 p.m.)**
5. **Monday, Oct. 18 - Gaylord, Hidden Valley Otsego Club (Noon-2 p.m.)**
6. **Wednesday, Oct. 20 - Lansing, Holiday Inn South (Noon-2 p.m.)**
7. Wednesday, Oct. 27 - Warren, De Carlos Center (Noon-2 p.m.)
8. Friday, Oct. 29 - Marquette, (10 a.m.-Noon)

Bold = Update Sites which also offer AD In-Services

NOTES:

- Update Meetings No. 2-7 above offer lunch at noon for a fee of \$18.
- The Traverse City meeting (No. 1) is in conjunction with the MASSP Conference and includes complimentary breakfast
- There is no lunch offered at the Marquette meeting (No. 8)
- Attendees not partaking in lunch should plan to arrive by 1 p.m. for the meetings No. 2-7

Please complete and return the registration form on the next page

REGISTER ALL NONFACULTY COACHES BEFORE THEY ASSUME RESPONSIBILITIES

The *MHSAA Handbook* requires that any coach who is not an administrator or a member of the regular teaching staff of the school district must be registered by the school with the MHSAA. The requirement pertains to all nonfaculty coaches, full-time or part-time, paid or volunteer.

The regulation states, "The person responsible for the immediate training or coaching of a secondary athletic team SHOULD be a member of the regular teaching staff of the school. If a nonfaculty member is used, that person must be registered by the school with the MHSAA on a form provided for that purpose BEFORE assuming any coaching duties. A nonfaculty member coach must be at least eighteen (18) years of age and not a current high school student.

"Note: The Representative Council urges that all schools strive for the standard that only qualified faculty members are used as head coaches of interscholastic athletic teams, and all nonfaculty coaches complete the MHSAA's Program for Athletic Coaches' Education (PACE) or equivalent program."

There are two ways to fulfill the registration requirement:

1. The easiest way to register nonfaculty varsity head coaches is online at the MHSAA's administrative Web site, mhsaa.net, as you provide School Directory information.
2. Forms for registering other nonfaculty coaches may be requested from the MHSAA or may be found on pages 108-109 of the *MHSAA Handbook* for 2004-05. You may copy and enlarge as necessary. The forms – one for high school, the other for the junior high/middle school level – may also be downloaded from the MHSAA Web site at mhsaa.com and are available on the CD-ROM sent to schools in August. Forms may be submitted throughout the school year as nonfaculty coaches are assigned. Many schools submit forms just prior to each season: fall, winter and spring. ■

SUMMARY OF MHSAA NONFACULTY COACHES

This listing enumerates only the coaches identified through the nonfaculty coach form

1980-81	2,172 SHS (404) 166 JHS (62)	1989-90	8,193 SHS (630) 621 JHS (147)	1997-98	7,913 SHS (476) 294 JHS (69)
1981-82	2,455 SHS 176 JHS	1990-91	8,693 SHS (628) 562 JHS (144)	1998-99	9,643 SHS (601) 246 JHS (86)
1982-83	2,748 SHS 172 JHS	1991-92	8,326 SHS (570) 395 JHS (99)	1999-00	11,571 SHS (657) 1,562 JHS (326)
1983-84	3,276 SHS (441) 191 JHS (59)	1992-93	7,677 SHS (578) 406 JHS (84)	2000-01	8,486 SHS (452) 1,376 JHS (270)
1984-85	3,495 SHS (442) 225 JHS (71)	1993-94	7,328 SHS (509) 340 JHS (75)	2001-02	9,808 SHS (547) 1,233 JHS (249)
1985-86	3,834 SHS (450) 204 JHS (60)	1994-95	8,695 SHS (559) 392 JHS (94)	2002-03	6,807 SHS (339) 1,016 JHS (174)
1986-87	3,611 SHS (410) 208 JHS (51)	1995-96	8,742 SHS (555) 445 JHS (99)	2003-04	6,683 SHS (321) 897 JHS (160)
1987-88	4,410 SHS (454) 198 JHS (60)	1995-96	8,326 SHS (524) 345 JHS (72)		
1988-89	5,320 SHS (492) 222 JHS (55)	1996-97	8,326 SHS (524) 345 JHS (72)		

NOTE: Beginning in 2002-03 new internal procedures of the MHSAA eliminated duplicates that might have inflated figures in previous years. The number in parentheses indicates the number of schools with nonfaculty coaches.

2004-05 COACHES EDUCATION SCHEDULE

LEVEL I

Saturday, August 7 - Troy HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., August 9, 11 - Saginaw Heritage HS (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, August 14 - Britton-Macon HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., August 16, 18 - Lansing Hill Center (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, September 11 - Houghton Lake HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Wednesday, September 15 - Farmington Training Center (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Monday, September 20 - Sturgis HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., September 20, 22 - Midland HS (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, September 25 - Pontiac Northern HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Friday, October 1 - BCAM, Lansing Holiday Inn South (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., October 4, 6 - Chelsea HS (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, October 9 - Wayland Union HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, Oct. 23 - Holly HS (9-4)
Mon., Wed., November 1, 3 - Walled Lake Western HS (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, November 6 - Vicksburg HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, December 11 - MHSAA (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, January 8 - Hartland HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday February 12 - Gaylord HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, April 9, 2005, Norway HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, May 14 - Grand Rapids Northview HS (9 a.m. -4 p.m.)

LEVEL II

Saturday, August 14 - Troy HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., August 16, 18 - Saginaw Heritage HS (6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., August 16, 18 - Britton-Macon HS (6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., August 23, 25 - Lansing Hill Center (6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, September 18 - Houghton Lake HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Wednesday, September 22 - Farmington Training Center (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., September 27, 29 - Midland HS (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Friday, October 1 - BCAM, Lansing Holiday Inn South (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, October 2 - Pontiac Northern HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., October 11, 13 - Chelsea HS (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, October 16 - Wayland Union HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Mon., Wed., November 8, 10 - Walled Lake Western HS (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, November 13 - Mattawan HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, December 11 - MHSAA (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, January 15 - Holly HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday February 19 - Gaylord HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, April 16, 2005, Norway HS (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)
Saturday, May 21 - Grand Rapids Northview HS (9 a.m. -4 p.m.)

ENROLLMENT FORM

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

Bus. Phone: _____ Res. Phone: _____

School Affiliation: _____ School ID #: _____

Date/Program Location: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to MHSAA Level I - \$60 Level II - \$60

Mail to: Mandi Hoover, MHSAA, 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823

Girls Athletic Participation Numbers Hit New High in 2003-04

For the second straight year, girls' participation in high school sports set a new record at Michigan High School Athletic Association member schools across the state during the 2003-04 school year.

The total of 124,978 female participants in sports in which the Association sponsors post-season tournaments during the past school year topped last year's mark of 124,393. Among all student-athletes, a total of 293,957 took part, falling just short of the 294,012 record set in 2002-03. Boys participation was the second highest ever, the 168,979 figure just behind the 2002-03 high of 169,619. The totals count students once for each sport in which he or she participates, meaning students who are multiple-sport athletes are counted more than once.

Volleyball continues to be the most popular sport for girls, with 21,320 participants in 2003-04. Girls sports hitting their all-time highs in participation last year were competitive cheer and soccer.

The most popular boys sport continues to be football, with 42,717 participants last year. The only boys sport to hit a new participation high in 2003-04 was ice hockey.

Bowling, the newest MHSAA postseason tournament sport, had 1,866 boys participants and 1,480 girls in its inaugural 2003-04 school year.

2003-04 Sports Participation

The following summaries indicate participation in MHSAA tournament sports for 2003-04.

(A) The second number indicates the total number of schools that sponsored the sport in MHSAA tournaments, including secondary schools in cooperative programs, as of May 26, 2004.

* Indicates the number of additional girls playing on teams consisting primarily of boys and entered in boys competition.

Sport	BOYS & GIRLS TEAMS		GIRLS ONLY TEAMS	
	Schools (A)	Participants	Schools (A)	Participants*
Baseball	622 / 653	19,082		4*
Basketball	732 / 738	23,788	718 / 719	20,661 / 5*
Bowling	163 / 199	1,866	151 / 198	1,477 / 3*
Competitive Cheer			171 / 149	4,387
Cross Country	575 / 622	7,575	562 / 622	6,710
Football - 11 player	608 / 635	42,717		32*
Golf	569 / 572	8,048	306 / 308	3,910 / 71*
Gymnastics			84 / 102	989
Ice Hockey	201 / 228	3,776		4*
Skiing-Alpine	91 / 102	955	88 / 103	733 / 6*
Soccer	445 / 450	14,234	399 / 400	13,515 / 130*
Softball-Fast Pitch			605 / 635	16,772
Swimming & Diving	243 / 269	4,553	256 / 278	6,588 / 69*
Tennis	340 / 356	8,194	338 / 350	8,917 / 116*
Track & Field - Outdoor	636 / 667	22,849	631 / 666	18,347
Volleyball			691 / 714	21,320
Wrestling	470 / 482	11,342		176*

Spring Tournament Recipients Of Sportsmanship Honors Announced; MEEMIC Insurance To Present Awards

The recipients of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Good Sports Are Winners! Awards for the recently completed 2004 Spring sports season have been named, with each school to receive recognition from MEEMIC Insurance, the Association's corporate partner in sportsmanship efforts.

Homer in baseball, **Grand Blanc** and **Hudsonville Unity Christian** in girls soccer, and **Gladstone** in softball were selected by the tournament management at their respective Finals for displaying the most exemplary sportsmanship by their coaches, student-athletes and spectators. Each school receiving a Finals award will be presented a commemorative banner and crystal trophy at a venue of the school's choosing at a future date.

Homer was the Division 3 champion in baseball, Grand Blanc and Hudsonville Unity Christian were finalists in girls soccer in Divisions 1 and 2 respectively, and Gladstone was the champion in the Division 3 softball tournament. This is the first Finals level award for Homer, Grand Blanc and Gladstone in any sport; while Hudsonville Unity Christian has received the Finals award on two previous occasions in softball. Homer was also named to receive awards at the District and Regional levels in baseball; Grand Blanc won the award at the District and Regional tournaments in girls soccer, and in baseball and softball at the District level; Unity Christian was also selected at the District levels in girls soccer and softball, and at the baseball Regionals; and Gladstone's softball team was honored at the District and Quarterfinal levels.

At the District, Regional and Quarterfinal levels of MHSAA tournaments, all schools which meet a set of sportsmanlike standards are recognized. Those schools will be presented framed certificates from MEEMIC Insurance. Numerous schools will receive more than one award from Spring tournaments, with Lake Orion heading the list with six.

In all, 771 teams in baseball, girls soccer and softball are being recognized for their outstanding sportsmanship at Spring tournaments. Those teams will be recognized through the publication of their names in the *MHSAA Bulletin*, the MHSAA Finals program series, and on the MHSAA Web site. During the course of the school year, over 1,000 teams will be recognized in 11 activities for their sportsmanship efforts during MHSAA tournaments.

The following is a list of Good Sports Are Winners! Award recipients as submitted by tournament managers for the Spring sports season.

Good Sports Are Winners! Winter Tournament Recipients

(Based on reports received at the MHSAA offices as of 6/3/04. NOTE: There can be more than one winner at each site, and not all site managers responded.)

BASEBALL		
District Awards	East Kentwood	Holland West Ottawa
Division 1	Escanaba	Hudsonville
Adrian	Flushing	Lake Orion
Alpena	Grand Blanc	Lincoln Park
Brighton	Grand Haven	Lowell
Clarkston	Grand Ledge	Muskegon
Dearborn	Grand Rapids Forest Hills	Muskegon Reeths-Puffer
Dearborn Edsel Ford	Central	Owosso
Dearborn Fordson	Grandville	Pinckney
Detroit Denby	Greenville	Pontiac Central
East Detroit	Hartland	Pontiac Northern
	Holland	Port Huron Northern

Rochester Hills Stoney Creek
Rockford
Romeo
Roseville
Saginaw Heritage
Swartz Creek
Traverse City Central
Traverse City West
Warren deLaSalle
Waterford Mott
Zeeland

Division 2

Allegan
Auburn Hills Avondale
Bay City John Glenn
Belding
Big Rapids
Bridgeport
Cedar Springs
Center Line
Cheboygan
Chelsea
Comstock
Comstock Park
Corunna
Dearborn Divine Child
Dearborn Heights Annapolis
Detroit Southwestern
Dexter
Eaton Rapids
Essexville Garber
Farmington Hills Harrison
Flint Southwestern
Fremont
Gaylord
Gibraltar Carlson
Grand Rapids Christian
Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills
Grant
Harrison
Holland Christian
Howard City Tri-County
Ionia
Jackson Lumen Christi
Kalkaska
Lansing Waverly
Lapeer East
Linden
Ludington
Madison Heights Lamphere
Marine City
Melvindale
Middleville Thornapple-
Kellogg
Midland Bullock Creek

Monroe Jefferson
Mt. Pleasant
Orchard Lake St. Mary's
Ortonville Brandon
Otsego
Petoskey
Reed City
Richland Gull Lake
River Rouge
Saginaw
Sault Ste. Marie
South Haven
Sparta
Spring Lake
Stanton Central Montcalm
Warren Woods-Tower
Whitehall
Wyoming Park

Division 3

Albion
Almont
Armada
Atherton
Auburn Hills Oakland Christian
Bangor
Birmingham Roeper
Blissfield
Bloomington
Boyer City
Bronson
Brooklyn Columbia Central
Brown City
Burton Bendle
Byron
Carrolton
Cass City
Clare
Clawson
Clinton
Clio
Durand
Elk Rapids
Ewart
Fennville
Freeland
Goodrich
Grand Rapids Baptist
Grandville Calvin Christian
Grass Lake
Hanover-Horton
Harbor Springs
Hartland
Hemlock
Hillsdale
Homer

Ithaca
Jackson Northwest
Jonesville
Kingsley
Lake City
Lake Fenton
Leroy Pine River
Manchester
Manistee
Marine City Cardinal Mooney
Marlette
Marshall
Mason
McBain
Montrose
Napoleon
Parma Western
Plymouth Christian
Portland
Quincy
Saginaw Michigan Lutheran
Seminary
Saginaw Nouvel
Saginaw Swan Valley
Saginaw Valley Lutheran
Saranac
Shelby
St. Louis
Sterling Heights Bethesda
Christian
Suttons Bay
Three Oaks River Valley
Traverse City St. Francis
Union City
Unionville-Sebewaing
Westland Huron Valley
Lutheran
Wyoming Kelloggsville

Division 4

Adrian Madison
Akron-Fairgrove
Ann Arbor Greenhills
Arenac Eastern
Atlanta
AuGres-Sims
Bath
Battle Creek St. Philip
Bay City All Saints
Bear Lake
Boyer Falls
Burr Oak
Cassopolis
Centreville
Climax-Scotts
Colon

Decatur
 Deckerville
 Detroit Holy Redeemer
 Eau Claire
 Ellsworth
 Frankfort
 Genesee
 Hale
 Harbor Springs Harbor Light
 Christian
 Hillsdale Will Carlton
 Academy
 Kinde-North Huron
 Lake Leelanau St Mary's
 Mackinaw City
 Marcellus Howardsville
 Christian
 New Buffalo
 New Lothrop
 Northport
 Onaway
 Pellston
 Port Hope
 Posen
 Rochester Hills Lutheran
 Northwest
 Rogers City
 St. Ignace
 St. Joseph Michigan Lutheran
 Taylor Baptist Park
 Taylor Light & Life
 Ubly
 Vanderbilt
 Waterford Our Lady of the
 Lakes
 Watervliet Grace Christian
 White Pigeon
 Wolverine
 Wyandotte Mt. Carmel

Regional Awards

Division 1

Ann Arbor Pioneer
 Detroit Western
 East Kentwood
 Holland West Ottawa
 Jenison
 Lake Orion
 Port Huron Northern
 Rockford
 Southgate Anderson
 Sterling Heights Stevenson
 Troy

Division 2

Carleton Airport
 Charlotte
 Dearborn Divine Child
 Grand Rapids Catholic Central
 Hudsonville Unity Christian
 Jackson Lumen Christi
 Monroe Jefferson
 Parma Western
 Paw Paw
 St. Clair
 Wayland Union

Division 3

Blissfield
 Ewart
 Hart
 Homer
 Muskegon Oakridge
 Olivet
 Shepherd

Division 4

Allen Park Cabrini
 Bellaire
 Buckley
 Detroit Holy Redeemer
 Gaylord St. Mary
 Mason County Eastern
 Muskegon Catholic Central
 Pellston
 Plymouth Christian
 Rogers City
 Southfield Christian

Quarterfinal Awards

Division 1

Ann Arbor Pioneer
 Grand Ledge
 Jenison
 Lapeer West
 Warren DeLaSalle

Division 2

Bloomfield Hills Andover
 Dearborn Divine Child

Division 3

Armada
 Blissfield
 Edwardsburg
 Hemlock
 Muskegon Oakridge
 Rudyard
 Shepherd

Division 4

Bay City All Saints
 Fulton
 Rogers City

GIRLS SOCCER

District Awards

Division 1

Anchor Bay
 Ann Arbor Pioneer
 Canton
 Clarkston
 Davison
 Detroit Western
 East Detroit
 Flint Carman-Ainsworth
 Grand Blanc
 Grand Rapids Forest Hills
 Northern
 Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills
 Grandville
 Harrison Twp. L'Anse Creuse
 Hartland
 Holland West Ottawa
 Howell
 Jenison
 Lake Orion
 Lincoln Park
 Livonia Stevenson
 Macomb Dakota
 Macomb L'Anse Creuse North
 Midland
 Northville

Novi

Pinckney
 Port Huron
 Port Huron Northern
 Rochester
 Rochester Adams
 Romeo
 Saginaw Heritage
 Salem
 Saline
 South Lyon
 Temperance Bedford
 Troy
 Walled Lake Central
 West Bloomfield

Division 2

Cadillac
 Cedar Springs
 Dearborn Divine Child
 Dearborn Heights Crestwood

Dexter
 East Grand Rapids
 Grand Rapids Creston
 Grand Rapids Forest Hills
 Central
 Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills
 Grand Rapids Northview
 Grandville Calvin Christian
 Grant
 Holland Christian
 Hudsonville Unity Christian
 Livonia Ladywood
 Monroe Jefferson
 Muskegon Mona Shores
 Muskegon Reeths-Puffer
 Petoskey
 Royal Oak Dondero
 Sault Ste. Marie
 Spring Lake
 St. Joseph
 Stevensville Lakeshore
 Trenton
 Ypsilanti Lincoln

Division 3

Algonac
 Armada
 Caro
 Cheboygan
 Corunna
 Crosswell-Lexington
 DeWitt
 Dowagiac
 Edwardsburg
 Elk Rapids
 Flint Powers
 Frankenmuth
 Goodrich
 Houghton Lake
 Imlay City
 Lakewood Lake Odessa
 Jackson Lumen Christi
 Marshall
 Milan
 Millington
 Montrose
 North Branch
 Otisville-Lakeville
 Ovid-Elsie
 Parma Western
 Paw Paw
 Roscommon
 South Haven
 Suttons Bay

Division 4

Albion
 Bad Axe
 Big Rapids Crossroads Charter
 Academy
 Birmingham Roeper
 Bridgman
 Buchanan
 Clinton
 Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker
 Flint Valley School
 Hart
 Holland Black River
 Jackson Christian
 Jonesville
 Kalamazoo Hackett
 Laingsburg
 Lake Fenton
 Montague
 Muskegon Western Michigan
 Christian
 Niles Brandywine
 North Muskegon
 Plymouth Christian
 Saginaw Nouvel
 Saginaw Valley Lutheran
 Shelby
 St. Joseph Lake Michigan
 Catholic
 Vermontville Maple Valley

Regional Awards

Division 1

Grand Blanc
 Grosse Pointe South
 Lake Orion
 Macomb L'Anse Creuse North
 Rochester
 Saginaw Heritage
 Traverse City Central
 Troy

Division 2

Dearborn Heights Crestwood
 East Lansing
 Flushing
 Fruitport
 Grand Rapids Forest Hills
 Central
 Petoskey

Division 3

Flint Powers Catholic
 Frankenmuth
 Goodrich
 Grosse Ile

Jackson Lumen Christi
 Madison Heights Bishop Foley
 Tawas Area

Division 4

Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker
 Harbor Springs
 Kalamazoo Christian
 Lake Fenton
 Lansing Christian
 Saginaw Nouvel

Semifinal Awards

Division 1

No Manager's Reports
 Received

Division 2

Grand Rapids Forest Hills
 Central

Division 3

Frankenmuth

Division 4

Kalamazoo Christian
 Muskegon Western Michigan
 Christian

SOFTBALL

District Awards

Division 1

Adrian
 Alpena
 Brighton
 Clarkston
 Davison
 Dearborn
 Dearborn Edsel Ford
 Dearborn Fordson
 Detroit Cody
 Detroit Denby
 Detroit Mackenzie
 Detroit Redford
 East Detroit
 Escanaba
 Farmington Hills Mercy
 Flint Carman-Ainsworth
 Flint Central
 Flint Kearsley
 Grand Blanc
 Grand Haven
 Grand Rapids Forest Hills
 Northern
 Grand Rapids Union
 Grandville

Greenville
 Harper Woods Regina
 Hartland
 Holland
 Holland West Ottawa
 Howell
 Hudsonville
 Lake Orion
 Lapeer West
 Lincoln Park
 Livonia Churchill
 Lowell
 Midland Dow
 Muskegon Mona Shores
 Muskegon Reeths-Puffer
 Owosso
 Pinckney
 Pontiac Central
 Pontiac Northern
 Port Huron
 Redford Union
 Rochester Hills Stoney Creek
 Rockford
 Romeo
 Roseville
 Saginaw Arthur Hill
 Saginaw Heritage
 Swartz Creek
 Traverse City Central
 Traverse City West
 Waterford Mott
 Zeeland

Division 2

Auburn Hills Avondale
 Bay City John Glenn
 Belding
 Big Rapids
 Bridgeport
 Cadillac
 Caledonia
 Cheboygan
 Clio
 Comstock Park
 Corunna
 Dearborn Divine Child
 Dearborn Heights Annapolis
 Essexville Garber
 Farmington Hills Harrison
 Fenton
 Flint Southwestern
 Fremont
 Gaylord
 Gibraltar Carlson
 Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills
 Grand Rapids South Christian

Grand Rapids West Catholic
 Grant
 Hamilton
 Harrison
 Howard City Tri-County
 Hudsonville Unity Christian/
 Holland Christian
 Jackson Northwest
 Kalkaska
 Lapeer East
 Ludington
 Madison Heights Lamphere
 Marysville
 Mason
 Mattawan
 Melvindale
 Midland Bullock Creek
 Milan
 Monroe Jefferson
 Mt. Morris
 Mt. Pleasant
 Ortonville Brandon
 Otsego
 Parma Western
 Paw Paw
 Petoskey
 Plymouth
 Pontiac Notre Dame Prep
 Reed City
 Remus Chippewa Hills
 River Rouge
 Riverview
 Saginaw
 Sault Ste. Marie
 South Haven
 Sparta
 Spring Lake
 Trenton
 Warren Woods-Tower
 Wayland Union
 Whitehall
 Wyoming Park
 Wyoming Rogers

Division 3

Addison
 Albion
 Armada
 Auburn Hills Oakland Christian
 Bangor
 Beaverton
 Birch Run
 Blissfield
 Bloomfield Hills Academy
 of the Sacred Heart
 Bloomingdale

Boyer City
 Bronson
 Burton Atherton
 Burton Bendle
 Byron
 Canton Agape Christian
 Capac
 Cass City
 Clare
 Clawson
 Clinton
 Coleman
 Durand
 Elk Rapids
 Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker
 Farwell
 Frankenmuth
 Freeland
 Gladstone
 Goodrich
 Grand Rapids Baptist
 Grand Rapids Covenant
 Christian
 Grandville Calvin Christian
 Grass Lake
 Hanover-Horton
 Hartland
 Hesperia
 Hillsdale
 Hudson
 Ida
 Ithaca
 Jonesville
 Kalamazoo Christian
 Kingsley
 Laingsburg
 Lake City
 Lake Fenton
 Leroy Pine River
 Manchester
 Manistee
 Manton
 Marine City Cardinal Mooney
 Madison Heights Bishop Foley
 Mason County Central
 Memphis
 Montrose
 New Haven
 Niles Brandywine
 Onsted
 Ovid-Elsie
 Perry
 Plymouth Christian
 Portland
 Quincy
 Reese

Saginaw Buena Vista
 Saginaw Michigan Lutheran
 Seminary
 Saginaw Nouvel
 Sanford Meridian
 Shelby
 Shepherd
 St. Charles
 Sterling Heights Bethesda
 Christian
 Suttons Bay
 Traverse City St. Francis
 Union City
 Watervliet
 Wyoming Kelloggsville

Division 4

Akron-Fairgrove
 Alba
 Allen Park Cabrini
 Allen Park Inter-City Baptist
 Arenac Eastern
 Atlanta
 AuGres-Sims
 Bath
 Bay City All Saints
 Bellaire
 Buckley
 Burr Oak
 Carsonville-Port Sanilac
 Cassopolis
 Central Lake
 Centreville
 Colon
 Concord
 Dansville
 Decatur
 Deckerville
 Detroit Holy Redeemer
 Eau Claire
 Fairview
 Frankfort
 Gaylord St. Mary
 Harbor Springs Harbor Light
 Christian
 Hillman
 Johannesburg-Lewiston
 Kinde-North Huron
 Lake Leelanau St Mary's
 Leland
 Mackinaw City
 Manton
 Marcellus Howardsville
 Christian
 McBain Northern Michigan
 Christian
 Mesick

Mio
 Morenci
 New Buffalo
 North Branch Wesleyan
 Onaway
 Pellston
 Port Hope
 Portland St. Patrick
 Posen
 Rapid River
 Rochester Hills Lutheran
 Northwest
 Rogers City
 Sand Creek
 St. Ignace
 Taylor Baptist Park
 Taylor Light & Life
 Tekonsha
 Ubly
 Vanderbilt
 Waterford Our Lady of the
 Lakes
 Watervliet Grace Christian
 Webberville
 White Pigeon
 Wolverine
 Wyandotte Mt. Carmel

Regional Awards

Division 1

Adrian
 Canton
 Detroit Cass Tech
 East Kentwood
 Grandville
 Harper Woods Regina
 Holland West Ottawa
 Lake Orion
 Macomb L'Anse Creuse North
 Rockford
 Sterling Heights Stevenson
 Temperance Bedford
 Troy

Division 2

Big Rapids
 Birmingham Seaholm
 Charlotte
 Comstock Park
 Dearborn Heights Annapolis
 Detroit Crockett
 DeWitt
 Grand Rapids Catholic Central
 Howard City Tri-County
 Livonia Ladywood
 Madison Heights Lamphere
 Mattawan

Mt. Pleasant
 Ortonville Brandon
 Parma Western
 Richmond
 Riverview
 St Clair
 Wayland Union
 Wyoming Rogers

Division 3

Clinton
 Grandville Calvin Christian
 Hudson
 Mason County Central
 Ravenna
 Shelby
 Springport

Division 4

Allen Park Cabrini
 Allen Park Inter-City Baptist
 Brethren
 Ellsworth
 Gaylord St. Mary's
 Mackinaw City
 Mason County Eastern
 Plymouth Christian
 Rogers City
 Southfield Christian
 St. Joseph Lake Michigan
 Catholic

Quarterfinal Awards

Division 1

Canton
 East Kentwood
 Harper Woods Regina
 Lapeer West
 Portage Northern

Division 2

Chelsea
 DeWitt
 Livonia Ladywood
 St. Clair Shores Lake Shore

Division 3

Clinton
 Gladstone
 Lansing Catholic Central
 Niles Brandywine

Division 4

Mason County Eastern
 Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart
 Vandercook Lake

30TH ANNUAL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Rules and Regulations

Introduction

The 30th Annual MHSAA Football Playoff Series will be played Oct. 29-30, Nov. 5-6, 12 or 13, 20 and 26-27, 2004. It is the responsibility of each competing school to be familiar with the rules and regulations that follow.

The Representative Council has attempted to set up financial allowances for competing team expenses and for schools hosting playoff games. It should be kept in mind that participation in MHSAA tournaments is voluntary and that total expenses of teams are not guaranteed. Cooperation of all schools will assure an equitable return of funds to both entertaining and competing schools and will enable the MHSAA to continue services to member schools and promote meets and tournaments in all sports.

Scoring System

(1) Playoff points are earned as follows and are figured only on the basis of games played:

- 80 points if you defeat a Class A team;
- 64 points if you defeat a Class B team;
- 48 points if you defeat a Class C team;
- 32 points if you defeat a Class D team.
- 40 points if you tie a Class A team;
- 32 points if you tie a Class B team;
- 24 points if you tie a Class C team;
- 16 points if you tie a Class D team;

All varsity football games involving MHSAA member schools must result in a win or loss. Varsity games ending regulation play in a tie score must be decided by the MHSAA-approved overtime procedures. Subvarsity games will not use the tie-breaking procedure.

(2) Bonus points are earned as follows and are figured only on the basis of games played:

- 8 bonus points are earned for each game one of the opponents you defeated wins.
- 4 bonus points are earned for each game one of the opponents you defeated ties.
- 4 bonus points are earned for each game one of the opponents you tied wins.
- 1 bonus point is earned for each game

one of the opponents you tied ties.

1 bonus point is awarded when an opponent who defeated you wins. (No points for your defeat to the opponent.)

(3) Add the playoff points and write as a fraction. The sum of the playoff points is the numerator and the number of games played is the denominator.

(4) Add the bonus points for each opponent separately and write as a fraction. The bonus points of the opposing team are the numerator and the number of games played by that opponent is the denominator. Then add these two fractions for total. (When adding the fractions reduce to a decimal number correct to the nearest thousandth (92.888 will become 92.889) to determine the playoff average.)

(5) Varsity games only are to be counted. Non-varsity games are not recorded.

(6) Schools may continue to choose to play at any higher classification in football, but must do so by April 15. Enrollment figures for schools opting to play in a higher classification will be set at the midpoint enrollment for the higher classification. Playoff points will be based on the higher classification.

(7) Out-of-state opponents are classified on the basis of Michigan classification.

(8) The number of points a team scores against an opponent has no bearing on the playoff point system.

(9) Games cancelled because of acts of God or emergency closing of facilities will not be counted unless they are rescheduled and played before Sunday, Oct. 24, 2004. All games contracted before Oct. 1, 2004 and played before Oct. 24, 2004 will count toward the playoffs even though the game may not have been reported to the MHSAA.

(10) A student may not change schools after the sixth playing date and become eligible to compete in the football playoffs at the second school.

(11) Games forfeited for reasons including but not limited to:

- 1) Use of an ineligible player
- 2) Refusal to play for any reason will be recorded as a win for the aggrieved school and a loss for the offending

school. All playoff and bonus points will be awarded even if the game was not played.

(12) Prearranged league games will be figured into the scoring if designated prior to Oct. 1. Games played after Saturday, October 23, 2004 will not be figured into the 2004 playoff scoring. Leagues and conferences engaged in crossover matchups must submit to the MHSAA office prior to the start of the regular season, the exact method of matching teams in crossover games.

(13) Out-of-state games played before the selection of Pre-District qualifiers will be limited to a maximum of nine (9) games. Whenever a Michigan school or a school playing a Michigan team appears on the schedule of an out-of-state team after the ninth date on that schedule the last game(s) which does not otherwise contribute bonus points to a Michigan school shall be deleted from the schedule.

(14) Out-of-state schools playing more than nine games continuing beyond Michigan's final regular season date, will not have those final game/games' bonus points counted for Michigan playoff standings.

(15) Schools may play the same opponent twice during the season and receive separate playoff and bonus point totals for each game.

(16) Schools are responsible for knowing their playoff total and average score. If a discrepancy occurs, the MHSAA is to be notified by the aggrieved school before 4:30 p.m. Thursday of that week. Changes made after 4:30 p.m. Thursday may not be reflected in the next release of team standings.

(17) After the fourth week of competition football averages as determined by MHSAA computer will be released not later than each Wednesday. It is the intention of the MHSAA to publish names of schools in position to qualify for the playoffs by their team record and/or playoff average. School enrollments and number of scheduled games will be included in the report.

(18) Once qualifiers are publicized Sunday, October 24, if it is discovered that a qualifying team had used an ineligible player during the regular season, that team would be eliminated from the playoffs, but

no team would replace them. Their scheduled opponent would receive a "bye" and advance in the bracket.

Reporting Procedure

Five reporting agents have been selected to report each week's results on forms provided by the MHSAA. The agents will direct win/loss records to the MHSAA and all information will be placed on computer by Monday afternoon of each week. Information including win-loss and averages will be released to the news media each week after the fourth week. Releases will be made for publication each Wednesday, except the final week standings. These will be made available not later than 1 p.m. on the Monday following the ninth week. The five agents who will submit scores each week are Dan Chalk, *Midland Daily News*; Dennis Grall, *Escanaba Daily Press*; Ron Montri, *Monroe Daily News*; Del Newell, *Kalamazoo Gazette*; and Mike Pryson, *Jackson Citizen Patriot*. It is necessary to have every score. Coaches should cooperate with the local news media in reporting each week's game results.

Selection Process

There will be 256 teams selected to participate in a five-week playoff in eight separate divisions. A minimum of seven games must be played to be declared a qualifier. Qualifiers will be selected as follows:

(1) All schools finishing with six or more wins playing a nine-game schedule, and schools with five or more wins playing an eight or seven-game schedule will qualify automatically for participation in the football playoffs.

(2) Additional qualifiers to make up a field of 256 teams will be selected from a pool of teams with 5-4 and 4-4 or 4-3 records based on their respective highest final playoff averages. Representation will come as equally as possible from Classes A, B, C and D and the selection will proceed from the largest class through the smallest.

(3) If the original field of qualifiers includes more than 256 teams, the field will be reduced to that number using the lowest playoff point averages selected as equally as possible from each of the four classes pro-

ceeding from the smallest class through the largest.

(4) Divisional alignments - On "Selection Sunday" the 256 qualifying schools will be listed by enrollment, largest to smallest. The largest 32 schools will be placed in Division 1, the next largest 32 schools will be placed in Division 2, etc. through eight equal-sized divisions of 32 schools each.

If there is a tie for the final position in any division, the team with the higher play-off point average will be placed in the higher division. If both teams have the same playoff point average, the tie will be broken with a coin toss by MHSAA staff.

Pre-District and District Pairings And Game Hosts

(1) On "Selection Sunday" each Division of 32 schools will be divided into four geographic regions of eight schools each. Each of the four regions will be divided into two Districts of four schools each. Using play-off point averages, teams will be seeded within each District to determine opponents and hosts. The highest average team will host the fourth highest seed, and the school with the second highest average will host the third highest seed.

(2) If two or more qualifying teams finish with identical point averages within a District, the tie will be broken as follows:

- (a) If the tied teams played each other, the winner will receive the higher ranking.
- (b) If a tie still exists, the wins of your opponents will be totaled and divided by the total games played and the higher percentage will be selected for the higher ranking.
- (c) If a tie still exists, the team will be selected by a coin toss conducted by the MHSAA staff in the East Lansing office.

(3) Changes in home and away designations and opponents within a Pre-District may be made no later than 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 25, if they are the result of MHSAA clerical error.

(4) In the second week of playoffs the Pre-District winner with the highest playoff average will host the District championship game.

(5) When the distance between competing schools is within 75 miles, the host school

will determine the day and time of game. Games may be played at 7 or 7:30 p.m. Friday, 1 p.m. Saturday afternoon or 7 or 7:30 p.m. Saturday. If the distance between schools is over 75 miles, agreement as to date and time must be made by both schools. If agreement is not reached, the game must be played Saturday afternoon.

(6) An alternate site mutually agreed upon by the principals of the competing schools may be used at any time.

(7) In Region 1, whenever the alignment of games in the Pre-District competition has opponents in both games more than 200 miles apart, geographical pairings will be used to determine opponents. The team with the higher computer point average will be the host school.

Regional Game Hosts

(1) Regional championship games will be hosted by the District winner with the highest regular-season playoff average. If both teams have the same average, the tie will be broken by the published tiebreaker procedure.

(2) Game times will be determined on the same basis as Pre-District and District games.

(3) The MHSAA will determine Regional sites whenever travel for one of the competing schools exceeds 200 miles one way.

General Regulations

(1) The 10-yard line overtime rule outlined in the Football Rule Book will be in effect for all varsity regular season and playoff games. The Point Differential Rule will be in effect during regular season and playoffs.

(2) There is to be no practice on game fields the week prior to Pre-District, District, Regional, Semifinal and Final games (unless approved by the MHSAA). Host schools are exempt from this regulation. Qualifiers may not practice in the Silverdome once the playoff teams have been determined.

(3) Per Representative Council action in May 2003, roster limits for all levels of the football playoffs have been removed. A maximum of seven (7) school coaches and four (4) managers/statisticians will be permitted in the team boxes during all playoff

games. All persons not in uniform and near the side line must have a pass. Head coaches must be mindful of sideline control issues which will be officiated to the spirit and letter of the rule. All substitutes must be in the same color and design legal uniform.

(4) A maximum of four (4) Pre-District, District, Regional, and Semifinal **SCOUTING PASSES** will be given to competing schools for the game played in the opposite bracket of their division.

(5) Each competing school is to present three (3) legal game **BALLS** of its choice to the referee thirty minutes before the game. It is the school's responsibility to obtain the balls immediately following the game.

(6) Schools are to make their own arrangements for **SHOES** to be worn on artificial turf. Those managers may be able to assist with arrangements upon request.

(7) **Cheerleaders** – A maximum of 12 cheerleaders in uniform, including mascots, will be admitted and a maximum of 12 may lead cheers from the field. Schools with more than 12 varsity cheerleaders during the regular season may include those cheerleaders during the playoffs, but sub-varsity cheerleaders may not be brought up for the postseason games. Cheer squads shall follow either the MHSAA **Cheerleading Guidelines** or the guidelines approved by their local school district for regular cheerleading, whichever is more restrictive & limiting. Local school districts are responsible for enforcing restrictions which are more limiting than the MHSAA guidelines. All cheer squads shall adhere to all guidelines provided by the tournament manager.

Representative Council action in May of 2003 prohibits tunnels for players by spectators, bands or others (but not cheerleaders) at any location and any level of MHSAA tournament play.

(8) Schools should furnish their own **TEAM PHYSICIAN**. The host manager, however, is required to have medical personnel on duty and to secure emergency ambulance service if possible. Schools are to notify the MHSAA if they do not have a physician for the Final game.

(9) Coaches of qualifying teams will cooperate in **FILM EXCHANGES** with opposing teams, unless both schools agree not to do so (see section on videotaping).

Per Representative Council action in May 2003, unless other arrangements are mutually agreed upon, as a last resort, each school will make available by 9 a.m. on Monday in the office of its school principal the required film or videotape for the "exchange."

(10) Host schools may not conduct 50-50 drawings or special raffles at MHSAA tournament games.

(11) Merchandise sold at playoff sites must be from an approved MHSAA vendor.

(12) **Imaging devices of any kind are not to be used in locker rooms during MHSAA tournaments.**

Tobacco and Alcohol Policy

For coaches and officials at all MHSAA tournaments, use of tobacco products of any kind within sight of players and spectators and use of alcohol during a contest or at any time before it on the day of the contest is prohibited.

Enforcement

Tobacco – It is not intended that a violation of the tobacco policy should lead to immediate ejection of a coach. He or she should be reminded of the policy and reported to his or her school administration after the contest. Only if the coach is unwilling to comply promptly should he or she be disqualified from coaching at the event.

Officials should be reminded of the tobacco policy and reported in writing by the tournament manager to the MHSAA.

Alcohol – Historically, officials promptly disqualified coaches, and tournament managers immediately replaced officials who were under the influence of alcohol; and no change in such procedures is intended by these policies.

Game Time

Pre-District and District Games – See preceding page, "Game Hosts" (No. 4).

Regional Games – See preceding page, "Regional Game Hosts."

Semifinal Games – The games will be played Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. as predetermined. At sites where two games are scheduled, game times will be 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., with separate admissions for each game. If local conditions allow, game

management may schedule consecutive games with one admission of \$6. Semifinal games scheduled for the Superior Dome in Marquette may be played on either Friday night or on Saturday morning/afternoon as necessary.

Final Games – All Final games will be played at the Pontiac Silverdome in two sessions on two separate days. On Friday Session One will include: Division 8 game played at 10 a.m., and the Division 2 game played at 1 p.m. Session Two will include: Division 6 game played at 5 p.m., and the Division 4 game played at 8 p.m. On Saturday the same schedule will be followed for Divisions 7 and 1 (Session Three) and 5 and 3 (Session Four).

Uniforms

(All dark and light jersey colors may be switched if mutually agreed upon by the two competing teams.)

Pre-District and District Games – Home teams (teams with the highest playoff average) are to wear dark colored jerseys and the visiting team light colored jerseys.

Regional Games – Home teams are to wear dark colored jerseys and the visiting team light colored jerseys.

Semifinal Games – Home teams (teams from Regional No. 1 & 3) are to wear dark colored jerseys; visiting teams are to wear light colored jerseys.

Final Games – Winners at the Semifinal level from the Region 1 & 2 games will be home teams and wear dark colored jerseys. Winners from the Semifinal Region 3 & 4 games will be the visitors and will wear light colored jerseys.

Pregame – Public Address Announcer and Timers

The host Pre-District, District, Regional, Semifinal, and Final management will select the P.A. announcers and timers.

Pregame Time Schedule (to go on clock):

- 24 minutes before kickoff – start clock (place 20 minutes on clock)
- 20-minute mark – coin toss
- 7-minute mark – National Anthem (teams are to cease warm-up activities)
- 00 minute mark – Introductions (kickoff team will be introduced first) kickoff immediately after introductions

Pregame and Halftime

Entertainment for all Playoff Games

Participation by school bands is optional. If the participating schools do not have a band the MHSAA will determine the pregame and halftime entertainment at the Finals. The following will prevail if both bands desire to participate.

Pregame – Bands from schools designated "home" teams may play the National Anthem. If they prefer not to play, the "visiting" team band may play.

Halftime – Bands from schools designated "visitors" may perform the first seven (7) minutes of the half. The "home team" band may perform the second seven (7) minutes of the half. Time allotted includes entering and leaving the field. Bands must be off the field at least three minutes before the start of the second half.

Schools may use pompon routines, choral or other school groups if they wish, but the maximum time allotted for their school is seven minutes. Local management is not to be expected to furnish risers, backdrops, etc. If a school chooses not to perform, the opposing school may use their allotted time (not to exceed 14 minutes). If a specific announcer is required for the halftime show, arrangements must be made the preceding week with managers of Pre-District, District, Regional and Semifinal game sites. Schools competing in the Finals must make arrangements with the MHSAA office.

Trophies and Medals

Districts and Regionals – A trophy will be awarded to the winning team at each District and Regional Playoff game. In addition, 50 medals will be awarded to each winning team. For those teams with more than 50 players additional medals may be purchased through the MHSAA office at the competing team's expense. Please contact the MHSAA for further information.

Finals – Trophies will be awarded to the winner and runner-up schools in each division after the Final game; 50 medals will be awarded to each winning and runner-up team in each division. For those teams with more than 50 players additional medals may be purchased through the MHSAA office at the competing team's expense. Please contact the MHSAA for further information.

Members of the MHSAA Representative Council will make postgame award presentations.

Officials

The Football Officials Assignment Committee will assign officials to all football playoff games. Officials selected to work Pre-District and District games will receive \$45 per game, plus 15 cents per mile round trip from official's home city to game city (\$8 minimum mileage). Regional game officials will be paid \$50 plus mileage (\$8 minimum mileage). Semifinal and Final game officials will receive \$55 per game plus 15 cents per mile round trip from officials home city to game city (\$8 minimum mileage).

Coin Toss – At 20 minutes prior to game time, the officials will call team captains together for the coin toss. Visiting team captain will call first.

Chain Crew – The home management is to select a **four-person chain crew**. The fourth person is to manage the spot of the ball and the placement of the clips for on-field measurements. It is recommended that registered officials should work the yardage chains; however, local management may use their home crew if they have been regulars in that capacity. If possible, the crew is to be in full officials' uniform and will be reimbursed \$15 per individual, per game (no mileage).

Officials – Are not to be involved with any microphone hook-ups, TV or radio interviews – no exceptions.

Timeouts – All timeouts are not to be less than 70 seconds in length. This includes breaks between quarters and after scoring plays.

Program

Host schools during the first four rounds of playoffs will provide their own programs.

Finals Program

Teams qualifying for Semifinals competition are required to prepare and submit the Finals Program Information kit to be received in the MHSAA office by Nov. 21, for use in the souvenir programs produced for the Finals. Information kits can be found on the CD-Rom sent directly to athletic directors of schools or on the MHSAA Web

site: mhsaa.com. Schools advancing to the Finals shall provide a statistical data update to the MHSAA by Nov. 24.

Press, Radio, and Television

All requests for press space are to be directed to the game manager (MHSAA for Final games). Radio and television requests for all games are to be directed to the MHSAA. Managers are not to permit broadcasts without clearance from the MHSAA.

Videotaping or Filming

Competing Schools – Per Representative Council action in May of 2003, unless other arrangements are mutually agreed upon, as a last resort, each school will make available by 9 a.m. on Monday in the office of its school principal the required film or videotape for the "exchange." Teams will exchange videos/films of their final two games prior to competition by 9 a.m. Monday following "Selection Sunday" unless both schools agree on another arrangement. The procedure of exchanging videos/films of the two previous games played prior to the scheduled playoff game will continue throughout the tournament. Schools refusing to cooperate will be reported to the MHSAA. A competing school desiring to videotape or film a Pre-District, District, Regional, Semifinal and/or Final Football Playoff game in which that school competes must receive permission to reserve space in the press box from the tournament manager. Under no conditions may the tape/film be used for scouting purposes by schools other than those involved in the event filmed. Films of losing teams in the playoffs taken at the Pre-District, District, Regional or Semifinal games may not be used for scouting purposes by winning teams in the opposite bracket. Schools wishing to videotape/film games at other sites may do so without securing advanced permission but must film from the stands or spectator standing area if press box space is not available. Per Representative Council action in May 2003, end zone filming is permitted by competing schools, but not if it requires the use of non-permanent structures such as hoists, bucket trucks, scaffolding or other machines or devices. The film/tape is

not to be used to second-guess decisions made by game officials and may not be sold, rented, or loaned for commercial purposes.

Media Taping/Filming – The filming/taping of MHSAA events must be cleared through the Michigan High School Athletic Association. Members of the media may, without paying a fee, arrange with local tournament managers to take clips of MHSAA events for public showing. Under no condition may an entire athletic event be filmed or taped for showing without advance clearance through the MHSAA and the local tournament manager.

Spectator Videotaping/Filming for all Football Playoff Games – Spectators may videotape games without prior consent of the tournament manager with the understanding that the tape/film may not be sold, leased, borrowed, or rented for commercial purposes. The tournament manager should not permit spectators to interfere with the view of other spectators or news media personnel covering the games.

Live Television & Radio Coverage -- No radio or television origination is permitted at any site until application has been made through the MHSAA, fee paid and authorization given by the MHSAA through the tournament manager.

Delayed Television – Arrangements for tape-delayed broadcasts must be made through the MHSAA office and only one origination will be allowed at a tournament site. A fee is required for each football game at each site. Contact the MHSAA office for additional information.

Finals Television – The Finals of the MHSAA Football Playoffs will be televised statewide by FOX Sports Detroit.

Finals Press Conference

At the conclusion of each championship game at the Silverdome, each head coach will be required to attend a press conference to meet with the media covering the contest. Coaches may bring up to three players to the press conference.

Pre-District, District, Regional and Semifinals Tickets & Passes

All tickets for Pre-District and District games are \$5. All tickets for single-session Regional and Semifinal games are \$5. At neutral sites where multiple Regional and/or Semifinal games are held and a single admission is charged, tickets will be priced at \$6 each. Each competing school at the Pre-District, District, Regional and Semifinals may purchase an allotment of tickets, not to exceed 40 percent of the stadium capacity, from the host manager. Each competing school will receive 10 game passes from the manager to be used for crowd management purposes. Band members in full uniform representing competing schools will be admitted without charge. In addition, there are 19 MHSAA Representative Council members with passes valid for all MHSAA tournaments. No other passes will be honored including league passes, coaches' passes, etc.

Final Games – Tickets & Passes

All tickets for Final games will be \$9 per session which will include the cost of parking in the Silverdome lots. The ticket holder will be admitted to both games of the double header. Pass-outs, however, will not be given at any time during the contests. A separate admission will be required each time an individual enters the stadium. Each competing school will receive 10 passes to be used for crowd management purposes. There will be no sale of reserved seats for Final games.

Meeting for Representatives of Schools Competing in Finals

A meeting for finalist school principals, athletic directors or other designated school representatives will be held at the offices of the MHSAA on Sunday following Semifinal games (Nov. 21) at 10:30 a.m. Final games and band procedures at the Silverdome will be reviewed, passes distributed, housing, meals and other arrangements will be discussed.

Tickets will be available at this meeting. Schools are encouraged to bring a check for the number of advanced game tickets they

wish to purchase.

Final Game and Fan Seating

Teams designated as home teams are to sit on the press box side of the field. Home team spectators in Divisions 1, 2, 3, and 4 are encouraged to sit in sections 102, 103, 104, and 105. Home team spectators in Divisions 5, 6, 7, and 8 are encouraged to sit in sections 129, 130, 131, and 132.

Visiting team spectators in Divisions 1, 2, 3, and 4 should sit in sections 118, 119, 120, and 121. Spectators from visiting teams in Divisions 5, 6, 7, and 8 are encouraged to sit in sections 113, 114, 115, and 116.

Finances (Host Schools)

MHSAA member schools may not charge a rental fee for MHSAA tournaments. Host schools will be reimbursed by the MHSAA for all necessary and reasonable expenses incurred in hosting games. In addition, the following stipends will be granted to schools which host playoff games whether they are competing schools or neutral sites:

Pre-District – 33 percent of net receipts or \$300 minimum for both host and visiting schools

District – 10 percent of net receipts or \$300 minimum

Regional – 10 percent of net receipts of \$400 minimum

Semifinal – 10 percent of net receipts or \$500 minimum

Finances – Travel Expenses

Each competing team traveling to a tournament site (not Pre-Districts) will receive a reimbursement fee plus mileage from school city to game city. Allowances are as follows:

One-way mileage

051 - 100 miles - \$2 per mile

101 - 150 miles - \$3 per mile
151 - 250 miles - \$4 per mile
251 - 350 miles - \$5 per mile
351 miles & over- \$6 per mile

Reimbursement Fees

Pre-District	\$300
(or 33% of net gate receipts)	
District	\$300
Regional	\$400
Semifinal	\$500
Final	\$750

Mileage is 50 miles deductible; therefore, teams competing at a site less than 50 miles away will not receive mileage. Example: Team A competes at a site 60 miles from its home city. Team A will receive \$20 for mileage.

Overnight Lodging Fees

A stipend of \$500 will be paid in all rounds of the playoffs to teams which are required by distance and/or schedule to have an overnight stay which is approved by MHSAA staff.

Parking and Concessions

The MHSAA discourages charging for the parking of cars and other vehicles at Football Playoff sites. If directed parking is necessary, schools may charge for the service. It is recommended that the price for such service be \$1 for all vehicles unless the customary charge during the regular season is higher. In no event shall parking charges exceed \$2 per vehicle.

If parking fees are assessed, it is not acceptable to list expenses for parking attendants as a game management expenditure.

Concessions will be operated for profit by host school management.■

2004 FOOTBALL SCHEDULES AVAILABLE

Football schedules for MHSAA member schools for the upcoming 2004 season are now available on the home page of the Association's Web site, mhsaa.com.

There are two different reports available: By school in an HTML and PDF format; and week-by-week in an HTML format. Adobe Acrobat Reader is required to access the PDF file.

Football is the only sport in which schools are required to submit schedules to the MHSAA office, as they are a vital part in determining qualifiers for its postseason playoffs.

MHSAA 2004 SEMIFINAL FOOTBALL GAMES

All games will be played on Sat., Nov. 20, 2004. Game times will be 1 p.m. unless one site is scheduled for two games. In that event, there will be two separate sessions at 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. or a doubleheader at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Assignments to Semifinal sites will be made by the MHSAA staff following the completion of Regional Championship games. A public release will be made Monday morning, Nov. 15, 2004.

Home teams (teams from Regions 1-3 are to wear dark jerseys; visiting teams from Regions 2-4 are to wear light jerseys).

FORMULA FOR ALL DIVISIONS (SEMIFINAL GAMES)

Class	Regional Home/Visitor
ALL	1 vs. 2
ALL	3 vs. 4

SEMIFINAL SITES

The MHSAA has made preliminary arrangements to host Semifinal games at favorable sites throughout the state. Although the need to secure sites for 16 games makes it impossible to provide all-weather surfaces in each case, the MHSAA will select quality fields made available by cooperating high schools and colleges. Actual assignment of games to sites will be made after Regional competition has been completed and matchups are known. Although geography will be taken into consideration in assigning games, field quality and weather will also be factors in final selection.

Facilities that will be considered include the following: Alma College*, Birmingham-Wylie E. Groves High School*, Birmingham-Seaholm High School*, Cadillac High School, Cheboygan High School, Clare High School, Clinton Township-Chippewa Valley HS, Ferris State University*, Flint-Atwood Stadium*, Gaylord High School, Grand Rapids Houseman Field *, Hamtramck*, Haslett High School, Jackson High School*, Lansing-Everett High School, Macomb-Dakota*, Marshall High School Mt. Pleasant High School, Northern Michigan University-Superior Dome*, Port Huron High School, Portland High School, South Lyon High School, and White Lake-Lakeland High School.

* = Artificial Turf Field

2004 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Friday-Saturday, November 26-27, 2004

(All games at Pontiac Silverdome, Pontiac, Michigan)

Friday, November 26	Division	Time	Manager
Session I	8	10 a.m.	MHSAA Staff
	2	1 p.m.	
Session II	6	5 p.m.	
	4	8 p.m.	
Saturday, November 27	Division	Time	Manager
Session III	7	10 a.m.	MHSAA Staff
	1	1 p.m.	
Session IV	5	5 p.m.	
	3	8 p.m.	

Semifinal winners from Regions 1 and 2 will be home teams and wear dark colored jerseys. Winners from Semifinal Regions 3 and 4 games will be visitors and will wear light colored jerseys.

REPORT RANKS MICHIGAN AMONG NATIONAL LEADERS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE PLACEMENTS

Michigan continues to rank among national leaders in the placement of foreign exchange students according to a recent report from the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET). CSIET, the organization charged with upholding industry standards and monitoring exchange programs, ranks Michigan third in number of students placed for the academic semester or year with 1431 placements in 2003-04. Only in California (1771 students) and Texas (1715 students) were more students placed than in Michigan.

The Midwestern region as a whole also continues to be a popular locale for foreign exchange placement as it leads all other geographic regions in total placements. Last year Minnesota placed 1124 foreign exchange students, Ohio 1099, Wisconsin 908, Indiana 789 and Illinois 592.

Much of Michigan's popularity can be attributed to strong relationships schools have forged with national youth exchange programs. "Over the years, our schools have become very receptive to foreign exchange students," claims MHSAA Assistant Director Gina Mazzolini. "Michigan schools are easy to work with, our communities are willing to serve as host for foreign students, and Michigan's administrators have been open to serving on CSIET committees."

"It's a win-win situation for everybody. The foreign students have a great experience in our schools. The increased diversity helps Michigan's students understand world views. And CSIET is keen to our concerns as an athletic association."

Mazzolini is no stranger to the work of CSIET. She is currently on the CSIET Board of the Directors, but has also served the group's other two committees – the Evaluation Committee and the Accreditation Committee. "CSIET does a great job of working with its membership. The organization sets acceptable standards for placement organizations, and these organizations know they need to meet these standards to be approved."

Not only does Michigan benefit from its strong relationships with placement programs and the governing body, but MHSAA rules and regulations are also more lenient compared to other states in terms of "direct placement" issues.

Direct placement refers to the practice of arranging exchange students to attend particular schools or live with particular host families. A classic example of a direct placement is one where the younger sibling of a former exchange student returns to the same host family and school to continue a connection begun by the older sibling.

In many Midwestern states, direct placement students are athletically ineligible for the entire year to prevent recruiting by school personnel. In Michigan, however, direct placement students are immediately eligible as long as the placement is not based on athletic abilities and the placement has been reported to the National Federation of State High School Associations. The MHSAA believes direct placements can be positive exchange experiences and are not the result of an athletic recruitment effort.

A complete list of approved CSIET programs appears on the following pages.

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2004-05 COUNCIL ADVISORY LIST OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

The Council on Standards for International Educational Travel has published the list of approved educational exchange programs for the 2004-05 school year. For immediate eligibility, an exchange student must be in one of the programs listed below and meet all other eligibility requirements for student-athletes. All listings are “Full” unless otherwise noted.

Organization

Abbey Road Overseas Programs
Adventures in Real Communication
AFS-USA, Inc.
American Academic & Cultural Exchange, Inc.
American Councils for International Education: ACTR/ACCELS
American Cultural Exchange Service (*Provisional*)
American Intercultural Student Exchange
American Institute for Foreign Study Foundation
Amicus International Student Exchange
Amigos de las Americas
ASA International
Aspect Foundation
ASSE International Student Exchange Program
ASSIST, Inc.
Association for Teen-Age Diplomats
AYUSA International
Azumano International (*Provisional*)
Center for Cultural Interchange
Children's International Summer Villages, Inc.
Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development
Council for Educational Travel, USA
Council on International Educational Exchange
Cultural Academic Student Exchange Inc.
Cultural Homestay International
DM Discoveries
Education Travel & Culture, Inc.
Educational and Cultural Interactions, Inc. (*Provisional*)
Educational Merit Foundation Full
Educational Resource Development Trust (ERDT/SHARE!)
EF Foundation for Foreign Study
F.L.A.G., Inc.
Face the World Foundation
Forte International Exchange Association (*Provisional*)
Foundation for Academic Cultural Exchange
Foundation for Intercultural Travel (*Provisional*)

Foundation for Worldwide International Student Exchange
 Global Insights
 Global Outreach, Inc. (*Provisional*)
 Global World International Foundation (*Provisional*)
 Intercultural Homestay Services
 International Cultural Exchange Services
 International Experience USA (*Provisional*)
 International Fellowship, Inc.
 International Student Exchange, Inc.
 INTO EdVentures
 Musiker Discovery Programs, Inc.
 Nacel Open Door
 NorthWest Student Exchange
 NW Services, Inc. PEACE Program
 O.C.E.A.N.
 Pacific Intercultural Exchange
 PAX - Program of Academic Exchange
 Quest International
 Reflections International, Inc.
 Rocky Mountain Rotary Youth Exchange
 Rotary - Central States Rotary Youth Exchange Program
 Rotary - District 5950/5960 Rotary Youth Exchange Foundation
 Rotary - Eastern States Rotary Exchange (ESSEX)
 Rotary - Ohio-Erie Rotary Youth Exchange Program, Inc.
 Rotary - South Central Rotary Youth Exchange, Inc.
 Rotary District 7120 Youth Exchange Program
 Rotary District 7150 Youth Exchange Program
 Rotary District 7890 Youth Exchange Program (*Conditional*)
 Rotary International
 Rotary YES / SCANEX
 School Year Abroad
 STS Foundation
 Student American International (*Conditional*)
 Student Quest International Exchange (*Provisional*)
 Study Group Private Schools
 Terra Lingua USA
 The Traveling School (*Provisional*)
 United Studies Student Exchange
 Ventures International Association, Inc. (*Conditional*)
 World Experience
 World Heritage
 World Link, Inc. (*Provisional*)
 Youth For Understanding USA (*Provisional*)

For more information on CSIET please contact:

Phone: 703-739-9050; E-mail: mailbox@csiet.org; Web site: www.csiet.org

2004-05 NATIONAL TESTING DATES

ADMINISTRATION - COUNSELORS - COACHES

Please advise students of the 2004-05 test date schedule. Your students should be aware of athletic tournament dates and should attempt to schedule their respective test date away from tournament dates of the sport or sports in which they are interested and participate.

Following are test dates for 2004-05 and possible MHSAA Tournament conflicts:

ACT ASSESSMENT DATES	SPORT CONFLICTS
October 23, 2004Boys Soccer Districts, UP Cross Country Finals
December 11, 2004	None
February 12, 2005	None
April 9, 2005	None
June 11, 2005Girls Soccer, Baseball, Softball Regionals, Boys and Girls Lacrosse Finals

SAT TESTING DATES	SPORT CONFLICTS
October 9, 2004LP Boys Golf Regionals
November 6, 2004Football Districts, Boys Soccer, LP Cross Country Finals
December 4, 2004Girls Basketball Finals
January 22, 2005	None
March 12, 2005Boys Basketball Regionals, Competitive Cheer, Girls Gymnastics, Ice Hockey, LP Boys Swimming, Girls Volleyball, LP Individual Wrestling Finals
May 7, 2005	None
June 4, 2005Girls Soccer, Baseball, Softball Districts, Boys and Girls Lacrosse Regionals, LP & UP Track & Field, LP Girls Golf, LP Boys Tennis Finals

AP EXAM DATES	SPORT CONFLICTS
May 2-13, 2005	None
<i>(Advanced Placement Exams are administered over a five-day period for each subject)</i>	

2003-04 PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

A total of 82 different schools were crowned champions, including five for the first time, in Michigan High School Athletic Association tournaments during the 2003-04 school year.

The past year saw a total of 117 team champions in 116 classes or divisions (there was one tie in boys soccer), in a year where the number of postseason tournaments offered by the Association grew with the addition of bowling for girls and boys. There were five schools winning their first MHSAA titles in any sport:

Goodrich in girls cross country (which also won a girls track and field title in the spring), Hudsonville in boys bowling; Lansing Christian in girls basketball, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest in baseball; and White Pigeon in boys golf. In addition, there were 37 other teams which won tournament titles in a given sport for the first time.

Twenty-one of the 82 schools winning in 2003-04 took more than one crown, with four schools - New Lothrop, Marquette, Jackson Lumen Christi and Detroit Country Day - claiming two championships each in unified tournaments. New Lothrop won in girls volleyball and team dual wrestling; Marquette had titles in ice hockey and girls skiing; Jackson Lumen Christi was a co-champion in boys soccer and football Finals winner; and Detroit Country Day won in girls basketball and girls soccer. Marquette won eight total titles; while Country Day won four championships. Sixteen of the MHSAA's 26 championship tournaments are unified, involving teams from the Upper and Lower Peninsulas, while separate competition to determine titlists in both Peninsulas is conducted in the other 10 sports.

Five schools ran their consecutive championship streak to four or more in a given sport including: Marysville in volleyball (8); Iron Mountain in boys tennis (8); and Marquette in girls skiing (6), girls cross country (4), boys cross country (4) and boys tennis (4).

The following is a sport-by-sport listing of MHSAA champions for 2003-04:

Sport	Class/Division	Winning School (Coach)	Titles Won	
			Overall	Consecutive
BASEBALL	1	Ann Arbor Pioneer (Jerry Holley)	1	--
	2	Dearborn Divine Child (Tony DeMare)	2	--
	3	Homer (Scott Salow)	1	--
	4	Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (Jim Lepor)*	1	--
BASKETBALL (Boys)				
	A	Lansing Everett (Johnny Jones)	2	--
	B	Detroit Renaissance (Mark White)	1	--
	C	Saginaw Buena Vista (Eric Henderson)	5	--
	D	Detroit Rogers (Steve Hall)	2	2
BASKETBALL (Girls)				
	A	Detroit Martin Luther King (William Winfield)	4	--
	B	Detroit Country Day (Frank Orlando)	7	2
	C	Ishpeming Westwood (Tom Hammar)	1	--
	D	Lansing Christian (Norm Randall)*	1	--
BOWLING (Boys)				
	A	Hudsonville (Paul Bentley)*	1	--
	B	Hudsonville Unity Christian (Scott Wesseldyke)	1	--
	C-D	Traverse City St. Francis (Bernard Bossert)	1	--

BOWLING (Girls)

A	Port Huron Northern (Christopher Damon)	1	--
B	Bay City John Glenn (Craig Black)	1	--
C-D	Sandusky (Gordie Williams)	1	--

COMPETITIVE CHEER (Girls)

A	Grandville (Julie Smith-Boyd)	3	--
B	Ovid-Elsie (Soni Latz)	1	--
C-D	Breckenridge (Deb Gaines)	4	--

CROSS COUNTRY (Boys)

LP 1	Highland-Milford (Brian Salyers)	1	--
LP 2	Dexter (Jamie Dudash)	2	2
LP 3	Grand Rapids West Catholic (Dennis Scul)	2	--
LP 4	Harbor Springs (Mike Kloss)	2	2
UP 1	Marquette (Dale Phillips)	15	4
UP 2	Stephenson (Peggy Grille)	6	--
UP 3	Cedarville (Pete Spieles)	1	--

CROSS COUNTRY (Girls)

LP 1	Clarkston (Jamie LaBrosse)	1	--
LP 2	East Grand Rapids (Nick Hopkins)	1	--
LP 3	Goodrich (John Shaw)*	1	--
LP 4	Traverse City St. Francis (Rick Woods)	1	--
UP 1	Marquette (Dale Phillips)	21	4
UP 2	Stephenson (Peggy Grille)	5	--
UP 3	Rapid River (Gary Brunngraeber)	1	--

FOOTBALL

1	Detroit Catholic Central (Tom Mach)	9	3
2	Rochester Adams (Tony Patriitto)	1	--
3	East Grand Rapids (Peter Stuursma)	6	2
4	Three Rivers (Scot Shaw)	1	--
5	Jackson Lumen Christi (Herb Brogan)	6	--
6	Ravenna (Dusty Fairfield)	4	--
7	Traverse City St. Francis (Josh Sellers)	3	--
8	Detroit St. Martin dePorres (Greg Carter)	12	--

GOLF (Boys)

LP 1	Detroit Catholic Central (Bill Hayes)	1	--
LP 2	Mt. Pleasant (Frank Ross)	4	2
LP 3	Grosse Ile (James Bennett)	5	2
LP 4	White Pigeon (Eldon Miller)*	1	--
UP 1	Escanaba (Marty Oslund)	20	--
UP 2	Ispeming Westwood (Irvin Dieterle)	2	--
UP 3	Ontonagon (Jim Bobula)	16	3

GOLF (Girls)

LP 1	Grand Blanc (Martha Ryan)	5	2
LP 2	Dexter (Marc Militello)	1	--
LP 3	Jackson Lumen Christi (Beth Conway)	6	2
UP 1	Menominee (Greg Jeske)	13	2
UP 2	Iron Mountain (Don Bianco)	1	--
UP 3	Cedarville (Rogert Rutledge)	1	--

GYMNASTICS (Girls)				
	Open	Tri-Farmington (Jeff Dwyer)	1	--
ICE HOCKEY				
	1	Marquette (Mike L'Huillier)	4	--
	2	Trenton (Mike Turner)	10	2
	3	Bloomfield Hills		
		Cranbrook-Kingswood (Andy Weidenbach)	10	--
SKIING (Boys)				
	A	Petoskey (Brewster McVicker)	7	--
	B-C-D	Maple City Glen Lake (Mark Fisher)	1	--
SKIING (Girls)				
	A	Marquette (Derek Anderson)	6	6
	B-C-D	Harbor Springs (Bill Miilu)	7	5
SOCCER (Boys)				
	1	Troy (Carlos Wheatley)	1	--
	2	Holland Christian (Jack Heyboer)	2	--
	3	Tie: Jackson Lumen Christi (Damon Havlicek)	1	--
		South Haven (Benno Trenkle)	1	--
	4	Muskegon Western		
		Michigan Christian (Adam Prince)	3	--
SOCCER (Girls)				
	1	Northville (Ron Meteyer)	2	--
	2	Birmingham Marian (Barry Brodsky)	1	--
	3	Detroit Country Day (Bob Bukari)	5	--
	4	Kalamazoo Christian (Ron Smilanich)	2	2
SOFTBALL (Girls)				
	1	Harper Woods Regina (Diane Laffey)	2	--
	2	Stevensville Lakeshore (Denny Dock)	4	--
	3	Gladstone (Gerald Smith)	1	--
	4	Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes (Michael Boyd)	8	2
SWIMMING (Boys)				
	LP 1	Holland (Jon Shears)	1	--
	LP 2	Birmingham Groves (Chris Tennyson)	3	--
	UP	Marquette (Matt Williams)	17	--
SWIMMING (Girls)				
	LP 1	Ann Arbor Pioneer (Dennis Hill)	11	4
	LP 2	Birmingham Groves (Chris Tennyson)	2	--
	UP	Marquette (Matt Williams)	13	3
TENNIS (Boys)				
	LP 1	Ann Arbor Pioneer (Tom Pullen)	7	4
	LP 2	Okemos (Bryan Polston)	2	--
	LP 3	Bloomfield Hills Andover (Steve Herdoiza)	12	--
	LP 4	Ann Arbor Greenhills (Eric Gajar)	2	2
	UP 1	Marquette (Charlie Drury)	29	4
	UP 2	Iron Mountain (Rhonda Carey)	20	8

TENNIS (Girls)

LP 1	Troy (Glenn Corey)	1	--
LP 2	Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern (Dave Sukup)	2	2
LP 3	East Grand Rapids (Anne Dykstra)	15	4
LP 4	Detroit Country Day (Tom Ellis)	5	--
UP 1	Marquette (Dick Balding)	8	2
UP 2	Iron River West Iron County (Brook Smith)	11	2

TRACK (Boys)

LP 1	Detroit Mumford (Robert Lynch)	4	3
LP 2	Flint Kearsley (Paul Adas)	1	--
LP 3	Detroit Country Day (David Wilson)	2	--
LP 4	Detroit St. Martin dePorres (Tony Taylor)	15	--
UP 1	Gladstone (Brady Downey)	2	--
UP 2	Norway (Bob Madigan)	2	--
UP 3	Pickford (Sam Lightfoot)	33	--

TRACK (Girls)

LP 1	Detroit Mumford (Marc Parker)	1	--
LP 2	Ypsilanti (Tom Micallef)	1	--
LP 3	Goodrich (John Shaw)	1	--
LP 4	Detroit Benedictine (Furmon Tate)	2	2
UP 1	Escanaba (Dan DeLong)	16	2
UP 2	Iron Mountain (Rex Terwilliger)	1	--
UP 3	Rapid River (Greg Rubick)	4	2

VOLLEYBALL (Girls)

A	Fraser (Kim Argiri)	2	2
B	Marysville (John Knuth)	8	8
C	New Lothrop (Sheri Warner)	3	--
D	Adrian Lenawee Christian (Jeff Champion)	3	2

WRESTLING 1

1	Davison (Roy Hall)	6	3
2	Lowell (Dave Strejc)	2	--
3	Montrose (Dave Beazley)	3	--
4	New Lothrop (Tim Ebenhoeh/Jeff Campbell)	12	2

* Indicates first team title in any sport

NOTE -- Repeat champions from 2002-03 are in bold face. The overall and consecutive title won figures are taken from the 2002-03 *Book of Champions* and a database compiled by Bill Khan of *The Flint Journal*. If you find some of the overall and consecutive titles in error because of consolidations, schools changing names, etc., please contact John Johnson at the MHSAA office.

OFFICIALS REGISTRATIONS REACH RECORD NUMBERS

A new record was reached for MHSAA registered officials in 2003-04, with the total of 12,268 registered officials, surpassing the 2002-03 mark of 12,116. While Michigan's numbers continue to counter a national trend in declining registrations, MHSAA Assistant Director Mark Uyl says that the upward move is necessary.

"We can't continue to count on our numbers going up year after year, because we will be facing a lot of turnover in the near future with the anticipated retirements of many officials," Uyl said. "We must continue to promote the need for more individuals to become involved in officiating, and the recruitment, education and retention of new officials is a key to having younger folks ready when our veterans step down."

The MHSAA will continue to emphasize its efforts that allow high school students to become officials. The Legacy program allows 11th-graders, 16 years of age and older, to officiate subvarsity and junior high/middle school games with an approved official.

12th-graders, 17 years of age and older, are also allowed to officiate subvarsity and junior high/middle school contests without a mentoring official. The 2004-05 school year will be the 13th for the Legacy program. Student officials will benefit from a waiver of the standard \$20 processing fee. Registration of \$10 per sport will be the only requirement.

"If every school and every officials association would deliver us just one young person each year, promoting officiating as a way to stay active in sports beyond the high school playing days, we can keep our numbers strong," Uyl said. ■

OFFICIALS RATINGS – PART OF THE CONTRACT

Coaches and administrators of MHSAA member schools should note that rating an official is part of the contract obligation a member school has when an official is hired to work a contest. The payday is not complete unless the official receives a rating from each school for which he/she works during the season.

The data accumulated from the ratings contributed by schools is important because it assists selection committees when they issue invitations to officials to work MHSAA tournament events. The number of ratings and the rating average are important details which assist the committees in their work. In fact some quality officials are denied an opportunity to officiate tournament events when their numbers don't meet the published minimums. This is especially discouraging to the official when he/she has recorded sufficient contests from which to draw the necessary ratings and those ratings are not filed.

We recommend the athletic director copy the rating scan sheets when they arrive to give to each coach involved in the rating event. Based on a deadline the athletic director determines, collect the ratings and prepare

the official document for submission to the MHSAA. Once the coach has returned the Rating Form copy to the AD, we suggest the AD review the ratings and transfer the desirable number to the official form. Such practice allows the athletic director to monitor the specific ratings for each official, record that coaches complete the rating responsibility and to assure that the official documents can be copied for the school file and submitted to the MHSAA before the deadline.

Often, when athletic directors hand over the official ratings forms to a coach the forms are lost or damaged and there is a greater incidence of failure to file the ratings or failure to file in a timely manner. Acting as the conduit through which the ratings obligation flows provides an important check and balance in the effort of rating all officials.

As long as ratings are important to the tournament selection process rating officials will be an important part of the contract schools make with officials hired. Making the effort to "pay" the official by providing a rating is paying the full fee agreed upon and serves the needs of everyone. ■

FAILURE TO RATE OFFICIALS

Member schools of the Michigan High School Athletic Association have agreed through Regulation II, Section 7(B) to rate officials in several of the sports for which the MHSAA conducts a post-season tournament and to be subject to penalties when a school fails to rate any officials in a sport that requires it.

Recent surveys indicate schools value the opportunity to rate officials and do not want that opportunity eliminated.

Most officials would prefer an evaluation process over ratings by participating schools; but under our current system, officials need schools to rate them so they can amass the number of ratings necessary to be considered for advancement and tournament assignments.

On March 23, 2001, the MHSAA Representative Council adopted the policy of publishing in the MHSAA Bulletin the names of schools which fail to rate any officials in a sport and to do so as soon as possible following the season.

For the winter season of 2003-04, the following schools have failed to rate any officials:

BOYS BASKETBALL

Battle Creek-Harper Creek
Big Rapids-Crossroads Charter Academy
Bloomfield Hills-Brother Rice
Dearborn Hts.-Acad. For Business & Tech
Detroit-Weston Technical Academy
Dryden
Eben Junction-Superior Central
Essexville-Garber
Fife Lake-Forest Area
Fowler
Hudsonville-Freedom Baptist
Johannesburg-Lewiston
Kalamazoo Central
Kimball-New Life Christian Academy
Lake Leelanau-St. Mary
Lansing-Eastern
Lansing-Walter French Academy
Marenisco
Marine City-Cardinal Mooney Catholic
Memphis
Newport-Lutheran South
Parma-Western
Rochester Hills-Lutheran Northwest
Roseville
Saginaw-Buena Vista
Southfield Christian
Taylor-Baptist Park Christian
Wyandotte-Mt. Carmel

ICE HOCKEY

Ann Arbor-Huron
Clarkston
Clio
Dearborn Heights-Crestwood
Escanaba
Grand Blanc
Grosse Pointe Woods-University Liggett
Hancock
Lapeer East

Lowell
Mt. Morris-E. A. Johnson
Otisville-Lakeville
Romeo
Sterling Heights-Utica Ford II
Swartz Creek
Temperance-Bedford
Warren-Cousino

VOLLEYBALL

Ann Arbor-Huron
Auburn Hills-Avondale
Baraga
Boyer City-Concord Academy Boyne
Burton-Faith
Commerce-Walled Lake Northern
Dearborn-Henry Ford Academy
Detroit-Communication Media Arts
Detroit-Cooley
Detroit-Dominican
Farmington Hills-Mercy
Galien
Gaylord-St. Mary Cathedral
Grand Rapids-Catholic Central
Grand Rapids-Gateway
Grand Rapids-South Christian
Hale
Ionia
Jackson-Northwest
Kalamazoo Central
Kinde-North Huron
Lansing-Catholic Central
Lansing-Eastern
Livonia-Clarenceville
Livonia-Ladywood
Marenisco
Marine City-Cardinal Mooney Catholic
Marine City
Martin
Millington

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Mt. Pleasant-Sacred Heart Academy
 Muskegon Western Michigan Christian
 Northport
 Otsego
 Peck
 Pontiac Central
 Port Huron
 Remus-Chippewa Hills
 Saginaw
 Stevensville-Lakeshore
 Three Rivers
 Traverse City Central
 Warren-Macomb Christian
 Waterford Mott
 Watersmeet
 Ypsilanti-Willow Run

Dryden
 Dundee
 Fife Lake-Forest Area
 Flint Southwestern Academy
 Freeland
 Galesburg-Augusta
 Galien
 Gibraltar Carlson
 Hanover-Horton
 Ishpeming
 Kingsley
 Lawrence
 Lincoln Park
 Madison Heights-Madison
 Muskegon-Orchard View
 Oak Park
 Pinckney
 Royal Oak-Dondero
 Saginaw-Valley Lutheran
 St. Ignace-LaSalle
 Stanton-Central Montcalm
 Three Rivers
 Traverse City-St. Francis
 Troy-Athens
 Whitehall

WRESTLING

Albion
 Allen Park
 Ann Arbor-Huron
 Belleville
 Birch Run
 Bloomfield Hills-Lahser
 Carleton-Airport

OFFICIALS REPORTS, 3 OR MORE—Spring 2004

School Name	City	Count
Allen Park HS	Allen Park	3
Central HS	Bay City	3
Clare HS	Clare	3
Lake Shore HS	St. Clair Shores	3

**OFFICIALS REPORTS SUMMARY
 FOR SPRING 2004**

Sport	Concern	Praise	P-Eject	C-Eject	O-Eject	Taunting
Baseball	101	7	67	29	2	0
Girls Soccer	47	1	27	9	0	0
Softball	16	3	6	8	0	0

Rpts./Concern	Distribution of Reports		
	No. of Schools	Rpts./Praise	No. of Schools
1	112	1	11
2	20		
3	4		

CODE: P = Player C = Coach O = Other

2004 COACH EJECTION LISTING — SPRING

City	School	Coach	Sport
Albion	Albion HS	Mark Schroeder	Baseball
Allen Park	Allen Park HS	Frank Goodwin	Baseball
Almont	Almont HS	Louis Stankovich	Girls Soccer
Athens	Athens HS	Jeff Hankins	Baseball
Bangor	Bangor HS	Todd Skinner	Baseball
Bangor	Bangor HS	Mike Sweet	Softball
Bay City	Central HS	Jason Stewart	Baseball
Birch Run	Birch Run HS	Tony Coggins	Baseball
Brooklyn	Columbia Central HS	Virginio Martinez	Girls Soccer
Burr Oak	Burr Oak HS	Dennis Root	Baseball
Caledonia	Caledonia HS	Ron DeYoung	Baseball
Clarkston	Clarkston HS	Phil Price	Baseball
East Lansing	East Lansing HS	Tony Perino	Softball
Fair Haven	Anchor Bay HS	Leonard Perkins	Baseball
Fife Lake	Forest Area HS	Tim Lhamon	Baseball
Flat Rock	Flat Rock HS	Chris Elliot	Baseball
Greenville	Greenville HS	Tom Hallock	Baseball
Harper Woods	Harper Woods HS	Deandre Cooper	Baseball
Harper Woods	Harper Woods HS	Derrick Terry	Baseball
Horton	Hanover-Horton HS	Bill Jones	Softball
Jackson	Jackson HS	Dave Nearpass	Baseball
Jackson	Vandercook Lake HS	Steve Tucker	Baseball
Kalamazoo	Comstock HS	Larry Grueter	Girls Soccer
Kent City	Kent City HS	Derek Larson	Baseball
Lansing	Everett HS	Steve Horn	Girls Soccer
Lincoln Park	Lincoln Park HS	Andrew Green #11	Baseball
Livonia	Churchill HS	David Hebestreit	Girls Soccer
Manchester	Manchester HS	Corey Fether	Baseball
Marlette	Marlette HS	Steve Schaub	Baseball
Montrose	Hill Mc Cloy HS	Stephanie Miller	Softball
Muskegon	Reeths-Puffer HS	Tim Schuppe	Baseball
Niles	Niles HS	Joe Racht	Baseball
North Branch	North Branch HS	Marc Krugielki	Girls Soccer
Northville	Northville HS	Ian McDonald	Girls Soccer
Redford	Redford Union HS	Dennis Rogowski	Baseball
Rudyard	Rudyard HS	Todd Menard	Baseball
Saginaw	Swan Valley HS	Ken Bourbing	Softball
Sanford	Meridian HS	Richard Baker	Softball
Saugatuck	Saugatuck HS	Jim Broderick	Baseball
St Clair Shores	Lake Shore HS	Rick Seaman	Softball
Sterling Heights	Utica Stevenson HS	Jayne Pfannes	Girls Soccer
Swartz Creek	Swartz Creek HS	Nick Bierman	Baseball
Taylor	John F Kennedy HS	Mike Baum	Softball
Union City	Union City HS	Robert Mandoux	Girls Soccer
Waterford	Our Lady Of The Lakes HS	Dan Webster	Baseball
Watervliet	Grace Christian HS	Ron Oxley	Baseball

MHSAA CLASSIFICATION BY SPORT — 2004-05

Reflects cooperative programs and options to play in larger classifications or divisions as of June 2004

Sports Utilizing Traditional Classifications

Traditional Classifications for 2004-05		
<u>Class</u>	<u>Enrollment Range</u>	<u>Maximum No. of Schools</u>
A	1,036 and Above	190
B	489 - 1,035	190
C	234 - 488	191
D	233 and Below	191

(Where numbers are circled, classes are combined for tournaments.)

SPORT		A	B	C	D
BASKETBALL	Girls	186	188	186	161
	Boys	188	188	189	182
BOWLING	Girls	78	66	36	21
	Boys	80	64	36	22
COMPETITIVE CHEER	Girls	61	58	33	5
* FOOTBALL		188	191	172	74
GYMNASTICS		52	10	1	0
SKIING	Girls	45	20	19	2
	Boys	46	21	19	2
VOLLEYBALL		186	187	179	161

* Football Playoff qualifiers are divided into 8 equal divisions at the end of the regular season.

Sports Utilizing "Equal Divisions"

SPORT	1	2	3	4	
BASEBALL	160	160	160	161	
CROSS COUNTRY	- Girls	139	142	142	137
	- Boys	145	145	145	146
GOLF	- Girls	87	89	90	--
	- Boys	132	133	132	134
ICE HOCKEY	56	56	56	--	
LACROSSE	- Girls	TBD	TBD	--	--
	- Boys	TBD	TBD	--	--
*SOCCER	- Girls	104	104	105	78
	- Boys	118	118	119	89
SOFTBALL	159	158	162	158	
SWIMMING	- Girls	113	113	--	--
	- Boys	103	105	--	--
TENNIS	- Girls	84	84	84	84
	- Boys	85	86	86	86

TRACK - Girls	147	152	152	150
- Boys	151	151	152	152
WRESTLING (Team)	118	119	119	119

* 20% of all schools in Division 4; remaining 80% divided equally among Divisions 1, 2 and 3.

Upper Peninsula Tournaments

SPORT	Division	No. of Schools	Enrollment Range
*Swimming (Boys & Girls)	1	11G	1,455-327 G
		10 B	1,455-380 B
*Individual Wrestling	1	19	1,323-20
**Cross Country (Boys & Girls)	1	10B 10G	1,323-399
	2	10B 10G	392-277
	3	13B 13G	199-58
**Track & Field (Boys & Girls)	1	12B 12G	1,323-399
	2	13B 13G	392-277
	3	25B 25G	199-58
**Golf (Boys & Girls)	1	11B 12G	1,323-399
	2	10B 12G	392-238
	3	21B 19G	211-25
***Tennis--Girls (Fall)	1	7	1,323-425
	2	6	421-117
--Boys (Spring)	1	7	1,323-425
	2	7	421-117

Divisions are set as follows:

* Swimming, individual wrestling: All schools one Division.

**Cross country, track and golf: Class A, B & C schools are combined and divided into two nearly equal Divisions. Class D is its own Division.

*** Tennis: The sponsoring schools are divided equally into two Divisions.

NOTE: UP Schools Participate Statewide in all Other Tournaments

SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD APPLICATION AVAILABLE ONLINE & ON CD-ROM

Application and promotional materials for the MHSAA Scholar-Athlete Award, sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance, are available via the MHSAA Web site at mhsaa.com and the MHSAA CD-ROM sent to schools in August.

Athletic directors, building principals and/or guidance counselors should download files pertinent to information and application from the MHSAA Web site or access the forms from the CD-ROM.

Individual applications must be turned in to high school principals by Nov. 22 to be processed and forwarded to the MHSAA for judging. A school must submit all of its applications in one packet with its School Applicant list so that they are received in the MHSAA office by 4 p.m. (EST) on Dec. 3, 2004. Each school is responsible for utilizing a delivery method which ensures that its applications arrive on time. The MHSAA is not responsible for delays caused by a school's choice of delivery service. No applications will be considered which arrive at the MHSAA office after the Dec. 3 deadline of 4 p.m.

STATUS OF CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

*Schools which have exercised the option to play in a higher class for 2004-05
Traditionally Classified Sports*

City/School	Sport(s)	From Class:	To Class:	First Season	Deadline for Cancellation
Birmingham-Seaholm	BBB, BSK, GSK	B	A	Winter 2000-01	8/15/04
Detroit-Benedictine	BBB, GBB	D	C	Fall/Win. 2002-03	4/15/04
Detroit-St. Martin De Porres	BBB, GBB, FB	D	C	Fall/Win. 2004-05	4/15/06
Inkster	FB	C	B	Fall 1996	4/15/04
Livonia-Ladywood	GCC	B	A	Winter 2003-04	8/15/05
New Haven	FB	C	B	Fall 2004	4/15/06
North Branch	VB	B	A	Winter 2001-02	8/15/04
Orchard Lake-St. Mary Preparatory	BSK, BBB, FB	B	A	Winter 1996-97	8/15/04

IN WRESTLING (Winter)

City/School	From Division	To Division	First Season	Deadline for Cancellation
Algonac	3	2	Winter 99-00	8/15/04
Bloomfield Hills-Brother Rice	2	1	Winter 02-03	8/15/04
Charlotte	2	1	Winter 97-98	8/15/04
East Lansing	2	1	Winter 98-99	8/15/04
Lansing-Sexton	2	1	Winter 99-00	8/15/04
Milan	3	2	Winter 04-05	8/15/06
Mt. Clemens	3	2	Winter 98-99	8/15/04
Saginaw	2	1	Winter 97-98	8/15/04

IN GIRLS TENNIS (Fall)

City/School	From Division	To Division	First Season	Deadline for Cancellation
Grosse Ile	4	3	Fall 2002	4/15/04
Midland-H. H. Dow	2	1	Fall 1999	4/15/04
Richmond	4	3	Fall 2001	4/15/04
St. Johns	2	1	Fall 1999	4/15/04

IN BOYS TENNIS (Spring)

City/School	From Division	To Division	First Season	Deadline for Cancellation
Beverly Hls.-Det. Country Day	4	3	Spring 1999	10/15/03
Bloomfield Hills-Brother Rice	2	1	Spring 2000	10/15/03
St. Johns	2	1	Spring 2004	10/15/05

IN ICE HOCKEY (Winter)

City/School	From Division	To Division	First Season	Deadline for Cancellation
Detroit-U of D Jesuit	2	1	Winter 04-05	8/15/06
East Lansing	3	2	Winter 04-05	8/15/06
*Kingsford	2	1	Winter 01-02	8/15/04
Marquette	2	1	Winter 00-01	8/15/04
Negaunee	2	1	Winter 02-03	8/15/04
Port Huron	3	2	Winter 04-05	8/15/06
Port Huron Northern	2	1	Winter 02-03	8/15/04
*Traverse City-St. Francis	2	1	Winter 03-04	8/15/05
Trenton	3	2	Winter 02-03	8/15/04

IN GIRLS GOLF (Spring)

City/School	From Division	To Division	First Season	Deadline for Cancellation
Midland-H. H. Dow	2	1	Spring 2003	10/15/04
Mt. Pleasant	2	1	Spring 2005	10/15/06

IN BOYS SWIMMING (Winter)

City/School	From Division	To Division	First Season	Deadline for Cancellation
Bloomfield Hills-Brother Rice	2	1	Winter 02-03	8/15/05

IN BOYS SOCCER (Fall)

From City/School	To Division	Division	Deadline for First Season	Cancellation
Bloomfield Hills-Brother Rice	2	1	Fall 03-04	4/15/05

IN GIRLS SOCCER (Spring)

From City/School	To Division	Division	Deadline for First Season	Cancellation
Madison Heights-Bishop Foley	4	3	Spring 2003	10/15/04

IN SOFTBALL (Spring)

From City/School	To Division	Division	Deadline for First Season	Cancellation
Harper Woods-Regina	2	1	Spring 2005	10/15/06
St. Johns	2	1	Spring 2004	10/15/05

*Co-op Program

2004-05 RULES MEETINGS

Plan accordingly to attend a rules meeting in your area. A complete list of dates, times and locations is available online at mhsaa.com

New for 2004-05:

No Rules Meeting + No Exam = No Coaching in Tournament (Refer to page 3)

REQUESTS FOR RULE/REGULATION INTERPRETATIONS/RULINGS

The MHSAA executive staff member in charge of a sport (see "Whom to Contact") is responsible for answering inquiries regarding playing rules, tournament policies and the applications of *MHSAA Handbook* Regulations II and IV for that sport.

Responses to general questions regarding athletic eligibility (Regulations I and III) may be provided by any MHSAA executive staff member; but questions regarding the eligibility of a specific student must be placed in writing by a school administrator to the executive director. Staff is instructed not to respond by telephone or e-mail to any questions regarding the eligibility of a specific individual if the answer is not provided for in the specific language of the *Handbook* regulation or interpretation or *Bulletin* clarification or update.

Because information provided to staff by telephone may be incomplete, inaccurate or misunderstood, responses by staff are not binding until information has been placed in writing and verified.

WHOM TO CONTACT AT THE MHSAA

The following list of subjects and the MHSAA staff persons responsible for them is provided to assist persons who call the MHSAA office with questions or concerns. Asking for a specific person will help the phone receptionists serve callers more efficiently.

Subject	Staff
Advertising	Johnson
Athletic Director In-Service	Rashid
Registration	Hoover
Athletic Equity Committee	Hampton
Awards (Forsythe/Bush/Norris/WISL)	Allen/ Hoover
Baseball:	
Tournament	Uyl/Stokes
Rules	Uyl/Allen
Basketball:	
Tournament	Hampton/Stokes
Rules	Hampton/Minter
Book of Champions	Kaminski
Bowling	Allen/Hoover
Bulletin	Kaminski
Calendar	Minter
CHAMPS Clinics	Frushour/Hoover
Classification	Roberts/Kinder
Coaches:	
Education	Westdorp
Guidebook	Westdorp
Nonfaculty Registration	Lohman
Committees	Rashid/Stokes
Competitive Cheer	Westdorp/Waddell
Cooperative Programs	Rashid/Yonkers
Cross Country	Uyl/Lohman
Educational Transfer Forms	Rashid/Waddell
Eligibility Advancement	Allen/Hoover
Eligibility Questions	Rashid/Allen/ Hampton/Mazzolini/Uyl
Executive Committee	Roberts/Rashid/ Yonkers
Finance	Roberts/Minter/LaClear
Football:	
Playoffs	Hampton/Stokes
Rules	Hampton/Minter
Schedules/Open Dates	Stokes
Foreign Exchange Programs	Mazzolini
Games Wanted	Kaminski/Bihn
Golf	Allen/Waddell
Gymnastics	Westdorp/Waddell
Handbook	Rashid
Host Availability Forms	Waddell
Ice Hockey	Allen/Stokes
Information Systems	Bihn/Ganong
Insurance	Minter
Interstate Meets	Mazzolini
Investigations	Rashid
Junior High/Middle Schools	Allen
Lacrosse:	
Boys Tournament	Rashid/Westdorp/ Hoover
Girls Tournament	Westdorp/Rashid/ Hoover
Boys Rules	Rashid/Westdorp
Girls Rules	Westdorp/Rashid
League/Conference Meetings	Hampton
Registration	Hoover
Legacy Officials	Uyl/Verellen
Legends of the Game	Frushour
Legislation	Roberts/Johnson/Minter

Litigation	Roberts/Johnson/Minter	Softball:	
Media	Johnson/Frushour	Tournament	Allen/Stokes
Mentor	Kaminski/Frushour	Rules	Allen/Uyl
Merchandise	Johnson	Sponsorships	Johnson/Frushour
Officials:		Sports Participation Survey	Kinder
Directory	Uyl	Sportsmanship	Frushour
Game Reports	Uyl	Good Sports Are Winners!	Frushour
Guidebook	Uyl	Supplies	Kinder
Meetings	Uyl/Verellen	Swimming & Diving	Mazzolini/Lohman
Ratings	VanDerMoere	Television	Johnson
Registration	VanDerMoere/Verellen	Tennis	Mazzolini/Lohman
Out-Of-State Travel	Mazzolini	Tickets & Tags	Verellen
PACE	Westdorp	Track & Field	Hampton/Lohman
Registration	Hoover	Trophies & Medals	Rashid/Lohman
Printing	Kaminski/Minter	Update Meetings	Hoover/Yonkers
Programs (Tournaments)	Kaminski/Johnson	Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee	Hampton/Waddell
Publicity	Johnson/Frushour	Volleyball	Mazzolini/Stokes
Radio	Johnson	Web Site	Kaminski/Frushour/Bihn
Broadcast Applications	VanDerMoere	Weight Monitoring	Uyl/Verellen
Records (MHSAA/National)	Johnson	Women in Sports Leadership Conference	Westdorp
Representative Council	Roberts/Yonkers	Registration	Hoover
Sanctioning	Mazzolini	Wrestling	Uyl/Lohman
Scholar-Athlete	Frushour	Weight Monitoring	Uyl/Verellen
School Directory	Kinder		
Skiing	Mazzolini/Lohman		
Soccer:			
Tournaments	Minter/Hoover		
Rules	Minter		

MHSAA Awards First Two Student Leadership Grants

Pinconning High School and Fraser High School are the first recipients of grant money aimed at improving student leadership. The MHSAA has earmarked \$20,000 in 2004 to help students become better leaders.

Pinconning and Fraser will apply the grant money toward special programs each has developed for next fall. Each school has organized a day-long student leadership program targeting student-athletes, captains, coaches and parents. Both programs feature a nationally recognized speaker that will talk about leadership issues and facilitate discussion on improving leadership qualities in students at the school.

This funding comes from the MHSAA's designated "Student Leadership Fund" which was started when the W.B.A Ruster Foundation dissolved and transferred its assets to the MHSAA. An advisory committee exists to steer the policies and procedures for grants.

Scholarships are available to students to attend existing student leadership camps, and schools can receive grant money to create student leadership programs in their communities. Funding is available NOW. There is no deadline – applications are accepted, and money is distributed, year-round.

To apply:

1. Visit the "Services" page of the MHSAA Web site and find the Student Leadership link

2. Download the application

3. Send the application and appropriate documentation to the MHSAA

4. Allow 45 days for processing

If you have any questions, call Andy Frushour at the MHSAA (517) 332-5046.

2004-05 ORDER FORM FOR MHSAA MATERIALS

Schools may order materials from the MHSAA office by using this form. PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS ORDER, and materials will then be sent postpaid. Books sent as they become available. Mail order to MHSAA, 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823.

<i>Quantity</i>		<i>Total Cost</i>
	BASEBALL (after Feb. 1)	
_____	Baseball Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Baseball Umpires Manual (2005 & 2006)	@ \$10.00 _____
_____	Baseball Case Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
	BASKETBALL (after Aug. 1)	
_____	Basketball Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Basketball Case Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Basketball Simplified and Illustrated Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Basketball Officials Manual (2003-05)	@ \$10.00 _____
_____	Basketball Handbook (2004-06).....	@ \$10.00 _____
	COMPETITIVE CHEER (after Sept. 1)	
_____	Spirit Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Competitive Cheer Manual (2004-05)	@ \$ 6.00 _____
	FOOTBALL (after Aug. 1)	
_____	Football Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Football Case Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Football Simplified and Illustrated Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Football Officials Manual (2004 & 2005)	@ \$10.00 _____
	GYMNASTICS (after Sept. 1)	
_____	Girls Gymnastic Rules Book & Manual (2004-2006)	@ \$12.00 _____
	ICE HOCKEY (after Oct. 1)	
_____	Ice Hockey Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
	LACROSSE (BOYS) (after Feb. 1)	
_____	Lacrosse Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
	LACROSSE (GIRLS) (after Feb. 1)	
_____	Lacrosse Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
	SOCCER (after Aug. 1)	
_____	Soccer Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
	SOFTBALL (after Feb. 1)	
_____	Softball Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Softball Umpires Manual (2004 & 2005)	@ \$10.00 _____
_____	Softball Case Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
	SWIMMING & DIVING (after Aug. 1)	
_____	Swimming & Diving Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
	TRACK (after Feb. 1)	
_____	Track & Field Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Track & Field Case Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Track & Field Manual (2005 & 2006)	@ \$10.00 _____
	VOLLEYBALL (after Oct. 1)	
_____	Volleyball Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
_____	Volleyball Case Book & Manual	@ \$10.00 _____
	WRESTLING (after Oct. 1)	
_____	Wrestling Rules Book	@ \$ 8.00 _____
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_____ 2004-05 MHSAA HANDBOOK	@\$ 6.00 _____
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MHSAA OFFICIAL BALL AGREEMENTS

The MHSAA has the following tournament ball adoption agreements in place in the sports of baseball, softball, girls and boys basketball, girls and boys soccer, girls volleyball and girls and boys tennis. Levels of play, length of agreement and product specifications are listed. Schools and coaches are asked to give the ball manufacturers who support the MHSAA priority consideration when purchasing balls at the local district level and league & conference level.

Baseball - Rawlings — Rawlings is the "Official Tournament Baseball" of the MHSAA through the 2004-2005 school year. Rawlings baseballs will be used all tournament levels (District, Regional, Quarterfinal, Semifinals & Finals), and will be supplied to tournament managers. The Rawlings R-100 and/or R-200 will be the baseball used and supplied for tournament all contests.

Softball - Wilson — Wilson is the "Official Tournament Softball" of the MHSAA through the 2004-2005 school year. Wilson softballs will be used all tournament levels (District, Regional, Quarterfinal, Semifinals & Finals), and will be supplied to tournament managers. The Wilson A-9011 SST Optic Yellow 47 C.O.R, 375 compression softball will be used and supplied for all tournament contests.

Basketball, Girls & Boys - Rawlings — Rawlings is the "Official Finals Game Ball" of the MHSAA Finals for girls and boys basketball through the 2004-2005 school year. The Rawlings COMPMICH and COMPMICH285 will be used for the Semifinals and Finals tournament games.

Volleyball - Spalding — Spalding is the "Official Finals Game Ball" of the MHSAA Finals for girls volleyball through the 2004-2005 school year. The Spalding TF-4000 will be used for the Semifinals and Finals tournament games.

Soccer, Girls & Boys - Brine — Brine is the "Official Finals Game Ball" of the MHSAA Finals for girls and boys soccer through the 2005-06 school year. The Brine Championship ball will be used for all Finals tournament games.

Tennis, Girls & Boys — Wilson is the "Official Tournament Ball" of the MHSAA girls and boys tennis tournament through December 2004. The Wilson T-1071 US Open X-duty ball will be used at all tournament levels and supplied to all tournament managers.

ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, May 6, 2004

Members Present:

Ron Baum, East Kentwood
Brian Dallas, Dearborn (MHSOCA)
Dan DiCristofaro, New Baltimore
Bob Dowd, Troy
Mike Dellapina, Norton Shores
Buzz DeHooghe, St. Clair Shores
Curt Ellis, Novi
Morley Fraser, Bay City

Keith Froelich, Okemos
Tim Kluka, Allen Park
Chris Limback, Alpena
Pete Ryan, Saginaw
Terry Sawchuk, Canton
Mike Turner, Trenton

Staff Members Present:

Randy Allen (Recorder)

The 2004 Ice Hockey Committee met in the MHSAA Office Building to review the MHSAA tournament series and to select tournament sites; discuss and review correspondence; review playing rules changes; and discuss the status of high school hockey in MHSAA member schools.

The meeting began with introductions by each committee member. Randy Allen reviewed the role and responsibility of the committee.

2004 TOURNAMENT REVIEW

Regional and Final Tournaments were reviewed. Coordination of participating teams at the Finals by local officials associations was a success. It was suggested to shorten warm-up periods prior to each game and to provide pucks for the teams. A motion was made and approved to increase the team party from 27 to 30 at the Regionals and Finals to better accommodate trainers, managers and assistant coaches. A motion was also made to increase the first and second place team medals given to individual players from 20 to 24. Support was given to conducting voluntary managers meetings prior to the 2005 tournament to have more consistent administrative procedures at the Regionals and Quarterfinals.

REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL ACTION REVIEW

The committee reviewed and discussed Representative Council action from May, 2004 in which a plan to separate Regional Tournaments into separate brackets of 3-4 teams each with separate sites was approved.

Other obstacles and difficulties were revealed with such an approach and it was agreed to review possible implementation until the 2005 meeting of the committee.

2005 TOURNAMENT SITES & GROUPINGS

The committee was informed of continued growth in school sponsored hockey programs, with four new teams for 2004-05. The growth has caused several Regional Tournament groupings to be adjusted to accommodate the new additions. Regional groupings and sites and Quarterfinal sites were approved with several changes. Draws for the 2005 MHSAA Semifinals were made as follows:

Division 1 - QF 1 vs. QF 3, QF 4 vs. QF 2

Division 2 - QF 8 vs. QF 7, QF 6 vs. QF 5

Division 3 - QF 12 vs. QF 10, QF 11 vs. QF 9

2004-05 RULES CHANGES

National Federation rules changes for the 2004-05 season were shared with the committee. Andy Weidenbach of Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood HS will serve on the committee for one more year and Randy Allen of the MHSAA will begin a four-year term on the committee in 2004. Major rules changes for 2004-05 are a modification in the intentional offsides rule and the addition of a game misconduct penalty for a player who incurs five penalties. Points of emphasis will deal with checking from behind and head checking.

GENERAL TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

The committee was informed that the

MHSAA will again conduct an in-service for new programs, new coaches and emerging programs in October with an updated and revised curriculum. Rules meetings will emphasize illegal contact, equipment requirements, coach communication, proper warm-up periods, DQ reporting requirements, and the Point Differential Rule. It was suggested to include in the Update Meeting survey a question regarding a change in the Point Differential Rule, i.e. lowering the number from the existing 10-goal lead when a running clock begins or a game is terminated. It was also suggested to remind Regional and

Quarterfinal managers to better separate fan spectator groups.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. Increase individual player medals from 20 to 24 for first- and second-place teams in each division at the MHSAA Finals Tournament (14-0).
2. Increase the number of players, coaches and team personnel from 27 to 30 at MHSAA Regional and Finals Tournaments (14-0). ■

WRESTLING WEIGHT MONITORING PROGRAM TO GO ONLINE IN 2004-2005

The MHSAA will be conducting all aspects of the wrestling weight monitoring system online during the 2004-05 school year. This change was approved by the Representative Council at its May meeting, and will be implemented for the upcoming wrestling season. The online process has been studied and supported by various committees comprised of wrestling coaches, school administrators, and skin fold assessors in Michigan.

The new system is web-based, and it will be operated by the National Wrestling Coaches Association. All assessors will enter data online by using a unique school code and password for each member school that sponsors wrestling. Once the assessor enters the data, athletic administrators, coaches, student-athletes, and parents can access the website to view information regarding lowest minimum weight class, body fat percentages, and weight class descent schedules. In addition to the more efficient and timely processing of alpha information, schools, athletes and parents will have access to the nutritional education portion of the website, which will provide sample menus and resources for safe weight maintenance.

The Michigan Weight Monitoring Program was first approved by the Representative Council in May of 1993. The program was implemented and piloted over a four year period, beginning in earnest in 1997. The operation of the program has fostered the development of a high tech processing system which involves the exchange of data collection sheets, processing of the data sheets by MHSAA staff and mailing of the compiled data to the school. This process was state of the art when it was developed. However, the advancement of technology has made it possible to serve the member schools more quickly electronically.

The NWCA program currently offers an online process that is being used by approximately 15 other high school associations. It was tested during the 2001-02 school year, and it eliminates the data forms and postage expense required by the present MHSAA procedure. Once the assessor has completed the assessment of a team, and has entered the data, the school is able to receive the results of the assessment for each student and the team almost immediately, without the postal expense and wait time currently involved. A school can then print the Alpha Master form from any internet-access computer with the proper school identification code and password. By eliminating the postal mail-based system, the MHSAA hopes to 1) reduce cost to member schools, 2) decrease the time needed to process data and 3) eliminate the reliance on the postal service to deliver materials.

The \$30 per school cost will be paid by the MHSAA without any expense to member schools.

GIRLS BASKETBALL SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

East Lansing, May 12, 2004

Members Present:

Lafayette Evans, Detroit
 Jamie Foster, Flint
 Tim Genson, Scottville
 Joe Haines, Grand Rapids
 Kevin Herendeen, Jackson
 Gary Hice, Petoskey
 Dewayne Jones, West Bloomfield
 Al Kastl, Clinton Township
 Maureen Klocke, Capac
 Jack Kramer, Houghton Lake
 Jean LaClair, Bronson
 Thomas Litzner, Pellston
 Vic Michaels, Detroit
 Melanie Miller, Lansing
 William Newkirk, Meridian
 Jim Noble, Saginaw
 Pat Richardson, Grass Lake

Cheri Ritz, Wayland
 Archy Robinson, Flint
 Jan Sander, Warren
 Jim Vidro, Grand Rapids

Members Absent:

Gary Boyce, Grand Ledge
 Jan Gillette, Comstock Park
 Ted Manning, Schoolcraft
 Kathy McGee, Flint
 Jeffrey Melvin, Bangor
 Susan Tucker, Perry
 Sid Wright, Ypsilanti

Staff Members Present:

Nate Hampton
 Sharla Stokes (Recorder)

After the welcome and introductions, the committee was reminded of its responsibility and reviewed the accepted criteria for selecting 2004 hosts for the MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament contests.

Drawings were conducted for District qualifiers to Regional Tournament competition as well as Semifinal bracket placement in all classes.

Class C	Class D
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Winner of Quarterfinal 3 will play the winner of Quarterfinal 1.

The committee then selected Quarterfinal, Regional, and District Centers in all classes except schools located in the Upper Peninsula.

The committee discussed Region 16 alternating with an Upper Peninsula site every four years as recommended in the minutes of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee. Members felt the travel distance would be too great for alternating.

The committee also discussed Region No. 31 alternating with the Upper Peninsula as recommended in the minutes of the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee. Members felt possibly St. Ignace LaSalle could be considered as an alternate site. ■

Four Team Regional:

Tournament Advance Master Draw

Lowest District No.
 Highest District No.
 2nd Lowest District No.
 2nd Highest District No.

Semifinal Bracket Placement in All Classes:

Class A	Class B
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MHSAA COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS

In any sport, two or more member high schools whose combined enrollment does not exceed the maximum for Class B may conduct, with the approval of the Executive Committee, a Cooperative Program in the specific sports for which application has been made and approval has been granted.

Two or more member high schools whose combined enrollment does not exceed 3,500 students may conduct, with the approval of the Executive Committee, a Cooperative Program in the following specific sports (sponsored by 250 or fewer schools) for which application has been made and approval has been granted: boys bowling, girls bowling, girls competitive cheer, girls gymnastics, ice hockey, boys lacrosse, girls lacrosse, boys skiing, girls skiing, boys swimming & diving, and girls swimming & diving.

If none of the schools involved in a proposed cooperative agreement sponsored the sport at any level on an interscholastic basis during the previous school year, then the 3,500 maximum enrollment may be waived by the Executive Committee. However, the cooperative agreement may not exist beyond three school years. ■

APPROVED COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS HIGH SCHOOLS

Primary School	Partner(s)	Approval	Last Renewal
(C) Adrian-Madison (3) Wrestling	Sand Creek	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
(D) Allen Park-Cabrini (3) Ice Hockey	Melvindale	8/13/2003	5/1/2003
(C) Ann Arbor-Greenhills (2) Boys Swimming	Ann Arbor-Rudolf Steiner School	11/19/1997	5/1/2003
(C) Bath (3) Wrestling	Laingsburg	8/28/2002	5/1/2004
(A) Battle Creek-Central (1) Girls Golf	Battle Creek-Pennfield	10/23/1997	5/1/2003
(A) Battle Creek-Central (1) Boys Swimming	Battle Creek-St Philip Catholic Central	5/5/1996	5/1/2004
(A) Battle Creek-Central (1) Girls Swimming	Battle Creek-St Philip Catholic Central, Battle Creek Pennfield	5/5/1996	5/1/2004
(A) Bay City-Central (1) Ice Hockey	Auburn-Bay City Western	8/13/1996	5/1/2004
(D) Bear Lake (4) Boys Cross Country (4) Girls Cross Country	Onkama, Manistee-Catholic Central	4/30/1988 4/30/1988	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Bellaire Boys Skiing Girls Skiing	Central Lake	9/11/1997 9/11/1997	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(D) Bellaire (4) Baseball (4) Boys Track (4) Girls Track	Alba	11/17/2000 11/17/1998 11/17/1998	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Bellaire (3) Boys Soccer	Alba, Central Lake	6/10/1998	5/1/2004

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(A) Beverly Hills-Wylie E Groves Gymnastics (1) Ice Hockey	Birmingham-Seaholm	8/28/2002 6/10/1992	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(B) Bloomfield Hills-Andover (1) Boys Lacrosse	Bloomfield Hills-Lahser	6/9/2004	5/1/2004
(A) Bloomfield Hills-Lahser (1) Girls Lacrosse (1) Ice Hockey	Bloomfield Hills-Andover	6/9/2004 8/18/1999	5/1/2004 5/1/2003
(C) Brethren (4) Boys Golf	Bear Lake	5/5/1996	5/1/2004
(C) Bridgman (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Three Oaks-River Valley , St Joseph-Lake Michigan Catholic, Stevensville-Lakeshore , Niles	4/15/1993 4/15/1993	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Brighton Gymnastics	Howell , Pinckney	9/15/1999	5/1/2003
(D) Britton-Macon (4) Baseball (4) Boys Golf (4) Boys Track (4) Boys Cross Country (3) Football (4) Girls Track (4) Girls Cross Country (4) Softball	Deerfield	10/13/1994 2/25/1999 4/15/1993 4/17/2002 4/15/1993 4/15/1993 4/17/2002 10/13/1994	5/1/2004 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2004 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Burton-Valley Christian Academy (4) Baseball	Flint-Michigan School For The Deaf	12/31/2000	5/1/2004
(B) Byron Center (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Grand Rapids-South Christian , Caledonia	5/19/2000 5/19/2000	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Caseville (4) Boys Soccer (4) Girls Soccer (4) Boys Track (4) Girls Track	Owendale-Gagetown	4/16/2003 4/16/2003 10/22/2003 10/22/2003	5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(B) Cass City Gymnastics	Caro	8/29/2001	5/1/2003
(D) Central Lake (4) Boys Track (3) Football (4) Girls Track	Ellsworth Community	1/15/1997 5/8/1991 1/15/1997	5/1/2004 5/1/2003 5/1/2004
(C) Charlevoix Boys Skiing	East Jordan	10/9/2002	5/1/2004
(D) Chassell Volleyball	Painesdale-Jeffers	9/10/1998	5/1/2004
(D) Chassell Boys Skiing Girls Skiing	Dollar Bay , Painesdale-Jeffers	8/29/2001 8/29/2001	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Dearborn-Edsel Ford (1) Boys Swimming	Dearborn-Fordson	8/12/1997	5/1/2003

Primary School	Partner(s)	Approval	Last Renewal
(A) Dearborn-Edsel Ford Gymnastics (1) Ice Hockey	Dearborn , Dearborn-Fordson	6/6/1995 5/1/2000	5/1/2003 5/1/2004
(B) DeWitt (1)Ice Hockey	St Johns	8/3/2001	5/1/2003
(C) East Jordan Girls Skiing	Charlevoix	10/9/2002	5/1/2004
(C) Ecorse (3) Football	Detroit-Charlotte Forten Academy	6/9/2004	5/1/2004
(D) Engadine (4) Football	Grand Marais-Burt Township, Paradise-Whitefish Township	4/15/1997	5/1/2003
(A) Escanaba (1) Ice Hockey	Gladstone , Bark River-Harris	6/10/1992	5/1/2004
(B) Essexville-Garber Ice Hockey	Bay City-All Saints Central , Bay City-John Glenn , Pinconning Area	8/28/2002	5/1/2004
(B) Essexville-Garber Boys Skiing Girls Skiing	Auburn-Bay City Western , Freeland	8/13/2003 8/13/2003	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Fair Haven-Anchor Bay (1) Girls Swimming	Algonac	4/21/2004	5/1/2004
(A) Farmington (1) Boys Swimming	Farmington Hills-Harrison	8/18/1999	5/1/2003
(A) Farmington Gymnastics	Farmington Hills-North Farmington , Farmington Hills-Harrison	3/30/1992	5/1/2004
(B) Farmington Hills-Harrison (1) Girls Golf (1) Ice Hockey	Farmington , Farmington Hills-North Farmington	5/1/2002 6/10/1998	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(B) Flint Southwestern Academy (1) Girls Swimming	Flint-Northern	5/1/1993	5/1/2003
(B) Flint-Beecher (2) Wrestling	Flint-Hamady	9/17/2002	5/1/2004
(A) Flint-Carman-Ainsworth Boys Skiing (1) Boys Swimming Girls Skiing (1) Girls Swimming	Clio	4/22/1999 4/22/1999 4/22/1999 4/22/1999	5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Flint-Central (1) Girls Swimming	Flint Northwestern-Edison	5/1/1993	5/1/2003
(A) Flint-Central (1) Boys Swimming	Flint Southwestern Academy	5/1/1993	5/1/2003
(A) Flint-Kearsley (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Davison	4/30/1994 4/30/1994	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Flint-Michigan School For The Deaf (4) Boys Track	Burton-Valley Christian Academy	12/5/2002	5/1/2004
(A) Flint-Northern (1) Girls Soccer	Flint Northwestern-Edison	5/1/1993	5/1/2003

Primary School	Partner(s)	Approval	Last Renewal
(D) Flint-The Valley School (4) Girls Soccer	Flint-Michigan School For The Deaf	9/29/2003	5/1/2003
(D) Frankfort (4) Wrestling	Onkama , Bear Lake	8/28/2002	5/1/2004
(D) Fruitport-Calvary Christian Schools (4) Boys Soccer	Muskegon Catholic Central	6/18/2003	5/1/2003
(B) Gladwin (1) Ice Hockey	West Branch Ogemaw Heights, Beaverton	8/29/2001	5/1/2003
(A) Grand Ledge (1) Ice Hockey	Lansing-Waverly	6/6/1995	5/1/2003
(A) Grand Rapids-Central (2) Girls Swimming (1) Ice Hockey	Grand Rapids-Creston	4/21/2004 8/3/2001	5/1/2004 5/1/2003
(A) Grand Rapids-Creston (1) Boys Swimming	Grand Rapids-Central	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
(A) Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Central Gymnastics	Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern , Ada-Forest Hills Eastern	9/11/1997	5/1/2003
(B) Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern (2) Girls Swimming (2) Ice Hockey	Ada-Forest Hills Eastern	4/21/2004 4/21/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(B) Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern (1) Boys Swimming Competitive Cheer	Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Central , Ada-Forest Hills Eastern	6/18/2003 6/9/1999	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Grand Rapids-Kenowa Hills Gymnastics	Grandville	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
(A) Grand Rapids-Northview (2) Ice Hockey	Comstock Park	4/18/2001	5/1/2003
(A) Grand Rapids-Union (1) Ice Hockey	Grand Rapids-Ottawa Hills	10/9/2002	5/1/2004
(B) Grand Rapids-West Catholic Gymnastics	Grand Rapids-Catholic Central , Caledonia , East Grand Rapids	9/29/2003	5/1/2003
(A) Grandville (1) Ice Hockey	Grandville-Calvin Christian	4/15/1993	5/1/2003
(A) Grandville (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Grand Rapids-Kenowa Hills	8/16/2000 5/6/2000	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(C) Hancock (3) Football	Chassell	4/30/1994	5/1/2004
(C) Hanover-Horton (2) Wrestling	Jackson-Vandercook Lake	5/5/2000	5/1/2004
(C) Harbor Beach Community (3) Football	Port Hope Community	4/16/2003	5/1/2003
(B) Harper Woods-Notre Dame (2) Boys Swimming	Harper Woods	6/9/2004	5/1/2004
(D) Harper Woods-Trinity Catholic (4) Girls Soccer	Detroit-Dominican	10/22/2003	5/1/2003

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(C) Hart (3) Football	Walkerville	4/16/2003	5/1/2003
(A) Hartland Gymnastics	Highland-Milford , White Lake-Lakeland	6/10/1992	5/1/2004
(A) Hartland Boys Swimming	Howell , Fowlerville	5/1/2004	5/1/2004
(B) Haslett (2) Ice Hockey	Williamston	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
(A) Highland-Milford (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	White Lake-Lakeland	4/21/2004 4/21/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Hillsdale Academy (4) Boys Soccer	Hillsdale-Will Carleton Academy	8/29/2001	5/1/2003
(C) Houghton (2) Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming	Calumet , Hancock	5/6/1995 5/6/1995	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Howell (1) Girls Swimming	Fowlerville	3/22/2001	5/1/2003
(A) Hudsonville (1) Ice Hockey	Allendale , Hudsonville-Unity Christian	9/29/2003	5/1/2003
(C) Iron River-West Iron County (3) Wrestling	Crystal Falls-Forest Park	6/10/1998	5/1/2004
(C) Ironwood-Luther L Wright (4) Girls Soccer	Wakefield-Marenisco	10/22/2003	5/1/2003
(C) Ishpeming (2) Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming	Negaunee	6/10/1992 6/10/1992	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(C) Ishpeming (4) Boys Tennis (3) Football	Republic-Michigamme	10/22/2003 6/10/1992	5/1/2003 5/1/2004
(A) Jackson Gymnastics	Grass Lake	4/30/1994	5/1/2004
(A) Jackson (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Jackson-Northwest , Jackson-Lumen Christi , Napoleon	4/30/1994 4/30/1994	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Kalamazoo Central (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Parchment , Kalamazoo-Comstock	6/6/1996 6/6/1996	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Kalamazoo-Loy Norrix (1) Girls Swimming	Kalamazoo Christian	5/6/1995	5/1/2003
(A) Kalamazoo-Loy Norrix (1) Ice Hockey	Kalamazoo Central , Kalamazoo-Hackett Catholic Central	8/18/1999	5/1/2003
(B) Kingsford (1) Boys Cross Country (1) Girls Cross Country	Iron Mountain	6/10/1998 6/10/1998	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(B) Kingsford (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Iron Mountain , Norway	9/17/2002 9/17/2002	5/1/2004 5/1/2004

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(B) Kingsford (2) Ice Hockey	Norway , Iron Mountain , Felch-North Dickinson	4/11/1996	5/1/2004
(C) Laingsburg (3) Boys Soccer (4) Girls Soccer	Bath	6/9/2004 6/9/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(C) L'Anse (3) Ice Hockey	Baraga Area	3/21/1991	5/1/2003
(B) Lansing-Catholic Central (3) Ice Hockey	Lansing Christian	9/13/2000	5/1/2003
(A) Lansing-Eastern Gymnastics	Lansing-JW Sexton	5/5/1996	5/1/2004
(A) Lansing-Waverly (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Lansing-Catholic Central	4/15/1998 4/15/1998	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Lapeer East (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Lapeer West	8/12/1997 6/9/1999	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Lathrup Village-Southfield-Lathrup (1) Girls Soccer (1) Girls Swimming	Southfield	8/13/1992 8/13/1992	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Leland (4) Boys Soccer Volleyball	Lake Leelanau-St Mary	4/30/1988 4/30/1988	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Leland (4) Boys Golf	Northport	4/21/2004	5/1/2004
(A) Livonia-Churchill Gymnastics	Livonia-Franklin , Livonia-Adlai E Stevenson	9/13/2000	5/1/2004
(B) Livonia-Ladywood Girls Skiing	Bloomfield Hills-Academy Of The Sacred Heart	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
(A) Lowell (1) Ice Hockey	Caledonia	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
(B) Manistee Boys Skiing Girls Skiing (3) Wrestling	Manistee-Catholic Central	5/5/1996 5/5/1996 9/13/2000	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Manistee-Catholic Central (4) Football	Freesoil	5/8/1991	5/1/2003
(C) Maple City-Glen Lake Boys Skiing Girls Skiing	Leland, Suttons Bay	4/30/1994 4/30/1994	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Mattawan (1) Boys Swimming	Kalamazoo-Hackett Catholic Central	9/13/2000	5/1/2004
(D) Middleton-Fulton (4) Wrestling	Fowler	6/5/2002	5/1/2004
(B) Middleville Thornapple-Kellogg Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming	Hastings	6/9/2004 6/9/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Midland Gymnastics	Midland-HH Dow	8/28/2002	5/1/2004

Primary School	Partner(s)	Approval	Last Renewal
(A) Muskegon (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Muskegon-Reeths-Puffer, Norton Shores-Mona Shores	4/18/2001 4/18/2001	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(C) Muskegon Catholic Central (3) Boys Cross Country (3) Girls Cross Country	Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian	8/3/2001 8/3/2001	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(C) Muskegon Catholic Central (3) Ice Hockey	Spring Lake	6/18/2003	5/1/2003
(C) Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian (3) Boys Track (3) Girls Track	Muskegon Catholic Central	11/6/2002 11/6/2002	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(C) Negaunee (1) Gymnastics	Ishpeming	8/12/1998	5/1/2004
(C) Negaunee (2) Ice Hockey	Ishpeming, Ishpeming-Westwood, Gwinn, Republic-Michigamme	8/12/1998	5/1/2004
(C) North Muskegon (2) Football	Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian	4/15/1998	5/1/2004
(A) Northville Gymnastics	Novi	6/7/1994	5/1/2004
(A) Norton Shores-Mona Shores Gymnastics	Muskegon-Reeths-Puffer	8/18/1999	5/1/2003
(D) Onekama Boys Skiing (4) Boys Track (3) Football Girls Skiing (4) Girls Track	Bear Lake	4/30/1988 4/30/1988 4/30/1988 4/30/1988 4/30/1988	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Ortonville-Brandon Boys Skiing Girls Skiing	Oxford	8/28/2002 8/28/2002	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Owendale-Gagetown (4) Football	Caseville	4/17/2002	5/1/2004
(D) Painesdale-Jeffers (2) Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming	Chassell, Ironwood-Luther L Wright	4/30/1988 4/30/1988	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Painesdale-Jeffers (3) Ice Hockey	Chassell, Ontonagon Area, Dollar Bay, Lake Linden-Hubbell	4/30/1994	5/1/2004
(B) Parma-Western Gymnastics	Concord, Springport	4/30/1994	5/1/2004
(C) Pellston (3) Football	Mackinaw City	4/15/1993	5/1/2003
(D) Pickford (4) Football	Kinross-Maplewood Baptist Academy	8/13/2003	5/1/2003
(A) Port Huron Northern (1) Girls Swimming	Port Huron	6/5/2002	5/1/2004
(A) Portage Northern Gymnastics	Portage Central	9/15/1993	5/1/2003

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(D) Powers-North Central (4) Football	Carney-Nadeau	4/21/2004	5/1/2004
(D) Rapid River (4) Boys Soccer (3) Boys Cross Country (4) Football	Cooks-Big Bay de Noc	4/21/2004 4/21/2004 4/21/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Redford Union (1) Ice Hockey	Redford-Thurston	10/14/1998	5/1/2004
(A) Rochester Hills-Rochester Boys Skiing (1) Boys Swimming Girls Skiing	Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek	8/9/2002 8/9/2002 8/9/2002	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek (1) Ice Hockey	Rochester-Adams , Rochester Hills-Rochester	3/21/2002	5/1/2004
(A) Rochester-Adams Boys Skiing (1) Boys Swimming Girls Skiing Gymnastics	Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek	8/9/2002 8/9/2002 8/9/2002 8/9/2002	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(B) Royal Oak-Dondero (1) Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming Gymnastics	Royal Oak-Kimball	6/11/1997 4/21/2004 9/12/2001	5/1/2003 5/1/2004 5/1/2003
(A) Royal Oak-Kimball (1) Girls Golf (1) Ice Hockey	Royal Oak-Dondero	11/7/2001 4/30/1994	5/1/2003 5/1/2004
(C) Royal Oak-Shrine Catholic (2) Girls Swimming	West Bloomfield-Jewish Acad of Met Detroit	4/21/2004	5/1/2004
(C) Rudyard (2) Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming	St Ignace-La Salle	8/28/2002 8/28/2002	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Saginaw-Arthur Hill (1) Girls Golf (1) Girls Swimming (2) Ice Hockey	Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy	6/5/2002 6/5/2002 6/14/2000	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(C) Saginaw-Valley Lutheran (3) Football	Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy	6/18/2003	5/1/2003
(B) Sault Ste Marie-Sault Area (2) Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming	Pickford	6/7/1994 6/7/1994	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Southfield (1) Boys Swimming	Lathrup Village-Southfield-Lathrup	8/13/1992	5/1/2004
(B) St Clair Shores-Lakeview (1) Ice Hockey	St Clair Shores-Lake Shore , St Clair Shores-South Lake	2/19/2003	5/1/2003
(C) St Ignace-La Salle (2) Boys Golf	Mackinaw City	4/22/1999	5/1/2003
(C) St Ignace-La Salle (4) Baseball	Mackinac Island	11/11/1996	5/1/2004

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(C) Suttons Bay (3) Boys Track (3) Football (3) Girls Track	Lake Leelanau-St Mary	5/7/1992 5/7/1992 5/7/1992	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(C) Suttons Bay (3) Girls Soccer	Lake Leelanau-St Mary, Leland, Northport	10/23/1997	5/1/2003
(A) Swartz Creek (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Flushing	5/3/1997 5/3/1997	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
(A) Taylor-John F Kennedy (2) Boys Swimming	Taylor-Truman	5/1/2004	5/1/2004
(A) Taylor-Truman (1) Girls Swimming	Taylor-John F Kennedy	3/14/1996	5/1/2004
(A) Traverse City West (1) Boys Swimming (1) Girls Swimming	Traverse City-St Francis, Traverse City Central	5/1/1999 8/21/2000	5/1/2003 5/1/2004
(C) Traverse City-St Francis Boys Skiing Girls Skiing (4) Girls Soccer	Traverse City Christian School	9/15/1999 9/15/1999 11/6/2002	5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2004
(C) Traverse City-St Francis (2) Ice Hockey	Kalkaska, Elk Rapids, Suttons Bay	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
(A) Troy (1) Ice Hockey	Troy-Athens	8/12/1997	5/1/2003
(B) Vassar Gymnastics	Millington	4/30/1994	5/1/2004
(D) Wakefield-Marenisco (4) Boys Track (4) Football (4) Girls Track	Watersmeet	6/10/1998 4/30/1988 6/10/1998	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Walled Lake Central Gymnastics	Walled Lake Western, Commerce-Walled Lake Northern	6/10/1992	5/1/2004
(A) Warren-Cousino (1) Ice Hockey	Warren Mott, Sterling Heights	6/18/2003	5/1/2003
(A) Waterford Kettering Boys Skiing Girls Skiing	Waterford Mott	9/13/2000 9/13/2000	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(A) Westland-John Glenn Gymnastics	Wayne Memorial	9/11/1997	5/1/2003
(B) White Cloud (3) Wrestling	Baldwin Community Schools	9/3/2003	5/1/2003
(A) White Lake-Lakeland (1) Boys Lacrosse (1) Girls Lacrosse	Highland-Milford	4/21/2004 4/21/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
(D) Wyandotte-Mt Carmel (3) Ice Hockey	Ecorse, Flat Rock	6/6/1996	5/1/2003
(B) Wyoming-Godwin Heights Boys Swimming (2) Girls Swimming	Wyoming-Kelloggsville, Wyoming-Rogers, Wyoming Park	5/1/2004 5/1/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004

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Adrian-Madison Middle School Wrestling	Sand Creek JHS	8/16/2000	5/1/2004
Bear Lake Middle School Boys Cross Country Girls Cross Country	Onekama Middle School, Manistee-Catholic Central JHS	2/23/1994 2/23/1994	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
Brighton-Maltby JHS Boys Swimming Boys Cross Country Girls Swimming Girls Cross Country	Brighton-Scranton Middle School	8/15/1990 8/15/1990 8/15/1990 8/15/1990	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
Bronson JHS Boys Track Football Girls Basketball Girls Track Volleyball Wrestling	Bronson-St Marys Assumption School	3/14/1996 8/10/1994 9/15/1999 3/14/1996 9/15/1999 8/10/1994	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2003 5/1/2004 5/1/2003 5/1/2004
Caledonia-Kraft Meadows Middle School Boys Track Boys Cross Country Girls Track Girls Cross Country Wrestling	Caledonia-Duncan Lake Middle School	6/9/2004 6/9/2004 6/9/2004 6/9/2004 6/9/2004	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
Centreville JHS Boys Basketball Boys Track Football Girls Basketball Girls Track Volleyball	Sturgis-Nottawa Community School	8/13/1992 8/13/1992 8/13/1992 8/13/1992 8/13/1992 8/13/1992	5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004 5/1/2004
Ellsworth JHS Boys Track Girls Track	Central Lake JHS	9/10/1998 9/10/1998	5/1/2004 5/1/2004
Flint-Armstrong Middle School Boys Swimming Girls Swimming	Davison Middle School	8/16/1995 8/16/1995	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
Flint-Summit Middle School Baseball Wrestling	Mt Morris-Dolan Middle School	8/14/1991 8/14/1991	5/1/2003 5/1/2003
Fowler-Waldron Middle School Boys Basketball Boys Track Girls Basketball Girls Track	Fowler-Most Holy Trinity JHS	8/14/1991 1/22/2003 8/14/1991 1/22/2003	5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003
Grand Haven-White Pines Middle School Boys Soccer Boys Swimming Boys Tennis Boys Track Football Girls Soccer Girls Swimming	Grand Haven-St Johns Lutheran JHS	1/18/1991 1/18/1991 1/18/1991 1/18/1991 1/18/1991 1/18/1991 1/18/1991	5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003 5/1/2003

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Girls Tennis		1/18/1991	5/1/2003
Girls Track		1/18/1991	5/1/2003
Softball		1/18/1991	5/1/2003
Volleyball		1/18/1991	5/1/2003
Wrestling		1/18/1991	5/1/2003
Grand Rapids-Northview Crossroads Middle School	Grand Rapids Baptist JHS		
Boys Swimming		9/14/1995	5/1/2003
Girls Swimming		9/14/1995	5/1/2003
Gwinn Middle School	Arnold-Wells Township School		
Boys Basketball		8/13/1992	5/1/2004
Boys Track		8/13/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		8/13/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Track		8/13/1992	5/1/2004
Hancock Middle School	Chassell Township Schools		
Football		8/16/2000	5/1/2004
Harbor Beach-Our Lady Of Lake Huron	Harbor Beach-Zion Lutheran JHS		
Boys Basketball		8/13/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		8/13/1992	5/1/2004
Holland Christian So Shore Middle	Holland-Calvary Baptist JHS		
Boys Swimming		1/22/2003	5/1/2003
Holland East Middle School	Holland West Middle School		
Boys Track		5/3/1997	5/1/2003
Girls Track		5/3/1997	5/1/2003
Holland West Middle School	Holland East Middle School		
Boys Swimming		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Swimming		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Wrestling		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Jackson Catholic Middle School	Jackson-St Joseph JHS		
Boys Track		12/30/1999	5/1/2003
Boys Cross Country		6/14/2000	5/1/2004
Football		6/14/2000	5/1/2004
Girls Track		12/30/1999	5/1/2003
Girls Cross Country		6/14/2000	5/1/2004
Wrestling		6/14/2000	5/1/2004
Leland Middle School	Lake Leelanau-St Mary JHS		
Boys Soccer		9/13/2000	5/1/2004
Volleyball		12/2/1998	5/1/2004
Manistee Middle School	Manistee-Catholic Central JHS		
Wrestling		9/13/2000	5/1/2004
Manistee-Catholic Central JHS	Manistee-Trinity Lutheran School		
Boys Basketball		8/15/1990	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		4/30/1996	5/1/2004
Manistee-Catholic Central JHS	Freesoil J, Manistee-Trinity Lutheran School		
Football		8/13/1992	5/1/2004
Mesick Middle School	Buckley		
Boys Track		12/31/1999	5/1/2003
Girls Track		12/31/1999	5/1/2003
Mt Morris-Dolan Middle School	Flint-Summit Middle School		
Football		8/14/1993	5/1/2003
Softball		5/1/1995	5/1/2003
Muskegon-Bunker Middle School	Norton Shores-Mona Shores Middle School, Muskegon-Steele Middle School, Muskegon- Reeths-Puffer Middle		
Boys Swimming		6/6/2001	5/1/2003
Girls Swimming		6/6/2001	5/1/2003

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New Boston-Renton JHS	New Boston-St Stephen JHS		
Boys Swimming		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Boys Track		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Football		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Swimming		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Track		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Volleyball		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Wrestling		9/16/1992	5/1/2004
Norway-Vulcan Middle School	Norway-Holy Spirit Central School		
Boys Basketball		12/5/2002	5/1/2004
Boys Track		12/5/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		12/5/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Track		12/5/2002	5/1/2004
Okemos-Chippewa Middle School	Okemos-Kinawa Middle School		
Boys Track		11/17/1999	5/1/2003
Boys Cross Country		11/17/1999	5/1/2003
Girls Track		11/17/1999	5/1/2003
Girls Cross Country		11/17/1999	5/1/2003
Okemos-Kinawa Middle School	Okemos-Chippewa Middle School		
Wrestling		11/17/1999	5/1/2003
Onekama Middle School	Bear Lake Middle School		
Boys Track		2/23/1994	5/1/2004
Girls Track		2/23/1994	5/1/2004
Painesdale-Jeffers JHS	Atlantic Mine-EB Holman School		
Boys Basketball		12/31/1999	5/1/2003
Pellston Middle School	Mackinaw City JHS		
Football		6/9/1999	5/1/2003
Petoskey Middle School	Petoskey-St Francis Xavier JHS		
Boys Track		9/11/1991	5/1/2003
Football		9/11/1991	5/1/2003
Girls Basketball		5/6/1995	5/1/2003
Girls Track		9/11/1991	5/1/2003
Volleyball		9/11/1991	5/1/2003
Wrestling		9/11/1991	5/1/2003
Roseville JHS	Roseville-Eastland JHS		
Football		3/30/1992	5/1/2004
Wrestling		3/30/1992	5/1/2004
Royal Oak-Addams Middle School	Royal Oak-Keller Middle School		
Wrestling		9/13/2000	5/1/2004
Saginaw-North Middle School	Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy		
Football		6/9/1999	5/1/2003
South Haven-Baseline Middle School	South Haven-St Basil Catholic Middle School, South Haven-St Paul Lutheran School		
Boys Basketball		10/14/1998	5/1/2004
Boys Track		10/14/1998	5/1/2004
Football		10/14/1998	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		10/14/1998	5/1/2004
Girls Track		10/14/1998	5/1/2004
Volleyball		10/14/1998	5/1/2004
Wrestling		10/14/1998	5/1/2004
Spring Lake Middle School	Spring Lake-St Mary's Catholic School		
Boys Swimming		8/11/1993	5/1/2003
Boys Track		8/11/1993	5/1/2003
Football		8/11/1993	5/1/2003
Girls Swimming		8/11/1993	5/1/2003
Girls Track		8/11/1993	5/1/2003

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Volleyball		8/11/1993	5/1/2003
Wrestling		8/11/1993	5/1/2003
St Ignace Middle School	Saint Ignace-Moran Township Middle School		
Boys Basketball		11/10/1993	5/1/2003
Boys Track		11/10/1993	5/1/2003
Girls Basketball		11/10/1993	5/1/2003
Girls Track		11/10/1993	5/1/2003
Volleyball		11/10/1993	5/1/2003
Wrestling		11/10/1993	5/1/2003
Sturgis Middle School	Sturgis-Holy Angels Catholic School, Sturgis-Trinity Lutheran School		
Boys Tennis		5/2/1998	5/1/2004
Boys Track		12/12/1995	5/1/2003
Boys Cross Country		5/2/1998	5/1/2004
Girls Tennis		5/2/1998	5/1/2004
Girls Track		12/12/1995	5/1/2003
Girls Cross Country		5/2/1998	5/1/2004
Wrestling		12/12/1995	5/1/2003
Taylor-Hoover Middle School	Taylor-Brake Middle School, Taylor-West Middle School		
Boys Swimming		5/1/2004	5/1/2004
Girls Swimming		5/1/2004	5/1/2004
Three Oaks-River Valley Middle School	Sawyer-Trinity Lutheran School		
Boys Basketball		1/21/2004	5/1/2004
Boys Track		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Football		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Track		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Volleyball		1/21/2004	5/1/2004
Wrestling		1/21/2004	5/1/2004
Traverse City Christian School	Traverse City-Trinity Lutheran School		
Boys Basketball		8/9/2002	5/1/2004
Boys Track		8/9/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Basketball		8/9/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Track		8/9/2002	5/1/2004
Volleyball		8/9/2002	5/1/2004
Wakefield JHS	Marenisco JHS		
Football		6/12/1990	5/1/2004
Watersmeet JHS	Marenisco JHS		
Boys Track		3/11/1992	5/1/2004
Girls Track		3/11/1992	5/1/2004
West Bloomfield-Abbott Middle School	West Bloomfield-Orchard Lake Middle School		
Boys Swimming		4/11/1996	5/1/2004
Boys Track		4/11/1996	5/1/2004
Boys Cross Country		4/11/1996	5/1/2004
Football		4/11/1996	5/1/2004
Girls Swimming		4/11/1996	5/1/2004
Girls Track		4/11/1996	5/1/2004
Girls Cross Country		4/11/1996	5/1/2004
West Bloomfield-Walnut Creek Middle Sch.	Commerce-Clifford Smart Middle School		
Boys Swimming		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Swimming		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Wixom-Sarah Banks Middle School	Walled Lake Middle School		
Boys Swimming		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Girls Swimming		8/28/2002	5/1/2004
Wyoming-Godwin Heights Middle School	Grand Rapids-Kelloggsville Middle School		
Boys Swimming		11/17/1998	5/1/2004

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