

SECTION XI
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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CONFERENCE/COUNCIL AGENDA
October 2014

I. NOTICES

A. Meetings and Significant Dates

Mon, Oct 6	Executive Board, 4 pm Section XI Office
Tue, Oct 7	Conference I, 9 am, Section XI Office
Tue, Oct 7	Tournament Committee, 11 am, Section XI Office
Wed, Oct 8	Conference II, 9 am, Section XI Office
Thu, Oct 9	Conference III, 9 am, Section XI Office
Fri, Oct 10	Conference IV, 9 am, Section XI Office
Tue, Oct 14	Girls' Tennis Seeding, 10 am, Section XI Office
Wed, Oct 15	Athletic Council, 9 am, Section XI Office
Thu, Oct 16	Athletic Directors' Meeting, 8:30 am, Holbrook CC
Fri, Oct 24	Field Hockey & B/G Soccer Seeding, 9 am, Section XI Office
Wed, Oct 29	Girls' Volleyball Seeding, 10 am, Section XI Office

B. Dues and Service Charges – **Due September 1, 2014!** Still outstanding:
Tuckahoe.

NOTE: Schools not having paid these fees by October 15th will not be considered members. Teams and student-athletes representing these schools will not be eligible for Section competition (regular season and Section/State Tournaments).

C. **REMINDER:** First payments for 2014-15 officials' fees are due **October 15th**. Please check on the status of these invoices in your district. Thanks!

D. Conference Presidents – Conferences must confirm all representatives to Section committees as well as the Athletic Council.

II. NYSPHSAA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

A. Educational Waiver – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval to eliminate the "Educational Waiver" as one of the waivers of the NYSPHSAA transfer rule beginning with the 2015-16 school year with the addition of '*educational waivers will not be considered as an undue hardship*' to the "NOTE:" following the transfer exemptions within the NYSPHSAA Handbook."

B. Corresponding Change of Residency – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval to add the following to Corresponding Change of Residency within the NYSPHSAA transfer rule to begin with the 2015-16 school year: '*For athletic eligibility a residency is*

changed when one is abandoned by the immediate family and another one established through action and intent. Residency requires one's physical presence as an inhabitant and the intent to remain indefinitely'."

- C. Legal Separation – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval to revise the 4th exemption of the Transfer Rule to read: '4. A student from divorced or "legally" separated parents who moves into a new school district with one of the aforementioned parents. Such transfer is allowed once every six months. The legal separation agreement must address custody, child support, spouses support and distribution of assets and be filed with the County Clerk or issued by a Judge.'"
- D. Jewelry Rule – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval to permit jewelry in accordance with the NFHS Track and Field Rule book."
- E. Skin Infection Form – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval of NYSPHSAA wrestling skin infection form."
- F. Cheerleading Standards– "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval of NYSPHSAA Competitive Cheerleading standards to begin in the winter season of 2014."
- G. Cheerleading Championships – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval of NYSPHSAA Competitive Cheerleading Championships to begin in the winter season of 2016."
- H. Promotion Rule – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval for the NYSPHSAA Executive Director to provide a waiver of the Promotion Rule if a team is dropped by a district."
- I. Modified Basketball Sudden Victory – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval to eliminate 'sudden victory' in Modified Basketball with one 4-minute overtime period."
- J. Number of Practices – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval to reduce the required number of cross country practices (13 to 11) and Track & Field practices (15 to 13)."
- K. Modified Basketball 3-Point Shot – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval to allow the 3-point shot in modified basketball with League and Section approval."
- L. 50% Scrimmage Rule – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval of 50% scrimmage rule for modified."
- M. Varsity Basketball Maximum Number of Contests – "Shall the NYSPHSAA consider approval of increasing the maximum number of contests in varsity basketball to 19 for 2014-15."

III. SECTION ACTION ITEMS

- A. **Placement** – The Placement Committee met on Tuesday, September 23, 2014, at 9 am, at the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair J. Thode; Conference I: M. Mensch; L. Philips; Conference II: T. Horan, J. Pennacchio; Conference III: L. Tuorto; Conference IV: G. Wormuth, D. Phillips. Also in attendance: D. Butler, T. Mullins, J. Wright, K. McCarthy and D. Webster. (Absent: J. Vasile-Cozzo)

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. **Boys' Lacrosse – 2014/15**

League 1 (A)		League 2 (A)	
Brentwood	4155	Walt Whitman	1415
Longwood	2607	Half Hollow Hills East	1402
William Floyd	1970	Smithtown East	1261
Patchogue-Medford	1883	Smithtown West	1255
Commack	1846	Copiague	1211
Ward Melville	1843	Riverhead	1180
Sachem East	1792	West Islip	1171
Middle Country	1759	North Babylon	1164
Sachem North	1664	Half Hollow Hills West	1075
Lindenhurst	1607	East Islip	1022
Connetquot	1525	West Babylon	1012
Northport	1469	Deer Park	1009
Bay Shore	1443	Bellport	1009

League 3 (B)		League 4 (C)	
Hauppauge	985	Matt/Shld/Gpt	519
Huntington	964	Southampton/Ross	501
Eastport/S Manor	936	Hampton Bays	458
Kings Park	926	Center Moriches	447
Harborfields	862	Babylon	375
Comsewogue	844	McGann-Mercy	308
Rocky Point	806	Port Jefferson	287
Islip	784		
Sayville	753		
Westhampton	752		
Miller Place	723		
East Hampton/BH/Pier	697		
Mount Sinai	611		
Shoreham-Wading River	608		
Elwood-John Glenn	603		
Bayport-Blue Point	603		

2014-15 NYSPHSAA CLASSIFICATIONS:

A = 1000 +
 B = 590-999
 C = 589-below

- League 1 and 2 teams will play each team in their respective league, for a total of **12** league contests.
- League 3 teams will play each team in their league, for a total of **15** league contests.
- League 4 teams will play each team in their league **twice**, for a total of **12** league contests.
- These games will constitute each team's league schedule. The remainder of the regular season will consist of non-league games. *Maximum number of regular season games is 16.*
- If approved, all teams with a .500 won/lost league record (or better) will qualify for the Section XI tournament within their respective state classification.

2. **Softball - 2014/15**

League I (AA)		League II (AA)	
Brentwood	4155	Central Islip	1444
Longwood	2067	Bay Shore	1443
William Floyd	1970	Walt Whitman	1415
Patchogue-Medford	1883	Half Hollow Hills East	1402
Commack	1846	Smithtown East	1261
Ward Melville	1843	Smithtown West	1255
Sachem East	1792	Copiague	1211
Sachem North	1664	Newfield	1196
Lindenhurst	1607	Riverhead	1180
Connetquot	1525	West Islip	1171
Northport	1469	North Babylon	1164

League III (AA)		League IV (A)	
Centereach	1127	Harborfields	862
Half Hollow Hills West	1075	Comsewogue	844
East Islip	1022	Islip	784
West Babylon	1012	Sayville	753
Bellport	1009	Bayport-Blue Point	603
Deer Park	1009	Elwood-J Glenn	603
Hauppauge	985		
Huntington	964		
Eastport-South Manor	936		
Kings Park	926		

League V (A)		League VI (B/C)	
Rocky Point	806	Hampton Bays (B)	458
Westhampton	752	Center Moriches (B)	447
Miller Place	723	Southampton (B)	422
East Hampton	626	Mattituck (B)	395
Mt. Sinai	611	Babylon (B)	375
Shoreham-WR	608	McGann-Mercy (B)	308
		Southold/Gpt (B)	288
		Port Jefferson (B)	287
		Pierson/BH (C)	225
		Stony Brook (C)	199

- Leagues 1, 2, 3, and 6 will play each league opponent twice.
- Leagues 4 and 5 will play each league opponent twice; and will play a mandatory crossover with each opponent in other opposite league once.
- For Leagues 1, 2 and 3, there is a rotation in the number of teams which will be utilized only if the AA's go to 32 or 31 in 2016. (2015=League 3; 2016=League 2; 2017=League)

2014-15 NYSPHSAA CLASSIFICATIONS:

AA = 910+
 A = 480-909
 B = 280-479
 C = 170-279
 D = 169-below

3. **Boys' Tennis - 2014/15**

DIVISION I

League I		League II
Half Hollow Hills East		Smithtown East
Half Hollow Hills West		Smithtown West
Commack		Kings Park
Huntington		Harborfields
Walt Whitman		Elwood-John Glenn
Northport		Hauppauge

DIVISION II

League III		League IV
East Islip		Islip
Bay Shore		Deer Park
North Babylon		Babylon
West Islip		West Babylon
Sayville		Knox
Connetquot		Lindenhurst
Brentwood		Central Islip

DIVISION III

League V		League VI
Ward Melville		Stony Brook
Bayport-Blue Point		Port Jefferson
Patchogue-Medford		Sachem North
Sachem East		Bellport
Miller Place		Comsewogue
Mount Sinai		Middle Country

DIVISION IV

League VII		League VIII
Westhampton		William Floyd
Ross		E Hampton/BH/Pier
Mattituck		Hampton Bays
Shoreham-Wading River		Southold/Greenport
Southampton		Center Moriches
Longwood		Eastport-South Manor
Rocky Point		Riverhead

Format: Winner from Even League in prior season moves up to Odd League. Last place Odd League from prior season moves down to Even League. NOTE: Tie for League Champs in League 8 – both teams move up and two teams move down to League 8

2014-15 Crossovers

3rd/4th League 1 vs. 3rd/4th League 3

3rd/4th League 5 vs. 3rd/4th League 7

5th/6th League 1 vs. 5th/6th League 5

5th/6th League 7 vs. 5th/6th League 3

1st/2nd League 1 vs. 1st/2nd League 7

1st/2nd League 3 vs. 1st/2nd League 5

4. **Baseball - 2014/15**A. Number of League Contests

"Shall teams be scheduled for 20 league contests in 6-team leagues, with each team playing each league opponent once at the beginning of the season; followed by a 3-game series later in the season."

Note: Currently, in 6-team leagues, teams play a 3-game series with each league opponent for a total of 15 league contests. An additional 5 non-league contests may be added.

B. Rotation of Leagues

"Shall there be a rotation in the number of teams within leagues if team numbers in the AA classification remain the same in consecutive years."

	League 1	League 2	League 3	League 4	League 5
2014-15	6 teams	6 teams	6 teams	7 teams	7 teams
2015-16	6 teams	7 teams	7 teams	6 teams	6 teams

For Information Only:

- 1) League III and IV Placement – The 2014-15 Baseball placement originally approved by Athletic Council in May, 2014, had the incorrect league placement for Copiague and Newfield in Leagues III and IV based on enrollment; correct placement is noted below.

League III (AA)		League IV (AA)	
Bay Shore	1443	Newfield*	1196
Walt Whitman	1415	Riverhead	1180
Half Hollow Hills East	1402	West Islip	1171
Smithtown East	1261	North Babylon	1164
Smithtown West	1255	Centereach	1127
Copiague*	1211	Half Hollow Hills West	1075
		East Islip	1022

5. **Combining 2014/15 – ADDITION**

- Brentwood/Hauppauge – Varsity Boys' Fencing

6. **Power Ranking** - "Shall the power ranking system be kept at 24 teams."

- B. **Tournament** – The Tournament Committee met on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 10 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair: T. Combs; Conference I: M. Dellecave, G. Beutel; Conference II: J. Pennacchio, J. Sparacio; Conference III: J. Valente; Conference IV: D. Phillips, J. Caliendo. Also in attendance: T. Mullins, J. Wright, K. McCarthy and D. Webster. (Absent: J. Vasile-Cozzo)

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Boys' Lacrosse – "Shall all teams with a .500 won/lost record (or better) qualify for the Section XI tournament within their respective classification."
2. Section XI Handbook Revision – "Shall the wording in the Section XI Handbook, 'Tournaments', II., F., 3. be revised as follows: 'A contest shall be moved to the visiting school during the Section XI playoffs if the home school does not have a site available to play **as per the recommendation of the Sports Chair and Executive Director**.'"

For Information Only:

1. Softball – The Committee denied a request from Softball Chair Jim Wright to have teams with a better than .500 record placed in a double elimination tournament.
 2. Baseball – The Committee tabled a request from Baseball Chair Gregg Wormuth regarding changes to the tournament format in the “AA” bracket. The Committee will meet again on October 7, 2014, to consider a revised proposal.
 3. Tennis – Girls’ Tennis Chair has requested that the Tournament Committee consider a proposal at their October 7, 2014 meeting, allowing the Suffolk County Tennis Coaches’ Association to provide USTA Roving Officials for the Fall and Spring (Girls’ and Boys’) County and Team varsity tennis tournaments.
- C. **Policy** – The Policy Committee met on Wednesday, September 24, 2014, at 9 am, at the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair D. Ferry; Conference I: J. Wright, A. Amesti; Conference II: J. Sparacio, W. Groth; Conference III: M. DeVincenzo, L. Lally; Conference IV: M. DeJoseph, T. Gulluscio. Also in attendance: A. Agnesini, K. McCarthy and D. Webster.

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1. Dual Participation – The Committee discussed a possible expansion of the Dual Participation policy. No changes are recommended at this time.
 2. Athletic Recruitment – The Committee discussed a possible revision to the Athletic Recruitment policy. No changes are recommended at this time.
 3. Wrestling Representation – The Committee discussed a possible increase to the “Representation for Minimum Number of Weight Classes” at the varsity level. The Committee recommended that Wrestling Chair Bob Panariello monitor this during the 2014-15 school year and make recommendations for potential changes for 2015-16.
 4. Cheerleading – Cheerleading Chair Amy Agnesini will be developing sport standards for the Section XI Handbook during the 2014-15 school year.
- D. **Modified** - The Modified Committee met on Wednesday, September 24, 2014, at 10:00 am, in the Section XI Office. In attendance: Co-Chairs: G. McCarthy, D. Robinson; Conference I: G. Beutel, L. Philips; Conference II: R. McIntyre; Conference III: M. DeVincenzo, A. Agnesini; Conference IV: H. Brown, D. Ferry. Also in attendance: J. Thode, K. McCarthy and D. Webster. (Absent: J. Pennacchio)

For Information Only:

1. Discussion took place regarding the philosophy behind the scheduling of Modified sports and whether the Section intends to continue to schedule contests geographically or look at other options.
2. K. McCarthy presented drafts of the 2014-15 Early Winter and Late Winter Modified schedules.
3. K. McCarthy reviewed the 2014-15 Modified Scheduling Calendar.
4. D. Robinson and G. McCarthy reviewed the September 19th meeting of the NYSPHSAA Modified Committee.

IV. NYSPHSAA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- A. Sport Seasons – “Shall the NYSPHSAA consider standardizing the sport seasons and maximum number of varsity contests across the state.”