

Dear Potential New Official:

Thank you for expressing interest in our joining our Association.

Regarding eligibility to officiate in Sections XI, please keep the following statements from the SCOA Constitution and Bylaws in mind:

- [An official] Cannot be a staff member or gym owner with any all-star program, a choreographer, or provide any support service to any team with regards to choreography, tumbling, dance, or any performance aspect of cheerleading, either voluntary or paid.
- No official can have any affiliation with spirit brands where they stand to make financial gains from competing teams with regards to outfitting (including but not limited to uniform sales, sneakers, bows)

If you do not have a conflict of interest and are interested in proceeding, please take a moment now to fill out our [new member survey here](#).

Send a resume that highlights your experience in cheerleading or other interscholastic sports to [ncoascoa@gmail.com](mailto:ncoascoa@gmail.com) . Once we have your resume, and paid training fee, you will be given instructions to join our Facebook group. If you do not send in your resume by the August 17th deadline (deadline for picking up the NFHS rulebook) you will no longer be considered a candidate for training in the 2017-2018 Season. You would need to re-submit the following year.

If you plan on officiating in Section XI, please send [your Officials application](#) to their office.

The following is an anticipated timeline of events. Announcements will be made in the Facebook group and via e-mail.

July	Membership meeting 6:30 Annual dues collected: \$75 primary, \$25 secondary. NFHS 2017-18 Rulebook given out.  NFHS online test. Specific timeline to take test usually within a 2 week period. Login information to follow.  New Recruit Training one time fee \$180
August /September	<b>State Training:</b> Each official, yearly, will be required to attend 1 training session scheduled by the State. ( Section I, VIII or XI locations will be available) This is included in your dues.

late September	<p>New Recruit Training Fee final day to submit. \$180</p> <p>Rules Interpretation clinic (with live demonstrations) at Whirpol Avenue - Hauppague Administrative Annex.  6:00pm New Recruits meet with member of Education Committee  6:45 - 9:00pm Safety Clinic given by Nancy VanHouten</p>
October	<p>Local Training 2 evenings for New Recruits. 6:30-8:30  Observe at 2 Youth competitions 12, 13-14 year old division.  Mock Judge if available. Lucille Mankowich schedules.  Certified officials must submit competition availability to Section offices.</p>
November	<p>Local Training 2 evenings for New Recruits 6:30-8:30  2-hour Refresher Workshop with all officials at Membership meeting  Observe and Mock judge at 2 Scholastic Competitions (4 separate divisions). Mock at a Section scrimmage under tutor of Education Committee member.  Prior to being scheduled at MS/JV competition December/Jan</p>

**SECTION XI CHEER SEASON:**

Our JV/Varsity season begins November 28<sup>th</sup>. Modified late December- end of January.  
Scrimmages may be used for training purposes as these are determined. Scrimmages may be held throughout the season with paid officials.

VARSITY COMPETITIONS ARE 7 SATURDAYS.

JV competitions are on 5 Sundays. Modified are on 3 Sundays.

Officials Cup Individual competition and Scholarship fundraiser....mandatory participation. Friday night in mid-January.

The State championships will be held the first weekend of March in Syracuse. A contingent of officials from Sections XI will be attending.

We look forward to seeing you at our first membership meeting of the 2017-18 season.

Sincerely Yours,

SCOA Education Committee SCOA Executive Board

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