

Section IV Handbook 2023-2024



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am humbled, honored and privileged to assume the role of the 34Th Section Four President. I want to thank my predecessor, Wayne Aman, for his two years of outstanding leadership as we turn the corner from the pandemic. I want to thank all our shareholders for their tireless commitment getting our student athletes back on the field.

I look forward to partnering with our Executive Committee, Member Schools, Coaches and Student Athletes to ensure that education based athletic opportunities will continue to grow across Section Four.

In the spirit of competition,
Chris Durdon
President

PAST PRESIDENTS

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2018-20	Terry Dougherty	1980-82	Richard Lalla	
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2004-06	Ed Redmond	1964-67	Lloyd Johns	(D)
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1990-94	Dean Veenhof	1952-54	Ernie J. Lalley	(D)
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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

1. To provide a body which shall organize and control the Interscholastic Program for member schools of Section IV of the NYSPHSAA and to finance same.
2. To support the rules and regulations of the Board of Regents, the NYSPHSAA, and the State Education Department.
3. To sponsor such sports, sports events, tournaments, and Sectional Championships as may be approved by the Athletic Council and the NYSPHSAA.
4. To enlist the cooperation of member schools in strengthening the organization of leagues within the Sections.

ARTICLE II COMPOSITION

1. The governing body for the organization and control of athletics in Section IV shall be the Athletic Council.
2. The Athletic Council shall be composed of the following members:
 - A. The four (4) elected representatives to the NYSPHSAA Central Committee.
 - B. Each school in Section IV will be entitled to one (1) vote for every voting item in the Section IV Meeting Agenda.
 - C. Each league shall have one (1) representative and (1) alternate to attend and report each school's vote at the Section IV Council Meeting
 - D. The three elected officers of the Council; President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, and appointed member, Executive Director (or lesser number if positions are combined).
 - E. The Sports Coordinators of all sports sponsored by the Athletic Council and of sports which may be added in the future.
 - F. The committee chairperson of all committees now sponsored by the Athletic Council and of committees formed in the future.

ARTICLE III VOTING MEMBERSHIP - ATHLETIC COUNCIL

1. Voting members shall be those listed in Article II, paragraph 2, parts A,B,C,D,E, and F with the following provision pertaining to E and F: The Sports Coordinator (1) or Committee Chairperson shall be entitled to vote on business relating to that sport or committee only. In the event of a tie, the President of the Section shall cast the deciding vote.
2. Voting members as indicated in #1 above are the only ones eligible to participate in official business.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS AND DUTIES

1. The officers of the Athletic Council shall be a President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Regional Sports Coordinator, Administrative Assistant, Media & Communication and Treasurer.
2. The President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President shall be elected, for a two year term at the annual June meeting of the Council. They shall take office July 1st following the election. The Executive Director will, in consultation with the DCMO BOCES, be recommended for approval by the DCMO Board of Education, along with those positions required for the function of the Section IV Athletic Association office, and serve at the discretion of the Executive Board. The treasurer will be appointed by the Executive Board.
3. The President, 1st Vice President, and the 2nd Vice President may be elected, at large, from the member schools in the Section.
4. The President, 1st Vice President, and the 2nd Vice President shall be elected by a majority vote of the voting members of the Athletic Council present. (Article I - B,C, and D).
5. The **President** shall:
 - A. Preside at all meetings of the Athletic Council and the Executive Committee. The 1st Vice President, in the absence of the President, shall preside at meetings. The 2nd Vice President shall preside in the absence of both the 1st Vice President and the President.
 - B. In the event of a vacancy, the President, on advice from the Past President, shall fill such vacancy by appointment until the next meeting for election of officers. Appointments shall be made for the full period of the unexpired term. If the Presidency is vacated, the 1st Vice President will assume the Presidency and the 2nd Vice President will become the 1st Vice President.
 - C. The President shall appoint a girls' representative to the Executive Committee, who shall have voting rights at all Executive Committee meetings
 - D. The President shall receive an honorarium of \$1000.00 per year.
6. The **Past President** (Immediate Past President) shall:
 - A. Be a voting member of the Executive Board.
 - B. Preside over the nominating committee.
 - C. Fill unexpired vacancies with the approval of the Executive Board.

7. The **Executive Director** will, in consultation with DCMO BOCES, be recommended for approval by the DCMO Board of Education, those positions required for the function of Athletic Association office, and serve at the discretion of the Executive Board:
- A. Prepare agendas and keep records of all business transacted at the meetings of the Athletic Council and Executive Committee. Send minutes and reports to schools, officers, and personnel involved, including Treasurer's reports.
 - B. Keep on file Sports Coordinators' reports. Maintain capacity to up-date summaries of reports for more efficient method of running Sectional activities.
 - C. Assist Coordinators in the Administration of their Tournament.
 - 1. Assist Coordinators in securing sites for Sectionals. Compile dates and sites.
 - 2. Attend as many seeding meetings as possible and assist Coordinators.
 - 3. Meet with Coordinators periodically as individuals or in groups.
 - D. Recommend to Executive Committee any methods that will improve Sectional functions such as policies, procedures, programs, clinics, sportsmanship and ethics.
 - E. Order and distribute the necessary awards with input from Coordinators.
 - F. Order and distribute necessary tickets and be responsible for accounting of the same.
 - G. Attend League meetings to present action and discussion items from the Central Committee agenda to be voted on as well as an update on Section business.
 - H. Be responsible for running the Section office, exploring ways of operating it more efficiently.
 - I. Be available to interpret Section and State policies through the Handbook.
 - J. The Executive Director shall supervise all Sectional activities and make all final decisions regarding the same.
 - K. Be responsible for the coordination of officials' evaluations and be responsible for the assignment of officials to postseason play-offs in some sports.
 - L. Publish and distribute updates to the Section IV Handbook and the Section IV Policy Handbook on a yearly basis.
 - M. Assist Sports Coordinators in updating, publishing, and distributing the handbooks for their individual sports.
 - N. Help in preparing and presenting the Interscholastic Sports Coordination CoSer Budget.
 - O. Manage the Interscholastic Sports Coordination CoSer Budget as per established BOCES Procedures and Practices.
 - P. Advertise, interview, and recommend Sports Coordinators to the Executive Board.
 - Q. Attend committee meetings to add expertise and record minutes.
 - R. The Executive Director will be evaluated each year by the Executive Board with the assistance of the BOCES representative
8. The **Regional Sport Coordinator** will:
- A. Assist the Section IV Executive Director as needed.
 - B. Attend three Section IV meetings each year. (Pre NYSPHSAA Executive Board and Athletic Council meetings)
 - C. Attend the June Section IV Executive Board and Athletic Council Meeting.
 - D. Attend Section IV League meetings as directed by the Executive Director.
 - E. Attend Section IV Pre and Post Season Sport meetings as directed by the Executive Director.
 - F. Attend Section IV Committee meetings as directed by the Executive Director.
 - G. Assist the Executive Director with all Section IV Sport Championships.
 - H. Attend all Section IV Sport Seeding meetings.
 - I. Assist with Section IV Sport Championships Officials Assignments as needed.
 - J. Assist the Executive Director with any research projects involving Section IV Sports.
 - K. Assist with distribution of Section IV Championship Awards
 - M. Attend NYSPHSAA Summer Meeting

9. The **Administrative Assistant** will:

- A. Have a thorough knowledge of office terminology, procedures and methods; working knowledge of modern office equipment, good knowledge of Microsoft computer software programs, including email, Adobe and Google Documents.
- B. Answer the phone, use independent judgement to answer questions, give directions or provide the correct contact information to caller. Greet visitors, public, media and sales people.
- C. Open and distribute mail as well as operate postal equipment to ready outgoing mail.
- D. Provide secretarial and administrative support, using good judgement in solving clerical and administrative problems. Have knowledge of Section IV and State policies and rules and the ability to readily acquire familiarity of that information as it is updated or changed.
- E. Maintain information on current Administrators and coaches as well as League Representatives, Sports Coordinators, Committee Members and Official Board officers for member schools.
- F. Prepare correspondence, reports and detailed projects: distribute necessary documents and/or information. Collect and compile data to make reports.
- G. Keep confidential information concerning Appeals, Hall of Fame Nominations and Selections, Misconducts, School Self Reporting of infractions and other sensitive matters.
- H. Oversee office interns; organize and assign their office duties and review their work. Coordinate their participation in Section IV events outside of the office.
- I. Work with Sports Coordinators to determine dates for Sectional Seeding meetings, Sectionals, Regionals prior to being presented for approval.
- J. Show initiative and resourcefulness, produce work at a high level of accuracy while multitasking in a fast past office, especially during the beginning and end of sport seasons while maintaining a professional, courteous and respectful manner.
- K. Be available outside normal office hours for meetings, Sectional events and contactable through email and phone in the event of something needing immediate attention.

10. The **Treasurer** will:

- A. Keep the Section aware of all Rules and Regulations relative to financial procedures.
- B. Research and examine methods for improving financial proceedings of the Section Treasurer's office.
- C. Prepare an annual budget for Executive Board and Athletic Council approval.
- D. To record all transactions in a ledger.
 - 1. Provide an account of all receipts categorically.
 - 2. Provide an account of all disbursements categorically.
 - 3. Examine the best investment procedures whereby the Section will benefit to the maximum.
- E. To provide and explain Section forms for reporting finances at Sectional activities.
 - 1. Distribute forms to Sports Coordinators/Site Chairpersons.
 - 2. Make reports on all activities to show losses/gains.
 - 3. Work with Sports Coordinators to seed methods in bettering the financial results of the activities.
- F. Work with the Chairs of the Section and State in handling receipts of all Regional and State Championship contest held in the Section.
 - 1. Attend as many activities as possible.
 - 2. Pay all bills by check.
 - 3. Make financial report and distribute same to appropriate people.
- G. Order Awards after consulting with Sport Coordinators and Executive Director.
- H. Prepare initial BOCES Budget for Interscholastic Athletics and render CoSer Amounts to be billed to member schools. Process purchase orders, print and send PO blue with invoice to accounts payable

ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the officers of the Athletic Council and the elected representatives to the Central Committee of the NYSPHSAA. If an officer of the Athletic Council is a member of the Central Committee, the President shall, if possible, appoint a member to sit on the Executive Committee. (Superintendent for Superintendent, Principal for Principal, Athletic Director for Athletic Director, Girls' Representative for Girls' Representative.) There shall be ten (10) members of the Executive Committee (except where two (2) positions are combined such as Secretary-Treasurer). Each member shall have only one vote.
2. A representative of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services will attend the Executive Committee meetings. He/she will be the liaison between the Section and the Board of Cooperative Education Services.
3. The Executive Committee shall have the power to act on all matters not provided for in this Constitution and By-Laws, and such Emergency business as may arise between regular meetings of the Athletic Council. This power shall include, but not limited to, all matters of interpretation of Council rulings and State regulations, eligibility, protests and appeals.
4. The President shall appoint Committees that will function on behalf of the Section. They shall be empowered to hear cases and make the necessary determinations. (Some of these Committees are, but not limited to: Appeals, Ethics, Senior All-Star Contests, Extended Eligibility, Mergers, and Transfer.) They shall report to the Athletic Council.
5. The Executive Committee shall, on advice of the Finance Committee, prepare and submit a financial budget at each June meeting of the Athletic Council.

ARTICLE VI LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVES, ALTERNATES, AND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL REPRESENTATION

1. Each approved league of Section IV shall elect a representative and an alternate to the Athletic Council. The representative shall take office July 1st of each year. The league representative and alternate shall be certified, in writing, to the Executive Director of the Athletic Council, and shall attend all Section Athletic Council Meetings to report the votes from each of the league's schools in all matters pertaining to Section IV business. However, if an emergency arises, another alternate may be appointed by the League President before the Council meeting, by phone, mail, or in person, if done in ample time.

ARTICLE VII NON-LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES

1. If there are at least six (6) schools who are members of the NYSPHSAA in the Section and are not members of an approved league within the Section, they shall elect one representative and one alternate to the Athletic Council. (One for the total independent schools.) This representative and alternate shall have the same privileges as, and be subject to, the same provisions that apply to representatives elected under Article VI of this Constitution. The Executive Director shall arrange for this election in June.

ARTICLE VIII SPORTS COORDINATORS (see page. For duties and responsibilities)

1. A coordinator for each of the sports sponsored by the Athletic Council shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and shall be subject to the approval of the Athletic Council. Appointments shall be made at the June Athletic Council meeting. When a vacancy occurs, applications will be screened by the Executive Director who will make the necessary recommendations to the Executive Committee.
2. Coordinators, as directed by the Executive Director, shall organize and administer the program for their particular sport, subject to the approval of the Athletic Council or Executive Committee.
3. Coordinators, as directed by the Executive Director, shall attend a sectional meeting to submit a report in writing to the Athletic Council at the close of the game or games, tournaments, or championships. This report shall include a summary of participation, results, and finances.

ARTICLE IX MEETINGS

1. Regular meetings of the Athletic Council shall be held corresponding with the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee/Central Committee Meetings. The time and place of these meetings for the following school year shall be determined by the Executive Committee and announced at the June meeting.
2. **Meetings for the transaction of special emergency business may be called by the President provided that at least forty-eight (48) hours' notice has been given to all Council members who shall be empowered to vote on the special emergency business item..**
3. The Athletic Council welcomes representatives from member schools to attend all meetings and to participate in deliberations.
4. Any Athletic and Executive meetings not covered by the Constitution will be governed by Roberts Rule of Order. The President shall appoint a Parliamentarian, if so desired.

ARTICLE X QUORUM

1. Two-thirds of the members of the Athletic Council shall be present at any meeting in order to constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any meeting of the Athletic Council by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Athletic Council present. However, the amendment must be read at the meeting prior to the one in which the vote will be held.
2. Schools wishing to present an amendment shall submit said proposed amendment to the Executive Director at least thirty (30) days before the next meeting.

ARTICLE XII BY-LAWS

1. By-Laws to the Constitution of the Athletic Council of Section IV may be added or amended by a majority vote of the members of the Athletic Council present, providing notice of such addition or amendment has been made in writing to all member schools at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting.
2. The President and Executive Director shall be paid salaries to be established by the Executive Board and approved by the Section IV Athletic Council. **The Executive Director's salary must also be approved by the DCMO Board of Education.**
3. Mileage to authorized Council business shall be paid the prevailing rate allowed officials per mile (round trip) for Officers, Sports Coordinators, and Special Committee Members as well as any necessary authorized expenses while engaging in Athletic Council business. These expenses shall also be paid for Executive Committee meetings and for any other special meetings that may be required.
4. Assessments/dues notices will be sent to member school districts for the ensuing year by DCMO BOCES. Assessments/dues shall be paid by as required. Failure to pay assessments/dues will prohibit schools from participating in Sectional competition, until such time as assessments/dues are received by DCMO BOCES.
5. In the event that receipts for any fiscal year of the Section IV Athletic Council do not permit payment of the full amount of money mandated in Article XII, the Executive Committee shall have the power to pro-rate among member schools the expenditures mandated in order to keep the budget in satisfactory balance.
6. Upon dissolution or final liquidation of Section IV, the assets of Section IV remaining, after payment of its obligations shall have been made or provided for, shall be transferred exclusively for the purpose of Section IV, in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes, as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) as the Executive Board shall determine.

ARTICLE XIII MEMBERSHIP - NEW SCHOOLS

1. Any school that is a member of the NYSPHSAA may apply for membership in Section IV.
2. **Schools located in another Section's territory wishing to be admitted to Section IV must proceed as follows:**
 - A. **A new school would require approval for admission to a league within Section IV.**
 - B. **A new school must submit a request for admission, in writing, to the Section IV Executive Director who will advise the membership of the upcoming vote.**
 - C. **If and when approved by Section IV, the new school must secure a release from their original Section through their Executive Director.**
 - D. **Final acceptance would be determined by the NYSPHSAA and a vote of the Section IV Athletic Council.**

ARTICLE XIV PROTESTS

1. For all Sectional contests there shall be a Protest Committee of three (3) in place prior to the contest.
2. No protest is ever allowed on the judgment decision of an official.
3. A Section IV member school may protest the following:
 - A. Misinterpretation of a rule by an official.
 - B. The use of an ineligible player.
 - C. Dangerous field or court conditions. This would apply, **ONLY** if the Section or school has been previously notified to eliminate the conditions and failed to do so. Such a protest must be made prior to the start of the game to both officials and the opposing coach, and consideration should be seriously given to postponing the contest in the interest of safety.
4. A protest must be made when a coach considers a violation has occurred, i.e., before the next pitch. **THIS APPLIES TO ALL SPORTS – A PROTEST MUST BE MADE BEFORE THE NEXT PLAY BEGINS SO THAT THE OFFICIALS MAY RECONSIDER THE DECISION.** The protesting coach must notify the official, and the opposing coach, with the point of protest recorded in the score book, and announced by the official, in charge, to the crowd.
5. If an ineligible player, the school need not protest at the game site, but must protest, in writing, to the Section Executive Director.

TIME LINES FOR PROTESTING

1. The Athletic Director of the protesting school must place a phone call to the Executive Director the next school day.
2. The protest, in writing, must be received by the Section Executive Director no later than the third school day after the contest.
3. Copies of the protest must also go to the Section President, the defending Athletic Director, and the involved assigning secretary.
4. The Section Executive Director may request a shorter time frame for any protest review, if the season is ending soon.

SECTION REVIEW OF PROTESTS

1. The Section Executive Director will review the written protest, consult with the Section President and the specific Sports Coordinator and make the preliminary decision regarding "grounds for protest".
2. If the protest is within the rules, the Section Executive Director will contact the officials and the defending school to obtain written statements of their version.
3. Once all statements are available, the Section Executive Director and the Section President will make the final decision if the protest is receivable.
4. If the protest is receivable, the President will call a meeting of the Appeals Committee to rule on the protest.
5. In such cases, the President will call upon the alternates so that neutral members may make a ruling.

ARTICLE XV – SECTION IV SPORTS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS (Approved 8/23/21 by Executive Board; Approved 10/14/21 by Athletic Council).

1. Section IV has 5 sports that are Sectional run through the Section IV Office
 - a. Field Hockey 2 Divisions 2 AD's 3-4 Coaches
 - b. Football 8 Divisions 8 AD's 8 Coaches
 - c. Boys Lacrosse 3 Divisions 3 AD's 3 Coaches
 - d. Girls Lacrosse 2 Divisions 2 AD's 2 Coaches
 - e. B/G Indoor Track 2 Divisions 2 AD's 2 Coaches
2. Each sport will have a Section IV Chairperson. The chairperson will be an active Athletic Director. There will be two representatives for each division in each of the five sports. One Athletic Director Representative and one Coach Representative. Each sport would have a Sport Coordinator.
3. A coach's representative to the football chairman will be appointed by the Executive Director of Section IV Athletics.
4. The voting representatives will be the Athletic Director. The coach representative will have a seat at the table and have a voice, but will not be a voting member. The Athletic Director and coach or each division must work together on matters that will require a vote.

Section IV Athletic Directors 2023-2024

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Bowling (G)	TBA		
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DUTIES OF THE SPORTS COORDINATORS

1. To work under the direction and in close cooperation with the Executive Director and/or the Regional Sport Coordinator.
2. To have available at all times, a copy of the NYSPHSAA Handbook, the Section IV Handbook and rule book for the particular sport or activity.
3. To attend the Section IV Athletic Council meeting during your season.
1. To attend all meetings of the State Committee of his/her sport. Sports Coordinators must obtain approval from the Executive Director for attendance at any meeting which involves travel and hotel expenses.
5. To provide an **updated handbook** with accurate listing of schools, coaches, and league sports coordinators of his/her sport completed and sent to the Section IV Office to be posted on the Section IV Website prior to the start of the sport season.
6. At the direction of the Executive Director and/or Regional Sport Coordinator, organize and administer the program of his/her sport.
7. Send out, receive and compile data upon the request of the Section, State and National sports committees.
8. At the direction of the Executive Director and/or the Regional Sport Coordinator, set up and supervise all Sectional contests, tournaments, play-off games and clinics for his /her sport. He/she must coordinate dates with other Sectional dates and with possible Regional dates. Appoint an **on-site Protest Committee** at tournament sites as outlined in NYSPHSAA Handbook on Page 28. Must have a written report from the Officials and the PROTEST COMMITTEE.
9. To cooperate with State Coordinators in representing Section IV in Regional/Intersectional.
10. To **file a report** with the Executive Director on the results of the Sectionals. This report must include a complete and accurate financial report in cooperation with the Section Treasurer and an end of season report, on the proper form, must be filed with the Executive Director within **two weeks** of the conclusion of that sports season.
11. To file, as in 10 above, a report of Regionals or Intersectional in his/her sport.
12. To work with the Treasurer to determine the number of **awards** needed.
13. To provide the Executive Director with a **budget** for the upcoming year.
14. To provide the Executive Director with their **report 10 days before each Council meeting** for distribution. To keep the Section informed of items in need of vote by the Council. Be available for explanation of the same.
15. **Changes** in the procedures of Sectionals may **not** be made at the seeding meeting in the same year. Proposals must be submitted on the Athletic Council Agenda Item Form at least 3 weeks prior to the Athletic Council meeting scheduled date(s) which gives time for the Executive Board, Leagues, etc. time for review prior to the Athletic Council Meeting for action.
16. To submit **Sectional dates** for the following school year by **March 1st** for Leagues and Section approval at their April/May Meetings.
17. To attend any other meeting where items pertaining to their sport will be voted upon by the Council.
17. Be it resolved that a section sport coordinator chair only one sport per school year and serve for a duration of five (5) years, with the opportunity to reapply. (6/1/2022)

SPORT

Assigned Number for finances

Badminton (B)	B-1
Badminton (G)	G-2
Baseball	3
Basketball (B)	B-4
Basketball (G)	G-5
Bowling (B)	B-6
Bowling (G)	B-7
Competitive Cheerleading	34
Cross Country (B)	B-8(XC)
Cross Country (G)	G-9(XC)
Field Hockey	10
Flag Football	33
Football	11
Golf (B)	12
Golf (G)	13
Ice Hockey	
Lacrosse (B)	14
Lacrosse (G)	15
Skiing	16
Soccer (B)	B-20
Soccer (G)	G-21
Softball	19
Swimming (B)	B-20
Swimming (G)	G-21
Tennis (B)	B-22
Tennis (G)	G-23
Track (B) (Spring)	B-24(ST)
Track (G) (Spring)	G-25(ST)
Track (B) (Winter)	B-26(WT)
Track (G) (Winter)	G-27(WT)
Volleyball (B)	B-28
Volleyball (G) (Fall)	G-29
Wrestling (B)	31
Wrestling (G)	30
Unified Sports	

Section IV DATES FOR 2023-2024 (APPROVED JUNE 15, 2023)				
	SEEDING MEETINGS	SECTIONAL DATES / SITES	REGIONAL DATES / SITES	STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
FALL 2023				
Cheer (Game Day-West)	Entry Notification	November 2 @ CV State Park (Rain Date Nov. 3)		@ Visions FCU Memorial Arena (4)
Cross Country	Entry Notification	October 20, 24; Finals October 28* @ TBA		November 11 @ Vernon Verona Sherrill HS (3)
Field Hockey	Oct 16 @ Section IV 5:00 pm	Nov 3-4* Semis; Nov. 10-11 Finals	Nov. 5 @ VVS HS (3)	November 11-12 @ Centereach High School (11)
Football		October 2 @ A & B @ Soaring Eagles GC	Nov. 17-19	Nov. 24-25 West Semis @ CNS HS ; Dec. 1-3* Final @ JMA Wireless Dome (3)
Golf (Class A & B)	Entry Notification	October 17, 20, 24; Finals Oct. 27-28* @ Sites TBA		n/a
Soccer (B)	Oct 11 @ Section IV 7pm	October 18, 21, 25; Finals Oct. 27-28* @ Sites TBA		November 11-12 @ Middletown HS (9)
Soccer (G)	Oct 11 @ Section IV 7pm	Nov. 1 (Prelims); Nov. 3 (Diving); Nov. 4* (Finals) @ TBA		November 11-12 @ Cortland, TC3, Homer (3)
Swimming (G)	Oct 29 by 6:00 pm. via hy-tex program	October 12-14*. 18; October 20-23 State Qualifier (team tennis dates TBA)		November 17-18 @ Webster Aquatic Center
Tennis (G)	October 5 @ Section IV	n/a		October 26-27 @ Sportime Schenectady (2); November 3 @ USTA Tennis Ctr (Team Tennis)
Volleyball (B)	n/a	Oct. 30-31 (play in rounds); Nov. 2 (Semis/Pool Play Semis), Nov. 4*-5 (Finals)		November 18 @ Capital Center, Albany (2)
Volleyball (G)	October 24 @ Section IV			November 18-19 @ Cool Insuring Arena Glens Falls (2)
WINTER 2023-2024				
Badminton/TT B/G	Entry Notification	March 9* @ Bainbridge-Guilford		n/a
Basketball (B)	Feb 14 @ Section IV 7pm	Feb. 21, 24, 28; Finals March 1-3 (AAA-HS; AA, A&B-Arena; C-TC3; D-SUNY Delhi)	S-R March 5-6; Regional Mar. 9	March 14-17 @ Cool Insuring Arena Glens Falls (2)
Basketball (G)	Feb 14 @ Section IV 7pm	Feb. 20, 23, 27; Finals March 1-3 (AAA-HS; AA, A&B-Arena; C-TC3; D-SUNY Delhi)	S-R March 5-6; Regional Mar. 9	March 14-17 @ HVCC Troy (2)
Bowling B/G	Entry Notification	Feb. 16-17 @ Midway Lanes; Feb 23-24 (State Qualifier @ Valley Bowling Center)		March 8-10 @ Strike N Spare Lanes
Cheerleading		Feb. 24 @ Union-Endicott		March 2 @ Visions FCU Memorial Arena (4)
Ice Hockey (B)		TBA		March 9-10 @ LECOM HarborCenter Buffalo (6)
Skiing B/G		Need Sectional Date and Site		February 26-27 @ Whiteface/Mt. Vanhoenber
Swimming (B)	Feb. 11 Entry Notification	Feb. 14 (prelims); Feb. 15 (diving); Feb 17 (finals) @ TBA		March 1-2 @ Ithaca College (4)
Track Indoor/Winter	Entry Notification	Need Sectional Date and Site		March 2 @ TBA
Volleyball (B)	Entry Notification	March 16 @ Johnson City HS		January 28 @ Onondaga CC, SRC Arena (3)
Wrestling (B)	Jan 14, Jan 29 & Feb 5	January 16 (DI); January 17 (DII) Dual Meets @ TBA		February 23-24 @ MVP Arena Albany (2)
Wrestling (G)		Feb 3 (A & B Qualifiers @ TBA) Feb 10* (Div I & Div II Finals @ Arena)		January 27 (Invitational) @ Onondaga CC, SRC Arena (3)
		Feb. 10* @ Arena		
SPRING 2024				
Baseball	May 13 @ Section IV Office	May 17*, 20, 22; Finals May 24		STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
Boys Golf	Entry Notification	May 16 & 18* (Medalist @Mark Twain GC) May 20* (C @ Maple Hills GC)		June 7-8* @ Binghamton (4)
		May 20 (D @ The College GC Delhi)		June 2-3 @ Mark Twain Golf Course
Flag Football (G)		Need Sectional Dates and Sites		
Girls Golf	Entry Notification	May 23 @ Soaring Eagle GC		June 2-3 @ Edison Club
Lacrosse (B)	May 14 @ Section IV Office	May 17*, 21; Finals May 23		June 5 (West Semis-Cortland); June 8 @ Hofstra Univeristy
Lacrosse (G)	May 14 @ Section IV Office	May 16, 20; Finals May 22		June 7-8* @ SUNY Cortland
Softball	May 13 @ Section IV Office	May 16, 21, 23; Finals May 25 (@ BAGSAL)		June 7-8* @ Moriches Athletic Complex
Tennis (B)	May 2 @ Section IV Office	May 9* -Class Meets (10-13 RD); May 17*-18-C E/W- SQ; May 20* & 21*-Team Tennis @ BTC		May 30-June 1* @ TBA; June 7 @ USTA Tennis Center (Team Tennis)
Track & Field B/G	Entry Notification	May 21,22,23 (RD May 24) Class Meets; May 29-30 State Qualifier		June 7-8* @ Cicero-North Syracuse (3)
Sports Seasons				
FOOTBALL Saturday, August 19, 2023 - Sunday, December 3, 2023				
Monday, August 21, 2023 - Sunday, December 3, 2023				
Monday, November 13, 2023 - Sunday, March 31, 2024				
Monday, March 11, 2024 - Sunday, June 9, 2024				
Test Dates				
PSAT: October 14, 2023				
SAT: August 26, 2023; October 7, 2023; November 4, 2023; December 2, 2023; March 9, 2024; May 4, 2024; June 1, 2023				
ACT: September 9, 2023; October 28, 2023; December 9, 2023; February 10, 2024; April 13, 2024; June 8, 2024				
Advanced Placement: May 6 - May 10, 2024 & May 13 - May 17, 2024				
Regents: January 23-26, 2024; April 10-12, 2024; May 7-8, 2024; June 4, 14, 18, 20-25, 2024				
* - SAT, ACT, PSAT, AP on this date conflicts with Sectional, Regional or State Championship Dates				
Executive Committee Meetings				
October 3 @ Section IV Office at 10:00 am				
January 11 @ Section IV Office at 10:00 am				
April 9 @ TBA at 10:00 am				
June 3 @ TBA				
Athletic Council Meetings				
October 12 @ Union-Endicott BOE Room at 2:00 pm				
January 25 @ M-E Staff Room at 2:00 pm				
April 25 @ Windsor at 2:00 pm				
June 12 @ TBA				
DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE, ONLY BY THE SPORT COORDINATORS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR				

Section IV

Classification Enrollments for 2023-2024

(as per NYSPHSAA October 2022)

ELMIRA	1340	UNION SPRINGS	159
CORNING	1154	MARATHON	156
ITHACA	1055	HARPURSVILLE	150
BINGHAMTON	984	SOUTHERN CAYUGA	150
HORSEHEADS	846	CANDOR	149
VESTAL	749	NEWFIELD	149
UNION-ENDICOTT	747	OXFORD	147
JOHNSON CITY	570	AFTON	126
MAINE ENDWELL	518	ODESSA MONTOUR	126
OWEGO-APALACHIN	480	RICHFIELD SPRINGS CSD	114
NORWICH	423	HANCOCK	108
WINDSOR	398	ELMIRA NOTRE DAME HS	107
CHENANGO VALLEY	387	DEPOSIT	105
WAVERLY	377	CHERRY VALLEY-SPRINGFIELD	99
ONEONTA	363	MILFORD	92
CHENANGO FORKS	350	GEORGE JR REPUBLIC	90
SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY	321	WORCESTER	90
LANSING	309	CHARLOTTE VALLEY	84
WHITNEY POINT	305	MORRIS	81
DRYDEN	263	SOUTH KORTRIGHT	81
ELMIRA HEIGHTS (Thomas A. Edison HS)	263	HUNTER TANNERSVILLE	78
SIDNEY	261	MARGARETVILLE	78
TRUMANSBURG (Charles O'Dickerson HS)	240	EDMESTON	72
NEWARK VALLEY	239	SCHENEVUS	69
GREENE	231	FRANKLIN	65
WATKINS GLEN	225	GILBOA CONESVILLE	65
TIOGA	222	LAURENS	63
MORAVIA	221	WINDHAM ASHLAND JEWETT	63
SPENCER VAN ETTEN	204	STAMFORD	59
WALTON	200	GILBERTSVILLE-MT UPTON	57
BAINBRIDGE GUILFORD	194	ROXBURY	57
GROTON	183	DOWNSVILLE	48
UNADILLA VALLEY	173	SHARON SPRINGS	48
SETON CATHOLIC CENTRAL HS	168	JEFFERSON	39
UNATEGO	167	ANDES	17
DELAWARE ACADEMY-DELHI	165		

6 Classifications - Cut-Off Numbers 2023-2024

<u>Boys Soccer</u>	<u>Girls Soccer</u>	<u>Girls Volleyball</u>	<u>Boys Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Basketball</u>	<u>Baseball</u>	<u>Softball</u>
AAA 1090-up	AAA 1082-up	AAA 1141-up	AAA 1106-up	AAA 1113-up	AAA 1087-up	AAA 1082-up
AA 719-1089	AA 703-1081	AA 747-1140	AA 692-1105	AA 699-1112	AA 704-1086	AA 692-1081
A 412-718	A 406-702	A 470-746	A 391-691	A 397-698	A 398-703	A 403-691
B 261-411	B 251-405	B 290-469	B 222-390	B 237-396	B 245-397	B 240-402
C 144-260	C 141-250	C 182-289	C 119-221	C 129-236	C 144-244	C 152-239
D 143-Below	D 140-Below	D 181-Below	D 118-Below	D 128-Below	D 143-Below	D 151-Below

Sports with Variation Cut-Off Numbers 2023-2024

<u>B/G X-Country</u>	<u>Field Hockey</u>	<u>Football</u>	<u>Cheerleading</u>	<u>Girls Lacrosse</u>	<u>Boys Lacrosse</u>
A 815 - Up	A 915-Up	AA 1025-Up	D1 750-Up	A 1060 - Up	A 1026 - Up
B 450-814	B 450-914	A 665-1024	Small 5-16	B 775-1059	B 734-1025
C 255-449	C 449-Below	B 385-684	Large 17-32	C 465-774	C 431-733
D 254-Below		C 261-384	D2 749-Below	D 464-Below	D 431-Below
		D 260-Below	Small 5-16		
			Large 17-32		
			Co-Ed All Div 5-32		
				4 CLASSES	
3 CLASSES				A 801-UP	
A 800-Up				B 401-800	
B 400-799		Division I 600 and up		C 215-400	
C 399-Below		Division II 599 and below		D 214-Below	

Please note: The above school Classification Enrollment numbers are the base numbers approved by the NYSPHSAA, member schools are allowed to request to "Move up in Classification" and Seton Catholic and Elmira Notre Dame HS are moved up in classification in certain sports by the Classification Committee.

Also, when teams are approved to merge that may also change the Classification numbers.

LEAGUES AND OFFICERS

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Gilboa-Conesville
Hunter-Tannersville
Jefferson
Margaretville
Roxbury
South Kortright
Stamford
Windham-Ashland-Jewett

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League Meeting Dates:

September 11, 2023 @ NCOC - 9:00 am
October 10, 2023 @ NCOC – 9 :00 am
January 22, 2024 @ NCOC – 9 :00 am
March 18, 2024 @ NCOC – 9 :00 am
April 22, 2024 @ NCOC – 9 :00 am
June 3, 2024 @ TBA – 10 :00 am

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INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

North Large

Dryden
Lansing
Trumansburg
Whitney Point

South Large

Elmira Notre Dame
Newark Valley
Thomas A. Edison
Watkins Glen

North Small

Union Springs
Moravia
Southern Cayuga
Marathon
Groton

South Small

Candor
Newfield
Odessa-Montour
Spencer Van Etten
Tioga

Officers

PRESIDENT:	Will Cook, Tioga Central School Email: wcook@tiogacentral.org	School:	607-687-8001
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:	Cathy Haight Email: iacexdirector4@gmail.com	Office:	716-361-4306
TREASURER:	Cindi Ford Email: cmf815@gmail.com	Office :	607-759-7098

League Meeting Dates: TST BOCES 1-A-14 meeting location at 9:00 am (unless noted by meeting)

August 24, 2023* TST BOCES 1-A Seneca Smart Room	January 3, 2024	June 5, 2024 @ Crossroads Bar & Grill @ 11:00 am
October 4, 2023	March 6, 2024 via Zoom	
November 1, 2023	April 10, 2024	
December 6, 2023	May 8, 2024	

League Representatives to Section IV:

Murphee Hayes	Whitney Point CS	School:	607-692-8245
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Alternate League Representatives:

Cathy Haight, Executive Director

Interscholastic Athletic Conference League Sports Chairpersons

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Soccer (G):	Beth Ann Duncan, Marathon CS	School:	
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MIDSTATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Afton	Deposit	Harpersville	Unadilla Valley
Bainbridge-Guilford	Greene	Oxford	Unatego
Delhi	Hancock	Sidney	Walton

Officers:

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Alternate League Representatives:

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Basketball (G):	Dave Gorton, Greene CS	School: 607-656-4161 Email: dgorton@greenecsd.org
Basketball (B):	Matt Osborne, Unadilla Valley CS	School: 607-847-7500 x 1146 Email: MOsborne@uvstorm.org
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Softball:	Kim Makowski, Hancock CS	School: 607-637-2511 Email: kmakowski@hancock.stier.org
Baseball:	Chris Palmer, Oxford Academy &CS	School: 607-843-2025x1282 Email: cpalmer@oxac.org
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SOUTHERN TIER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

West	Metro	Central	East
Corning-Painted Post	Binghamton	Chenango Forks	Norwich
Elmira	Johnson City	Chenango Valley	Oneonta
Horseheads	Maine-Endwell	Owego Appalachian	Susquehanna Valley
Ithaca	Union-Endicott	Seton Catholic Central	Windsor
	Vestal	Waverly	

Officers

PRESIDENT:	Steve Deinhardt (Retired)	Cell:	607-427-8117
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League Meeting Dates:

August 14, 2023 at U-E BOE room @ 9:30 am
October 11, 2023 at M-E Staff room @ 9:30 am
November 8, 2023 at Johnson City HS BOE room @ 9:30 am
January 2024 via Zoom @ 9:30 am
March 12, 2024 at M-E Staff room @ 9:30 am
April 16, 2024 at M-E Staff room @ 9:30 am
June 5, 2024 at M-E Staff room @ 9:30 am

League Representatives to Section IV:

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Alternatives:

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Cross Country (B&G):	Dave Cody (retired) Binghamton HS	Home:	607-723-4760
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Soccer (G):	TBA	Cell:	
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Swimming (B):	Charlie Frayer, Chenango Valley HS	School:	607-772-6929
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Tennis (G):	Colleen Hanzes	Cell:	607-237-3062
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Track (B):	Jim Cerra, Vestal HS (Retired)	Cell:	607-727-0170
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Wrestling:	Jeff Nolan, Windsor HS	School:	607-655-8258

TRI-VALLEY LEAGUE

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Edmeston
Franklin
Gilberstville-Mt.Upton
Laurens
Milford
Morris
Richfield Springs
Schenevus
Sharon Springs
Worcester

Officers

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COACHES REPRESENTATIVES:	Greg Bonczkowski, Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton CS	School:	607-783-2207

League Meeting Dates:

Sept 11, 2023 @ TBA
Oct 3, 2023 @ TBA
Nov 6, 2023 @ TBA
Dec 11, 2023 @ TBA
Jan 22, 2024 @ TBA
Feb 12, 2024 @ TBA
March 11, 2024 @ TBA
Apr 22, 2024 @ TBA
May 13, 2024 @ TBA

League Representatives to Section IV:

Greg Bonczkowski	Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton CS	School:	607-783-2207
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Cross Country (B/G):	TBA	School:	TBA		
Soccer (B & G):	Chris Saggese, Milford CS	School:	607-286-7721	Email:	csaggese@milfordschools.org
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Track:	JJ Laing, Franklin CS	School:	607-829-3551		glaing@franklincsd.org

NYSPPHSAA

SENIOR ALL-STAR CONTESTS CRITERIA

Application for approval of a Senior All-Star Contest shall be submitted to the Section IV of the NYSPPHSAA by any member association.

Approval will be granted if all the required forms are properly completed and all of the following provisions satisfied:

1. The contestants shall be seniors who have completed their secondary school eligibility in that sport.
2. School personnel only shall be responsible for the screening and selection of contestants for participation in the contest.
3. School personnel only shall be responsible for the screening and selection of coaches for conducting the contest.
4. A contestant may participate in no more than one approved Senior All-Star contest in the same sport during the same school year.
5. A coach may coach no more than one approved Senior All-Star contest in the same sport during the same school year.

All participants and personnel involved in an approved Senior All-Star contest must sign a letter of intent developed by the NYSPPHSAA

7. All contestants must be bona-fide students from athletic associations who are members of the NYSPPHSAA and such contests must be conducted in New York State.
8. The contest shall have an established charitable or educational purpose; the financial arrangements of the contest shall reflect an accomplishment of that purpose, and all net receipts from the contest shall be utilized for such purpose. Net receipts shall be gross receipts less expenses directly connected with the administration and conduct of the contest. Gross receipts shall include all revenues derived from the contest. Financial records must be clearly specified in the application for approval according to the terms of the agreement and meet the criteria as approved by the NYSPPHSAA.
9. Applications must meet guidelines as to safety, number of practices prior to contest, insurance, Commissioner's Regulations, awards and other requirements determined by the NYSPPHSAA and the individual Association. (A certificate of insurance must accompany the application at the Section level before the application will receive Section approval.)
10. All contests must be conducted within the approved sport season or no later than two weeks after the end of the approved sport season.
11. Commercial sponsors should be discouraged and should not be necessary for the conduct of a viable Senior All-Star Contest.
12. All awards from school or non-school groups must be in agreement with school, league, section and association standards, reasonable in cost and symbolic in nature.
14. All Senior All-Star Contests must be conducted to benefit the participants not the sponsor. No contests can be approved that does not contribute to the mental, physical, and emotional welfare of the athletes or interferes with the academic program or interscholastic programs of the school and the athlete.
15. The application for the contest must be sent to the Administrative Assistant for sectional approval at the beginning of the sport season.

OCC OF SECTION IV

Purpose:

To maintain a high standard of continuous desirable working relationship between the Sections, the League, the Schools, and the Officials' Organizations.

Membership:

The make-up of the OCC shall consist of three (3) members representing schools' personnel, three (3) members representing official's organizations and one (1) member of the Section IV Executive Committee and one (1) member to represent each Section IV League. All members shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Section IV Executive Committee. The Director of the OCC shall be appointed by the President of Section IV. The OCC Director shall receive an honorarium of \$500.00 per year.

Duties:

A. Director:

1. Will be responsible for calling all meetings of the OCC.
2. Will preside over all meetings of the OCC.
3. Will be responsible for all minutes of any meeting.

Will be responsible to report results of OCC meetings to the President and Executive Director of Section IV.

Be responsible to send any/all correspondence to the Executive Director of Section IV, to Officials' Organizations and to appropriate agencies.

6. Represent Section IV on the New York State Officials Coordinating Federation.

Responsibilities of OCC:

1. Have knowledge of all rules, regulations, and procedures each officiating organization has on file regarding recruitment of new members, requirements for certification of officials and for evaluation of officials in their membership. What constitutes an apprentice or fully certified official.
2. Have on file an accurate roster from each officiating organization operating within the section for all interscholastic activities.
3. To receive from each Officials' Organization and keep on file a confidential rating of each official.
4. Have knowledge of what control other groups or organizations have regarding officials and the impact their decisions may have on the Section's Committee.
5. Have a clear understanding of any regulations or decisions which affect the jurisdiction of all officiating organizations. (If such is the case or legal, i.e. The Territorial Rights Questions.)
6. To ascertain that Official's Organizations maintain the 5 point programs as set forth by the NYSPHSAA
7. Establish a negotiation process for all official's organizations and to make clear what the responsibilities are to those involved in the process.
8. Have all negotiated agreements reviewed before all league executive committees and stated agreements be published in sectional minutes.
9. Establish a clear-cut line of communication for individuals to route their problems, concerns, and questions.

Limitations:

1. To recognize the OCC is primarily a liaison committee between Section IV and Officials' Organizations. The OCC shall be a clearinghouse and communications network with a major function being contract negotiations. It should be aware of the clearly stated responsibilities of other agencies so as to avoid delays and assumptions of authority by the wrong parties.

OFFICIALS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Margo Martin Chairperson	Groton Central School Groton, NY 13073	898-5301
Rick Cammer (Delaware League)	Jefferson Central School Jefferson, NY 12093	652-2762
Todd James (IAC League)	Marathon Central School Marathon, NY 13803	849-3223
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TBA Official Representative		
Carl Koenig Official Representative	PO Box 83 Oxford, NY 13830	244-8432
Bill Bryant (Section IV)	276 State Hwy 7 Sidney, NY 13838	592-0220

This agreement is between Section IV of the NYSPHSAA and Sports Officials Organizations that service member schools.

I. Philosophy

The giving and acceptance of an officials assignment is an agreement between the individual school and the official to the extent that the official and the school will hold their original agreement unless unusual circumstances prevent the official from fulfilling his agreement or prevent the school from conducting the scheduled event.

II. This agreement established the following:

A. Fee Schedule

1. The fee schedule has been developed toward the services of two (2) types of officials.
Certified: An active official who has achieved National or State rating. A NAGWS official who has achieved a National, State or a Local rating with a minimum of two (2) years experience.
2. Non-Certified: An official who is in training for advancement to certified status.
NOTE: While the Officials Coordinating Committee recognizes that non-certified officials are actually certified officials in training for active status, this terminology is only used for payment of fees for service.
3. The payment of fees is reflected in a total game fee and payment will not exceed this figure.
4. The number of officials are reflected for each sport at the Varsity level only. Modification of number of officials for Junior Varsity or Modified programs will be at the discretion of the home school.
5. Schools or leagues requesting certified officials on contest below a Varsity level will be expected to pay the Certified fee.
6. For all contests that Section IV is financially responsible, Arbitrator Pay will be used for all these contests.

B. Full Fee

1. Full fee will be paid whenever the game officially starts, even though it may end short of a legal game for any reason.

C. One and One-Half Fee

On contests assigned to two or more officials, a one and one-half fee plus mileage (for mileage see Travel H. #4.) will be paid to the individual who is forced to work alone due to the absence of the other official(s) or when the school district has requested only one official be assigned.

D. One-Half Fee

Official(s) will be paid a one-half fee plus mileage (for mileage see Travel H. #4.) whenever the officials arrive but the game cannot start due to weather conditions, site conditions, or due to an error on the part of the school. The Officials Chapter will pay the school a one-half fee per official whenever a duly assigned official fails to report for a contest. A duly assigned official is to be considered as an official assigned by his chapter or assigner. The chapter or assigner must have been advised by the school as to the contest (site and time) 48 hours prior to contest.

E. Double Dual Fee

Two (2) dual contest fees will be paid when two (2) separate contests between three (3) or more schools are conducted at the same site simultaneously. Mileage numeration for one (1) contest only.

F. Sectional Fee

1. Referees, umpires, starters, and head judges, working Sectional contests, or League Varsity championship contests, will receive \$5.00 above the Varsity contest fee for that sport.

G. Tournament Fees

1. Fees will be paid for tournaments as agreed by Section IV and Officials organizations of the determined sport.

H. Travel Fee

1. Mileage rate is .09 cents less than the IRS mileage rate as determined in January of each year for the upcoming school year.
2. Mileage to be paid \$.565 cents per mile (up to 100 miles round trip) (2023-2024).
3. Mileage is from officials home to site of contest. Mileage is determined using Mapquest or Google, whichever is shortest.
4. No mileage to be paid within a 10 mile radius of the officials home.
5. Mileage for contest with up to 4 officials one (1) car allowed; contests with 5-8 officials two (2) cars mileage allowed; contests with 9-12 officials three (3) cars allowed mileage; contests with 12-16 officials four (4) cars allowed mileage.
6. In sectional contests, if two or more officials are assigned that are from different geographical boards, mileage will be paid to two (2) cars per contest. NOTE: In contests where officials are assigned to service both Varsity and Junior Varsity contests, mileage will be paid only once. In double dual situations, mileage will be paid only once.

III. Joint Responsibility of Leagues, Schools, and Officials Organizations

- A. The said parties agree to accept and abide by the Statement of Principals for Officiating and the Constitution of the New York State High School Officials Coordinating Federation as written in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
- B. Accept and abide by the provisions of the Officials Agreement as written in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

IV. Responsibility of League/School

- A. The League/School shall provide the sports schedule to the appropriate assigners within the following schedule:

Fall Sports:	July 1
Winter Sports:	October 1
Spring Sports:	February 1
- B. The League/School shall notify the assigners as soon as possible when it has been determined that a contest has to be rescheduled or canceled. **Every effort will be made by school personnel to not change games once the schedule has been distributed.**
- C. The home school shall be responsible to notify the assigners that a contest has been postponed due to weather conditions, temporary closing of school, unplayable site conditions, or other emergencies as judged by the school's administration. If this notification is made two hours prior to scheduled starting time of contest, the school will not be responsible for any fee or mileage charges. Failure to meet this procedure will result in the school paying the one-half fee provision.
- D. School Administrators are responsible for providing safe and secure access to a designated separate officials dressing/shower facilities before, during and following contests.
- E. **The League shall recognize those officials with fifteen (15) or more years of service with a lifetime pass to Section IV events.**

V. Responsibility of Officials Organization

- A. To provide to the Director of the Officials Coordination Committee and the Section IV Executive Director a roster of all officials certified for the varsity level for the upcoming sports season. The dates for this procedure will coincide with the dates that have been set for the providing of sports schedules to officials organizations.
- B. To be responsible in meeting the five (5) point program as written in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
- C. To provide to the Director of the OCC a confidential rating copy of all active officials.
- D. To strive to provide Section IV with a sufficient number of officials so that every contest is covered by the designated number of officials.
- E. To provide, with the roster, the individual who will accept all correspondence and will be the official representative that communicates with the OCC.

F. Assigners:

1. To assign the correct number and duly certified officials to athletic contests as determined by this Agreement.
2. To notify Athletic Directors that the scheduled sports contest has been accepted either by confirmation of the contest or supplying names of officials that are assigned to the contest.
3. To strive to assign officials to no more than one (1) contest per day.
4. To strive to assign no official to a contest in which his/her school or school district is playing or where a conflict of interest may exist.
5. To strive to assign officials who live or work within close proximity of each other to the same contest, so travel may be made in one vehicle, thus making it more economical for all parties involved.
6. In the event that duly assigned officials fail to report to the assignment or the assigner fails to assign the duly number of officials, that a letter of explanation be presented to the Athletic Directors of the offended schools and the Chairman of the OCC within seven (7) days of the incident. The one-half fee to the home school and mileage to the visiting school provision will be in effect.

VI. Unacceptable Officials

- A. A school may request in writing that an official not be assigned to their contests. This request must be signed by the Varsity Coach and the Athletic Director of such school. Such requests will be honored for a two (2) year period.
- B. Should a school present an excessive number of unacceptable officials, the Officials Organization may request a meeting with the OCC to discuss the issue.

VII. Grievance

- A. Official's Organizations may at any time request a hearing before the OCC. The OCC will then decide whether the request will be heard or to direct the request to the appropriate agency.
- B. Any grievance or dispute which may arise between Section IV and Official's Organizations concerning the application, meaning or interpretation of the agreement shall be settled in accordance with the procedures outlined in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
- C. The goal always is to settle the disagreement at the lowest level possible in an informal and expeditious manner.
- D. It is understood that the purpose of the grievance procedure is to provide a mechanism for settling disputes about the Agreement which cannot be resolved informally between the school and the official.
- E. Either party has access to the grievance process.

VIII. Negotiations

- A. Discussions and negotiations for the Fee Schedule shall take place between a Joint-Conference of representatives from the OCC and representatives of the involved sport.
- B. Each Official's Organization may be represented by no more than two (2) members from each Official's Organization and all Official's Organizations, of that sport, must be duly represented in person or excuse the right by issuing, in writing, to the Director of the OCC, as to whom will be their official representative.
- C. The Joint-Conference will be chaired by the Director of the OCC or his designee.

2023-24 **DIRECTORY OF ASSIGNERS OF OFFICIALS ORGANIZATIONS**

as LISTED with SECTION IV and NYSPHSAA, Inc.

Baseball

Binghamton	Lou Bonacci	ump1213@stny.rr.com	427-2882
Elmira	Nick Mele	njmele@yahoo.com	734-6785(H) 481-0031 (C)
Ithaca	Craig Allen	callen4@twcny.rr.com	745-2018 (C)
Schohanna	John Frankl	fulltiltbogie1@hotmail.com	287-0404

Basketball (B/G)

Ithaca (Boys)	Jerry Hartnett	jerry@hagerealestate.com	756-7919 (W)753-6766
F. Lakes (Girls)	Larry Hardesty	lhardesty@fltg.net	387-6668
Schohanna	Jamie O'Donnell	odonnelli@hartwick.edu	435-5926
S. N. York	Tom Sweet	tsweet3@stny.rr.com	731-0012, 739-7653
S. Tier	Kevin McGoff	kmcgoff7@gmail.com	427-2700

Field Hockey

STFHOA	Kimberly Webster	Sect4FHAssignor@gmail.com	607-765-1300
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Football

Elmira	Jim Berbari	jbref@stny.rr.com	425-6235 (C)
F. Lakes	Bill Henry	wfhenry003@gmail.com	585-857-0345 (C)
S. Tier	Mike Vavra	mvavra1@stny.rr.com	607-759-4313
T. Valley	Jeff Lowe	lowejeff@hotmail.com	435-9370 (C), 433-3182 (W)

B. Lacrosse

STLOA	Andy Anderson	andy1033@stny.rr.com	754-1739 (H) 725-2794(C)
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G. Lacrosse

CNYBWLO	Barbara Martinichio	bamartin156@aol.com	760-4440
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Soccer (B/G)

Mid-State	Arthur Rienhardt	metro311@hotmail.com	315-314-1082
Del-Otse	Mike Velardi	sportsref007@hotmail.com	434-6737
T. Cities	Terry Davis	tdavis18@stny.rr.com	725-7446
Chemung Co.	Steve Huber	hubersf@yahoo.com	857-6448

Softball

Elmira	Nathan Nagle	isc8nn@yahoo.com	483-0296
F. Lakes	Craig Allen	callen4@twcny.rr.com	745-2018

(Binghamton, Schohanna -- Refer to Baseball)

Swimming

Ithaca	Brent Stephans	stephans@twcny.rr.com	257-8497
Nor-Oneonta	Kevin Diefenbacher	kdief55@gmail.com	334-6788(H) 335-5482(W)
S. Central	Nancy Percik	nperc33@gmail.com	245-9532
S. Tier	Bill Winkky	wdwinkky@aol.com	739-7385

Track

Elmira	Patty Lamoreaux	trackpal73@gmail.com	279-0703
S. Tier	Steve Baxter	stchbaxter@gmail.com	743-1231

Volleyball

STVO	Karen Hollenbeck	hollenbeck-k-STVO@htva.net	793-3170
Steuben	Chuck King	cking6869@gmail.com	738-6858

Wrestling

East	Mark Browning	markbrowning@hotmail.com	761-8802
West	Don Bower	bowdona@yahoo.com	315-427-9692

Officials' VARSITY Fees for 2023-2028

Varsity		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2027-28</u>
Group 1	#					
Basketball (B&G)	1	106.50	109.50	111.50	113.50	115.50
Football (B&G)	4	426.00	438.00	446.00	454.00	462.00
Football (B&G)	5	532.50	547.50	557.50	567.50	577.50
Lacrosse (B&G)	3	319.50	328.50	334.50	340.50	346.50
Lacrosse (B&G)	2	213.00	219.00	223.00	227.00	231.00
Wrestling (B&G)	1	106.50	109.50	111.50	113.50	115.50
Group 2						
Baseball	1	102.00	105.00	107.00	109.00	111.00
Field Hockey	1	102.00	105.00	107.00	109.00	111.00
Soccer (B&G)	1	102.00	105.00	107.00	109.00	111.00
Softball	1	102.00	105.00	107.00	109.00	111.00
Group 3						
Cheerleading	1	133.00	136.00	138.00	140.00	142.00
Swimming*	3	246.00	255.00	261.00	267.00	273.00
XC, Track & Field*						
(up to 6)	1	126.50	129.50	131.50	133.50	135.50
(Larger >6)	1	145.00	148.00	150.00	152.00	154.00
Volleyball*3/5	1	79.00	82.00	84.00	86.00	88.00
2/3	1	66.00	69.00	71.00	73.00	75.00
Tournament/ Game Pool Play 5+teams	1	18.50	21.50	23.50	25.50	27.50

Fee is Game or Contest Fee for Varsity Contest with Active Officials. # - Indicates the fee for that many officials

The 2023-2024 school year mileage rate will be .565 cents a mile up to 100 Miles Maximum Mileage shall be calculated using Mapquest or Google, whichever is shortest.

*Swimming: Should a Varsity and Modified meet be run at the same time with the same officials, those officials shall be paid both the Varsity and Modified fee. Extra heat (3 free up to 200 yards; \$2.00 per heat per official thereafter). Diving: a. No diving in meet, \$11.50 less (3) b. Extra diver \$3.00 per official per diver. (Over 6 divers is extra).

Swim Meets: Up to 2 hours = Regular fee; 2 to 3 hours = 1 ½ x fee; 3 to 4 hours = 2 x fee; 4 to 5 hours = 2 ½ x fee; etc. (\$5.00 additional fee for Sectional Swim & Diving does not apply)

*Track: **Should a Varsity and Modified meet be run at the same time with the same officials, those officials shall be paid both the Varsity and Modified fee.** Sectional, League and Invitational meets where the length of time is excessive because of the number of entries. Fee for each half hour or part there of past 5 hours will be \$15.00 (Eliminating time for weather delays). If there is only a Boys or Girls Team, half a fee will be used. (Does not apply to Rotary or Parkhurst).

* Volleyball Section IV Tournaments, Decision Making (i.e. Linesman) fee will be \$19.50 per match, (3/5) and \$3.50 per game. (Pool Play) Section IV will use State Fee Schedule for Decision Making and Non-Decision Making positions at Section IV Finals ONLY

Officials' JUNIOR VARSITY Fees for 2023-2028

JV		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2027-28</u>
Group 1	#					
Basketball (B&G)	1	71.00	73.00	75.00	77.00	79.00
Football	3	213.00	219.00	225.00	231.00	237.00
Football	4	284.00	292.00	300.00	308.00	316.00
Lacrosse (B&G)	1	71.00	73.00	75.00	77.00	79.00
Wrestling	1	71.00	73.00	75.00	77.00	79.00
Group 2						
Baseball	1	68.50	70.50	72.50	74.50	76.50
Field Hockey	1	68.50	70.50	72.50	74.50	76.50
Soccer (B&G)	1	68.50	70.50	72.50	74.50	76.50
Softball	1	68.50	70.50	72.50	74.50	76.50
Group 3						
Swimming*	3	169.50	175.50	181.50	187.50	193.50
Volleyball*3/5	1	52.00	54.00	56.00	58.00	60.00
2/3	1	51.50	53.50	55.50	57.50	59.50
Tournament/ Game Pool Play 5+teams	1	14.00	16.00	18.00	20.00	22.00

Fee is Game or Contest Fee for Junior Varsity Contest with Active Officials. # - Indicates the fee for that many officials

The 2023-2024 school year mileage rate will be .565 cents a mile up to 100 Miles Maximum Mileage shall be calculated using Mapquest or Google, whichever is shortest.

*Swimming: Extra heat (3 free up to 200 yards; \$1.50 per heat per official thereafter)

- Diving:
- a. No Diving in meet, \$7.00 less.
 - b. Extra diver \$2.00 per official per diver (Extra is more than 6)

*Volleyball: For a JV ONLY 2/3 match, any non deciding game will be dropped or if the coaches want to play the extra game the pool play fee of that year will be used.

Officials' MODIFIED Fees for 2023-2028

Modified		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2027-28</u>
Group 1	#					
Basketball (B&G)	1	62.00	64.00	66.00	68.00	70.00
Football	2	124.00	128.00	132.00	136.00	140.00
Football	3	186.00	192.00	198.00	204.00	210.00
Lacrosse (B&G)	1	62.00	64.00	66.00	68.00	70.00
Wrestling	1	62.00	64.00	66.00	68.00	70.00
Group 2						
Baseball	1	62.00	64.00	66.00	68.00	70.00
Field Hockey	1	62.00	64.00	66.00	68.00	70.00
Soccer (B&G)	1	62.00	64.00	66.00	68.00	70.00
Softball	1	62.00	64.00	66.00	68.00	70.00
Group 3						
Swimming*	3	180.00	186.00	192.00	198.00	204.00
XC, Track & Field*						
(up to 6)	1	69.00	71.00	73.00	75.00	77.00
(6 to 10)	1	86.00	88.00	90.00	92.00	94.00
(Larger >10)	1	90.50	92.50	94.50	96.50	98.50
Volleyball*2/3	1	42.00	44.00	46.00	48.00	50.00

Fee is Game Fee for Modified Contest. # - Indicates the fee for that many officials

Corrective revision 12/26/2022

The 2023-2024 school year mileage rate will be .565 cents a mile up to 100 Miles Maximum Mileage shall be calculated using Mapquest or Google, whichever is shortest.

*Swimming: Extra heat (3 free up to 200 yards; \$1.50 per heat per official thereafter)

Diving: a. No Diving in meet, \$7.00 less.

b. Extra diver \$2.00 per official per diver (Extra is more than 6)

Volleyball Fee is for 2 out of 3 and 3 of 3 games.

Modified Meet Fee

8. Modified meet fees will be based on number of bouts officiated.

9. Wrestling fees for Modified meets

Total number of matches wrestled

Divide by NYSPHSAA weight classes, currently fifteen (15) to get the number of meets

Multiply the number of meets by the modified meet fee

For the remainder of bouts, multiply by the exhibition fee

Add the total from (C) with the total from (D)

Divide by the number of officials

**SECTION IV
EXTRA-PERSON OFFICIALS CREWS**

In the event that certain individual games, tournament games, league finals or section IV tournaments games require by past practice or league or section approval, the following schedule must be used. Unless it has been a past practice, any change would require league or section approval. In cases where an extra official is used for any Section IV contest the extra \$5.00 bonus would not apply. In those sectional games where the extra official is not used the Section Fee as written in the contract will apply.

GROUP 1:

Basketball (B/G) – This would require league approval for any schools that should decide to use the three man crews during league play or playoffs and sectional approval for any games played at the sectional level. In September of 2008 the Section IV Schools voted to use three (3) officials for Section IV Boys & Girls Basketball Semi-Finals and Finals only. Again because of the extra official and the added expense the \$5.00 Section Bonus would not apply when an extra official is used.

2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials
106.50/Official	109.50/Official	111.50/Official	113.50/Official	115.50/Official

Football – Past practice is to use five (5) paid officials for all sectional playoff games. With the new contract the extra \$5.00 bonus would not apply.

2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Five Officials	Five Officials	Five Officials	Five Officials	Five Officials
106.50/Official	109.50/Official	111.50/Official	113.50/Official	115.50/Official

Lacrosse (B/G) – Past practice is to use three officials for the section finals. Three man crews used for any other Section IV or any League games or tournaments, would be subject to League or Section IV approval. Because of the use of an extra official and the added expense the \$5.00 Section Bonus would not apply in this situation.

2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials
106.50/Official	109.50/Official	111.50/Official	113.50/Official	115.50/Official

GROUP 2:

Baseball – Past practice has been for the officials’ boards to give the section 3 for 2 for the Section IV finals. Beginning with the new contract, whenever extra crew officials are used full fees would be paid. Because of the use of an extra official and the added expense the \$5.00 Section Bonus would not apply.

2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials
102.00/Official	105.00/Official	107.00/Official	109.00/Official	111.00/Official

Soccer (B/G) – At the March 2001 Section IV Council meeting the Athletic Council voted to use Three-Man Crew for both, boys and girls Section IV Finals Only. These are the fees. Individual schools could use three man crews at any time subject to league approval. Because of the use of an extra official and the added expense the \$5.00 Section Bonus would not apply in this situations.

2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials
113.50/Referee	116.50/Referee	118.50/Referee	120.50/Referee	122.50/Referee
99.50/Linesman	102.50/Linesman	102.50/Linesman	104.50/Linesman	106.50 /Linesman
99.50/Linesman	102.50/Linesman	102.50/Linesman	104.50/Linesman	106.50/Linesman

Softball – Past practice has been for the officials’ boards to give the section 3 for 2 for the Section IV finals. Beginning with the new contract, whenever extra crew officials are used full fees would be paid. Because of the use of an extra official and the added expense the \$5.00 Section Bonus would not apply.

2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials	Three Officials
102.00/Official	105.00/Official	107.00/Official	109.00/Official	111.00/Official

TRACK

Track Meet - Number of Teams

1. If a school brings at least 6 - count as a team.
2. If a school brings less than 6 - no team. *

* If more than one school brings less than six but the accumulated number exceeds six, add one more team. Continue doing same in multiples of six, e.g. 6 - 1 team
12 - 2 teams
18 - 3 teams

WRESTLING

Dual Meets:

For instances where only one (1) official is used to officiate both the varsity and junior varsity meets:

Extra Bout – any match that does not directly count towards the varsity dual meet score

Any number of extra bouts that is greater than or equal to half the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes will be paid as a full junior varsity dual meet fee

For any number of bouts less than half the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes, the fee will be calculated as followed:

For extra bouts that are officiated before the start of the varsity match, those will be compensated at the JV exhibition fee

For extra bouts that occur after the start of the varsity match, those will be compensated at the varsity exhibition fee

The extra bout fee will not be used unless the total number of matches officiated exceeds the total number of NYSPHSAA weight classes

The exhibition fee schedule will be:

Varsity \$6.50

Junior Varsity \$4.50

Modified \$3.50

Tournament Fees:

Tournament fees will be based on number of bouts officiated.

A forfeit will be recognized as a bout under the same terms of the dual meet.

For Sectionals and League Championships, Article II, F., 1 and 2 of the original Agreement will be in effect.

Site Chairmen and assignors will determine the number of Officials for Tournaments.

Wrestlebacks will be handled as regular bouts and paid accordingly.

It is recommended to have at least one more official than the number of mats used

Wrestling Fees for Tournaments:

Total number of matches wrestled (include forfeits, etc.)

Divide by the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes

When dividing, if the remainder is greater than or equal to half the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes, the number of dual meets will be rounded up.

Multiply by dual meet fee.

Divide by number of officials.

LIFETIME PASSES

A Lifetime Pass will be issued upon the request to individuals who have met at least one of the following requirements:

1. Individuals who have terminated their coaching career after at least 15 years of active coaching in Section IV
2. Individuals who may not have coached but who have served faithfully through the years, such as Basketball Site Chairperson, Principals and/or other teaching personnel who have given years of service on various committees, etc. in the Council, State Committees, or Section Officers.
3. All Past Presidents of Section IV (retroactive).
4. Officials who are active with 15 years of service (Effective 7/1/2023)

All applicants for Lifetime Passes must be screened by the Executive Committee. Screening will be held once a year during the fourth week in August. (Effective 9/1/70). Passes will only be printed in September and April each year.

Such a Lifetime Pass would be issued upon proper application to the Executive Director and would read "Admit (name) and One to any athletic contest in which a Section IV school is a host." This Lifetime Pass policy effective as of 9/1/69.

Statement of Purpose: It is not intended to flood the Section with "free passes."
It is our intent to honor those who deserve special recognition for their contribution to Section IV throughout the years.

SECTION IV PASSES

Three per school (Superintendent, High School Principal, Athletic Director) by name and non-transferable. Also, add two (2) per school to be used at their discretion. All passes admit two people.

AWARDS

The NYSPHSAA Inc. is in opposition to the policy of giving materially valuable awards to members of High School Athletic Teams. They recommend that school authorities give only awards such as medals or an insignia. Therefore, to subscribe to their suggestions and recommendations, it would seem appropriate to follow an awards policy which would implement a sound program.

Here in Section IV, the awards policy will be governed as follows:

1. Recognize the first and second place team with an appropriate plaque in each classification of competition. If less than 6 teams qualify, then no second place plaque will be given.
2. Appropriate medals and/or ribbons will be presented to championship teams and place winners in individual sports activities.
3. All awards will be purchased by the Section IV Treasurer upon advice of any Awards Committee so designated by the Section IV President.
4. The Section IV Council will vote on any changes to be made in the Awards.

Motion to not give runner up awards (plaques & medals) to any 8 team bracket or less. (6/2012)

Motion J. Wilson Second T. James Action Carried

SECTION IV HALL OF FAME

The Section IV Hall of Fame was established in 1971 to honor coaches, athletic contributors and athletes who have been outstanding in their particular field.

An **individual** who has been selected has had an outstanding career in athletics.

A **coach** selected has been an outstanding influence on young people and by example has shown the meaning of the word "sportsmanship."

A person selected as a **contributor** has served athletics by working as a long time athletic supervisor, i.e. sports chairman, site chairman, or has been a person who has always co-operated and tried to foster athletics in the school system.

A person selected may have been associated with sports either by reporting or working in an official capacity, i.e. officiating or assigning officials to school sports programs.

REQUIREMENTS

Athletes - Ten (10) years out of high school to be considered.

Coaches - Must have fifteen (15) years of working within Section IV and 10 of those years being a varsity Coach and/or Association with athletics

Contributors-has served Section IV by working as a long time athletic supervisor, i.e. sports chair, site chair or has been a person who has always co-operated and tried to foster athletics in the school system. A person may have been associated with sports either by reporting or officiating or assigning.

PROCEDURES

A. Applications to be distributed by the Hall of Fame committee at the first Sectional meeting of the school year (September).

Applications also may be obtained by request from either the Hall of Fame committee or Executive Director during the year or on the Section IV Website www.sectionivathletics.com.

B. Return date for applications is **November 1**.

C. The committee shall meet in December to consider applications for the preceding year. The Section President is an ex-officio member of the committee or may appoint another officer to serve in his place.

D. The committee shall organize an induction ceremony to be held in April for the said year. The ceremony shall be organized with the cooperation of the Section President, Administrative Assistant and the Executive Director.

HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

Nancy Bromley	Chair	607-656-4981
Bill Bryant	Executive Board	
Ron Whipple	Delaware League	
Terry Palmer	IAC	
Roger Brown	MAC	
Chris Klumpp	STAC	
Rich Turnbull	STAC	
Bill Dorritie	Tri-Valley League	
Darryl Beers	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)	
Gary Vail	At Large	
Rich Gublin	At Large	
Margaret Tremblay	At Large	
Cheryl Horton	At Large	
Patti Murphy	At Large	
Thomas Corgel	At Large	
Carl Koenig	At Large	
Michele Tidick	At Large	
Mike Andrew	At Large	
Tom Rowe	Media	
Nate Lull	Media	

Hall of Fame inductees are found on the Section IV website.

Hall of Fame Nomination Forms are available on the Section IV Website www.sectionivathletics.com.

SECTION IV COMMITTEES

Any decision rendered by a Section IV Committee will be final.

APPEALS COMMITTEE

Carl Koenig	Hearing Officer	607-244-8432
Chris Durdon	Executive Board	
Bill Dorritie	Executive Board	
Brendan Coyle	Executive Board	
Patti Murphy	Executive Board	
Jeffrey Ferrara	Executive Board	
Bill Bryant	Executive Board	
Samantha Little	Executive Board	
Jamie Harter	Executive Board	
Wayne Aman	Executive Board	
Mike Andrew	Executive Board	

The responsibility of this committee is to hear appeals as stated in the appeal procedure and outlined in the NYSPHSAA . handbook under appeals. This committee is acting on behalf of the Section IV Athletic Council.

Procedure for Appeals

1. Schools request an appeal after a Section IV Committee makes a decision pertaining to the written entreaty. Schools must pay \$500.00 to commence the process of an appeal and if they win the decision the money is returned. The school appealing will also be responsible for 1/2 of Section IV legal fees associated with the appeal.
2. Appeal is set up and the Executive Committee is asked to hear the case. The appellant is given an opportunity to present their evidence related to the case, then Section IV is provided the chance to summarize their findings associated with the particular case. Each side is allowed a final summation and the committee deliberates and ascertains a decision which is given to the appellant in a timely matter.
3. A special effort is taken to provide a "fair and impartial" hearing in regards to the due process procedure. The appellant and the Section are entitled to legal representation at the proceedings. Furthermore, if an appeal is denied the appellant is notified what legal recourse they have and the time parameters involved.

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Bill Bryant	Chairperson	607-561-2347(W)	607-592-0220(C)
Janet McWeeney	Treasurer		
Bob VanValkenburgh	Delaware League		
Todd James	IAC		
Mark Triolo	IAC (Alt.)		
Matt Haffle	MAC		
Matt Mastropietro	MAC (Alt.)		
Chris Klumpp	STAC		
Brad Tomm	STAC (Alt.)		
Bill Dorritie	Tri-Valley League		
Chris Saggese	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)		

The Awards Committee will be responsible for reviewing procedures involving the ordering, awarding and distribution of all Section IV Championship awards.

CHAMPIONSHIP PHILOSOPHY COMMITTEE

Eric Race	Chairman
Mike Andrew	Executive Board
Doug Wyant	Delaware League
Cathy Haight	IAC League
Jeff Ferrara	MAC League
Brad Tomm	STAC League
Bill Dorritie	Tri-Valley League

Section IV Championships in all sports are:

1. To recognize and reward individual and team achievements established during the regular season and not meant to allow maximum participation.
2. To qualify the best representative, be it individual or team, for the NYSPHSAA Tournaments.

Section IV will sponsor Championships that represent excellence achieved in each sport. In the interest of equitable competition, minimal loss of academic time, financial impact and logistical concerns including, but not limited to, travel, lodging, meals and facilities for competition, Section IV will sponsor one championship experience in a sport when there are 4 or more schools participating in that sport. Championships will be conducted according to established guidelines. All sports will be recognized by Section IV as either a team sport or an individual sport, or a combination team/individual sport.

Quality vs Quantity

Section IV will sponsor Championships that represent excellence achieved in each sport. The percentage of opportunities for athletes to compete in Section IV Championships should fall within a designated range of (State is 5% to 8%) 50% to 70% for all sports. The percentages will be calculated using the number of athletes participating in the sport and the number of competitors in the championship event. League championships are the venues for participation.

Qualifying for the NYSPHSAA Tournament

Section IV Championships are held to qualify our best athletes to participate in the state Championships

CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Mike Andrew	Chairman
Bill Bryant	Executive Board
Ray Preston	Delaware League
Rick Cammer	Delaware (Alt.)
Cathy Haight	IAC
Todd Salls	IAC (Alt.)
David Kelly	MAC
Jeff Ferrara	MAC (Alt.)
Charles DeTaeye	STAC
Josh Gannon	STAC (Alt.)
Ron Tasiar	Tri-Valley League
Chris Saggese	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)
Steve Weber	At- Large
Dean Veenhoff	At-Large

The Classification Committee will deal with any concerns and/or problems that arise relative to classification. The Classification Policy for Public Schools and the Criteria for Non-Public Schools is located on the Section IV Website, www.sectionivathletics.com

ETHICS COMMITTEE

Patti Murphy	Chairperson	607-221-1536
Bill Bryant	Executive Board	
Rick Cammer	Delaware League	
Jeremey Marks	Delaware League (Alt.)	
Murphee Hayes	IAC	
Todd James	IAC (Alt)	
Josh Quick	MAC	
Matt Mastropietro	MAC (Alt.)	
Dave Hogan	STAC	
Joe Alger	STAC (Alt)	
Bill Dorritie	Tri-Valley League	
Ken Whiteman	Tri-Valley League (Alt)	
Rebecca Gentile	At-Large	

"Be it resolved that if there is a violation of the NYSPHSAA, . and/or Section IV policies, (rules and regulations) the protest must be directed to the Section Executive Director, in writing, before an investigation will be initiated by the Ethics Committee. (Violations will be dealt with on an individual basis.) Sanctions will depend on the severity of the violation."

This committee will set up criteria for ethical practices on the part of all participants in the athletic programs of Section IV. They will also be responsible for the effective use of such practices. They will hear violations and set penalties as warranted.

Rescheduling games due to weather conditions, we are all aware of how difficult the weather can affect contests being played and making up contests. It is imperative that we all follow the rules the leagues have set to make up these games which state that they should be rescheduled at the next open date with league games taking precedent over non-league.

It is the athletic directors' responsibility to uphold the integrity of the schedule by following the rules. League or sectional playoffs should not be taken into consideration.

Athletics is all about education and teachable moments. Dealing with both winning and losing is one of these. Teaching life lessons as well as integrity can be difficult, but can prepare our athletes for the future.

In addition to such powers as may hereafter be conferred, the Ethics Committee of Section IV (or a sub-committee thereof) shall have general authority to hear and adjudicate complaints or grievances of an ethical nature involving any persons or organizations functioning directly or indirectly under the jurisdiction of Section IV.

Any person or organization charged herein (hereinafter sometimes referenced as "respondent") with an ethical violation which is not already dealt with under existing specific policies of Section IV, such as the Misconduct Policy or the Camps and Recreation Programs, shall be entitled to written notice of the specific complaint filed with respect to such respondent and shall be entitled to an opportunity to be heard after reasonable notice in writing of the charge by a sub-committee comprised of the Executive Director and two members of the Ethics Committee, each of whom shall be a voting member. Such sub-committee shall be empowered to determine the validity of the grievance and, in the event it is found to be valid, take appropriate action on behalf of the Section. Such action may involve a full range of sanctions including, but not limited to, suspension from participation in future contests and/or forfeiture of contests already completed.

Any determination made by such sub-committee may be appealed to the Athletic Council, where a sub-committee comprised of the President and any two additional members of the Council that he or she may select will review the matter. Such sub-committee may review the matter strictly on written submissions or may, in its sole discretion, afford the individuals, or attorneys or advisors representing such individuals, an opportunity to orally argue the appellants' position.

The determination of the sub-committee of the Ethics Committee shall be final unless an appeal is taken to the Athletic Council. If such an appeal is taken, then the determination of the sub-committee of the Athletic Council shall be final.

Schools must pay \$500.00 to commence the process of an appeal and if they win the decision the money is returned. The School appealing will also be responsible for ½ of Section IV Legal fees associated with the appeal.

As noted above, the Ethics Committee will also have any authority granted to it under separate and specific resolutions of the Athletic Council including, but not limited to, the Misconduct Policy and Camps and Recreation Programs. Those policies which set forth the rights and procedures pertaining to matters which they address shall be unaffected by any specific rights and procedures set forth above.

EXTENDED ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE

Jeff Paske	Chair
Bill Bryant	Section IV Executive Director
Rick Cammer	Delaware League
Joel Middleton	Delaware League (Alt.)
Cathy Haight	IAC
Todd Salls	IAC (Alt.)
Matt Hafele	MAC
Tim Davis	MAC (Alt.)
Josh Gannon	STAC
Kevin Hores	STAC (Alt.)
Bill Dorritie	Tri-Valley League
Greg Bonczkowski	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)
Eric Race	At-Large

Duration of Competition page 31-32 of the NYSPHSAA Handbook addresses Extended Eligibility. Section IV has established an Extended Eligibility Committee to review all cases of eligibility and render decisions accordingly. Voting membership. Chairperson and League Representatives. However, a member will not vote on cases related to schools or personnel from their respective Leagues. Chairperson only votes if there is a tie.

All members will attend official meetings.

Appeal Procedure page 27-29 of the NYSPHSAA Handbook addresses the procedures to follow regarding an appeal.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Bill Bryant	Chair	607-561-2347(W)	607-592-0220(C)
Janet McWeeney	Treasurer		
Jeff Baier	Delaware League		
Rick Cammer	Delaware League (Alt.)		
Todd James	IAC		
Cindi Ford	IAC (Alt.)		
Terry Raymond	MAC		
Jeff Ferrara	MAC (Alt.)		
Eric Race	STAC		
Dave Hogan	STAC (Alt.)		
Bill Dorritie	Tri-Valley League		
Matt St. Peter	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)		

This committee will meet at least once a year to discuss the financial status of Section IV. The meeting should occur prior to the June Athletic Council meeting.

They will explore avenues for improving the financial conditions of the Section. Their recommendations will be forwarded to the Executive Board.

HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Patti Murphy	Chair
Jim Adair	Delaware League
Cheryl Butler	Delaware League (Alt.)
Rod Weeden	IAC
Mark Triolo	IAC (Alt.)
Tim Davis	MAC
Matt Osborne	MAC (Alt.)
Jeff Paske	STAC
Samantha Little	STAC (Alt.)
Steve West	Tri-Valley League
Ken Whiteman	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)

The Handbook Committee meets, when requested, to review the Section IV handbook and make recommendations to the Section IV Athletic Council.

MERGERS COMMITTEE

Bill Bryant	Chair	607-561-2347(W)	607-592-0220 (C)
Jim Adair	Delaware League		
Bob VanValkenburgh	Delaware League (Alt.)		
Todd Salls	IAC		
Murphee Hayes	IAC (Alt.)		
Matt Hafele	MAC		
Clayton Wilson	MAC (Alt.)		
Ryan Hallenbeck	STAC		
Rebecca Gentile	STAC (Alt.)		
Steve West	Tri-Valley League		
Greg Bonczkowski	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)		

All completed applications must be submitted to Section IV Office after all signatures are secured. Applications will be reviewed for completeness and accuracy. Approval or denial will come from the Committee Chair. Action taken will be presented to the Athletic Council for information only. The Section IV Executive Director will notify the NYSPHSAA, Executive Director.

All applications are good for one (1) year only.

Mergers must be in conformity with the rules and regulations as set down by the NYSPHSAA Combining of Teams (pg.30)

Applications are due in accordance with the timelines established:

Football	January 30
Fall Sports	August 28, 2023
Winter Sports	November 20, 2023
Spring Sports	March 18, 2024

"Under extenuating circumstances, a waiver for the deadline date may be requested by the schools involved. A waiver will be granted ONLY for unforeseen situations and emergencies. The request will be voted by members of the Section IV Merger Committee. Merger Application can be found on the Section IV Website, www.sectionivathletics.com

MIXED COMPETITION COMMITTEE

Dave Garbarino	Chairperson
Ray Preston	Delaware League
Rick Cammer	Delaware League (Alt.)
Murphee Hayes	IAC
Caitlin Wasielewski	IAC (Alt.)
Ann Messenger	MAC
Matt Hafele	MAC (Alt.)
Jeremiah Johnson	STAC
Charles Detaeye	STAC (Alt.)
Chris Smith	Tri-Valley League
Mike Ianelli	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)

Section IV follows the guidelines set by the Commissioner of Education and adheres to the NYSPHSAA Mixed Competition Rules and Regulations found page 36-40 in the NYSPHSAA Handbook. Section IV Mixed Competition policy and forms can be found on the Section IV Website, www.sectionivathletics.com

MODIFIED COMMITTEE

Joe Alger	Chair - Boys
Rebecca Gentile	Chair - Girls
Jim Adair	Delaware League
Tim Davis	MAC
Matt Hafele	MAC (Alt.)
Murphee Hayes	IAC
Mike Bennett	IAC (Alt.)
Brad Tomm	STAC
Chris Klumpp	STAC (Alt.)

Ken Whiteman	Tri-Valley League
Jen Bolton	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)

The Modified Committee will be responsible for dealing with issues related to modified athletic programs.

OFFICIAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Margo Martin, Director	Groton
Rick Cammer	Delaware League
Todd James	IAC League
Kevin McGoff	STAC
Terry Raymond	MAC
Steve West	TriValley
Gail Dubois	Official Representative
TBA	Official Representative
Carl Koenig	Official Representative
Bill Bryant	Section IV

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Bill Dorritie	Chairman	607-432-2050(S)
Jim Adair	Delaware League	
Cheryl Butler	Delaware League (Alt.)	
Cathy Haight	IAC	
Murphee Hayes	IAC (Alt.)	
Tim Davis	MAC	
Clayton Wilson	MAC (Alt.)	
Chris Sinicki	STAC	
Kevin Hores	STAC (Alt.)	
Tim Smith	Tri-Valley (Alt.)	

The Safety Chairperson will be responsible for setting dates and approving all Mandated Sports Medicine Clinics in meeting the Section IV mandate.

SPORTSMANSHIP COMMITTEE

Patti Murphy	Chairperson	607-221-1536
Dan McGlynn	Delaware League	
Jeremy Marks	Delaware League (Alt.)	
Holy Carling	IAC	
Todd Kwiatowski	IAC (Alt.)	
Matt Mastropietro	MAC	
Jim Karl	MAC (Alt.)	
Joe Alger	STAC	
Teresa McKinney	STAC (Alt.)	
Chris Smith	Tri-Valley League	
Darryl Beers	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)	
Rebecca Gentile	At-Large	
TBA	Officials Liason	

The Sportsmanship committee will be responsible for the promotion or educational awareness that supports appropriate behavior and positive sportsmanship initiatives.

Schools must pay \$500.00 to commence the process of an appeal and if they win the decision the money is returned. The School appealing will also be responsible for ½ of Section IV Legal fees associated with the appeal. Decisions by the Sportsmanship Committee for all appeals of Misconduct Ejections will be final.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMMITTEE

Finance:

Kevin McGoff	Chairperson 607-427-2700
Jeff Baier	Delaware League
Mark Triolo	IAC
Jeff Ferrara	MAC
Eric Race	STAC
Steve West	Tri-Valley League

Handbook:

Patti Murphy	Chairperson 607-221-1536
Jim Adair	Delaware League
Scott Wandell	IAC
Matt Mastropietro	MAC
Teresa McKinney	STAC
Ken Whiteman	Tri-Valley League

Athletic Participation:

Terry Raymond	Chairperson 607-222-7551
Dan McGlynn	Delaware League
TBA	IAC
Josh Quick	MAC
Jeff Paske	STAC
Ken Whiteman	Tri-Valley League

STUDENT ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Patti Murphy	Co-Chairperson 607-221-1536
Todd James	Co-Chairperson
Murphee Hayes	Co-Chairperson
Tracy Reither	Delaware League
Burt Reed	Delaware League (Alt.)
Mike Bennett	IAC
Murphee Hayes	IAC (Alt.)
Jeff Ferrara	MAC
Matt Hafele	MAC (Alt.)
Samantha Little	STAC
Dave Hogan	STAC (Alt.)
Chris Kaltenbach	Tri-Valley League
TJ Hoose	Tri-Valley League (Alt.)

Our goal is to promote safety, sportsmanship, leadership and positive relationships with coaches, administrators and student athletes and to give the student athlete a voice in Section IV. Throughout the school year, we will work with student athletes to develop their leadership skills and organize a conference for student athletes, coaches and administrators presenting topics relevant to high school student athletes to develop ways to maintain a positive athletic experience

SUPERINTENDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Eric Knolles	Chairperson
TBA	Delaware League
Michael Gill	IAC League
Michael McDonald	MAC League
Hillary Austin	STAC League
TheriJo Snyder	Tri-Valley League

The charge of the Section IV Superintendents ADVISORY Committee is to review all Section IV Meeting Agenda's and Proposals and overall Section IV Policies and Procedures, and to make recommendations from a Superintendent's perspective to be presented at each League meeting, Section IV Executive Board meeting and Section IV Athletic Council meeting.

TRANSFER COMMITTEE

Jeremiah Johnson	Chairperson	607-762-8147
Bill Bryant	Executive Board	
Bob VanValkenburgh	Delaware League	
Rick Cammer	Delaware (Alternate)	
Cathy Haight	IAC	
Will Cook	IAC (Alternate)	
Dave Kelly	MAC	
Jeff Ferrara	MAC (Alternate)	
Zach Lloyd	STAC	
David Hogan	STAC (Alternate)	
Bill Dorritte	Tri-Valley	
Greg Bonzcowski	Tri-Valley (Alternate)	
Eric Race	At-Large	

The Committee will hear appeals regarding protests against Transfers when properly submitted in writing.
We adhere to NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule found in the NYSPHSAA Handbook page 48-50, Eligibility Standard #31.
The Transfer Procedure/Form can be found on Section IV Website www.sectionivathletics.com.
In case of questions you may consult the Transfer Chairperson or the Section IV Executive Director.

Because Section IV believes that the purpose of interscholastic athletics is to help promote sportsmanship and also believes that coaches, athletes and officials should be setting examples by their behavior, it is recommended that the following policy be implemented:

MISCONDUCT POLICY

Any coaches or players should refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct. Any specific act of misconduct of the kind described herein by any coach or player from the modified level through the varsity level in any sport shall result in action by the Section as set forth below.

COACHES AND PLAYERS:

Any school whose coach or player is ejected from an interscholastic competition for having used profanity, engaged in unsportsmanlike conduct, or who physically assaults an official shall be sanctioned for such conduct on the part of such coach or player in the following manner:

Disqualification for Use of Profanity or Unsportsmanlike Conduct

A. COACH:

1. Any coach excluded by a certified official from an interschool competition for unsportsmanlike conduct, including taunting, is ineligible to coach any interschool competition in that sport until after the next previously scheduled contest at the same level (e.g. junior varsity, varsity, etc.) has been completed. In individual sports a multi-day contest is considered to be a contest. Disqualification from one season carries over to the next season of participation. The coach may not be present at the game site nor communicate in any manner during the contest with any person present at the site. **NOTE:** "Not being physically present at the site" means the disqualified coach is not to be present in the locker room, on the sidelines, in the stands or site area before, during or after the game/meet. (see Taunting, p. 91, Next Previously Scheduled Contest, p. 90) Any coach that does not serve the penalty for violating the Sportsmanship Standard will be ineligible to participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests. If the coach continues to not serve the penalty, the matter will be referred to the Section for further action. If the coach is involved in the NYSPHSAA play-offs, the matter will be referred to the Executive Director of the NYSPHSAA.

Any coach:

1. Who receives a disqualification penalty in a sport shall not participate in the next regularly scheduled contest;
 2. Who receives a second disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season shall not participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests; and
 3. Who receives a third disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season will not be allowed to participate for the rest of the season. If the disqualification penalty takes place in the last contest of the season (regular season or post schedule play), the Section Athletic Council will assess the penalty carrying over into the next season of participation.
2. A coach who strikes, shoves, kicks or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate another person (e.g. official, another coach, player, fan) shall be expelled immediately and banned from further participation or coaching in all sports for a period of time to be determined by the section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense.

B. PLAYER:

1. Any member of a squad disqualified by a sport official for unsportsmanlike conduct, including taunting, or for a flagrant foul shall not participate in that sport in the next previously scheduled contest with a member school or in NYSPHSAA tournament play. In individual sports a multi-day contest is considered to be a contest. The contest in which the athlete was disqualified must count in the total maximum number of contests permitted. Disqualifications from one season carry over to the next season of participation. (see Taunting, p. 91, Next Previously Scheduled Contest, p. 90)

Any player:

1. Who receives a disqualification penalty in a sport shall not participate in the next regularly scheduled contest;
 2. Who receives a second disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season shall not participate in the next two regularly scheduled contests; and
 3. Who receives a third disqualification penalty in the same sport in the same season will not be allowed to participate for the rest of the season. If the third ejection takes place in the last contest of the season (regular season or post schedule play), the Section Athletic Council will assess the penalty carrying over into the next season of participation.
2. Any member of the squad who strikes, shoves, kicks or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate an official shall be expelled from the game immediately and banned from further participation in all sports for a period of time to be determined by the section not to exceed one year from the date of the offense. **NOTE:** Member of the squad includes player, manager, score keepers, timers, and statisticians.

C. **OFFICIAL:**

1. Unprofessional conduct on the part of the official such as, but not limited to, taunting, baiting, use of profanity, shall be reported by a school administrator from the aggrieved school to the section executive director. A request will be made to the appropriate sport officials chapter to investigate the incidence and to report their action to the section in a timely manner

General Rules:

Any player or coach cited for misconduct which occurs before or after the contest is played, and if found guilty, shall subject the school to the same penalties as if the offense occurred during the game. Events occurring away from the site of the contest shall not be handled under this policy, but may be reviewed by the Ethics Committee under its general authority.

Although multiple acts may be cited as evidence of the offense, for purposes of the sanctions set forth above, no more than one offense shall be deemed to have occurred in any one game, except that if a coach or player is ejected from a contest by an official for unsportsmanlike conduct or the use of profanity, any continuation of such unsportsmanlike conduct or profanity following ejection may be cited as an additional offense.

DEFINITIONS

Player - Any student athlete participating in an interscholastic sport at any level from modified to varsity.

If a player has been accepted for an Individualized Education Program prior to the time of the offense, and the hearing panel determines that the offense arose out of the particular condition which rendered the student eligible for an Individualized Education Program, such player shall not be deemed to have committed an offense and neither the student nor the school shall be penalized under these rules.

Coach - Any person serving in the role of coach including, but not limited to, assistant or associate coaches, J.V. coaches, or other persons performing in a role commonly deemed to be that of a coach, regardless of the name or title afforded to such person and regardless of whether they perform at a modified, freshman, junior varsity or varsity level. The fact that a coach is not functioning in an official capacity at the time of the offense shall not exempt a school from the sanctions contained herein.

Participate - Participate shall be defined for purposes of this policy as being present on the school grounds of the school where the contest is being held.

Profanity - Profanity for purposes of this policy shall be defined as the use of language commonly considered to be swear words and/or obscenities including, but not limited to, any words or phrases generally regarded by officials as meriting ejection, regardless of the tone of the utterance or the context in which the language is used. A list of typical words and phrases which is not intended to be all inclusive but is illustrative of profanity has been placed with the Executive Director. Any coach who has any concern or doubt about the words or phrases deemed to constitute profanity should contact the Executive Director for clarification.

Assault - The actual physical contact of an official by a player or coach where such contact occurs with intent.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct - Any misconduct or unprofessional behavior generally deemed to violate accepted norms of sportsmanship for coaches or players which would ordinarily justify ejection from a game or event and/or which in this instance did result in such ejection.

Technical Offense - An incident which might arguably be deemed unsportsmanlike, but which occurs as part of the normal flow of the game or contest (e.g. illegal hold in wrestling, illegal tackle or block in football, running into a catcher), even though it may result in ejection, will not be deemed unsportsmanlike conduct unless it is flagrant and is deemed to have been committed with intent to injure.

Calendar Days - Calendar days as used in this policy for the purpose of calculating certain notice periods shall not include Saturdays, Sundays or State Holidays.

PROCEDURES

Any ejection occurring during the course of a game shall be presumed to be based upon misconduct or assault unless one or more of the officials involved in the game or both athletic directors certify to Section IV that the ejection was not based on such grounds.

Within twenty-four hours of the contest in question it shall be the duty of the official to provide by phone call, fax or email a report of the misconduct. Within two calendar days of the contest in question, it shall be the duty of the athletic director for the school district in which the coach is employed or the player attends to report said incident to the Executive Director of Section IV.

Failure to provide a report by the official within the above stated time frames may render an official ineligible to work post-season games. Failure to report such incident by the athletic director shall not serve as a defense for the school, coach, or player in question. Placing a report in the mail, e-mail or faxing the same by the athletic director to the Executive Director within the two day period shall be timely.

Any other coach, athletic director, building principal or other appropriate school official may report such misconduct or assault of which they

are aware, even if no ejection has occurred, and such reports shall be deemed to have the same force and effect as an ejection by an official.

Although only one signature is needed on the misconduct reporting form, any party submitting such form may at his or her election include the signature of other game officials or school representatives who can attest to the facts evidencing the misconduct.

Where a player or coach is ejected from a game or he or she is reported to the Section as having been guilty of misconduct or assault by a school official, the Section shall forward to the coach or player notification that he or she has been reported as having been guilty of a particular offense. Such determination shall become final unless within two (2) calendar days of receipt of the notification, the player or coach or the school with which they are affiliated forwards by Certified Mail (Return Receipt Requested) to the Executive Director a request for review.

If any player or coach fails to fulfill a sanction imposed under misconduct policy, that player or coach shall be ineligible to participate until such sanction has been fulfilled. Any game in which an ineligible player or coach participates shall be forfeited.

Any school whose player or coach is charged with misconduct or assault, and/or the player or coach themselves, shall be entitled to a review of the charge by the Executive Director of the Section. The Executive Director will review any written materials submitted and, where available, any video or audio tapes of the events in question, and shall determine whether the citation should be sustained or dismissed. The determination of the Executive Director shall become final unless he/she grants further leave to appeal to a three member panel of the Sportsmanship Committee or within two days of receipt of notification of the decision of the Executive Director, the school with which the player or coach is affiliated forwards to the Executive Director by hand delivery or certified mail (return receipt requested) a request for a hearing by a three member panel of the Sportsmanship Committee. Every request for a hearing must be accompanied by a check from the school district in the sum of \$500.00 payable to Section IV, which deposit will be returned in the event the decision of the official is modified or revised. The hearing shall be held as soon as practicable.

In any matter where the Executive Director is required to recuse himself/herself, any member of the Sportsmanship Committee may be designated to fulfill the roll of the Executive Director under this policy. Any such member of the Sportsmanship Committee serving in the place of the Executive Director would be ineligible to serve as one of the three members of the hearing committee should a further appeal in such matter be taken.

Requests for review and/or hearings relating to an official's judgment of the facts will be permitted, but such determinations will only be reversed if the evidence of misjudgment on the part of the official is clear and convincing.

In appointing the members of any such hearing panel, the Chairman or Executive Director shall consider both the availability of committee members and any potential conflicts of interest which might exist relating to the issue, the teams and/or the personalities involved. Where a request for a hearing is made, the hearing panel shall meet within ten days of receipt of the request for such hearing. They shall render a decision within one week of the closure of the record with respect to such hearing.

In the event that the hearing panel reaches a determination which is favorable to the school, coach and/or player, the matter shall be stricken from the record and shall not be treated as an offense.

If the hearing panel determines that the coach or player was guilty of misconduct or assault, then the offense shall remain a part of that person's record and the penalties prescribed herein shall be imposed.

The decision of the hearing panel shall be forwarded in writing to the player or coach and his or her school district, and shall become effective upon receipt by the school district.

Unless otherwise requested by the player or coach, any penalties to which the player or coach might otherwise be subjected shall be stayed pending a determination by the Executive Director or the hearing panel.

In the event that the player or coach does not waive the automatic stay herein, the hearing panel shall determine whether or not the request for a hearing was frivolous or groundless. If the hearing panel determines that it was frivolous or groundless, then the school, player or coach may be subject to such other and additional penalties as the hearing panel deems appropriate including, but not limited to, the forfeiture of games previously played and/or extended bans on participation in games to be played in the future.

Any ejection of a player or coach occurring in a game or contest held outside of Section IV must be reported to the Executive Director of the Section by the athletic director of the school district of the coach or player ejected. Failure to file such report within two days after the team returns to the local area may subject the school to penalties.

Any school which is not a member of Section IV but which participates in a league based in Section IV shall be subject to the same rules and procedures described herein for any offenses occurring in a contest within said league. Any offenses by a player or coach of a school district outside of league competition shall be reported to an appropriate official of the Section wherein said school district is based for such action as that Section deems appropriate.

Notwithstanding any provision set forth herein, the Sportsmanship Committee of Section IV reserves the right to review either on its own initiative, or at the request of a parent, athlete, coach or school, the facts and circumstances involved in any incident and make such decision as the interests of fairness and justice require.

If any coach, athletic director or player needs clarification of any of the rules and policies set forth herein, the Executive Director of the Section will endeavor to respond to such inquiries. However, all inquiries must be set forth in writing.

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Effective 9/1/92

Approved by Athletic Council on 6/24/92 (Revised 6/23/93 and 3/8/95)

Effective 8/15/95

MISCONDUCT POLICY FOR SPECTATORS:

Any spectator (Student, Parent, or other Fan) should refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct. Any specific act of misconduct of the kind described herein by any spectator from the modified level through the varsity level in any sport shall result in action by the member school and supported by the Section IV Athletic Conference as set forth below. These are the minimum standards and any school district has the right to impose further sanctions.

SPECTATORS:

Any spectator (Student, Parent, or other Fan) who is ejected from an interscholastic competition for having used profanity, engaged in unsportsmanlike conduct, or who physically assaults an official shall be sanctioned for such conduct in the following manner:

Disqualification for Use of Profanity or Unsportsmanlike Conduct

A. SPECTATOR:

1. Any spectator excluded by a certified official or a school approved supervisor from an interschool competition for unsportsmanlike conduct, including taunting, is ineligible to attend any contest hosted by a Section IV affiliated school, in that sport until after the next previously scheduled contest at the same level (e.g. junior varsity, varsity, etc.) has been completed. In individual sports a multi-day contest is considered to be a contest. Disqualification from one season carries over to the next season of participation. The spectator may not be present at the game site. NOTE: "Not being physically present at the site" means the disqualified spectator is not to be present on the sidelines, in the stands or site area before, during or after the contest. Any spectator that does not serve the penalty for violating the Sportsmanship Standard will be ineligible to participant in the next two regularly scheduled contests of their affiliated school.

Any SPECTATOR:

- a) Who receives an ejection penalty in a sport shall not attend the next regularly scheduled contest hosted by Section IV and/or their affiliated schools in that sport and at that level;
 - b) Who receives a second ejection penalty in the same sport in the same season shall not attend the next two regularly scheduled contests hosted by Section IV or their affiliated schools in that sport and at that level;
 - c) Who receives a third ejection penalty in the same sport in the same season will not be allowed to attend for the remainder of the season. If the disqualification penalty takes place in the last contest of the season (regular season or post schedule play), Section IV will assess the penalty carrying over into the next season of attendance
2. A spectator who strikes, shoves, kicks or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate another person (e.g. official, another coach, player, fan) shall be expelled immediately and banned from further attendance in all sports for a period of time to be determined by the section IV and their affiliated schools Superintendent not to exceed one year from the date of the offense.

6/15/22

Approved by Athletic Council 6/16/22

CODE OF ETHICS

Interscholastic athletics are an inherent part of the total education program for students in the schools of Section IV. Our athletic programs will be properly organized, administered and conducted to provide opportunities for students to participate in athletic activities which promote growth and development, teach social and recreational skills, and develop leadership qualities. These values are more rapidly attained when the program is founded upon the highest standards and ethical practices.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

Whereas Section IV was formed to allow member schools to cooperate together to promote all forms of athletics for the students of Section IV, it is imperative that each member school pledge to maintain a common bond of ethics so that all operations of the Section adhere to an ethical code for the good of the Section and all Section parties so attached.

RESPONSIBILITY OF MEMBER SCHOOLS

Whereas membership in the Section commits each school to a common cause, it is of utmost importance that every member school supports the regulations of the Section, and if ever in disagreement, moves within the prescribed channels to adjust and revise such procedures as necessary for the betterment of the organization.

Rescheduling games due to weather conditions, we are all aware of how difficult the weather can affect contests being played and making up contests. It is imperative that we all follow the rules the leagues have set to make up these games which state that they should be rescheduled at the next open date with league games taking precedent over non-league. It is the athletic directors' responsibility to uphold the integrity of the schedule by following the rules. League or sectional playoffs should not be taken into consideration.

Athletics is all about education and teachable moments. Dealing with both winning and losing is one of these. Teaching life lessons as well as integrity can be difficult, but can prepare our athletes for the future.

In addition, school personnel should air grievances through the proper Section channels rather than through a group e-mail, social media and news media. Any complaint which a school or any official connected with a school has concerning the Section, any of its' individual members, or parties related to or contracting with the Section should present their particular concern to the Ethics Committee of Section IV for consideration and, if possible, resolution. Purporting to act in one's individual capacity, as opposed to representing a school or district, will not relieve an individual of the obligation to observe this provision of the Code of Ethics.

Any communications regarding such grievances to the Ethics Committee should be confirmed by a written correspondence.

RESPONSIBILITY OF SECTION ADMINISTRATION

Whereas the Constitution of the Section prescribes a method for election of officers, and designates a voting method, it is incumbent upon said officers to pledge their efforts within the framework of the Constitution, to follow the policies and procedures as outlined in the handbooks adopted by the Section, and to carry out their duties to the fullest so that the Section will have the leadership needed to reach the goals of the organization. They must fulfill their professional responsibilities with honesty and integrity, and uphold the honor of the profession in all relations with students, colleagues, coaches, administrators and the general public.

RESPONSIBILITY OF SPORTS COORDINATORS

Whereas the actual involvement in Section activities is apt to fall heavy upon the Sports Coordinators, it is vital that these Coordinators provide opportunities for student participation, obtain competent site personnel, to meet state regulations, constantly be aware of the safety factor in all endeavors, foster training of students and spectators in conduct, game ethics and sportsmanship, and engender respect and the application of all local, Section, state and national rules and policies under which Section activities are conducted. Site personnel, in order to perform their duties, will need the cooperation of fans, players, coaches and administrators. It is the responsibility of site personnel to see that this is carried out properly.

RESPONSIBILITY OF COACHES

Whereas opportunities are available for coaches to provide input towards Section regulations through League Sports Coordinators as well as Section Sports Coordinators, they are obligated to uphold the rules and regulations in the Constitution and the handbook for policies and regulations.

RESPONSIBILITY OF OFFICIALS

Whereas schools have entrusted officials to assist them in the educational development of the youth through athletics, the proper operation of such process requires that officials be independent, impartial and responsible to people they serve. Every member of the officiating profession carries a responsibility to act in a manner becoming a professional person. The conduct of any official influences the attitude of the public towards the profession in general as well as towards the official in particular.

CONCLUSION

Whereas all concerned must work together for the good of the Section, we must remember that an athletic contest is only a game - not a matter of life or death for player, coach, school, official, fan, community, state or nation.

POLICIES

"Be it resolved that if there is a violation of the NYSPHSAA, . and/or Section IV policies, (rules and regulations) the protest must be directed to the Section Executive Director, in writing, before an investigation will be initiated by the Ethics Committee. (Violations will be dealt with on an individual basis.) Sanctions will depend on the severity of the violation."

"Be it resolved that the poster be accepted by all Section IV schools and be displayed in all member schools at all times. It should be in an area where it can be seen by all spectators for spectator sports."

"Be it resolved that the following announcement be approved. It shall be read before each Sectional contest where there are spectators:
Ladies and Gentlemen, we would like to welcome you to a Section IV Interscholastic contest between _____ and _____ high schools.

We should recognize the purpose of athletics is to promote physical, mental, social and emotional well-being of individual players and their fans, and that this is a game between high school students, not professionals. We encourage that everyone in attendance display proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play.

Section IV rules include no alcohol beverages, noise makers, obscene language and throwing of objects.

Anyone not abiding by the rules set forth by the Section may be subject to immediate ejection from the premises.

Your help in following the rules will be greatly appreciated.

If you do your part as a spectator, we are sure that you and the players will have a worthwhile experience.

Thank you for your cooperation.

And now for tonight's/today's starting line-ups..... "

(It is recommended as a first preference that the President of Student Council or President of Honor Society read the announcement from the center of the court/field. Also, as second preference would be the captain or his/her alternate read it. It is further suggested that a representative from participating schools each read one half of it.)

"Be it resolved that the introductions of the players be staggered. Player A-1 go to the center of court/field. Player B-1 go to the center of court/field. They shake hands and each go to foul line or forty yard line, etc. Continue until all starters are introduced. Then the rest of the team members join their starters on the court/field. The Coaches then are introduced and shake hands on the sidelines."

"Be it resolved that spectator bus(es) must have supervisor(s). Supervisor(s), upon arrival, identifies himself(s)/herself(s) to host site chairperson to assist where needed and when asked to at that site. (Only at the request of the site chairperson as needed.) (Pins and/or arm bands will be made available to each school to identify the host chairperson.) Schools must call the site chairperson to inform him/her if they are sending a spectator bus(es) and who the supervisor(s) will be. They must call as soon as they have been made aware of where and when they are playing."

Sectional Entry Policy

SEP#1 "Be it resolved that Section IV Entry Policy for Sectional Tournaments (State Qualifying Tournaments) shall be 40% win percentage for overall schedule or 50% win percentage for class schedule. Should only one school qualify in any class, the 2nd seeded team would have the option to play in the Sectional Final." (6/2012); (6/2020)

Sports this policy effects: Fall – Soccer (B/G), Field Hockey & Girls Volleyball
 Winter – Basketball (B/G)
 Spring – Baseball, Softball and Lacrosse (B/G)

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The Post Contest Handshake Policy

Section Four endorses and encourages the concept of shaking hands at the end of an athletic event. Many sports have a long tradition of shaking hands with the opponent after the completion of their contests. It is the opinion of the member schools of Section Four that this tradition is a valuable opportunity to convey to our student athletes the importance of sportsmanship. It is an opportunity to show respect for the competitive nature of these contests and the quality of execution, training and intensity required of both teams. Two teams shaking hands after a contest provides closure to an emotional interaction and encourages pride in the efforts necessary for participation in athletics. The positive aspects of this tradition far out way the possible negatives. It is up to the administration and coaches, of those schools involved, to instill the values of good sportsmanship and respect in our student athletes. Should unsportsmanlike behavior occur during the handshake after a contest, the offending school's administration, and/or Section Four, would address this behavior. (3-8-2015)

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Sectionivathletics.com