

SECTION

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BASEBALL
PRE-SEASON
MEETING

MARCH 9, 2022

A background image showing a baseball catcher in a maroon and white uniform crouching on the field, and an umpire in a grey uniform leaning over to the left. The catcher is wearing a full set of protective gear, including a helmet, chest protector, and leg pads. The umpire is wearing a mask and a grey uniform. The scene is set on a baseball field with a green field and a brown infield.

Rules and Interpretation

- WSBUA
- ESBUA

Sign-In Sheet

- Complete the Microsoft Form at the end of the Meeting



Microsoft Forms

RATINGS

- Officials
- Spectators
- Coaches
- Players

SECTION XI
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
1 INDEPENDENCE HILL SUITE 201 FARMINGVILLE, NY 11738
631-366-0700

THOMAS COMBS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PETE BLIEBERG
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

DATE: August 2021
TO: Section XI Coaches of Officiated Sports
FROM: Thomas J. Combs
RE: **Rating Officials**

Section XI provides a vehicle for coaches to evaluate the performance of game officials. It is our feeling that the system we use is the most comprehensive and effective method possible. We ask for your cooperation in this effort.

Some specifics we wish to reiterate:

1. We are committed to protecting the right of each and every coach to rate officials. We believe it to be an obligation of each and every coach to evaluate, though fully understand that your main focus is appropriately your coaching task.
2. Officials DO NOT have access to the sources of their ratings. Confidentiality is a major priority. Even Section Sport Chairs are precluded from having this information. Though we work closely with the Presidents of officials groups, they will verify the confidentiality of your ratings. Only the Section office staff has knowledge of rating sources.
3. The success of the rating system is totally dependent on your cooperation.
4. When evaluating each official, carefully consider the keys to each category:

Excellent	(5)	Should be reserved for the truly <u>outstanding performance</u> , a performance you would want on a championship contest. Over the course of a season, there should be very few 5's given.
Good	(4)	Means just that - a <u>good</u> performance, <u>not outstanding</u> , but <u>better than acceptable</u> - no complaints. Generally, we would expect to see more 4's than any other rating.
Acceptable	(3)	Should speak for itself. We would expect a fair number of these.
Poor	(2)	Definite flaws; contest was <u>seriously</u> affected. Hopefully, you will not need to give many during a season.
Inadequate	(1)	Absolutely unacceptable throughout the contest. Hopefully, your need to use this will be rare.

Each individual rating chosen (on each category) is a separate computer entry. The computer "computes" for each official by adding the total points and dividing by 5. This is the overall game rating for the official. This results in overall ratings such as 4.2, 3.4, 3.6, or 3.8 in addition to the whole numbers.

Best regards for an enjoyable and productive season.

AED

Section XI Memo

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To: All Coaches
From: Thomas J. Combs
RE: **Automatic External Defibrillators**

**THE FOLLOWING POLICIES ARE IN PLACE AND MUST BE FOLLOWED RELATED TO
AEDS AND EMERGENCY PROTOCOLS**

Coaches are reminded that Section 136.4 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education (9/2002) requires that schools provide and maintain sufficient automated external defibrillator equipment be available to ensure ready and appropriate access for use during emergencies as well as trained personnel to administer.

In order to provide an efficient and consistent handling of emergency situations the following steps **MUST** be followed:

1. The **Home School** is to be responsible for providing AED-trained personnel and a sufficient number of AED's at all interscholastic contests such that an AED can be effectively administered within 2-3 minutes to a stricken student-athlete, coach or spectator.
2. Prior to each contest, the home school coaching staff is to advise the visiting coaching staff and officials of the location of the AED and the personnel designated to utilize it.
3. All medical or AED-trained personnel that are present at the contest are to be identified prior to the contest.
4. All athletic emergencies are to be reported to the Athletic Directors of the respective districts immediately following the contest.
5. No contest will take place without an AED available and able to be administered as per #1 above.

Thank you for your cooperation and best of luck this season.

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To: All Sports Chairpersons
From: Tom Combs
RE: **Sportsmanship**

The New York State Public High School Athletic Association and Section XI would like to ask your cooperation in the promoting of the importance of proper sportsmanship at all of its athletic contests.

Trash talking, inappropriate comments and general poor sportsmanship have become an increasing problem and we would ask that you communicate the following guidelines with the coaches at your Mandatory Coaches Meeting.

1. **There will be zero tolerance for harassing statements related to gender, race, ethnicity, disabilities, sexual orientation or religion by players, coaches, fans or officials.** It is our goal to reinforce our expectations of proper sportsmanship at all times. Incidents or violations will be handled through the regulations outlined in the NYS and Section XI procedures with the appropriate penalties administered.
2. **We have asked the officials to deal with this type of behavior with immediate and strict enforcement.**
3. **Officials are not to be involved directly with the spectators.** Officials will report this type of behavior with fans directly to the home school and follow proper procedures. Home school game administration will be responsible for the conduct at the game site.
4. **Serious incidents or violations shall be reported to Section XI on the next Business day.**
5. Coaches are asked to reinforce proper sportsmanship with their players on a regular basis and model good sportsmanship themselves.
6. Athletic Directors are asked to please review with their coaches the NYSPHSAA expectations and monitor their athletes and staff.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in creating a positive, enjoyable and healthy athletic experience for all.

SPORTSMANSHIP

Section XI Memo



NOCSAE

- BASEBALLS
- CHEST PROTECTOR
- ALL OTHER EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE NOCSAE APPROVED (AS WAS IN PRIOR YEARS).

NYSPHSAA Pitch Count

Varsity	March	Nights Rest	April	Nights Rest	May/ June	Nights Rest
Pitch Count	76-85	4	96-105	4	103-125	4
	46-75	3	66-95	3	72-102	3
	31-45	2	31-65	2	41-71	2
<i>(July 2020)</i>	1-30	1	1-30	1	1-40	1

Sub-Varsity	JV/ Freshman	Nights Rest	Modified	Nights Rest
Pitch Count	76-85	4	61-75	4
	46-75	3	41-60	3
	31-45	2	21-40	2
<i>(Feb. 2019)</i>	1-30	1	1-20	1



Varsity March	Nights Rest	Varsity April	Nights Rest	Varsity May/June	Nights Rest	JV & FR	Nights Rest	Modified	Nights Rest
76-85	4	98-105	4	103-125	4	76-85	4	61-75	4
46-75	3	68-95	3	72-102	3	46-75	3	41-60	3
31-45	2	31-65	2	41-71	2	31-45	2	21-40	2
1-30	1	1-30	1	1-40	1	1-30	1	1-20	1

SCHOOL _____ LEVEL _____ DATE _____

Cross off a number for every pitch thrown excluding warm-ups & pick off attempts.

PITCHER NAME &#	Total pitches	Cross off a number for every pitch thrown excluding warm-ups & pick off attempts.																									Nights rest required
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
		26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	
		51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	
		76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	
		101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	
		26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	
		51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	
		76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	
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		101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	

Home Team Coach Signature _____ Visiting Team Coach Signature _____ Pitch Counter Signature _____

NYSPHSAA Pitch Count Tracking Sheet

2022 Section XI Baseball Conference/League Breakdown

BASEBALL - SPRING 2022			
<p><u>League 1</u> Brentwood (AA) Longwood (AA) William Floyd (AA) Patchogue-Medford (AA) Central Islip (AA) Riverhead (AA) Sachem East (AA)</p>	<p><u>League 2</u> Sachem North (AA) Walt Whitman (AA) Ward Melville (AA) Commack (AA) Bay Shore (AA) Lindenhurst (AA) Northport (AA)</p>	<p><u>League 3</u> Connetquot (AA) Newfield (AA) Copiague (AA) Half Hollow Hills East (AA) Huntington (AA) Smithtown East (AA) Centereach (AA)</p>	<p><u>League 4</u> North Babylon (AA) Bellport (AA) Smithtown West (AA) West Islip (AA) West Babylon (A) Deer Park (A) Hauppauge (A)</p>
<p><u>League 5</u> Eastport – South Manor (A) East Islip (A) Comsewogue (A) Westhampton Beach (A) Half Hollow Hills West (A) Kings Park (A) Rocky Point (A)</p>	<p><u>League 6</u> Harborfields (A) Sayville (A) Islip (A) East Hampton (A) Amityville (A) Miller Place (A) Mt. Sinai (A)</p>	<p><u>League 7</u> Shoreham Wading-River (A) Bayport Blue-Point (A) John Glenn (A) Southampton (B) Center Moriches (B) Babylon (B) Mattituck (B)</p>	<p><u>League 8</u> Port Jefferson (C) Southold (C) Pierson (C) Greenport (C) Bridgehampton/Ross (C) Shelter Island (D) Hampton Bays (**alternate placement)</p>

Conference I (14 teams)

Leagues 1 and 2

Classification: AA

Brentwood
Longwood
William Floyd
Patchogue-Medford
Central Islip
Riverhead
Sachem East
Sachem North
Walt Whitman
Ward Melville
Commack
Bay Shore
Lindenhurst
Northport

Conference II (11 teams)

Leagues 3 and 4 (part)

Classification: AA

Connetquot
Newfield
Copiague
Half Hollow Hills East
Huntington
Smithtown East
Centereach
North Babylon
Bellport
Smithtown West
West Islip

Conference III (10 teams)

Leagues 4 (part) and 5

Classification: A

West Babylon Deer Park Hauppauge Eastport – South Manor East Islip Comsewogue Westhampton Beach Half Hollow Hills West Kings Park Rocky Point
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Conference IV (10 teams)

Leagues 6 and 7 (part)

Classification: A

Harborfields Sayville Islip East Hampton Amityville Miller Place Mt. Sinai Shoreham Wading-River Bayport Blue-Point John Glenn

Conference V (11 teams)

League 7 (part) and 8

Classification: Mixed (B,C,D)

Southampton (B) Center Moriches (B) Babylon (B) Mattituck (B) Port Jefferson (C) Southold (C) Pierson (C) Greenport (C) Bridgehampton/Ross (C) Shelter Island (D) Hampton Bays (**Alternate Placement) (A)
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CHALLENGES:

- WEATHER
- BUS LIMITATIONS
- LATE START TIMES

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Use TOB Facilities
 - Ensure your athletic office inputs the field you are using. If you are not using the facility but signed up, please delete on shared document.
 - TOB FIELD USE
- Work with Bus Company to ensure priority.
- Move games to weekends.

THUNDER/LIGHTNING POLICY

SECTION XI REGULAR SEASON CONTESTS

1. Whenever weather or other conditions cause the official(s) to interrupt a contest, the official(s) shall make every reasonable effort to resume and complete the contest, with full consideration of the weather and site conditions (as they affect safety and playing conditions). The official(s) shall wait a minimum of 30 minutes from the time of the interruption before considering the cessation of play.
2. When thunder is identified at the site of an outdoor contest, the official(s) will suspend play immediately and wait a minimum of 30 minutes from the time of the interruption before considering the cessation of play. The official(s) will then make a decision whether to cease play for that day or resume the contest.
3. If lightning is observed at the site of an outdoor contest by the official(s) 15 or fewer minutes prior to the scheduled start of that contest, the official(s) and the responsible school authorities shall not permit that contest to be played on that date.
4. If lightning is observed at the site of an outdoor contest by the official(s) during the playing of the contest, the official(s) shall immediately cease play for the day. The rules of the particular sport shall determine whether the contest is "official" or must be resumed at a later date.

SECTION XI POST-SEASON EVENTS (SECTION CHAMPIONSHIPS, TOURNAMENTS AND NYSPHSAA QUALIFYING EVENTS)

1. Thunder and lightning necessitates that contests be suspended. The occurrence of thunder and/or lightning is not subject to interpretation or discussion - thunder is thunder, lightning is lightning.
 - a) With your site administrator, set up a plan for shelter prior to the start of any contest.
2. When thunder is heard and/or lightning is seen, the following procedures should be adhered to:
 - a) Suspend play and direct participants to go to shelter, a building normally occupied by the public or, if a building is unavailable, participants should go inside a vehicle with a solid metal top (e.g. bus, van, car).
 - b) Do not permit people to stand under or near a tree, and have all stay away from poles, antennas, towers and underground watering systems.
 - c) After thunder and/or lightning have left the area, wait **30 minutes** after the last boom is heard or strike is seen before resuming play or competition.

SECTION XI SAFETY POLICIES

Suspended Game

- NFHS Rules
- Official Game – 4 ½ innings (5 innings if home team hits)
- If not official game, game starts from the point of suspension (see rule below)

If any game is suspended for any reason prior to it being an official game, that game must resume from the point of interruption according to the following: Should the suspended game be the first game of a two-game series or the first or second game of a three-game series, play will resume on the date of the next scheduled game of the series, prior to the scheduled game, even if the game is on the opposite site from the original game unless both schools agree to play on the next available date which is prior to the next scheduled game. Should the suspended game be the final game of a series, play will resume at the same site on the next available date. (Approved 1/11/12)

Game Ending Procedures:

- Sent proposal to Section XI
 - Will update all coaches once approved by Athletic Council.

RESOURCES

- WWW.NYSPHSAA.ORG
- WWW.SECTIONXI.ORG

[APPROVED BAT LIST](#)

[Town of Brookhaven Field Use Shared Document](#)