

SECTION XI
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
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CONFERENCE/COUNCIL AGENDA
May 2010

I. **NOTICES**

A. **Meetings**

- Tue, May 11 - Conference IV, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Wed, May 12 - Conference I, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Thu, May 13 - Conference II, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Fri, May 14 - Conference III, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Mon, May 17 - Boys' Tennis Seeding, 9:30 am, Section XI Office
- Tue, May 18 - Athletic Council, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Wed, May 19 - AD's Luncheon Meeting, **10 am (new time)**, Holbrook CC
- Thu, May 20 - Baseball and Softball Seeding, 9:30, Section XI Office
- Wed, May 26 - PE Directors' Meeting, 1 pm, Southampton High School
- Mon, May 31 - Memorial Day Holiday (Section XI Office Closed)

B. **Conferences**

Conference Nominating Committees (generally, the immediate Past Presidents are the chairs) should have been appointed to prepare a slate to be finalized by the Conferences.

Note that the Section Constitution indicates that Conferences I and III will appoint representatives to Standing Committees this year (Awards, Constitution, Finance, Nominating, Placement, Policy, Safety, Seeding and Tournament).

Otherwise, all other officers and representatives should be elected by Conferences, and Conferences II and IV should verify their representatives to Standing Committees.

Also, please remember to include staff from the new school(s) in your Conference when considering representatives.

- In Conference I - No changes
- In Conference II - No changes
- In Conference III - No changes
- In Conference IV - No Changes

All Athletic Council representatives should attend their respective Conference meetings in order for them to understand the issues and better represent their respective Conference.

C. Hall of Fame

The New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) has announced its inductees for the Athletic Association's Class of 2010 Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame is now in its eighth year. The inductees are: Nick DeCillis (Administrator, Section XI); Sally Kus (Coach, Section VI); Stanley B. Moore (Coach, Sec XI); Martha Slack (Administrator, Sec X); and Dr. James Tolle (Administrator, Sec VIII).

II. NYSPHSAA DISCUSSION ITEMS**A. Cheerleading**

1. "Shall 'competitive cheerleading' be considered a sport." NOTE: As a sport, it would be governed by the NYSPHSAA and Sections.
2. "Shall cheerleading coaches be required to have coaching certification. If so, what should the requirements be."

III. SECTION ACTION ITEMS

A. Policy – The Committee met on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at 9 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair M.A. Jules; Conference I: D. Cronin; Conference II: T. Horan, W. Groth; Conference III: J. Tasman, L. Lally; Conference IV: R. Mayo; P. Nickerson, and E. Cinelli.

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Boys' and Girls' Tennis – Challenge Matches - "Shall the following be added to Boys' and Girls' Tennis: Challenge matches may **not** be conducted on the same day as a match".
NOTE: Changes in line-ups may be made provided there is an intervening practice between matches.
5. Challenge Matches: Challenge matches will allow for changing the rank order of play. Challenge matches during the season will consist of 2 out of 3, 6-game sets. Players may challenge one or two positions ahead on the ladder. The loser forces the ladder down.
2. NYSPHSAA Wind Chill Procedure (Approved at the NYSPHSAA April 30-May 1, 2010 Executive Committee Meeting) – "Shall the NYSPHSAA Wind Chill Procedures be adopted in Section XI as follows:
 - a. Post-Season Contests: The Section XI Safety Chairman, in consultation with the Executive Director, will monitor *RealFeel* (wind chill) one hour prior to the start of a Section XI post-season contest and will alert member schools according to the NYSPHSAA Wind Chill Procedures.
 - b. Regular Season Contests or Practices: Member school districts must use the NYSPHSAA Wind Chill Procedures to determine if an alert or cancellation of events at their school is warranted.

NOTES:

1. Heat Index Procedures – The NYSPHSAA approved "Heat Index Procedures" at the May 1, 2010 Executive Committee meeting. These procedures are not as restrictive as the ones used by Section XI; therefore, we will continue to follow the Section XI Health Alert Policy in our Section for all regular season contests and practices as we have done in the past. The NYSPHSAA procedures are in effect during regionals and state competitions.
2. Misconduct Policy – The Committee discussed the possible revision of the Misconduct Policy with regard to forfeiture if a suspended coach was in attendance at the contest. The Committee does not recommend that a policy of this nature be established.

NYSPHSAA WIND CHILL PROCEDURES

Administration of Wind Chill Policy:

- Wind Chill will be checked 1 hour before the contest/practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 39 degrees (Fahrenheit) or lower.
- The athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee will use the accuweather.com website to determine the heat index for the area of the contest/practice. The accuweather.com website can be reached through the NYSPHSAA website. Once a person is on the accuweather.com website, they will put in the zip code for the location of the contest/practice and the website will give them the air temperature as well as the *RealFeel* temperature (wind chill).
- If the *RealFeel* temperature (wind chill) is 10 degrees or below, the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the *RealFeel* (wind chill) at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the *RealFeel* (wind chill) temperature is -11 degrees (Fahrenheit) or lower, the contest will be suspended.

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

	<i>RealFeel</i> (wind chill) above 40 degrees	Full activity. No restrictions
R E C O M M E N D E D	Wind Chill Caution: <i>RealFeel</i> (wind chill) 36 degrees to 20 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notify coaches of the threat of cold-related illnesses. Have students and coaches dress in layers of clothing.
	Wind Chill Watch: <i>RealFeel</i> (wind chill) 29 degrees to 10 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notify coaches of the threat of cold-related illnesses. Have students and coaches dress in layers of clothing. Cover the head and neck to prevent heat loss.
	Wind Chill Warning: <i>RealFeel</i> (wind chill) 9 degrees to -10 degrees	Stay adequately hydrated. Notify coaches of the threat of cold-related illnesses. Have students and coaches dress in layers of clothing. Cover the head and neck to prevent heat loss. Consider postponing practice to a time when <i>RealFeel</i> temperature is much higher. Reduce the amount of time for an outdoor practice session.
REQUIRED	Wind Chill Alert: <i>RealFeel</i> (wind chill) -11 degrees or lower	No outside activity, practice or contest, should be held.

Special note: Alpine skiing will be exempt from this policy and will follow the regulations of the host ski center where the practice is being held.

- B. Modified** – The Committee met on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at 10 am, in the Section XI Office. In attendance: Co-Chair D. Robinson; Conference I: G. Beutel, J. Thode; Conference II: T. Horan, J. Pennacchio; Conference III: J. Tasman, M. DeVincenzo; Conference IV: D. Ferry; P. Smith, D. Webster, J. Sexton and E. Cinelli.

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Wrestling
 - A. "Shall the Modified Wrestling Pilot program that was conducted during the 2009-10 school year be continued during the 2010-11 school year with the following changes:
 - Elimination of the two-pound allowance, and
 - Coaches are encouraged to e-mail their line-up to the opposing coach the evening before the match to expedite the weigh-in process."
 - B. "Shall a minimum weight of 67 pounds be established to wrestle in the 74 pound weight class." (Pending approval of NYSPHSAA Modified and Executive Committees.)
 - C. "Shall a 165 pound weight class be added." (Pending approval of NYSPHSAA Modified and Executive Committees.)
 - D. "Shall a modified wrestler be permitted to wrestle one weight class above his/her actual weight." (Pending approval of NYSPHSAA Modified and Executive Committees.)

Notes:

1. The Committee approved the modified scheduling calendar for the 2010-11 school year.
2. Jack Sexton provided drafts of the fall 2010-11 modified schedules. The schedules will be developed by geography.
3. Modified Chairman Dan Robinson provided information regarding the links to the NYSPHSAA Modified Surveys. Athletic Directors are asked to remind coaches to fill in survey information for the modified sport they coach (boys' track hurdle survey, baseball/softball mercy rule, wrestling time period, volleyball libero, and boys' and girls' tennis surveys). The Section XI website has a link to the NYSPHSAA website that contains a "SURVEY".
4. The Committee thanked Jack Sexton for his service and expertise in developing modified schedules for Section XI.

Information Only:

The following was approved at the April 30-May 1, 2010 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting:

1. Football – With section approval, schools will be allowed to use two wide receivers on opposite sides of the formation.
2. Wrestling – Modified wrestlers who compete in two or three bouts in a contest, the time periods are either: Three 1-minute periods, or 1st period – 1 minute; 2nd and 3rd periods – 1½ minutes.

ALTHOUGH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE APPROVED AT THE APRIL 30-MAY 1 NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, THE SECTION XI MODIFIED COMMITTEE IS **NOT** REQUESTING ACTION/APPROVAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN SECTION XI:

3. Wrestling - With Section approval, an additional sudden victory overtime period shall be permitted in modified wrestling. Wrestlers must start in the standing position, and the period shall not exceed 30 seconds.

4. Baseball/Softball – With Section approval, when the team at bat has two outs with the catcher on base, a pinch runner may be used to allow the catcher to get his/her gear on prior to the third out. The pinch runner is a player who is a substitute, or in the case that all substitutes have been used, a player off the bench who is currently not in the line-up. This rule does not change the need to get all players in the lineup; it allows for cutting time off the transition between innings.
5. Scrimmages – Due to current fiscal concerns in New York State, with Sectional approval, up to 50% of the maximum number of games permitted for each modified level sport may be contested as scrimmages during the 2010-11 and 2011-12 school years. Example: Basketball – 14 games permitted, 50% (7) could be scrimmages, plus 7 games, for a total of 14. Also, 3 additional scrimmages are permitted. Scrimmages must follow all the guidelines in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

C. Placement – The Committee met on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at 9 am, at the Section XI Office. In attendance: Chair L. Lally; Conference I: M. Mensch, J. Mankowich; Conference II: P. Smith, T. Horan; Conference III: L. Tuorto, R. Panariello; Conference IV: P. Nickerson, D. Phillips; L. Philips, T. Mullins, J. Thode, L. Tuorto, J. Wright, P. Cesare, J. Valente and E. Cinelli.

The Committee recommends the approval of the following:

1. Boys’ Badminton – 2010/11

Half Hollow Hills
Patchogue-Medford
Commack
Lindenhurst
Walt Whitman
Smithtown East
Smithtown West
Miller Place

Note: Rally scoring will not be used.

2. Girls’ Badminton – 2010/11

Half Hollow Hills
Patchogue-Medford
Commack
Lindenhurst
Walt Whitman
Smithtown East
Smithtown West
Miller Place

Note: Rally scoring will not be used.

3. Girls' Bowling – 2010/11

League I (10 Teams)	League II (10 Teams)
East Islip	Longwood
Islip	Patchogue-Medford
Northport	Middle Country
West Islip	Eastport-South Manor
Smithtown	Ward Melville
West Babylon	Comsewogue
Bay Shore	Bellport
Commack	Sachem East
Copiague	Sachem North
North Babylon	Central Islip

Same placement as 2009-10 based on geography of bowling center.

4. Girls' Golf – 2010/11

League I	League II
West Babylon	Half Hollow Hills East
Hauppauge	Half Hollow Hills West
West Islip	Smithtown West
Bay Shore	Smithtown East
Deer Park	Northport
Brentwood	Commack

League III	League IV
Longwood	Bellport
Sachem East	Connetquot
Sachem North	East Islip
Ward Melville	Bayport-Blue Point
Riverhead	Patchogue-Medford
Mt. Sinai	Sayville

Ten league matches.
Based on geography of golf course.

7. Girls' Swimming – 2010/11 - REVISED

League I		League II	
Brentwood/Bay Shore	5453	Sachem North	1732
Central Islip/Commack	3373	Connetquot	1684
Smithtown	2541	Sayville/Bayport-BP	1417
Half Hollow Hills	2389	West Islip	1368
Deer Park/N Babylon	2170	West Babylon	1146
Ward Melville	1845	Huntington	960
Sachem East	1820	Hauppauge	943
Lindenhurst	1759	Harborfields	884
		East Hampton/BH/Pier	818

Crossover non-league meets will be scheduled as in the past.

*Girls' Swimming 2010-11 placement was originally approved on 3/9/10 with three leagues; however, Shoreham-Wading River and William Floyd subsequently dropped their teams necessitating a reduction to two leagues.

8. Girls' Volleyball – 2010/11

League I (AA)		League II (AA)	
Brentwood	3987	Lindenhurst	1759
Longwood	2324	Sachem North	1732
William Floyd	2311	Connetquot	1684
Patchogue-Medford	2040	Northport	1536
Commack	1854	Central Islip	1519
Ward Melville	1845	Bay Shore	1466
Sachem East	1820	Walt Whitman	1401

League III (AA)		League IV	
West Islip	1368	Riverhead (AA)	1172
HH Hills East	1326	North Babylon (AA)	1164
Smithtown East	1314	Copiague (AA)	1149
Newfield	1270	West Babylon (AA)	1146
Centereach	1238	HH Hills West (AA)	1063
East Islip	1238	Bellport (A)	1027
Smithtown West	1227	Comsewogue (A)	1018

League V (A)		League VI	
Deer Park	1006	Sayville (A)	835
Huntington	960	Rocky Point (A)	801
Hauppauge	943	Miller Place (A)	765
Eastport-S Manor	932	Westhampton (A)	741
Kings Park	922	East Hampton (A)	711
Harborfields	884	Shoreham-WR (B)	675
Islip	862	Amityville (B)	674

League VII		League VIII	
Mt. Sinai (A)	622	McGann-Mercy (C)	302
Bayport-Blue Pt (A)	582	Southold/Gpt (B=403)	296
Hampton Bays (B)	466	Port Jefferson (C)	272
Southampton (B)	445	Pierson/BH (C=269)	244
Babylon (B)	412	Stony Brook (C)	211
Mattituck (B)	412	Ross/SI (C=227)	191
Center Moriches (B)	409		

2010-11 NYSPHSAA CLASSIFICATIONS:

AA = 925+
A = 525-924
B = 305-524
C = 175-304
D = 174-below

10. Boys' Spring Track – 2010/11

League I		League II	
Brentwood	3987	Sachem East	1820
Middle Country	2508	Lindenhurst	1759
Longwood	2324	Sachem North	1732
William Floyd	2311	Connetquot	1684
Patchogue-Medford	2040	Northport	1536
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HH Hills East	1326	HH Hills West	1063
Smithtown East	1314	Bellport	1027
East Islip	1238	Comsewogue	1018
Smithtown West	1227	Deer Park	1006
Riverhead	1172	Huntington	960
North Babylon	1164	Hauppauge	943

League V		League VI	
Eastport/S Manor	932	East Hampton/BH	727
Kings Park	922	Shoreham-WR	675
Harborfields	884	Amityville	674
Islip	862	Elwood-J Glenn	641
Sayville	835	Mt. Sinai	622
Rocky Point	801	Bayport-Blue Pt	582
Miller Place	765	Mattituck/Shld (Div I=637)	502
Westhampton	741	Hampton Bays	466

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Wyandanch	445
Southampton	445
Babylon	412
Center Moriches	409
McGann-Mercy	302
Ross/Pierson (Div II=396)	295
Port Jefferson	272
Stony Brook	211

NYSPPHSAA Classifications:

Div I: 600 - up

Div II: 599 - below

11. Girls' Spring Track - 2010/11

League I		League II	
Brentwood	3987	Sachem East	1820
Middle Country	2508	Lindenhurst	1759
Longwood	2324	Sachem North	1732
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Ross/Pierson (Div II=396)	295
Port Jefferson	272
Stony Brook	211

NYSPPHSAA Classifications:

Div I: 600 - up

Div II: 599 - below

12. Girls' Gymnastics - 2010/11 - REVISED

League I	League II	League III
Kings Park	Sachem	East Islip
Half Hollow Hills	Patchogue-Medford	North Babylon
Commack	Hauppauge	William Floyd
West Islip	Ward Melville	Port Jefferson
Babylon	Connetquot	Middle Country
Bay Shore	Lindenhurst	Copiague
Walt Whitman	Harborfields	Hampton Bays
Smithtown	Mt. Sinai	

William Floyd has reinstated their team for the 2010-11 school year.

Bellport has dropped their team for the 2010/11 school year.

Mandatory non-league format to include two tri-meets consisting of one team from each league instead of four separate non-league meets. These tri-meets should start a week later, giving teams more time to prepare.

Rotation of additional team:

- 2007-08 - League III
- 2008-09 - League II
- 2009-10 - League I
- 2010-11 - League III
- 2011-12 - League II
- 2012-13 - League I

NOTES:

1. Baseball placement has been tabled until the Fall 2010 Placement Committee meeting.
2. The Committee discussed the possibility of eliminating crossovers.

D. Tournament

The Committee met on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at 11:00 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair T. Combs; Conference I: J. Mankowich; Conference II: J. Pennacchio, T. Horan; Conference III: J. Valente; Conference IV: R. Mayo; P. Cesare and E. Cinelli.

The Committee approved the following items:

1. Boys' Volleyball – Qualifying Procedures
 - A. "Shall all teams with a .500 or better league record qualify for the tournament."
 - B. "Shall teams be bracketed by classification and compete to determine the Section XI Division I and Division II Championships that will qualify for the NYSPHSAA Championship."
2. Boys' and Girls' Tennis – Team Tournament
 - A. "Shall the top five teams from the upper league in each Division and the first place team from the lower league in each Division qualify for the Section XI Boys' and Girls' Team Tournament." (This would be a one-year experiment during the 2010-11 school year.) NOTE: A total of 24 teams would qualify for the tournament. The top 8 seeds will receive a first round bye. The total number of days to complete the tournament would not change.

NOTES:

1. The Committee denied a request from Boys' Volleyball Chair John Mankowich to have automatic seeding criteria for the Boys' Volleyball Section XI Tournament.
2. The Executive Director provided information to the Committee regarding the request to use Stony Brook University for Section XI championships in football, wrestling, boys' basketball and boys' lacrosse for the 2010-11 school year. Section XI has been approved to utilize Stony Brook University for its wrestling championships on Friday and Saturday, February 11 and 12, 2011.