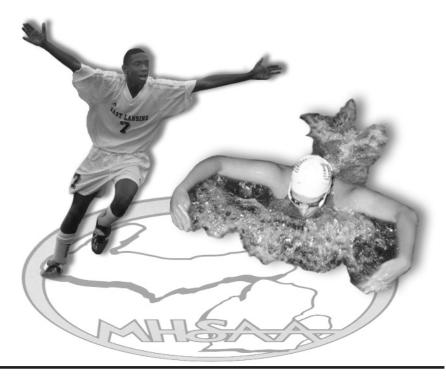


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Two of the upcoming MHSAA Finals set to take place are the Boys Soccer Finals in Grand Rapids and Troy, Nov. 6, and the Lower Peninsula Girls Swimming & Diving Finals at Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, Nov. 19-20. *Photos by 20/20 Photographic*.

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#### SPREAD THE WORD:

#### EFFECTIVE THIS FALL "NO TEST, NO COACHING"

# NEW BASIC REQUIREMENT FOR MHSAA TOURNAMENT COACHING ELIGIBILITY

If you are a high school head coach reading this article, you are most probably a head coach who attends the annual rules meeting in your sport. If for some reason you are unable to attend the yearly meeting, you are probably one who takes the coaches examination and returns the test on time, with a passing grade of at least 70 percent.

There are, however, some coaches every fall, winter and spring who do not attend a rules meeting and after numerous notices, do not return a coaches exam, or do not return the coaches exam with a passing grade (70 percent).

The Representative Council, in March 2004, determined that this basic requirement of a head coach to take, pass and return on a timely basis a rules exam if they are not present for the annual rules meeting should have a means of enforcement or penalty. The Council stipulated that beginning with the fall of 2004, coaches who do not return the test with a passing grade after two mailings will not be allowed to coach in the MHSAA tournament that season. The **team** can participate unless the school has had no representation at rules meetings for two years, but the regular season coach – who for any reason missed this basic test requirement – will not be allowed to be present at the tournament site when his or her team is participating. In addition to the coach being barred from the contest, **a school administrator must be present to supervise competitors**.

Failing to fulfill the meeting attendance requirement – followed by failing to submit a passing test after two mailings sent in duplicate to coaches, athletic directors and principals – will result in at least a substitute coach being present at tournament time. It is a minimal and basic requirement that must be met by the men and women who are so valuable and visible in the wider picture of educational athletics

As the rules meeting schedule runs its course, the MHSAA will be listing on mhsaa.net the schools, by sport, whose coaches have yet to return their exam with a passing grade. It is hoped that the "Current Ineligible Coaches List" will alert coaches or other concerned parties and remind them of this basic requirement that must be met to allow them to be present at MHSAA tournaments where their team is participating.

The MHSAA is hopeful that 100 percent compliance can be achieved and will communicate this new requirement in many varied forms until the weeks prior to the tournament. Please assist by spreading the word to all those who may miss one of the many messages: Effective immediately, head coaches must attend the rules meeting or submit a passing exam on time to be eligible to coach in this years MHSAA Tournaments. ■

Not all the facts presented to the Executive Committee and Representative Council as part of requests to waive eligibility regulations are included in the reports of those meetings, either because of the volume of material reviewed or the confidentiality requested by schools for their students, parents or faculty.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

East Lansing, September 27, 2004

#### **Members Present:**

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan Keith Eldred, Williamston William Newkirk, Meridian Dan Flynn, Escanaba Karen Leinaar, Benzonia

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility - The Executive Committee reviewed its authority under Article VII of the MHSAA Constitution and specifically its responsibility to consider each application for waiver of an eligibility requirement on its individual merits, determining if the regulation serves the purpose for which it was intended in each case or if the regulation works an undue hardship on any student who is the subject of a request for waiver. (These underlying criteria may not be restated for every subject of these minutes.)

The Executive Committee was reminded that it was the responsibility of each member school involved to provide sufficient factual information about the specific request for the Executive Committee to reach a decision without further investigation. If information is incomplete, contradictory or otherwise unclear or has been received too late to be studied completely, the Executive Committee may deny the request for waiver or delay action. Such requests may be resubmitted to the Executive Committee with additional information at a subsequent meeting or appealed to the full Representative Council.

It is possible that some of the information presented as facts to the Executive Committee by school personnel and others may be inaccurate. However, to avoid constant repetition in these minutes of phrases such as "it was alleged" or "it was reported," no attempt is made in the introduction of each waiver request to distinguish between truth, allegation, hearsay, opinion, summary or conclusion.

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Tom Rashid Jack Roberts (Recorder) Kathy Vruggink Westdorp

A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the academic environment. The Executive Committee was cautioned to avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority.

Students for whom waiver of a particular regulation is granted must be eligible in all respects under all other sections and interpretations of the regulations prior to their participation. Adoption of these regulations is a choice schools make locally when they consider their option of MHSAA membership. Consistent with rulings of the Attorney General and Michigan Supreme Court, schools are not bound by the decisions of the Executive Committee, but the association may limit participation in the post-season tournaments it sponsors to those schools which choose to apply rules and penalties as promulgated by the MHSAA and adopted by each member school's board of education. The MHSAA exercises no independent authority over schools or students.

Flat Rock and Wyandotte-Mt. Carmel High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - An application and a request for an extension of the Aug. 15 deadline were submitted for the addition of wrestling to the cooperative agreement that has existed in ice hockey between these two schools since 1996. Only

Flat Rock had sponsored the sport previously and would be the primary school. The combined enrollment of 563 would continue placement in the Division 3 tournament. Support from the Huron League was received.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver until not later than Oct. 15, 2004.

Kinross-Maplewood Baptist Academy and Pickford High School (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved the addition of wrestling to a cooperative agreement which has existed between these two schools in football since 2003. Maplewood Baptist Academy has sponsored wrestling in the past and will be the primary school. Pickford has not sponsored wrestling previously. The combined enrollment will be 145 and will continue classification in the Division 4 tournament.

Onekama, Bear Lake and Brethren High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) -A request to extend the deadline for a cooperative program application in boys and girls alpine skiing was made on behalf of these three schools whose combined enrollment of 529 would continue the placement of a former cooperative team from Onekama, Bear Lake and Frankfort in the Class B-C-D tournament. On Sept 8, 2004, the Executive Committee approved the request from Frankfort to form a new cooperative program with Benzonia-Benzie Central. Due to low enrollment and participation numbers, Onekama and Bear Lake were encouraged to seek other schools to enter into their agreement in order to continue their ski programs. The matter has been scheduled for board of education meetings. Requests of support have been received from Lake Michigan Ski Conference members.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver of the application deadline until not later than Oct. 15, 2004.

Ann Arbor-Pioneer High School (Regulation I, Section 7) - A request to waive the previous semester record regulation was presented a third time for an 11th-grade student who suffers from chronic migraine headaches. On Sept. 29, 2003, the Executive Committee granted the student a waiver of the previous semester record regulation for the first semester of the 2003-04

school year. The committee denied a similar request at its Aug. 20, 2004 meeting for the first semester of the 2004-05 school year.

The student was hospitalized for 17 days in the second semester of 2003-04 and received four incompletes and two failures. The school has submitted an amended transcript with "withdrawals" for all six classes taken in the second semester of 2003-04, and the athletic department resubmitted the request for waiver.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver. Withdrawals after the fourth Friday of February do not negate the semester of enrollment and the fact that the previous semester record is based on that semester

Redford-Thurston High School (Regulation I, Sections 7 & 9) - A request was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student to waive both the previous semester record and transfer sections of the eligibility regulation. The student has ADHD and bipolar disorder. The student transferred without a change of residence from Thurston and attended Flat Rock High School from March 23 to April 26, 2004. He then "reenrolled" at Thurston, but did not actually attend school there until the fall of the 2004-05 school year.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Vicksburg High School (Regulation I, Section 7) - A request to waive the previous semester record regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Otsego High School for the first semester of the 2003-04 school year. The student's psychologist recommended home schooling with a reduced schedule of two classes for the second semester of 2003-04 and then a change to a new school. The student did not complete the two courses. The student has relocated to Vicksburg with his father.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Ann Arbor-Pioneer High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who enrolled at Ann Arbor-Huron High School until Sept. 14, 2004, and played in three games before it was realized that the request to attend Pioneer High School had been granted. Pioneer High School is where most of the student's previ-

ous classmates and both older sisters have attended high school.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Armada High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11thgrade student who was home schooled for the second semester of his 10th-grade year (2003-04) due to family and personal difficulties. The student is returning to the school of his residence where he began the 9th grade in 2002-03. Other siblings are enrolled in the Armada Schools. On Sept. 8, 2004, the Executive Committee denied the request, noting that home schools should be treated the same as any other nonpublic school, as well as the absence of any documentation of compelling reasons that would necessitate a change in schools. The school asked for reconsideration, submitting confidential information from the parent, a counselor and others.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver provided the student's previous semester record is complete and adequate.

Baldwin High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who had formerly attended Baldwin schools and whose parents lost their jobs in Indiana, were evicted from their home and are now living with another family in Indiana. The student began school in Indiana on Aug. 25, 2004, attending for seven days, and then enrolled at Baldwin on Sept. 7, 2004. The student is residing with an uncle in Baldwin. The student did not play sports previously.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Bloomfield Hills-Academy of the Sacred Heart (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended International Academy in Bloomfield Hills where interscholastic athletics are available to students only through their school of residence. The school does not have a subvarsity basketball team and requested eligibility at the varsity level.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Brownstown-Woodhaven High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Detroit-Michigan Health Academy for the 9th grade and did not participate in athletics while enrolled there.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are actually conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Woodhaven High School.

Cassopolis-Ross Beatty High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who attended Comstock Alternative High School for the 11th grade in 2003-04 where he resided with his mother. The student is enrolled at Cassopolis and residing with his father in the district. The parents never married. An otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was submitted with an Order of Child Support from the Cass County Circuit Court naming the father.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver (one time only).

Detroit-Westside Christian Academy (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who attended Westside Christian since the 8th grade before attending Bishop Borgess High School for 19 school days this fall when it was rumored that Westside Christian would close. The student reenrolled at Westside Christian on Sept. 21, 2004.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

**Detroit-Westside Christian Academy** (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Detroit-Mackenzie High School for the 9th grade and did not participate in athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are actually conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Westside Christian Academy.

Flushing High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended New Lothrop High School for the past two years (2003-2004) while residing with her mother. The student has moved to the Flushing School District to live with her father. The parents never married. An otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was submitted with a paternity document dated May 11, 1995 from the Shiawassee Circuit Court which names the father.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver (one time only).

Gladstone High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) - A request was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student to waive the transfer regulation and the language that a student shall have "actually participated or competed during the previous season" in a cooperative program to exercise the option to transfer with immediate eligibility between schools in a cooperative program. The student was historically a home schooled student who was enrolled shared time in three classes of the first semester and four classes of the second semester of the 2003-04 school year at Escanaba High School, which is in a cooperative ice hockey program with Gladstone. The student could no longer be home schooled because of the mother's ill health. The student resides in the Escanaba district. across the street from the Gladstone district border. At its Sept, 8, 2004 meeting, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver. The school requested reconsideration of this matter, submitting additional information about the mother's illness and a letter from Escanaba High School.

The Executive Committee granted the request for ice hockey only until the first day that classes are actually conducted at Gladstone High School in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year.

Highland Park High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended and played basketball at Detroit-East Catholic High School while residing with her aunt and grandmother as a 9th-grader. The student began 9th grade living with her paternal grandmother and

aunt. During the school year, she resided on a part-time basis with her mother in the Highland Park district. She continued to attend East Catholic through the 2003-04 school year. To begin the 2004-05 school year, the student enrolled at Highland Park and has been residing with her mother and two siblings who also attend Highland Park schools. The student participated in three games for Highland Park this fall (2004), which have been forfeited.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Holt High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Charlotte High School for the 9th grade in 2003-04. The student practiced for two weeks but did not play in any games or scrimmages and did not attend any classes at Charlotte. The mother could no longer care for the student and the father moved to Florida. The student is residing with an uncle in the Holt district. Other details are confidential. The student participated in athletics as a 9th-grader at Charlotte High School.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Hudsonville-Freedom Baptist High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Grand Rapids Baptist High School for the 9th grade and did not participate in athletics while enrolled there.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are actually conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Freedom Baptist High School.

Hudsonville-Freedom Baptist High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only on behalf of a 10th-grade student who was previously home schooled and did not participate in athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are actually

conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Freedom Baptist High School.

Inkster High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Academy of Inkster High School for the 9th grade. The student did not participate in athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are actually conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Inkster High School.

Inkster High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who had practiced for four days with Old Redford High School this August but did not participate in any scrimmages or games. On Sept. 8, 2004, the Executive Committee granted the student eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the first semester of 2004-05. The school's actual request, as stated in its Sept. 4, 2004 letter, was for eligibility without restriction. The student's cousin attends Inkster High School and the student had attended another Edison school in 7th and 8th grades.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Macomb-Dakota High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - This request to waive the transfer regulation was originally made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who was enrolled at Warren-DeLaSalle Collegiate High School in the 9th grade in 2002-03 and who remained there until enrolling at Dakota High School on March 22, 2004. At the April 21, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting, a request to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment at Dakota High School was denied. At the May 1, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting, the same request for eligibility was resubmitted with additional information relating to the student's attendance at De La Salle, including parental concerns over a tire slashing, racial intimidation, physical safety and emotional well being which might satisfy the "other compelling circumstances" portion of Interpretation No.

92. The documentation was not contemporaneous with the alleged incidents, however; and the request for waiver was again denied.

At the Aug. 20, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting, the committee considered a request for immediate eligibility for this student at De La Salle High School to start the 2004-05 school year. The family had indicated it had sold its home in Macomb and was residing in Detroit where the father had taken a leave from his job to assist with the daughter's health care. Previously, the student's sister had been in treatment at St. Jude's Hospital in Tennessee. De La Salle High School was not the closest nonpublic school to the new residence in Detroit, but was the student's original school since starting the 9th grade; and the request for waiver was granted.

However, the family again changed directions, and the Executive Committee considered this matter for a fourth time on Sept. 8.

The student's sister was undergoing treatment in the metro Detroit area and had enrolled at Dakota High School. The student also reenrolled at Dakota. The family's address in Macomb was the same address listed by Dakota High School in March. However, the Executive Committee had been told in an Aug. 4, 2004 letter from De La Salle that "the family has sold their house in Macomb County and moved to Detroit." Therefore, a full and complete residential change had not occurred and the Executive Committee's action of Aug. 20, 2004 was based on information that was inaccurate. In light of that information and residential status, MHSAA staff notified both De La Salle and Dakota High Schools that the student was not eligible at any school until at least the Sept. 8, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting.

At that meeting, the Executive Committee noted that the student has been ineligible for the first semester of the 2004-05 school year at Dakota High School since his enrollment there on March 22, 2004. Waiver was twice considered and denied by the Executive Committee last spring. The student has not attended classes elsewhere. Nothing he or the family did changed his status of ineligibility at Dakota High School. Therefore, at the Sept. 8 Executive Committee Meeting,

the fourth request for waiver of the transfer rule (third time to Dakota High School) was denied.

Since the Sept. 8 Executive Committee decision, media reports have included a student from another high school of the same school district who has been charged with threatening an act of terrorism, concealing stolen firearms, larceny and computer crimes. The student charged in these crimes attended De La Salle High School during some of the same time as the student who is the subject of this appeal and who reported that the racial intimidation alleged earlier involved the student charged with these crimes. This resulted in another request to waive the transfer regulation.

The Executive Committee noted that this student had remained at De La Salle Collegiate High School for more than three semesters after the student of concern had left De La Salle, and that he also had sought to return to De La Salle just prior to this current school year, undermining the allegation that the school had an environment that was threatening to him. The student remains ineligible for the same full semester at Dakota High School, based on the original change of schools in March of 2004. The request for waiver was denied.

Mancelona High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Suttons Bay in the 8th grade and Traverse City West Junior High as a 9th-grader in 2003-04 and lived with his mother. The student now lives with his father and is attending Mancelona High School for the 2004-05 school year. The parents never married, but an otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was submitted along with a birth certificate indicating both parents.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver (one time only).

Mendon High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 18 year old exchange student from Taiwan who was placed by International Student Exchange with a host family located in the Centreville Public Schools district which is not accepting foreign exchange students because of overcrowding in the high school. The host family

is a single woman who owns a business in Mendon.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Mendon High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a foreign exchange student from a CSIET-approved program whose host family resides in the Vicksburg School District. The mother of the host family has two children who have graduated from Mendon and two children in grades 9 and 12. Vicksburg has given permission to International Student Exchange to place the student in Mendon.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver. The Executive Committee also directed staff to serve notice to all involved that no students placed by this local representative of ISE will be granted waiver in 2005-06.

Middleville-Thornapple Kellogg High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Caledonia High School for the 9th grade in 2003-04 where he did not participate in athletics.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are actually conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Thornapple Kellogg High School.

Onaway High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Onaway High School for the 9th grade before moving with her family to Wisconsin due to her father's employment. The student had a difficult time adjusting to her new school in the 2003-04 school year. The student and her mother returned to their residence in Onaway, and she reenrolled at Onaway to begin the 2004-05 school year. The father intends to remain in Wisconsin and commute to Onaway on weekends.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Onekama High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-

grade student who previously attended Onekama for grades 9-11 before enrolling at Benzonia-Benzie Central High School for four days to begin the 2004-05 school year. The student reenrolled at Onekama on Sept. 8, 2004. The student did not participate in athletics while at Benzie Central.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Ottawa Lake-Whiteford High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment on behalf of an 11th-grade learning disabled student who enrolled at Whiteford on March 29, 2004. The student had been attending Temperance-Bedford High School and was experiencing academic and emotional difficulties.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Pentwater High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Hart-Lakeshore Public Academy before enrolling at Pentwater to start the 2004-05 school year. The family is in the process of building a new home in the district, was disenchanted with the public academy, and would have easier transportation to Pentwater.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Ravenna High School (Regulation I, **Section 9) -** A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11thgrade student who was living with his mother in Newaygo until November 2002 when the student's mother left, at which time the student moved in with his father in Ravenna. The student continued to attend Newaygo for his 9th and 10th-grade years in 2002-2004 while living with his father in Ravenna. The student's sister had attended Ravenna High School. The parents never married. An otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was submitted with documentation from the Kent County Circuit Court indicating the father.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver (one time only).

Rochester-Adams High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on

behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Clinton Township-Chippewa Valley High School for the 9th grade in 2003-04, residing with his mother. The student enrolled at Adams High School to begin the 2004-05 school year and is now residing with his father. The parents never married. An otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was submitted along with the birth certificate identifying both parents.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver (one time only).

Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who was enrolled for the 9th and 10th grades at Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy for three classes and at least four classes at Carrolton High School where the student participated in athletics. At the end of the 2003-04 school year, the student enrolled in the full day program at Saginaw Arts & Sciences for greater access to her teachers. The student participated in two games this school year which were won by Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy, which the school forfeited.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Saginaw-Valley Lutheran High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Auburn-Bay City Western High School for his 9th and 10th grades before enrolling at Valley Lutheran on Aug. 25, 2004. The student attended a Lutheran grade school but was unable to attend a Lutheran high school due to finance and transportation problems, which have since been resolved.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

West Bloomfield High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A late request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a student who has been enrolled previously at both Farmington High School and Farmington Hills-Harrison High School. The student changed schools within the Farmington district in an attempt to foster an appropriate educational environment within the district. To begin the 2004-05 school year, the student enrolled at West Bloomfield after the Office of Civil Rights mediated an

agreement between the two districts' superintendents that West Bloomfield would be the better educational setting for this student. The situation was not athletically motivated and was not due to any behavior problems of the student.

The Executive Committee found the information provided to be unclear and tabled this request.

Wyandotte-Roosevelt High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Ypsilanti High School while living with his father. The student enrolled at Roosevelt on Sept. 23, 2004, and now resides with his mother. The parents never married. An otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form was submitted along with a birth certificate identifying both parents.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver (one time only).

Eaton Rapids Middle School and Eaton Rapids-Island City Academy (Regulation III, Section 1) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls and boys basketball, girls and boys soccer and girls and boys track & field between these two schools. Eaton Rapids Middle School will be the primary school.

Grand Ledge-Beagle and Grand Ledge-Hayes Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls and boys cross country, girls and boys track & field and wrestling between these two schools. Beagle Middle School will be the primary school.

**Southfield-Faith Christian Academy** (Regulation III, Section 1[C]) - A request was made to waive the enrollment regulation to permit 6th-grade boys to play on the soccer team for 7th and 8th-graders and for 6th-grade girls to play on the volleyball and track & field teams for 7th and 8th-graders.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for these sports for the 2004-05 school year only.

New Member Schools - Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution adopted by member schools and according to procedures for MHSAA membership approved by the Representative Council March 27, 1997, membership was approved for . . .

- a. Detroit-Old Redford Academy, a public school academy chartered by Central Michigan University, whose grade 9-11 enrollment is 360 students. It is sponsoring football, boys and girls basketball, girls softball, girls volleyball, boys and girls golf, boys and girls track & field and baseball.
- b. Roseville-Conner Creek Academy
  East, a public school academy chartered
  by Ferris State University. It seeks membership at both the junior high/middle
  and senior high school levels. The high
  school has approximately 144 students in
  grades 9-11 and plans to add a 12th grade
  in 2005-06. The school is planning to
  sponsor boys and girls basketball, girls
  softball, boys and girls cross country,
  girls volleyball and boys and girls track
  & field.
- c. Ypsilanti-Calvary Christian Academy High School, a Baptist school under the direction of Calvary Baptist Church. It has been in existence for 28 years and been affiliated with the Michigan Christian School League. The current enrollment is 71 students in grades 9-12. The school sponsors boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball and girls volleyball.

Basketball Finals - The Breslin Students Events Center has implemented a new ticketing system that in most cases will add 95 cents to the cost of each ticket for events at that venue. However, because of the modest cost for MHSAA events (\$6 for Semifinals and \$7 for Finals), the charge is likely to be reduced to 50 cents per ticket for the Semifinals and Finals of the MHSAA Girls and Boys Basketball Tournaments during the 2004-05 school year. This is in addition to the \$2.50 charge per order (regardless of the number of tickets involved) made by mail or telephone (it is not yet determined if this \$2.50 per order charge will apply to Internet orders).

The Executive Committee requested that the MHSAA identify on tickets if possible and in descriptive literature whenever any venue for MHSAA tournaments in any sport assesses special charges for ticketing services, parking, etc., so the net MHSAA ticket price is readily apparent and distinguished from venue or ticketing system surcharges.

Football Playoff Finals Venue - The Executive Committee was updated on options for the MHSAA Football Finals after 2004. It authorized the staff to complete agreements for 2005 and it approved admission ticket policies.

Representative Council - The Executive Committee reviewed Q & As regarding Council qualifications that, if approved by the Council, will be added to the Representative Council Manual.

**Litigation** - The Executive Committee was updated on two legal actions in which the MHSAA has been named a defendant. One

involved the undue influence regulation, and the court has denied a motion to order injunctive relief. The other is unique in that the suit has been filed by a school that was formerly an MHSAA member school which failed to abide by its membership obligations in 2003-04 and has added conditions to its attempt for membership in 2004-05.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 21, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; and Thursday, Dec. 2, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council Meeting is Dec. 3). ■

# REGISTER ALL NON-FACULTY COACHES BEFORE THEY ASSUME RESPONSIBILITIES

The MHSAA Handbook requires that any coach who is not an administrator or a member of the regular teaching staff of the school district must be registered by the school with the MHSAA. The requirement pertains to all nonfaculty coaches, full-time or part-time, paid or volunteer.

The regulation states, "The person responsible for the immediate training or coaching of a secondary athletic team SHOULD be a member of the regular teaching staff of the school. If a nonfaculty member is used, that person must be registered by the school with the MHSAA on a form provided for that purpose BEFORE assuming any coaching duties. A nonfaculty member coach must be at least eighteen (18) years of age and not a current high school student.

"Note: The Representative Council urges that all schools strive for the standard that only qualified faculty members are used as head coaches of interscholastic athletic teams, and all nonfaculty coaches complete the MHSAA's Program for Athletic Coaches' Education (PACE) or equivalent program."

There are two ways to fulfill the registration requirement:

- 1. The easiest way to register nonfaculty varsity head coaches is online at the MHSAA's administrative Web site, **mhsaa.net**, as you provide School Directory information.
- 2. Forms for registering other nonfaculty coaches may be requested from the MHSAA or may be found on pages 108-109 of the MHSAA Handbook for 2004-05. You may copy and enlarge as necessary. The forms one for high school, the other for the junior high/middle school level may also be downloaded from the MHSAA Web site at mhsaa.com and are available on the CD-ROM sent to schools in August. Forms may be submitted throughout the school year as nonfaculty coaches are assigned. Many schools submit forms just prior to each season: fall, winter and spring. ■

### VISIT MHSAA.NET TO MAKE SCHOOL PERSONNEL CHANGES

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

East Lansing, October 21, 2004

#### **Members Present:**

Paul Ellinger, Cheboygan Keith Eldred, Williamston William Newkirk, Meridian Randy Salisbury, Britton Leroy Hackley, Byron Center

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Tom Rashid Jack Roberts (Recorder)

Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility - The Executive Committee reviewed its authority under Article VII of the MHSAA Constitution and specifically its responsibility to consider each application for waiver of an eligibility requirement on its individual merits, determining if the regulation serves the purpose for which it was intended in each case or if the regulation works an undue hardship on any student who is the subject of a request for waiver. (These underlying criteria may not be restated for every subject of these minutes.)

The Executive Committee was reminded that it was the responsibility of each member school involved to provide sufficient factual information about the specific request for the Executive Committee to reach a decision without further investigation. If information is incomplete, contradictory or otherwise unclear or has been received too late to be studied completely, the Executive Committee may deny the request for waiver or delay action. Such requests may be resubmitted to the Executive Committee with additional information at a subsequent meeting or appealed to the full Representative Council.

It is possible that some of the information presented as facts to the Executive Committee by school personnel and others may be inaccurate. However, to avoid constant repetition in these minutes of phrases such as "it was alleged" or "it was reported," no attempt is made in the introduction of each waiver request to distinguish between truth, allegation, hearsay, opinion, summary or conclusion.

A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the academic environment. The Executive

Committee will avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority.

Students for whom waiver of a particular regulation is granted must be eligible in all respects under all other sections and interpretations of the regulations prior to their participation. Adoption of these regulations is a choice schools make locally when they consider their option of MHSAA membership.

Consistent with rulings of the Attorney General and Michigan Supreme Court, schools are not bound by the decisions of the Executive Committee, but the association may limit participation in the post-season tournaments it sponsors to those schools which choose to apply rules and penalties as promulgated by the MHSAA and adopted by each member school's board of education. The MHSAA exercises no independent authority over schools or students.

Birmingham-Seaholm and Beverly Hills-Groves High Schools (Regulation 1, Section 1[F]) - A request was made to extend the Oct. 15 deadline for a cooperative program between these schools of the same district in boys and girls lacrosse. Teams resembling cooperative programs existed between these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Seaholm would be the primary school. The combined enrollment would be 2,469. Support from the Oakland Activities Association was requested.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver until not later than Nov. 19, 2004.

Canton-Salem, Canton and Canton-Plymouth High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys lacrosse for a maximum of three seasons between these three schools. A team resembling a cooperative program existed in lacrosse among these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Canton-Salem will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 6,179. A request to form a cooperative program in excess of the 3,500 student cap was made for lacrosse as a new MHSAA sport and may not exist beyond three years. Support from the members of the Western Lakes Conference was received.

Flat Rock and Wyandotte-Mt. Carmel High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved the addition of wrestling to the cooperative agreement that has existed in ice hockey between these two schools since 1996. Flat Rock has sponsored the sport previously and will be the primary school. The combined enrollment of 563 will continue placement in the Division 3 tournament. Support from the Huron League was received.

Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Central, Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern and Ada-Forest Hills Eastern High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - An application for a cooperative program in boys lacrosse between these three schools of the same district was tabled for lack of conference support. A team resembling a cooperative program existed in lacrosse among these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Forest Hills Central would be the primary school. The combined enrollment would be 2,894.

Hartland and Fenton-Lake Fenton High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls and boys lacrosse between these two schools. A team resembling a cooperative program existed among these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Hartland will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 2,087. Support from the Kensington Valley Conference was received.

Ishpeming and Republic-Michigamme High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - The Executive Committee approved the addition of boys and girls track & field and boys and girls golf (spring tournaments for both sports) to a cooperative agreement which already exists between these two schools in football and boys tennis. The combined

enrollment will be 393, placing the teams in Upper Peninsula Division 2 boys and girls track & field, Division 2 boys golf and Division 2 girls golf. Both schools sponsored track & field previously; only Ishpeming sponsored boys and girls golf previously. Approval from the Mid Peninsula Conference was received.

Lansing-Waverly, Grand Ledge, Lansing-Catholic Central, Olivet and Williamston High Schools (Regulation I, **Section 1[F]) -** The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys lacrosse between these five schools for a maximum of three years. A team resembling a cooperative program existed among these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Waverly High School will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 4,388. A request to form a cooperative program in excess of the 3,500 student cap was made for lacrosse as a new MHSAA sport and may not exist beyond three years. Support from the Capital Area Activities Conference was received.

Lansing-Waverly and Lansing-Catholic Central High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls lacrosse between these two schools. A team resembling a cooperative program existed among these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Waverly High School will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 1,578. Support from the Capital Area Activities Conference was received.

Mattawan, Kalamazoo Christian and Portage Central High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls lacrosse between these three schools. A team resembling a cooperative program existed among these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Mattawan will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 3,016. Support from the Kalamazoo Valley Association was received.

Mattawan, Kalamazoo-Hackett Catholic Central and Richland-Gull Lake High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys lacrosse between these three schools. A team resembling a cooperative program existed among these

schools in the spring of 2003-04. Mattawan will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 2,554. Support from the Kalamazoo Valley Association was received.

Onekama, Bear Lake and Brethren High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) - On Sept 8, 2004, the Executive Committee approved a request from Frankfort to form a new cooperative program with Benzonia-Benzie Central in boys and girls alpine skiing. Due to low enrollment and participation numbers, Onekama and Bear Lake (both formerly in an agreement with Frankfort) were encouraged to seek other schools to enter into an agreement so as to continue their ski programs.

On Sept. 27, 2004, the Executive Committee granted a request to extend the deadline for a cooperative program application in boys and girls alpine skiing until not later than Oct. 15, 2004 for these three schools, whose combined enrollment of 529 would replace the former cooperative team of Onekama, Bear Lake and Frankfort in the Class B-C tournament. Letters of support were received from the Lake Michigan Ski Conference. Approvals from the Boards of Education of Brethren and Onekama were received. A resolution from the Bear Lake Board of Education requested release of Bear Lake from the agreement after one year, concluding with the 2004-05 season, because Bear Lake had indicated an interest in a cooperative program with Manistee High School in 2005-06. The Onekama superintendent has agreed to release Bear Lake from the agreement after the 2004-05 school year if its plans with Manistee are finalized.

In order to facilitate opportunities for alpine skiing at all three schools, the Executive Committee approved the Onekama/Bear Lake/Brethren cooperative agreement in boys and girls alpine skiing, with the understanding that because of the unique circumstances that have occurred and the advance mutual agreement stipulated in the renewal documents, this agreement may be dissolved after the 2004-05 school year.

Pickford and Cedarville High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) -The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program between these schools in baseball to begin in the spring of 2005. Neither school has sponsored the sport previously. The combined enrollment of 406 will place the team in the

Division 3 tournament. Pickford will be the primary school. Support from the Eastern Upper Peninsula Athletic Conference was received. Pickford currently is in a cooperative program with Kinross-Maplewood Baptist Academy in football and wrestling.

Rochester Community Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - A request was made to waive the Oct. 15 deadline for completion of a cooperative agreement for Rochester Hills-Rochester, Rochester-Adams and Rochester Hills-Stoney Creek High Schools in boys and girls lacrosse. A board meeting will occur Nov. 8, 2004. The primary school would be Adams High School. The combined enrollment would be 4,326 and the program will seek approval for up to three years, as permitted for first-time cooperative programs under this Section.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver until not later than Nov. 19, 2004.

Royal Oak-Kimball and Royal Oak-Dondero High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - A request to extend the deadline for submitting an application for a cooperative program in boys lacrosse was received from these schools of the same district which sponsored a team resembling a cooperative program in the spring of 2003-04. The combined enrollment would be 2,097. Kimball would be the primary school. The two schools will combine to form one school in the 2005-06 school year.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver until not later than Nov. 19, 2004.

Shelby Township-Utica Eisenhower, Sterling Heights-Henry Ford II, Sterling Heights-Utica Stevenson and Utica High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - A request was made to extend the Oct. 15 deadline for a cooperative program between these schools of the same district in boys lacrosse for a maximum of three years. A team resembling a cooperative program existed among these schools in the spring of 2003-04. Utica Eisenhower would be the primary school. The combined enrollment of the four schools is 8,830. A request to form a cooperative program in excess of the 3,500 student cap was made for lacrosse as a new MHSAA sport and may not exist beyond three years. Support from the members of the Macomb Area Conference was requested.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver until not later than Nov. 19, 2004.

Waterford Kettering and Waterford Mott High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F]) - The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls lacrosse between these two schools of the same district. Teams resembling cooperative programs existed in lacrosse for three previous years. Waterford Kettering will be the primary school. The combined enrollment will be 3,386. The Oakland Athletic Conference approved the application.

**Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern** High School (Regulation I, Sections 4 & 5) - A request to waive the maximum semesters portions of the eligibility regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who has been diagnosed and treated for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome since the 8th grade, enrolling in the 9th grade to begin the 2000-01 school year. The student passed two of six classes in the first semester of the 9th grade, and three of six (with three classes listed as no credit) in the second semester of the 9th grade (2000-01). The student has passed at least four classes in all semesters since the start of 10th grade. The student's condition necessitates an IEP stating a reduced school day of four or five class hours and the student needs five years to graduate from high

The Executive Committee observed that the modified program provided for this student would have allowed him to participate in eight semesters prior to the 2004-05 school year and that his failure to graduate in eight semesters does not entitle the student to a ninth and tenth semester of eligibility. The request for waiver was denied.

Saginaw-Heritage High School (Regulation I, Section 7) - A request to waive the previous semester record regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who has battled migraine headaches for the past year. In the first semester of the 2003-04 school year, the student passed only three classes, and withdrew from three others classes. The student has no record for classes in the second semester of 2003-04.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver and affirmed that the first semester of the 2003-04 school year counts

toward the total of eight allowed to this student for interscholastic athletics.

Bloomfield Hills-Academy of the Sacred Heart (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the first semester on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended the International Academy in Bloomfield Hills for the 9th grade and did not participate in athletics. At its Sept. 27, 2004 meeting, the Executive Committee denied a request for full eligibility.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Academy of the Sacred Heart.

Coloma High School (Regulation I, **Section 9) -** A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12thgrade student who had attended Benton Harbor High School for at least the 10th grade in 2002-03 and enrolled at Coloma to begin the 2003-04 school year, residing with his grandmother. To begin the 2004-05 school year, the student enrolled again at Coloma until his grandmother was hospitalized, at which time the student returned to his father's residence and attended Benton Harbor for approximately 13 school days from Sept 2-22, 2004, before returning to Coloma High School and the grandmother's residence. The student relied on his grandmother, father and eventually a friend for transportation to school.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Ellsworth High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the first semester on behalf of a 10th-grade student who was home schooled for four classes and enrolled for two classes at Charlevoix-Northwest Academy during the second semester of 9th grade. The student did not participate in athletics at the high school level.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Ellsworth High School.

Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Forest Hills Northern High School in 9th and 10th grades, enrolled at Forest Hills Eastern as an 11th-grader and will be returning to Forest Hills Northern on Nov. 1, 2004. The student participated in a competitive cheer cooperative program between the high schools of this district.

The Executive Committee tabled the request until a supporting letter is received from the administration at Forest Hills Eastern High School, as is required in the regulation, and the student is enrolled at Forest Hills Northern High School.

Grand Rapids-South Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B] & [D]) -A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the 2004-05 school year (or possibly just the first semester) on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended and did not participate in athletics as a 9th-grader at Detroit-Frederick Douglass High School. The student sat in on some classes and received an orientation on Friday, Oct. 1, 2004 (the fourth Friday after Labor Day). The student actually began classes on Monday, Oct. 5. The student is residing with an older brother in Grand Rapids.

The Executive Committee granted the request for eligibility at the subvarsity level only until the student's 91st school day of enrollment at South Christian High School starting Oct. 5, 2004.

Jackson Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the remainder of the first semester of the 2004-05 school year on behalf of two 10th-grade students who had attended Jackson High School for the 9th grade, enrolled at Jackson Christian to begin the 10th grade, and did not participate in any athletic programs as 9th-graders.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Jackson Christian High School.

Jackson-Northwest High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who is in her third year of high school and who had attended Big Rapids Charter Academy in 2003-04 and resided with her parents. Due to an alcoholic and abusive home situation, the student left her parents and moved in with a family friend who resides in the Jackson-Northwest district. The student enrolled at Northwest on Sept. 14, 2004, and has met for three months with a youth counselor.

The Executive Committee tabled the request, citing insufficient documentation.

Lowell High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the first semester of the 2004-05 school year on behalf of a 10th-grade student who since the 9th grade has been attending the Kent Education Center, a non-traditional school consortium of which Lowell High School is a member. The student lived in the Thornapple Kellogg High School district in the 9th grade and did not participate in any sports. The student is now residing with a brother in the Lowell district. Lowell does not count non-traditional students or list a non-traditional program on its Enrollment Declaration Form. The student is not receiving credit for classes from Lowell High School.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Madison Heights-Bishop Foley High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended Clawson High School last year and enrolled at Bishop Foley for the start of the 2004-05 school year. The student's parents are divorced but both live in Clawson. The student has relocated from the residence of his mother to the residence of his father, who filed a motion for a change of custody on Aug. 11, 2004. A hearing is scheduled for Nov. 15, 2004.

The Executive Committee observed that there wasn't a compelling reason provided for the change of school, which was not required by the change of residence. The request for waiver was denied.

North Muskegon High School (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - A late request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment on behalf of a 10th-grade student who will be transferring to North Muskegon High School on Oct. 25, 2004 from Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian, which is in a cooperative agreement with North Muskegon in football. The family had inquired about transferring during the football season, prior to the fourth Friday after Labor Day, and requesting waiver under Section 9(C) (transferring between cooperative agreements) but decided to finish the football season.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver, noting that the student is not yet enrolled at North Muskegon High School, there was no compelling reason provided for the prospective transfer, and that Section 9(D) was intended to apply to situations where students transferred within a few days after the fourth Friday after Labor Day deadline.

Petoskey High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the first semester of the 2004-05 school year on behalf of a 10th-grade student who was enrolled at Charlevoix-Northwest Academy in the 9th grade, did not participate in any sports, and enrolled at Petoskey High School to begin the 2004-05 school year.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are conducted in the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Petoskey High School.

Pontiac-Northern High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility at the subvarsity level only for the first semester of the 2004-05 school year on behalf of a of a 10th-grade student who had been attending a non-traditional school in Rochester Hills, residing with his father who was evicted from his home. The student now resides with his mother, is enrolling at Pontiac Northern to begin the 2004-05 school year, and did not participate in athletics while in the 9th grade. The parents never married.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver at the subvarsity level only

until the first day of classes of the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Northern High School. Furthermore, if the school provides a copy of the student's birth certificate which identifies the mother, as well as a completed Educational Transfer Form to MHSAA staff, the student will be eligible at whatever level he is capable when the documents are acknowledged in writing by the MHSAA.

Portage Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9 and Regulation V, **Section 4[B]) -** An appeal of a decision by staff with regard to a transfer student's eligibility and forfeiture was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Portage Northern for the 9th grade and was enrolled at Portage Central, the school of his residence, to begin the 2004-05 school year in the 10th grade. During the student's 9th-grade year, "situations occurred causing frustration with the administration." By the end of the 2003-04 school year, the student had "worn out his welcome and the principal elected not to allow the student back as a 10th-grader." The assistant superintendent moved this student to Portage Central. The student participated in three JV football games, which the school has forfeited.

Assistant Superintendent Richard Perry and Athletic Director Larry Edlund met with the Executive Committee. The school district maintains that the student should be eligible under Exception 9 of the transfer rule ("A student transfers within a school system for other than athletic or disciplinary purposes as a result of the initiative and order of the board of education . . .") and that specific *Handbook* language does not support the MHSAA application.

The district maintains that although this student was involved in a discipline matter during 9th grade, he did not have his "guest" status revoked at Portage Northern High School in June when students were being transferred for disciplinary reasons. It was after the student was alleged to have made a threatening call to a female student during the summer that this student was moved to Portage Central High School; but the district maintains this was not a matter of school discipline.

MHSAA staff reports that Exception 9 has been applied when students are transferred to protect those individuals from

threatening situations that are not their fault, or to equalize enrollment between schools of a district without making permanent attendance area boundary changes, but in either case has necessitated actual board of education action specific for the student(s) involved. Staff believes a reasonable interpretation is that the transfer in question was for disciplinary reasons.

The Executive Committee found that the documentation provided by the school district was not explicit in authorizing the assistant superintendent to act in place of the school board in these matters, either in general or with respect to this student in particular; and it was entirely missing a definition of "discipline" that would contradict the reasonable conclusions staff has made based on the information provided.

The Executive Committee tabled this matter with the understanding that the school district would provide the following: (1) student code of conduct; (2) administrative guidelines for Board of Education Policy #2112, Item 2; (3) copy of the letter notifying this student's parents of his transfer; (4) a sample of the June 2004 letter sent to parents of students being transferred for disciplinary reasons; and (5) any school and police reports which may be related to this student during 9th grade and the summer of 2004.

Rochester Hills-Lutheran High School Northwest (Regulation I, Section 9[D]) - A request was made to waive the transfer regulation to permit eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Royal Oak-Dondero High School and enrolled at Lutheran Northwest on Oct. 19, 2004. The student preferred a Christian school and was concerned about the future consolidation of the two Royal Oak high schools.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

**Taylor-Truman** High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who started classes there on March 29, 2004. The student previously attended Taylor-Kennedy High School where he did not participate in sports in 9th grade. While this request may qualify for subvarsity eligibility (Section 9[B]), the request was for modification of the 90-day

provision (Section 9[D]) to permit the student to become eligible at the start of winter season sports.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver for eligibility on the 91st school day of enrollment but granted the request for waiver immediately at the subvarsity level only until the first day that classes are held during the second semester of the 2004-05 school year at Truman High School.

West Bloomfield High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was tabled by the Executive Committee on Sept. 27, 2004, on behalf of a 10th-grade student who was enrolled at both Farmington Hills-Harrison and Farmington High Schools for the 9th grade in 2003-04. The student changed schools within the Farmington district in an attempt to foster an appropriate educational environment within the district because of difficulties the brother had encountered. To begin the 2004-05 school year, the student enrolled at West Bloomfield after the Office of Civil Rights mediated an agreement between the two districts' superintendents that West Bloomfield would be the better educational setting for this student. The situation was not athletically motivated and was not due to any behavior problems of the stu-

Information received previously did not clarify the student's enrollment history (corrected above) or the reasons for the transfer; and at its Sept. 27 meeting, the Executive Committee tabled the matter pending more information. The transfer was due to disputes that arose between teachers and the student's older brother at Farmington schools.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

Wyandotte-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student who was attending Patrick Henry Middle School (includes grade 9) to begin the 2004-05 school year. Due to ongoing construction dust, the student developed an asthmatic reaction and was advised by her physician to be placed "on homebound teaching or more" and not return until the construction dust was eliminated. The student enrolled at Mt. Carmel on Oct. 6, 2004.

Noting that the student was advised to be educated at home and only on a temporary basis, and that she may not be attending the closest nonpublic school to her residence, the Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Ypsilanti High School (Regulation I, Section 9) - A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who had practiced with and attended Jackson High School before enrolling at Ypsilanti High School to begin the 2004-05 school year after a death threat was made against the student and his family. A restraining order has been placed against the person who made the threat.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver.

L'Anse and Clinton Township-Chippewa Valley High Schools (Regulation II, Section 11[E]) - A request was made to waive the starting date for two ice hockey teams to play a game one day earlier than allowed (Nov. 15), on Sunday, Nov. 14, 2004. Chippewa Valley High School will be traveling to the Upper Peninsula to play its two allowed preseason scrimmages against surrounding schools and would like to have an official game against L'Anse High School on Sunday.

The Executive Committee denied the request for waiver.

Burt Lake-Northern Michigan Christian Academy (Regulation III, Section 1) - A request was made to waive the enrollment regulation to permit 6th graders to participate with and against 7th and 8th-graders.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for the 2004-05 school year only.

Cooks-Big Bay de Noc High School (Regulation III, Section 1[C]) - A request was made to waive the enrollment regulation to permit 6th-grade boys to participate with and against 7th-graders in basketball.

The Executive Committee granted the request for waiver for the 2004-05 school year only.

Traverse City Christian and Traverse City-Interlochen Pathfinder Junior High Schools (Regulation III, Section 1) - The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls basketball, girls

volleyball, boys and girls track & field and boys and girls cross country between these two member schools. Traverse City Christian had dissolved a previous cooperative agreement with Trinity Lutheran School because Trinity Lutheran's enrollment fell below 15 students and the school's membership could not be renewed. Traverse City Christian will be the primary school.

Battle Creek-Lakeview High School (Regulation V, Section 4[B]) - On Friday, Oct. 1, 2004, Battle Creek-Lakeview reported that it had used an ineligible student in varsity football contests this fall. The 18-year-old student had transferred from Ohio where he was living with his mother and then in foster care. He moved to the residence of his sister in the Lakeview district. An Educational Transfer Form was not completed, and the student participated in five games, which the school has forfeited. It was not until the student changed residences with his sister from Battle Creek to Holland and attempted to enroll and participate at Holland High School that the ineligibility at Lakeview High School was discovered.

On Oct. 5, 2004, the school submitted an appeal to the requirement of forfeiture because the student came to the school with special living circumstances, had never played football before, and played in the fourth quarter of five games, four of which were victories in which the outcome was already decided; and the error was a paperwork mistake for which the remaining players should not be penalized.

Pursuant to its Rules of Procedure, the Executive Committee was under no obligation to consider an appeal of the forfeiture rule, inasmuch as the required request for appeal by the school was made after the deadline. Nevertheless, staff prepared this matter for the Executive Committee and scheduled the school's appearance. Seven adults and two students made presentations to the Executive Committee, after which discussion with Executive Committee members occurred. Substantial documentation was provided and reviewed.

The school cited examples where the transfer regulation has been waived by the Executive Committee for students who have relocated because of difficult domestic situations. The Executive Committee noted, how-

ever, that such requests were always made and granted before participation by the students involved, and such students were always deemed ineligible until waiver was granted. The student in this case was ineligible when he participated, and there is no certainty that he may have been made eligible by Executive Committee waiver had the school made a request before he participated.

The school argued that neither the student nor the team deserved the "death penalties," that the student should be allowed eligibility at Holland High School and the Battle Creek-Lakeview football team should be allowed participation in the MHSAA Football Playoffs.

- The Executive Committee confirmed, however, that the student's period of ineligibility at Holland High School was only for the same number of games in which he had participated while ineligible at Lakeview High School; and that Holland High School had not made a request to reduce even that period of ineligibility. It was noted that this student is in his seventh semester of eligibility and will have no further eligibility after the second semester of the 2004-05 school year, as is the case with all students.
- Similarly, no special penalty is being applied to the team: the school is being asked to do nothing more than the regulation requires and what has been required of other schools. There have been six instances during the first eight weeks of the 2004 football season where a school has forfeited from one to six games for participation by ineligible players, and three of those occurrences have caused a school not to qualify for the District round of the MHSAA Football Playoffs.

It was argued that the school did not violate the intent of the transfer regulation. However, the Executive Committee confirmed that the clear intent of the forfeiture requirement is that even accidental use of ineligible students "shall require that team victories are forfeited to opponents."

It was argued that the penalty is not fair, reasonable or proportionate. The Executive Committee noted, however, that it is the penalty the school agreed in advance to enforce when its board of education approved the MHSAA Membership Resolution.

The Executive Committee acknowledged that it is a frequent and routine matter for a school to discover that a participant in interscholastic athletic contests was ineligible under the adopted MHSAA minimum standards and/or additional local school district rules, and to forfeit those contests to opposing schools and report the action to the MHSAA office. Lakeview High School had done so in 1999.

On 18 occasions since the fall of 1993, schools have appealed to the Executive Committee that the requirement of forfeiture be waived. The fact that forfeitures may affect qualification for postseason tournaments in football contributes to the fact that 11 of the 18 requests for waiver involved varsity football games.

It was noted that 13 of the 18 occasions have involved the transfer regulation, attesting to the frequency of transfers that challenge school administrators. The Executive Committee also took note of the fact that one of the 13 previously appealed transfer cases involved the failure to complete the Educational Transfer Form.

The completion of the Educational Transfer Form is not an insignificant prerequisite to participation for 18-year-old transfer students. The exception for 18 year old students was begun in 1973, and the Educational Transfer Form was modified in 1979 in a cooperative effort involving the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals, which had requested a tighter and more centrally coordinated athletic transfer policy. The Educational Transfer Form is not merely a form, but is a process that includes reviews and signatures by the student's previous school principal and the MHSAA executive director. Approvals are not automatic and sometimes are not provided. Twenty-five 18 year-old-transfer students gained eligibility through this process during the 2003-04 school year.

It was noted that in almost all cases of participation by ineligibles, all parties concerned did not intend to violate rules. The participation is usually the result of ignorance of the rule or oversight and is rarely the result of any party's intent to deceive or attempt to intentionally violate the rule.

The Executive Committee noted that the Representative Council previously has

explored penalty alternatives, but ultimately determined that forfeiture is the most fair and administrable of any policy that has been suggested and studied. The penalty alternatives suggested by the school were not unlike those previously considered.

It was noted that this appeal places the Executive Committee in a nearly impossible situation. On the one hand, if it makes an exception to the specific Handbook requirements, it is cheered by one school community as being reasonable, fair and compassionate, and "doing the right thing for kids." On the other hand, action that favors this school has the consequence of upsetting other schools whose Football Playoff point averages would be adjusted. One school would be eliminated from the Playoffs and many schools would have an adjustment in their assignments to Districts, Regions and even Divisions, and there would be an effect on the determination of opponents and host schools. The Executive Committee is concerned about the kids at these schools too.

Executive Committee members commented that an even more serious consequence would be the loss of confidence of those who have accepted forfeiture in the past, with or without appeal, as a responsibility of MHSAA membership. While individualized assessment of each matter is something to value, inconsistent results would be criticized and subject to challenge. It is an MHSAA stated purpose to "promote uniformity, predictability and competitive equity in the application of eligibility rules for athletic contests." Such is accomplished more by consistent application of transfer and forfeiture rules than by exceptions made after the fact.

To avoid claims of unequal application of the rules, forfeiture has been applied over the years regardless of the ability of the player, the amount of time he/she participated or the outcome of the game. The Executive Committee noted, as has the Michigan Supreme Court, that the membership's interests in uniformity and predictability justify even-handed application of the forfeiture regulation for participation by ineligible students.

The request for waiver was denied.

**New Member Schools** - Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution adopted by member schools and according to procedures for

MHSAA membership approved by the Representative Council March 27, 1997, membership was approved for...

- a. Detroit Academy of Arts and Sciences, a public school academy chartered by Oakland University whose grade 9-12 enrollment is approximately 700 students. It anticipates sponsoring basketball for boys and girls and possibly girls competitive cheer.
- b. Pontiac-Greater Life Academy for the junior high/middle and senior high school levels. This school, which has been in existence for 20 years, is under the direction and sponsorship of the Apostolic Church of Christ. The 9-12 grade enrollment is 87 students. It anticipates sponsorship of boys and girls basketball, girls volleyball, baseball and girls softball.

Girls and Boys Lacrosse Transition Task Force - Because no local leagues have existed for lacrosse in previous years (only a statewide league run by the statewide associations), the staff requested Executive Committee approval of a special transition team currently in place to assist schools in the future formation of local leagues, regular season contest scheduling, and assignment of officials due to the limited number of registered MHSAA officials and assignors in lacrosse. Membership of the transition team would consist of coaches and athletic directors (five to seven) who were active with the previous associations, now forming as coaches associations. The preliminary action of the team would be to create 2004-05 regular season alignments based on geography and strength of program, schedules for some games within these alignments, and open dates for schools to schedule on their own.

The Executive Committee approved this assistance to schools for one year.

**Representative Council -** The Executive Committee reviewed the agenda for the Dec. 3, 2004 Representative Council Meeting in East Lansing.

Next Meetings - The next meetings of the Executive Committee are scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 9 a.m. in East Lansing; and Thursday, Dec. 2, at 8:30 a.m. in East Lansing (Representative Council Meeting is Dec. 3). ■

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#### UPPER PENINSULA ATHLETIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Escanaba, Sept. 17, 2004

#### **Committee Members Present:**

Russ Bailey, Ewen-Trout Creek James Derocher, Negaunee Don Edens, Kingsford Dan Flynn, Escanaba Bruce Horsch, Houghton Paul Polfus, Carney-Nadeau Joe Reddinger, North Dickinson Tom Smith, Escanaba Rick Ledy, St. Ignace (guest)

#### **Staff Member:**

Nate Hampton, Recorder

The Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee met in Escanaba on Friday, Sept. 17, 2004.

Chair Dan Flynn, welcomed the committee members and paid special tribute to retiring member Don Edens of Kingsford. The committee in whole expressed appreciation and best retirement wishes to Mr. Edens who has served the committee, Upper Peninsula schools and Kingsford High School extremely well for so many years. Mr. Edens was asked to attend the January meeting to assist with several committee issues.

Mr. Flynn also welcomed newly elected member Dr. Tom Smith of Escanaba, who will represent Class A/B schools for the remainder of the term vacated by the retiring Don Edens. Also welcomed was Mr. Rick Ledy of St. Ignace, to assist with assignment of tournament officials from the eastern end of the Upper Peninsula.

The committee was given an explanation of meeting materials and reviewed the day's agenda which included the following topics:

## TOURNAMENT MERCHANDISE - UP TOURNAMENTS

MHSAA staff presented to the committee proposals for MHSAA merchandise sales that included a Web-based sales program for UP tournaments that have produced limited share income for hosting schools, the merchandise provider and the MHSAA.

The committee agreed to accept the proposals as presented for at least one year with an evaluation following this period.

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

The committee reviewed the established draw procedure for District 12 and the previously selected Regional sites for this year's tournaments that included:

Region 24 - Class C at Marquette High School

Region 32 - Class D at Michigan Technological University

The committee recommends that these Regions schedule tournaments on either Monday (double header), Tuesday (Finals) or Monday (double header), Wednesday (Final) but not Monday (single game), Tuesday (single game) and Wednesday (Finals).

#### OFFICIALS SELECTION

The committee was provided a list of 57 registered and approved officials. Selected were 42 District officials, 22 Regional officials, and five Quarterfinal officials.

Petoskey Quarterfinal 12C - Joel Peffers.

Quarterfinal 16D will be held at Escanaba or Sault Ste Marie Area. If held in Escanaba - Doug Schupp, Denny Chartier and John Soumis. If held in Sault Ste. Marie - Joseph Baker.

Semifinal official - Doug Schupp. Final official - Denny Chartier.

#### ALTERNATIVES TO RULES MEETING ATTENDANCE FOR OFFICIALS

At its April meeting, the Upper Peninsula committee made a recommendation to the Representative Council to study opportunities for officials to remain tournament eligible if rules meeting attendance is not made. Staff advised the Upper Peninsula committee that further discussion will be made by various standing committees with Representative Council review following.

### BOYS BASKETBALL SITE SELECTION

District 12-Gaylord (draw determined)

District 64-Menominee

District 93-St. Ignace La Salle

District 94-Munising

District 95-Hancock District 96-Norway

District 123-Cedarville

District 124-Cooks Big Bay de Noc

District 125-Carney Nadeau

District 126-Felch North Dickinson

District 127-Watersmeet District 128-Dollar Bay

Region 24-Marquette Region 31-Newberry

Region 32-Michigan Tech University

#### Quarterfinal 12-Cheboygan

Quarterfinal 16- If the Regional 31 winner is from the Upper Peninsula, the game will be played at **Escanaba**. If the Regional 31 winner is from the Lower Peninsula, the game will be played at **Sault Ste. Marie**.

#### CROSS COUNTRY

The 2004 Finals will take place Saturday, October 23, at Stephenson. Order of competition: Girls Div. 3, Boys Div. 3, Girls Div. 2, Boys Div. 2, Girls Div. 1, Boys Div. 1.

#### **GOLF**

Boys and girls Finals on Friday, June 3, 2005.

Div. 1 - Boys and Girls at Negaunee Div. 2 - Boys and Girls at Iron Mountain

Div. 3 - Boys and Girls - TBD

#### **GYMNASTICS**

Rules meeting at Marquette High School on Saturday, Nov. 20, 10 a.m.

#### HOCKEY

Regionals: Feb. 28 - March 5, 2005 Regional selections: Division 1, Marquette; Division 3, Hancock

Quarterfinals: March 8 & 9, 2005, at Sault Ste. Marie

#### SKIING

Final 2005 sites: Class A, Boyne Mountain, Class BCD, Marquette Mountain

#### SWIMMING & DIVING

Feb. 19, 2005 - Host TBD

#### **TENNIS**

Sites for boys, June 2 or 3, 2005, Div. 1 at Marquette

#### TRACK & FIELD

Finals site at Kingsford Regional dates - May 18-21, 2005

#### VOLLEYBALL

Officials Selections - Officials must attend a rules meeting as a minimum requirement. UP Districts and Regionals officials selection is by the UP Athletic Committee.

#### WRESTLING

Finals: Feb. 18-19, 2005, at Menominee

Recommend one session on Friday and two on Saturday. Suggested time schedule:

#### Friday: Session 1

1-2 p.m. - weigh-in 1:15-2:15 p.m. - seeding 3:30-9 p.m. - Rounds 1-3

#### Saturday: Session 2

9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Rounds 4-7

#### Saturday: Session 3

4:30 p.m. - consolation finals 6 p.m. - championship bouts

Number of medals presented in UP Finals shall be four at each weight

UP Committee will select four registered officials by mail to officiate the UP Final.

#### TOURNAMENT CONTINGENCIES

The committee reviewed the Compliance Plan favored by Upper Peninsula schools in 2002 which included that the MHSAA Upper Peninsula golf and swimming and diving tournaments will each be maintained in the same season for boys and girls (golf in the spring; swimming and diving in the winter). Girls tennis will remain in the fall and boys tennis in the spring. The MHSAA will offer Upper Peninsula soccer tournaments for girls in the fall and boys in the spring.

Questions the committee reviewed:

A. Do UP schools still prefer what the Compliance Plan orders?

Committee: No. Soccer is now an issue

B. If not, do we recommend that the compliance plan be amended to treat the UP like the LP with respect to tennis and soccer?

Committee: Yes

Tennis in separate UP tournaments - girls in spring, boys in fall.

Soccer in statewide tournaments boys in fall, girls in spring. C. Is the only way the UP can have separate tournaments in soccer is if they are in the fall for girls and spring for boys?

Committee: No. If UP schools vote for separate tournaments in soccer, they may have them, regardless of the season in which the UP schools compete in soccer.

Associated with this discussion, the UP Athletic Committee will meet with a special committee of UP school superintendents, principals, and athletic directors on Oct. 20, 2004, in Kingsford to further discuss the issues of the Compliance Plan as well as Upper Peninsula concerns and coordination of a combined boys and girls basketball regular season and tournaments.

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Oct. 20 - UP Athletic Directors and special committee to discuss season and tournament contingencies. The meeting will be held at Kingsford.

Oct. 29 - UP Athletic Directors meeting and MHSAA Update Meeting in Marquette.

January 12 - UP Athletic Committee will meet at Escanaba. ■

### **Scholar-Athlete Award Deadline Approaching!**

Please remember that applications for the MHSAA Scholar-Athlete Award, sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance, need to reach the MHSAA office by 4 p.m. EST on Dec. 3, 2004.

Applications are available **only** via the MHSAA Web site at **mhsaa.com** or on the MHSAA CD-ROM sent to schools in August.

Individual applications for the Scholar-Athlete Award must be completed and turned in to high school athletic directors by Nov. 22, so that they may forward the information to arrive in the MHSAA office by 4 p.m. EST on Dec. 3. Schools are required to submit all applicants in one packet along with the School Applicant List.

Each school is responsible for utilizing a delivery service that ensures that its applications arrive on time. The MHSAA is not responsible for delays caused by a school's choice of delivery service. No applications will be considered which arrive at the MHSAA office after the Dec. 3 deadline of 4 p.m.

#### FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# THE ANSWER TO THE "ARMS RACE" IN HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

A recent edition of *USA Today* described an arms race in high school sports - a contest to outspend our opponents; but this is the very rare exception, not the rule.

Most schools spend wisely; and – forced by the broken promises of politicians, a struggling economy, escalating health insurance costs and untouchable pension expenses – some schools spend too little on extracurricular programs that provide great value to boys and girls with a wide variety of interests and abilities.

Michigan's highly successful football program at Farmington Hills Harrison does not deserve to be lumped in with those schools on the extreme edge. As noted in the article, its football budget is very modest; the facilities improvements referenced in the article are for several schools district-wide, and reflect work being done to benefit all students – not just football players. It is becoming more and more common for taxpayers to make the capital investment in artificial playing surfaces for practice and competition because it maximizes the quality and quantity of the participation opportunity for a variety

of sports teams, as well as marching bands and other school and community groups.

But for that very small minority of schools with cockeyed perspective and crazy priorities, here's the antidote:

- USA Today should cease its contribution to the problem and discontinue all national high school rankings of teams and individual players. At best, these rankings are faulty; and at worst they feed the frenzy the paper describes in its Oct. 6, 2004 edition.
- All schools, through their local leagues and statewide associations, should agree to ban national events, long-distance travel and live television of regular-season events. All of these policies exist in Michigan, and they work!

It was less than two months earlier that *USA Today* wrote about the growth of participation fees for extracurricular activities and the threat they impose on our programs. That is a more typical and critical problem that high school programs face − a lack of funding. ■

# Finals Program Information Forms Available Only on CD-ROM or On-Line

The MHSAA would like to emphasize that schools advancing past the Regional levels of tournaments will no longer be provided hard copy of the program information forms for the souvenir programs at MHSAA Finals in select sports. The forms are available on the CD-ROM schools received in August, and on the specific sport pages of the MHSAA Web site – mhsaa.com

Each school which advances past the Regional round of the MHSAA tournaments listed below is required to submit the Finals program information and a team photograph in a timely manner so that your school may be properly recognized in the souvenir program for that sport in the event it reaches the Final round. The fall sports and the deadline for submitting that information by e-mail are as follows: Boys Soccer-Monday, Nov. 1; Football-Tuesday, Nov. 16; Girls Basketball-Friday, Nov. 26

Contact Rob Kaminski at the MHSAA with questions: 517-332-5046

# Latest Survey Shows More Schools Utilizing Participation Fees

The number of schools implementing participation fees for extracurricular athletic programs increased, but the level of the fees remained relatively stable for the 2004-05 school year, according to a survey conducted this Fall by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

In a voluntary online survey conducted during September, 551 member senior high schools and 346 member junior high/middle schools participated. Of those participating schools, 34.5 percent indicated that participation fees were being used at the high school level; and 32.7 percent indicated that fees were in place at the junior high middle school level. This is an increase in both categories, with 22.6 percent of senior high schools and 25 percent of junior high/middle schools responding to last year's survey indicating they were assessing fees.

While the number of schools with fee programs was up, the fees being charged were not. The survey again revealed that the most popular structures for participation fee programs at both levels were for students to pay on a per-sport basis; or for a student to pay a one-time fee for the entire school year, regardless of the number of sports. For senior high school students paying on a per-sport basis, \$50 was the most often cited number for the second straight year, and the average per-sport fee was again \$56. For students paying a single fee, the most used standardized fee was \$100 for the second straight year, but the average rose slightly from \$78 last year to \$85 this year. The number of schools structuring their programs on a tiered basis – where a student receives a discounted rate for multi-sport participation – more than tripled from a year ago.

The statistics for junior high/middle schools followed a similar pattern. The most often used per-sport fee number was shared between \$30 and \$50 this year, compared to \$50 last year. The average per-sport fee was \$43 this year, compared to \$38 a year ago. The most often assessed per-student fee was \$50 for the second straight year, and the average fee rose to \$53 from \$50 last year.

The survey also offered the following:

- Of those senior high schools assessing participating fees for athletics, 24.2 percent were
  also charging fees for students participating in other extracurricular activities; up from 23
  percent a year ago. Of those charging fees at the junior high/middle school level, 21.6 percent are also charging for other extra extracurricular activities, up from 5.9 percent in the
  previous survey
- Of those senior high schools assessing fees, 13.4 percent report a drop in participation in athletics. A participation drop was reported by 18.2 percent of junior high/middle schools charging fees.
- Of those senior high schools not assessing fees, 7.9 percent indicate they have had students transfer into their district because fees were not being charged. Last year, that number was 3.9 percent. At the junior high/middle school level 5.8 percent of reporting schools indicate they have received transfer students because of a fully funded extracurricular athletics program, compared to 4.7 percent a year ago.

The complete survey results can be found on the following pages of this *Bulletin*, and on News and Administration pages of the MHSAA Web site. The MHSAA previously conducted participation fee surveys in the Falls of 1993 and 2003, and plans to conduct annual surveys on this topic in future years. Data from this year's survey will be compared against data gathered from the Association's annual participation survey in the Spring to determine the impact of fees on student participation in extracurricular athletics.

# 2004 MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Senior High Results (Final – 10.26.04 – 551 Surveys Returned – 72.5% Response Rate)

Note: For the purposes of this survey, a participation fee is anything more than \$20, regardless of the title your school has given the fee (i.e., Registration Fee, Insurance Fee, Transportation Fee, Trainers Fee, etc.). If a student-athlete's participation on a team is contingent on paying any kind of fee, please provide the details requested below.

#### We are assessing a fee in 2004-05 – 190 (34.5%)

Breakdown by Class – A 73 (38.4%); B 54 (28.4%); C 35 (18.4%); D 28 (14.7%) We <u>ARE NOT</u> assessing a fee in 2004-05 – 361 (65.5%)

#### <u>PART ONE</u> – To be filled out only by schools <u>ASSESSING</u> Participation Fees

- Fees are also being assessed for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities
   45 (24.2%) Yes
   141 (75.8%) No
   We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis
   148 (80.4%) Yes
   36 (19.6%) No
- We are calling our fee: Participation Fee 119 (66.9%); Registration Fee 11 (6.2%); Insurance Fee 8 (4.5%); Transportation Fee 11 (6.2%); Trainers Fee 2 (1.1%); Other 27 (15.2%)
- 4. This is the FIRST time we have EVER had a Participation Fee 25 (13.2%) Yes 164 (86.8%) No
- 5. Our school also had a Participation Fee in the 2003-04 school year 144 (87.8%) Yes 20 (12.2%) No
- 6. We have continuously assessed Participation Fees each year since \_\_\_\_: 2002-03 20; 2001-02 5; 2000-01 8; 1999-00 8; 1998-99 4; 1997-98 4; 1996-97 3; 1995-96 7; 1994-95 16; 1993-94 3; 1992-93 2; 1991-92 5; 1990-91 11; 1987-88 1; 1986-87 1; 1984-85 4; 1983-84 1; 1982-83 2; 1980-81 1; 1977-78 1; 1975-76 1; Pre 1980 1
- 1980-81 1; 1977-78 1; 1975-76 1; Pre 1980 1

  7. Have you seen a drop in participation because of Participation Fees?

  25 (13.4%) Yes

  162 (86.6%) No
- 8. Have students transferred out of your school because of Participation Fees? 5 (2.7%) Yes 183 (97.4 %) No
- 9. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a student-athlete for the school year? 134 (71.3%) Yes 54 (28.7%) No
- 10. Annual maximum fee per student breakdown:
  - a. Low \$10
  - b. High \$500
  - c. Average \$127
  - d. Listing by fee: \$10 1; \$25 7; \$30 -4; \$35 2; \$40 1; \$45 2; \$50 5; \$60 2; \$65 1; \$70 1; \$75 6; \$80 1; \$90 3; \$95 1; \$100 16; \$105 1; \$110 1; \$120 8; \$125 5; \$130 1; \$150 11; \$160 3; \$165 1; \$190 1; \$195 1; \$200 8; \$210 2; \$225 5; \$230 1; \$250 1; \$275 1; \$300 3; \$400 1; \$500 1
- 11. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a family for the school year?
- 76 (40.9%) Yes 110 (59.1%) No

- 12. Annual maximum fee per family breakdown:
  - a. Low \$50
  - b. High \$600
  - c. Average \$238
  - d. Listing by fee: \$50 5; \$75 2; \$100 5; \$120 3; \$125 2; \$140 1; \$150 5; \$160 1; \$165 1; \$175 1; \$180 1; \$190 1; \$200 6; \$225 2; \$240 3; \$250 6; \$260 1; \$270 1; \$300 12; \$345 1; \$350 1; \$380 1; \$400 6; \$425 1; \$500 2; \$600 2
- 13. Our Participation Fee is:
  - a. A standardized one-time fee per student-athlete for the entire year
    b. A standardized fee per team, regardless of how many sports a student-athlete plays
    c. Tiered, based on the number of sports a student-athlete plays
    d. Varies by sport
    e. Other
    31 (16.7%)
- 14. One-time fee per student breakdown:
  - a. Minimum \$10
  - b. Maximum \$275
  - c. Average \$85
  - d. Listing by fee: \$10 1; \$25 5; \$30 4; \$35 2; \$40 1; \$50 4; \$75 4; \$80 2; \$90 1; \$95 1; \$100 9; \$110 1; \$120 2; \$125 5; \$150 5; \$275 1

- 15. Fee per team student breakdown:
  - a. Minimum \$15
  - b. Maximum \$175
  - c. Average \$59
  - d. Listing by fee: \$15 2; \$20 5; \$25 7; \$30 3; \$35 3; \$40 7; \$45 2; \$50 14; \$55 1; \$60 2; \$65 3; \$70 5; \$75 8; \$80 1; \$90 1; \$95 1; \$100 8; \$125 3; \$175 1
- 16. Does your school offer a reduced fee or fee waiver provision based on income criteria? 116 (63.0%) Yes 68 (37.0%) No We estimate that \_\_\_\_\_% of our students will qualify for this waiver:

Less than 1% - 2; 1% - 14; 1-5% - 13; 2% - 3; 3% - 3; 4% - 1; 5% - 19; 5-10% - 5; 7% - 1; 8% - 2; 10% - 17; 15% - 5; 17% - 1; 20% - 5; 20-25% - 2; 20-30% - 1; 23% - 1; 25% - 3; 25-35% - 1; 30% - 1; 40% - 2; 50% - 1; 63% - 1

17. Do student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment? 19 (10.2%) – Yes 169 (89.8%) – No Sports physical free – 3; sports physical at reduced cost – 1; all-sports pass 9; insurance - 1

#### PART TWO - To be filled out only by schools NOT ASSESSING Participation Fees

| Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past                                | 45 (12.6%) - Yes | 311 (87.4%) - No |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| 2. The possibility of fees for 2005-06 is still being considered                      | 95 (26.7%) - Yes | 261 (73.3%) - No |
| 3. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee | 28 (7.9%) - Yes  | 328 (92.1%) – No |

# 2004 MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Junior High/Middle School Results (Final – 10.26.04 – 346 Surveys Returned – 42.1% Response Rate)

Note: For the purposes of this survey, a participation fee is anything more than \$20, regardless of the title your school has given the fee (i.e., Registration Fee, Insurance Fee, Transportation Fee, Trainers Fee, etc.). If a student-athlete's participation on a team is contingent on paying any kind of fee, please provide the details requested below.

# We are assessing a fee in 2004-05 – 113 (32.7%) We <u>ARE NOT</u> assessing a fee in 2004-05 – 233 (67.3%)

#### PART ONE - To be filled out only by schools ASSESSING Participation Fees

| Fees are also being assessed for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities              | 24 (21.6%) - Yes        | 87 (78.4%) - NO        |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 2. We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis                     | 96 (85.0%) - Yes        | 17 (15.0%) - No        |
| 3. We are calling our fee: Participation Fee 68 (63.6%); Registration Fee 6 (5.6%); Insurance | e Fee 2 (1.9%); Transpo | ortation Fee 6 (6.7%); |

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Trainers Fee 1 (0.9%); Other 24 (22.42%)

4. This is the FIRST time we have EVER had a Participation Fee 25 (22.5%) – Yes 86 (77.5%) – No

5. Our school also had a Participation Fee in the 2003-04 school year 75 (85.2%) – Yes 13 (14.8%) – No 6. We have continuously assessed Participation Fees each year since :

2002-03 = 2; 2001-02 = 2; 2000-01 = 1; 1999-00 = 3; 1997-98 = 2; 1996-97 = 1; 1992-93 = 3; 1991-92 = 4; 1990-91 = 3; 1989-90 = 1; 1988-89 = 1; 1983-84 = 1; 1982-83 = 1

7. Have you seen a drop in participation because of Participation Fees? 20 (18.2%) – Yes 90 (81.2%) – No

8. Have students transferred out of your school because of Participation Fees? 3 (2.7%) – Yes 107 (97.3%) – No

9. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a student-athlete for the school year? 71 (66.4%) – Yes 36 (33.7%) – No

- 10. Annual maximum fee per student breakdown:
  - a. Low \$5
  - b. High \$400
  - c. Average \$106
  - d. Listing by fee: \$5 1; \$25 5; \$30 6; \$35 1; \$40 1; \$50 14; \$55 1; \$70 1; \$75 1; \$80 4; \$90 5; \$95 1; \$100 7; \$120 1; \$125 1; \$150 8; \$210 1; \$250 1; \$400 1
- 11. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a family for the school year? 45 (41.7%) Yes 63 (58.3%) No
- 12. Annual maximum fee per family breakdown:
  - a. Low \$25
  - b. High \$500
  - c. Average \$197
  - d. Listing by fee: \$25 1; \$50 3; \$80 1; \$100 2; \$120 2; \$125 1; \$135 1; \$140 1; \$150 6; \$160 2; \$175 1; \$180 1; \$190 2; \$200 4; \$240 2; \$250 4; \$300 5; \$320 1; \$400 2; \$500 1

- 13. Our Participation Fee is:
  - a. A standardized one-time fee per student-athlete for the entire year
    b. A standardized fee per team, regardless of how many sports a student-athlete plays
    c. Tiered, based on the number of sports a student-athlete plays
    d. Varies by sport
    e. Other
    21 (19.8%)
- 14. One-time fee per student breakdown:
  - a. Minimum \$25
  - b. Maximum \$100
  - c. Average \$53
  - d. Listing by fee: \$25 6; \$30 5; \$35 1; \$40 1; \$50 12; \$70 1; \$75 6; \$80 1; \$95 2; \$100 2
- 15. Fee per team student breakdown:
  - a. Minimum \$10
  - b. Maximum \$100
  - c. Average \$43
  - d. Listing by fee: \$10 1; \$15 2; \$20 5; \$25 6; \$30 7; \$35 2; \$40 2; \$45 1; \$50 7; \$60 2; \$65 3; \$70 1; \$75 3; \$100 4
- 16. Does your school offer a reduced fee or fee waiver provision based on income criteria? 78 (69.0%) Yes 35 (31.0%) No We estimate that \_\_\_% of our students will qualify for this waiver: 1% 12; 1-5% 8; 2% 4; 3% 1; 5% 8; 5-10% 5; 7% 2; 10% 13; 10-15% 1; 15% 1; 16% 1; 17% 1; 18% 1; 20% 4; 23% 1; 25% 1; 30% 2; 35% 1; 40% 2; 48% 1; 63% 1

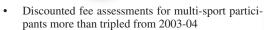
| 17. Do student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment? | 9 (8.0%) - Yes | 104 (92.0%) - No |
|---|----------------|------------------|
| Sports physical free – 1; t-shirt – 1; all-sports pass – 4; insurance - 1             | , ,            | ,                |
|   |                |                  |

#### PART TWO - To be filled out only by schools NOT ASSESSING Participation Fees

| Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past                                | 23 (10.0%) - Yes | 206 (90.0%) - No |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| 2. The possibility of fees for 2005-06 is still being considered                      | 56 (24.5%) - Yes | 173 (75.5%) - No |
| 3. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee | 13 (5.8%) – Yes  | 212 (94.2%) – No |



- 551 MHSAA senior high schools and 346 junior high schools responded to the survey
- Fees being assessed by schools remained constant, with \$50 per sport the most cited figure among high schools



- Drop in participation numbers at schools assessing fees: 13.4 percent for high schools; 18.2 percent for junior high schools
- 7.9 percent of high schools, and 5.8 percent of junior highs report students transferring into their district because no participation fee is assessed



#### **PERSPECTIVE**

# PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCERS NEED TO REFLECT HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS PERSPECTIVE

During the Detroit Pistons run to the NBA title last spring, newspaper articles and television features began to appear about the team's public address announcer and what was becoming his trademark line, "DEE-TRIOT-BASKET-BALL!!!!!!!!"

Now, when a professional or collegiate team is successful, media are looking for different things to report on that are related to the team and the team's entertainment function. The Pistons' public announcer was one of many such stories.

But it also reminded me of another stark perspective difference which must exist between the entertainment and edutainment levels of athletics, and what we're doing in educational athletics.

Unfortunately, the more attention we give to public address announcers and other things outside the lines, the more we lose our focus on the education taking place between the lines. That is what should influence every aspect of our games.

The approach public address announcers must take in educational athletics is one where they're contributing to the event, but never becoming a focal point, never doing anything to evoke a response from the crowd - that's what our student-athletes do.

We don't promote ourselves as an entertainment medium, and public address announcers at our games are there to inform, not to entertain. We are certainly entertained by the actions and achievements of our student-athletes, but education comes before entertainment, and the two are never to be blended, as they often are at some levels of collegiate sports.

Even as we tolerate blaring music over the public address system during timeouts and other breaks in the action at our games, to include music in the pregame player introductions also puts us over the line into the entertainment side of sports.

The educational perspective of school sports is to be demonstrated by teacher-coaches, teacher-officials, school administrators and all parties involved with the staging of our games – even the public address announcer. It's what makes our games unique, and makes their sponsorship by schools worthwhile.



The MHSAA Girls Basketball Finals move to the Breslin Center on the campus of Michigan State University this year, set to take place Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 2-4.

# ADVANCE SALE RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN —



2005 BOYS SEMIFINAL AND FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT GAMES

#### ADVANCE SALE RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN FOR 2005 BOYS SEMIFINAL AND FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT GAMES

#### **NOTICE**

MHSAA ticket prices are \$6 for each Semifinal session (2 games) and \$7 for each Final session (one session has 2 games; two sessions are 1 game each). The Jack Breslin Student Events Center will assess a \$0.50 "ticket system charge" on each ticket, as well as a \$2.50 "processing fee" on all telephone and mail orders (one handling charge for the entire order) to the Breslin Center Ticket Office. Internet orders will be possible, with applicable charges.

### GENERAL PUBLIC SALE OF RESERVED SEAT TICKETS FOR SEMIFINAL AND CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

 The general public sale of reserved seat tickets for the championship Games Saturday, March 19 WILL OPEN ON MARCH 1, 2005, provided tickets are available at the time. All requests for reserved seat tickets other than requests by schools or officials as indicated above, must be sent directly to the Breslin Student Event Center. There will be no sale or distribution of reserved seat tickets to the general public through the MHSAA.

A maximum of six reserved seat combined three-session Finals tickets will be sold to any one individual and the full remittance of \$22.50 per three-session ticket must accompany each request. Tickets WILL NOT be returnable after purchase.

- 2. All Semifinal sessions include two games, and all Semifinal tickets are \$6.50 per session.
- 3. Semifinal and Final ticket requests are to be sent to Bruce Earhart, Ticket Manager, Breslin Student Event Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.
- 4. Requests for reserved seat tickets from the general public received by the Ticket Manager prior to March 1, 2005 will be drawn by lot on that date and filled in the order drawn to the limit of the supply available. Requests for reserved tickets received after March 1 will be filled in the order received to the limit of the available supply.
- 5. On the date of the Final Tournament Championship Games (Saturday, March 19), there will also be a maximum limit of ten reserved seat tickets sold to any one individual for each session in the event reserved seat tickets still are available at that time.

## RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN FOR SCHOOLS WHOSE TEAMS ARE CHAMPIONSHIP FINALISTS

- 1. For the Saturday morning session Championship game in Classes D and C, 4800 reserved seat tickets at \$6.50 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the four finalist schools for that session only. (Class D schools -- 1200 each; Class C schools -- 1200 each.)
- 2. For the Saturday afternoon session Championship Game in Class A, 2400 reserved seat tickets at \$6.50 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the two finalist schools (1200 each) for that session only.
- 3. For the Saturday evening session Championship Game in Class B, 2400 reserved seat tickets at \$6.50 will be set aside for possible purchase enbloc by the two finalist schools (1200 each) for that session only.
- 4. Tickets reserved for competing schools for the Final Games in which their teams are competing may be purchased by making arrangements as follows:
  - All reserved seat tickets desired by finalist team schools, up to their maximum allotment, must be purchased and paid for at one time. There will be no individual sales of such tick-

ets. Tickets will not be returnable after purchase. 1200 reserved seat tickets for finalist schools will be allotted for the session only during which their teams are competing.

Schools may pick up tickets at the ticket office at the Breslin Student Event Center from Bruce Earhart.

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL 2005 TICKET INFORMATION**

Ticket Categories -- Deadline Dates -- Cost

All-Tournament -- Member schools and officials may purchase up to their per-school
maximum or approved official's maximum All-Tournament tickets that will admit the
bearer to all seven sessions of Semifinal and final contests. The All-Tournament ticket
will allow the bearer to have the same concourse reserved armchair seat or upper deck
reserved armchair seat throughout all the tournament games. Officials must be on the
Approved Boys Basketball List.

#### The school classification maximums and officials maximum:

Cost: \$48.50 per All-Tournament ticket (includes \$3.50 ticket system charge).

The per-school maximum and officials maximum

(Class A - 16; Class B - 16; Class C - 12; Class D - 12; Junior High - 2; Approved

Officials - 2. Deadline Date -- Feb. 11, 2005

#### OR

- 2. Combined three-session Finals tickets @ \$22.50 (includes \$1.50 ticket system charge)

  Deadline Date -- Feb. 11, 2005
- 3. **Semifinal game tickets** -- Tickets per session @ \$6.50 (includes \$0.50 ticket system charge) **Deadline Date** -- **Feb. 11, 2005**

Session 1 - Class C @ \$6.50 x (official's maximum or school maximum)

Session 2 - Class D @ \$6.50 x (official's maximum or school maximum)

Session 3 - Class A @ \$6.50 x (official's maximum or school maximum)

Session 4 - Class B @ \$6.50 x (official's maximum or school maximum)

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4. A combination of All-Tournament tickets, three-session Finals tickets, and Semifinals tickets that does not exceed specified maximum(s). Deadline date Feb. 11, 2005.
An official or school may not exceed the specified maximum(s) for any category of tickets purchased. Example:

A Class C school may elect to purchase:

Up to 12 All-Tournament Tickets @ \$48.50 = \$582 or a combination of tickets that may include:

| 6 All-Tournament Tickets @ \$48.50       | = \$291 |
|--|---------|
| 6 Three-Session Finals Tickets @ \$22.50 | = \$135 |
| 6 Session 1 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6.50 | = \$ 39 |
| 6 Session 2 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6.50 | = \$ 39 |
| 6 Session 3 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6.50 | = \$ 39 |
| 6 Session 4 Semifinals Tickets @ \$ 6.50 | = \$ 39 |
| Total                                    | = \$582 |

(Note: All prices include Breslin ticket system charge)

#### Deadline Date -- Feb. 11, 2005

(Parking is not included in price of tickets.)

#### SCHOOL RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN

### All-Tournament Tickets (seven sessions) \$48.50, including \$3.50 ticket system charge OR

### Combination Three-Session Finals Reserved Seat Tickets (D/C - A-B) - \$22.50 (Parking Not Included)

 High schools classified with the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the 2004-05 school year may purchase combined reserved seat tickets in advance for the morning, afternoon and evening session games at \$22.50 (does not include parking) for all sessions for the Saturday, March 19, Final Tournament games in accordance with the following maximum allotment schedule (see order blank):

Class A schools maximum of 16 reserved seat tickets each for each session Class B schools maximum of 16 reserved seat tickets each for each session Class C schools maximum of 12 reserved seat tickets each for each session Class D schools maximum of 12 reserved seat tickets each for each session Junior High Schools maximum of two reserved seat tickets each for each session

- 2. Member schools may request (up to the established per school maximum) All-Tournament tickets that will allow for the same reserved armchair seat in all seven sessions of Semifinal and Final sessions. Cost @ \$48.50, including \$3.50 ticket system charge (see order blank).
- 3. School requests and remittances are to be forwarded to the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, in order to be received NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 11, 2005. School ticket requests received after Feb. 11, 2005 will not be accepted. Those orders received late in the period ending Feb. 11 may be returned if the available supply of tickets has been exhausted.
- 4. Full remittance (check or money order made payable to the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc.) must accompany all school reserved seat ticket requests. All school requests must be signed by the superintendent of schools or the high school principal. Reserved seat tickets WILL NOT be returnable after purchase.

#### SEMIFINAL GAMES -- Thursday, March 17 and Friday, March 18, 2005

ALL GAMES AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Session 1 - Two Class C games (1 p.m. and 2:50 p.m.) Thursday

Session 2 - Two Class D games (6 p.m. and 7:50 p.m.) Thursday

Session 3 - Two Class A games (1 p.m. and 2:50 p.m.) Friday

Session 4 - Two Class B games (6 p.m. and 7:50 p.m.) Friday

#### CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES -- SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2005 SESSION 5 -- MORNING

| 10 a.m. – Class D Championship Game | ASU-Breslin |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Noon – Class C Championship Game    | ASU-Breslin |
| SESSION 6 AFTERNOON                 |             |
| 4 p.m Class A Championship Game     | ASU-Breslin |
| SESSION 7 EVENING                   |             |
| 8 p.m. – Class B Championship Game  | ASU-Breslin |

NOTE: Included in all ticket prices is a new MSU ticket system charge of \$0.50 per ticket sold.

(Use Order Form on Next Page)

#### SCHOOL APPLICATION FOR RESERVED SEAT TICKETS

NOTE: PLEASE INCLUDE THE SCHOOL I.D. NUMBER ON THIS APPLICATION FORM. (SEE *MHSAA SCHOOL DIRECTORY* FOR CORRECT NUMBER.)

| Class   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| School  | (I.  | D. No.)   |
| Street  | City   | _ Zip Code  |
| Date/04 (Signed   | (Superintendent or   | Principal)  |
| Association for total amount of ti<br>the School Ticket Limits explained                        | ORDER made payable to the Michi<br>ckets indicated below on this form of<br>d on reverse side of this Blank. IMI<br>n allotment limit of tickets may be re | gan High School Athleti<br>only. In accordance with<br>PORTANT NOTICE: No |
| All Games a<br>ALL-TOURNAMENT<br>TICKETS @ \$48.50 x (per scho<br>(Semifinal and Final Games pa |  | s   |
|   | INED THREE-SESSION FINALS wance sale of Single-Session, Final T  |   |
| Combined Three-Session Finals 7 (parking not included) *(See previous page for maximum)         | Cickets @ \$22.50 x ( ) per quota = um allowed)  | \$  |
| SE  | MIFINAL GAME TICKETS   |   |
| Session 1 (Class C) @ \$6.50 x (p   | er school maximum-see allotments)  | \$  |
| Session 2 (Class D) @ \$6.50 x (p   | er school maximum-see allotments)  | \$  |
| Session 3 (Class A) @ \$6.50 x (p   | er school maximum-see allotments)  | \$  |
| Session 4 (Class B) @ \$6.50 x (p   | er school maximum-see allotments)  | \$  |
| Plus \$2.50 B   | reslin Center processing fee   | \$2.50  |
| Total   | Remittance (Finals and Semifinals)   | \$  |
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**IMPORTANT:** This APPLICATION BLANK, together with correct remittance (no currency please) for the number of reserved seat tickets requested up to the maximum allotment for any one session, is to be forwarded to Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, **IN ORDER TO BE RECEIVED AT THE MHSAA OFFICE NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 11**.

NOTE: Included in all ticket prices is a new MSU ticket system charge of \$0.50 per ticket sold.

Schools--Detach and Forward This Form Prior to Friday, Feb. 11, as Directed in Paragraph Above

#### RESERVED SEAT TICKET DISTRIBUTION PLAN FOR BASKETBALL OFFICIALS ON THE BOYS APPROVED LIST (16 OR MORE RATINGS)

#### All Tournament Tickets (seven sessions)--\$48.50 OR Combination Three-Session Finals Reserved Seat Tickets (C/D-A-B) \$22.50 (Parking Not Included)

- The Representative Council has adopted the general policy of allowing a limited number of registered boys basketball officials on the Approved List for the current school year to request advance purchases of reserved seat tickets for the 2005 Final Tournament Championship games.
- 2. Approved basketball officials may request:
  - a.) a maximum of two (2) All-Tournament tickets that will allow for the same reserved armchair seat in all seven sessions of Semifinals and Finals sessions. Cost is \$48.50, including \$3.50 ticket system charge (see order blank),
  - b.) a maximum of two (2) combination three-session reserved seat tickets at \$22.50, including \$1.50 ticket system charge, may be purchased. (See order blank.)
- 3. This opportunity, however, is modified as follows: Eight hundred (800) reserved seat tickets (2 for each official for each session) will be set aside for the 400 officials whose requests are drawn by lot at the MHSAA office following the closing date of advance ticket sale to schools and officials. After all school ticket requests are filled which are received at the MHSAA office by Feb. 11, and provided reserved seat tickets are still available, the remaining requests for tickets filed by the above officials will be filled to the limit of the supply.
- Requests by approved boys basketball officials and remittances are to be forwarded to the Michigan High School Athletic Association, 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, in order to be received NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2005.
- 5. Full remittance (check or money order made payable to the MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.) must accompany all requests for reserved seat tickets by the above officials. Reserved seat tickets WILL NOT be returnable after purchase. Second party checks will not be accepted.

NOTE: Included in all ticket prices is a new MSU ticket system charge of \$.50 per ticket sold.

(Use Order Form on Next Page)

#### APPLICATION BLANK FOR RESERVED SEAT TICKETS FOR OFFICIALS ON THE APPROVED BOYS BASKETBALL LIST

- 1. Please include I.D. Number
- Requests for tickets will not be honored unless the approved official sends a check or money order in his/her name. Second party checks will not be accepted.

| Name of Official  | (I.D. No.)                       |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Street City   | Zip Code                         |
| Official's Signature  | /Date//04                        |
| Enclosed is CHECK or MONEY ORDER made payable Association for total amount of tickets for ONE OFFI Ticket Limitations for Registered Officials explained on | CIAL ONLY in accordance with the |
| All Games at MSU-Breslin Stude  | nt Event Center                  |
| ALL-TOURNAMENT TICKETS @ \$48.50 (Marinum 2)  | ¢.                               |
| TICKETS @ \$48.50(Maximum 2)  | \$                               |
| (Semifinal and Final Games parking not included)  |                                  |
| FINALS COMBINED THREE-SESSI   | ON FINALS TICKETS                |
| (There is no advance sale of Single-Se  | ession, Final Tickets)           |
| Combined Three-Session Finals Tickets @ \$22.50 (Max  | imum 2) \$                       |
| (parking not included)  | ·                                |
| SEMIFINAL GAME TI   | CKETS                            |
| Session 1 (Class C) @ \$6.50 x (Maximum 2)  | \$                               |
| Session 2 (Class D) @ \$6.50 x (Maximum 2)  | \$                               |
| Session 3 (Class A) @ \$6.50 x (Maximum 2)  | \$                               |
| Session 4 (Class B) @ \$6.50 x (Maximum 2)  | \$                               |
| Plus \$2.50 Breslin Center processin  | g fee \$2.50                     |
| Total Remittance (Finals and Semifi   | inals)                           |

**IMPORTANT:** This APPLICATION BLANK, together with correct remittance (no currency please) for the number of reserved seat tickets requested up to the maximum of two (2) for any one session is to be forwarded to Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing 48823, **IN ORDER TO BE RECEIVED AT THE MHSAA OFFICE NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 11**.

Applications will NOT be accepted from officials not on the Approved Boys Basketball List.

NOTE: Included in all ticket prices is a new MSU ticket system charge of \$.50 per ticket sold.

Officials--Detach and Forward This Blank Prior to Friday, Feb. 11, as Directed in Paragraph Above

#### **GREATER LANSING HOTELS**

(Convention & Visitors Bureau not responsible for room rates)

#### Best Western Midway Hotel

7711 W. Saginaw Highway Lansing, MI 48917 (517) 627-8471

#### Candlewood Suites

3545 Forest Road East Lansing, MI 48823 (517) 351-8181

#### Clarion Hotel and Conf. Center

3600 Dunckel Drive Lansing, MI 48910 (517) 351-7600

#### Comfort Inn

2209 University Park Drive Okemos, MI 48864 (517) 349-8700

#### **Country Inn and Suites**

6511 Centurion Drive Lansing, MI 48917 (517) 827-7000

#### **Courtyard by Marriott**

2710 Lake Lansing Road Lansing, MI 48912 (517) 482-0500

#### **East Lansing Marriott**

300 M.A.C. Avenue East Lansing, MI 48823 (517) 337-4440

#### Fairfield Inn - Lansing

810 Delta Commerce Drive Lansing, MI 48917 (517) 886-1066

#### Fairfield Inn - Okemos

2335 Woodlake Dr. Okemos, MI 48864 (517) 347-1000

#### **Hampton Inn East Lansing**

2500 Coolidge Road East Lansing, MI 48823 (517) 324-2072

#### **Hampton Inn of Lansing**

525 N. Canal Road Lansing, MI 48917 (517) 627-8381

#### **Holiday Inn-Express**

2187 University Park Drive Okemos, MI 48864 517-347-6690

#### **Holiday Inn West**

7501 W. Saginaw Highway Lansing, MI 48917 517-627-3211

#### **Holiday Inn South**

6820 South Cedar Street Lansing, MI 48911 517-694-8123

#### **Kellogg Hotel**

MSU East Lansing, MI 48824 517-432-4000

#### **Quality Suites**

901 Delta Commerce Dr. Lansing, MI 48917 517-887-0600

#### **Radisson Hotel**

111 North Grand Avenue Lansing, MI 48933 517-482-0188

#### Ramada Inn

1100 Trowbridge Road East Lansing, MI 48823 517-351-5500

#### **Red Roof Inn East**

3615 Dunckel Drive Lansing, MI 48910 517-332-2575

#### **Red Roof Inn West**

7412 W. Saginaw Highway Lansing, MI 48917 517-321-7246

#### **Residence Inn by Marriott**

1600 E. Grand River Avenue East Lansing, MI 48823 517-332-7711

#### **Residence Inn-Lansing**

922 Delta Commerce Drive Lansing, MI 48917 517-886-5030

#### Sheraton Hotel

925 S. Creyts Road Lansing, MI 48917 517-323-7100

#### Sleep Inn

1101 Commerce Park Dewitt, MI 48820 517-669-8823

#### **TownPlace Suites**

2855 Hannah Boulevard East Lansing, MI 48823 517-203-1000

#### **University Quality Inn**

3121 E. Grand River Lansing, MI 48912 517-351-1440

### MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament Sites Are Needed For 2005

(The Selection Committee will meet in the spring of 2005)

# Complete the Card on Reverse Side and Return to MHSAA

#### **Reminder:**

Coordinate This Interest Form With The School Athletic Director and High School Principal

| Detach below | I |       |
|--------------|---|-------|
| From         |   | Place |

Michigan High School Athletic Association 1661 Ramblewood Drive East Lansing, MI 48823-7329 Stamp

ATTN: Girls Basketball Availability

### MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament Sites Are Needed For 2005

(The Selection Committee will meet in the spring of 2005)

# Complete the Card Below and Return to MHSAA as soon as possible

**Host Availability Interest Forms for other sports** will be included in the March 2005 *Bulletin*. If you desire to host a Girls Basketball Tournament during 2005, return the post card below as soon as possible.

- Please coordinate this form through the high school principal
- Indicate the name of the person to whom the information should be sent

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#### 2005 Girls Basketball Site Availability Interest Form

Please send the Host Availability Form for the sport of Girls Basketball for the 2005 Season. We will abide by all policies of the MHSAA Representative Council and all instructions of the MHSAA director responsible for girls basketball as we conduct the tournament on behalf of the MHSAA.

| Direct all forms to: | Title: _   |  |       |  |
|----------------------|------------|--|-------|--|
| City                 | _ School _ |  | Class |  |
| Street               |            |  | Zin   |  |

#### 2004 MHSAA GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The Representative Council again has attempted to set up schedules of division of proceeds and allowances for team expenses of schools participating in the 2004 Basketball Tournaments that will be as adequate as possible in view of probable receipts. It should be kept in mind by schools that participating in MHSAA tournaments is voluntary and that expenses of teams competing in tournaments are not guaranteed, although the MHSAA in the past generally has reimbursed competing and entertaining schools where local receipts did not meet the allowed expenses. The cooperation of all schools competing in the 2004 tournament is asked in order that there may be an equitable return both to entertaining and competing schools, and to the MHSAA so that its services to schools and the broad program of meets and tournaments in sports.

### ADMINISTRATION OF TOURNAMENTS

The Representative Council formulates the general plans for MHSAA tournaments each year and is assisted by two committees - the Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee and the Lower Peninsula Basketball Tournament Committee. These committees arrange the details of tournament administration, select District, Regional, and Quarterfinal Centers, and assign competing schools to the various tournament centers. A special committee is appointed to assign officials in the Lower Peninsula. It has long been the policy of the MHSAA to have a large number of school people participate each year in the planning and execution of the tournaments to insure the best possible results and meet the needs and desires of schools.

#### **Tournament Centers**

128 District Centers 32 Regional Centers

Final Tournament games will be held at 16 Quarterfinal Centers; Semifinals and Finals in the Breslin Student Events Center at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

#### DATES OF TOURNAMENTS

**District Tournaments** – Monday through Saturday, Nov. 15-20, 2004.

**Regional Tournaments** – Monday through Wednesday, Nov. 22-24, 2004.

**Final Tournaments** – Quarterfinals - Tuesday, Nov. 30; Semifinals - Thursday, Dec. 2 and Friday, Dec. 3; Finals - Saturday, Dec. 4, 2004.

### REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL ACTION MAY 2004:

- Shirts must be worn by all spectators and cheer sections at all indoor MHSAA tournament venues.
- Image-taking devices of any kind are not to be used in locker rooms during MHSAA tournaments.

# FINANCIAL PLAN Transportation Expenses of Competing Teams at District, Regional and Final Tournaments

- At all tournament levels, competing teams will absorb their own travel expenses where the distance to the tournament site is 50 miles or less from the competing school.
- Beginning with the 51st mile one way, a competing team at District, Regional or Final Tournament level will be reimbursed at the following rate per mile from the home city to the Tournament Center City for each trip:

51 to 100 miles – \$1 per mile 101 to 150 miles – \$1.50 per mile 151 to 250 miles – \$2 per mile 251 to 350 miles – \$2.50 per mile 351 miles and over – \$3 per mile

 Those schools which travel 100 or more miles (one way) to a tournament center are allowed \$200 for hotel expenses (receipts required). A school cannot receive both hotel and additional travel allowances if games are played on successive days. This applies to travel in both District and Regional Tournaments.

### Other expenses Of Teams Competing at the Final Tournament

 Meal Allowance – The maximum allowance for meals is three dollars (\$3) for breakfast, four dollars (\$4) for lunch

- and six dollars (\$6) for dinner, per person for a maximum of 15 individuals.
- 2. **Lodging** The maximum allowance is the current hotel rate secured for a maximum of fifteen individuals. Allowance for expenses of competing schools at the Final Tournament will continue 24 hours after the time of the elimination, provided they remain at the Tournament Center City. (Overnight lodging will not be arranged or reimbursed for schools within 50 miles of the tournament site unless competition begins before 10 a.m. the next day.) Schools which are defeated in Quarterfinal games (Tuesday, Nov. 30) will not receive expense allowances for coming to the Final Tournament Center to attend Final games.

## 3. Additional Per Diem School Allowance — In addition to the above allowances, schools competing in the Final

schools competing in the Final Tournament are to be paid \$100 for each day their team plays in Quarterfinal, Semifinal and Final games. Any of the four Upper Peninsula schools which win their Quarterfinal games on Tuesday, Nov. 30, will be paid the additional \$100 above allowed expenses for Wednesday, Dec. 1, if they cannot return home Tuesday night.

#### Division of District and Regional Tournament Proceeds

- Before any division of proceeds is made, the following are to be deducted from the admission gross receipts; cost of officials, the amount paid to scorers and timekeepers (payment to each of the above \$20 for a single game on one date; \$10 for each of the above officials for each additional game scored or timed on the same date). All other administration costs not specified above must be deducted from the school's share of the proceeds.
- 2. The balance is to be divided as follows:
- 30% to the entertaining school, (includes management, liability insurance, rentals, heat, lights, janitor, honorarium, etc.)
- 70% to the MHSAA, (includes allowed expenses for competing schools)
- 25% to the entertaining college or university, (includes management, liability

- insurance, rentals, heat, lights, janitor, honorarium, etc.)
- 75% to the MHSAA, (includes allowed expenses for competing schools).

#### **Division of Final Tournament Proceeds**

High schools and others entertaining a Quarterfinal game of the Final Tournament will receive 10% of the gross receipts plus \$450 for administration expenses and security.

The cost of administration of the entire Final Tournament (officials, trophies, medals, management, etc.) will be deducted from the total of the balances from Quarterfinal games plus the proceeds from the Semifinal and Final games. The balance will be divided among the competing schools to the amount of allowed expenses as indicated above.

#### **Admission Prices for Tournament Games**

The Representative Council at its March, 2004 meeting set the following prices for all tournament game tickets: District, Regional and Quarterfinal - \$5; Semifinal - \$6; Final - \$7 (parking not included; Breslin Center ticket system charge and processing fee for Semifinals and Finals not included). Shirts must be worn at all MHSAA tournament sites at all times.

District, Regional and Quarterfinal Mangers are authorized to conduct a pregame ticket sale, but all ticket prices are standardized for students and adults regardless of pregame sale.

#### OFFICIALS Assignment and Fees

Officials for tournaments will be announced following assignments made by the Upper and Lower Peninsula Tournament Officials Committees. Tournament managers and officials selected will be notified.

Officials for this year's tournaments were chosen from the people on the Approved List.

District managers may assign officials to specific District Tournament contests after the draw has been completed. The number of teams entered and the days of duration of the tournament determines the number of officials assigned to each center. Agreements are entered into with officials as independent contractors and notification made to tournament managers of the officials assigned. Three (3) officials will be assigned to each basketball tournament beginning at the

Regional level and continuing through the Final level. Fees were set as indicated below.

#### **District and Regional Tournaments**

Fee for officials working one game per day in District Tournaments will be \$45 plus the round trip allowance of 15 cents per mile (minimum allowance \$8) from home city of the official to District Tournament Center City for each day they officiate.

Fee for officials working one game per day in Regional Tournaments will be \$50 plus the round trip allowance of 15 cents per mile (minimum allowance \$8) from home city of the official to Regional Tournament Center City for each day they officiate.

#### **Final Tournament**

Officials working in Quarterfinal Tournaments will be paid \$55, Semifinal and Final officials will be paid \$55 per day and expenses, the latter being limited to one round trip allowance at 15 cents per mile (minimum allowance \$8) from home city of the official to Tournament Center City (official highway map mileage). Semifinal and Final officials will receive single occupancy lodging at the current hotel rate, and an allowance of \$14 per day for meals. Officials assigned to Semifinal games only will receive lodging and meal allowance if their home city is 70 miles or more from the tournament site (map mileage).

### DRAWING AT DISTRICT TOURNAMENTS

Drawings at both Upper and Lower Peninsula District Tournaments will be by lot with the names of all teams placed in the hat on an even basis. Any school which has played four or more games on a District Tournament floor during the 2004-05 season is not to draw a first round bye at that District Tournament.

Drawings may take place three Mondays prior to the start of the tournament (Oct. 25, 2004), but not later than the Monday preceding the tournament (Nov. 8, 2004), and should be made in the presence of as many representatives of the competing schools as desire to attend. Principals and athletic directors are encouraged to attend draw meetings to obtain specific information concerning administration of the tournament. Notification should be sent to all competing schools as to the time and place of drawing.

Attendance of school representatives is optional.

The best method of drawing so that no confusion will result is to place the names of the teams on individual slips of paper, fold and staple each of them or place them in capsules. Place these names in a hat or container so that they may be drawn one at a time. Have some neutral party draw one capsule, read it aloud, display it to the group and place the name of the team drawn on the first line numbered. Repeat the procedure placing each name in its bracket as drawn. If this method is followed, there can be no confusion or mistake.

Whenever the home or any other team that is participating in a District Tournament on a floor (one which it has played four or more games on during the 2004-05 season) and there are byes involved, do not place the name of such team or teams in the hat until after the byes are drawn. Home teams (or those having played four or more games in tournament or regular scheduled play on the floor during the current season) are not entitled to byes on such floors in District Tournaments. This assures an open draw to all contestants and eliminates any chance of such a team drawing a bye.

#### ADVANCE MASTER DRAWING FOR 2004 REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Advance drawings of 2004 District Tournament qualifiers to Regionals again were authorized by the Representative Council. These advance master drawings apply to all 2004 Regional Tournaments. Separate drawings were made at the May 14, 2004 meeting of the Basketball Tournament Committee for four-team Regional Tournaments.

For a four-team Regional Tournament, District teams qualifying into the Regionals were placed in a container and designated as follows:

1. Lowest District No.
2. Highest District No.
3. 2nd Lowest District No.
4. 2nd Highest District No.

#### REGIONAL WINNERS

It is the responsibility of winning schools to obtain Quarterfinal, Semifinal and Final Tournament information packets from the Regional Manager.

#### FINAL TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS

Sites and pairings for Quarterfinal and Semifinal games were established by the Representative Council and the Tournament Committee in both the Upper and Lower Peninsulas. The pre-determined Quarterfinal and Semifinal sites will enable competing schools to make housing, travel and ticket arrangements well in advance. NOTE: The MHSAA reserves the right to relocate a Quarterfinal basketball site if a qualifying Regional winner will be playing its Quarterfinal game on its home floor. Complete brackets including times, dates and locations are included in this Bulletin.

#### POINT-DIFFERENTIAL RULE

By state association adoption, the Point Differential Rule is to be used at all tournament levels. In all levels of competition during the regular season and the MHSAA tournaments when, after the first half, one team has a lead of 40 points a running clock will be established. The clock will revert to regular time schemes should the score be reduced to a 30-point lead. During any running clock mode the clock will be stopped as normal for all timeouts and between quarters; and for free throws during the last two (2) minutes remaining in the game.

#### BASKETBALLS

Balls that meet National Federation rules code standards that are of top grade, catalogue numbered, leather covered or composite cover, molded, orange-tan color will be used in all tournaments. Each tournament manager will provide a ball of the above description for use in that tournament.

### TEAM ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY ENTRY MATERIALS - B

Representative Council action, schools will no longer complete an entry blank to participate in MHSAA postseason tournaments. The Entry Blank Due Date is now replaced by an Opt Out Due Date. Two obligations of membership and participation remain:

 Schools must notify their tournament managers by the Opt-Out Due Date if they DO NOT intend to participate in a previously assigned MHSAA tournament, and; 2. Schools must see that tournament managers receive an accurate Eligibility List and Team Roster by the Opt-Out Due Date. These forms are available at mhsaa.com. Failure to fulfill the above obligations by the specified Opt-Out Due Date will result in MHSAA penalties as stipulated in the MHSAA Handbook. For girls basketball the Opt Out Due Date is Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2004. NO additions to the Master Eligibility List can take place after the draw meeting.

All players on the Master Eligibility List submitted are eligible for tournament play even if the individual names are not on the Team Roster.

#### WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Tournament management is to contact the MHSAA office if a school withdraws or fails to show for scheduled competition after the Opt-Out Due Date for team sports or the pairings, heat assignments or flights are determined for individual sports of the first level of the MHSAA tournament in that

The MHSAA staff person responsible for the sport will request from the school principal a written explanation for the noshow/withdrawal. If the reason is determined to be unacceptable by MHSAA Staff, the MHSAA Executive Director will place the school on probation for the next two school years. A second offense within the two-year probationary period will cause the school to be prohibited from tournament play in that sport for the two years following the second offense.

#### IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS -

Schools are to forward the Team Roster and Master Eligibility List to designated District Managers. These two items will fulfill the requirement for the duration of their tournament play.

LATE FORMS - If the Team Roster and Master Eligibility List are received after the Opt-Out Due Date, but before the drawings are made, it may be accepted with the payment of a \$50 late fee. The \$50 late fee is due in the hands of the manager before the draw. The late fees are to be retained by the host school.

### CONTESTANTS AND CHEERLEADERS TICKETS

The Representative Council again instructed that tournament managers and competing schools be advised that the limit for the number of contestant tickets is 20. 12 tickets for cheerleaders also are to be made available to each competing school provided there are that number dressed for participation. Exception: (the only allowed exception will be for those teams that have more than 15 players on the regular-season roster).

#### CHAPERON TICKETS

Host managers will arrange for student chaperons from visiting schools to enter free of charge.

#### ADVANCE PURCHASE BY SCHOOLS OF TICKETS FOR DISTRICTS AND REGIONALS

Schools are urged to contact District or Regional Tournament Managers in advance if they plan to bring groups of students or adults to tournament games. Usually tickets for such spectators should be purchased in advance to assure seating accommodations.

### BANDS & HALFTIME PERFORMANCES

By action of the Representative Council, bands or musical instruments are not to be allowed at Districts, Regionals or Quarterfinal Tournament sites. This regulation was adopted to conserve space, lessen expense to schools and to avoid unnecessary confusion. By action of the Representative Council in May, 1998, pep bands are allowed to perform before the game and during timeouts and breaks during the Semifinals and Finals only of the MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament.

Also by Council action, half time performances shall not be permitted. This would apply to such activities as demonstrations for dance, trampoline and any other similar performances.

#### LOTTERIES AT TOURNAMENTS

Schools should not conduct lotteries or drawings for distributing money or merchandise either before, during or after any tournament basketball contests. Non-players are not to shoot baskets at half time. The distribution of miniature balls is prohibited. The sale of merchandise such as t-shirts, hats,

belts, etc. is not permitted at MHSAA sponsored events, except selected early rounds and at the Final Tournament when coordinated with MHSAA staff.

Concession stands, whether operated by school or non-school groups, must confine sales to non-alcoholic beverages and edible items. Sale of non-edible products other than school spirit items (such as pom pons) is prohibited at MHSAA tournament sites without the approval of MHSAA staff.

#### VIDEOTAPING OR FILMING AT MHSAA SPONSORED MEETS AND TOURNAMENTS

The Representative Council at its May 1996, meeting voted to eliminate MHSAA Handbook Regulation II, Section 14(A), that prohibits schools from videotaping or filming contests in which they are not participating without permission of competing teams. Previous Council action in 1995 had eliminated the Regulation for football only, but in 1996 the Regulation was eliminated in all sports. Leagues and conferences may continue to enforce third-party (scouting) limitations for league games and league teams; however, non-conference opponents will not be subject to such prohibitions and will be allowed to videotape events without advance permission. It is to be understood that videotape scouting does not include press box or preferred seating status without prior consent of the host school.

Media Taping/Filming - The filming and/or taping of MHSAA events must be cleared through the Michigan High School Athletic Association. Members of the media may, without paying a fee, arrange with the local Tournament Manager to take clips of MHSAA events for public showing. Under no condition may an MHSAA event be filmed or taped for showing in its entirety without advance clearance through the MHSAA.

Spectator Videotaping/Filming - Spectators must receive permission from the Tournament Manager for any live action taken of athletic events other than snapshots. If permission is granted for spectators to film the entire event or take clips, it is to be with the understanding the tape/film may not be sold, leased, borrowed, rented for commercial purposes or shown on cable television. The Tournament Manager should not permit spectators to interfere with the view of other

spectators or news media personnel covering the activity; is not required to provide electrical hook-ups; or tripod space; may require spectator videotaping from a designated location(s); and if there is any question as to the purposes of filming or taping, the request should be denied by the local tournament management.

Live Television Coverage - Radio Coverage - No radio or television origination is permitted at any site until application has been made through the MHSAA, fee paid and authorization given by the MHSAA through the Tournament Manager.

Delayed Television - Arrangements for taped-delayed broadcasts must be made through the MHSAA office and only one origination will be allowed at a tournament center. A fee is required for each girls basketball game at each site. Tape delayed telecasts of events for which live television is contracted, will not be permitted. MHSAA Finals in all sports are not available on a delayed television basis.

#### 2004 FINAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION Location of Games

**Quarterfinal games** in the tournament will be played Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 16 locations selected by the Basketball Tournament Committee. Locations of games are published in this issue of the *Bulletin*.

**Semifinal games** will be played Thursday, Dec. 2 and Friday, Dec. 3 at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

SESSION 1 - Two Class C games (1 and 2:50 p.m.) Thursday SESSION 2 - Two Class D games (6 and 7:50 p.m.) Thursday SESSION 3 - Two Class A games (1 and 2:50 p.m.) Friday SESSION 4 - Two Class B games (6 and 7:50 p.m.) Friday

Each of the sessions will require separate admission tickets.

FINAL (CHAMPIONSHIP) GAMES in all classes (A-B-C-D) will be played at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center on Saturday, Dec. 4. There will be separate afternoon and evening sessions as follows:

**Saturday Morning/Afternoo**n – 11 a.m. – Class D and A Championship games

**Saturday Evening** – 5 p.m. – Class C and B Championship games.

#### TOURNAMENT MANAGEMENT

General management of the Final Tournament will be under the direction of NATE HAMPTON, Assistant Director, MHSAA. Final Tournament Headquarters will be established at the Kellogg Center for the four Final games.

#### ADMISSION PRICES

The following admission prices for the 2004 Final Basketball Tournament games were adopted by the Representative Council: Quarterfinal Games (Nov. 30) - General admission, \$5. **Semifinal** Games (Dec. 2 and 3) - \$6. Championship Games (Dec. 4) -Seats are \$7 per session. All-Tournament tickets (six sessions) are available for a price of \$38 each or two session Final tickets are available for a price of \$14 each (parking not included: Breslin Center ticket system charge and processing fee for Semifinals and Finals not included). Reserved seats will be available for purchase by general spectators. All spectator tickets will be purchased through Michigan State University's Jack Breslin Student Event ticket office. Contact Bruce Earhart, Ticket Office Manager, 517-432-5000.

#### TICKET DISTRIBUTION FOR QUARTERFINAL GAMES FOR ALL CLASSES – NOV. 30

All Quarterfinal tickets will be sold at the site of the host facility. Competing teams will have access to approximately half the house for its game. Tickets remaining after the advance sale to competing schools will be sold to the public by the host manager.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF SEMIFINAL RESERVED SEAT TICKETS FOR ALL CLASSES – DEC. 2-3

Competing schools in all classes will be able to reserve a limited number of tickets for advance sale of Semifinal tickets for the session in which their teams are competing. Approved basketball officials and schools of all classes throughout the state may order in advance – not later than Oct. 25 – in accordance with the quota established for the purchase of tickets for Semifinal games to the limit of the supply available.

#### 2004 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Nov. 22-24

(For District Assignments, consult mhsaa.com)

| No.    | Class  | Host School               | City              | Manager             |
|--------|--------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1      | A      | Reeths-Puffer HS          | Muskegon          | Todd Farmer         |
| 2      | A      | Holt HS                   | Holt              | Rick Schmidt        |
| 3      | A      | Tecumseh HS               | Tecumseh          | Adam Benschoter     |
| 4      | A      | East Detroit HS           | Eastpointe        | Christine Schneider |
| 5      | A      | Grosse Pointe North HS    | Grosse Pointe     | Chris Clark         |
| 6      | A      | West Bloomfield HS        | West Bloomfield   | Dewayne Jones       |
| 7<br>8 | A<br>A | Milford HS<br>Northern HS | Highland<br>Flint | Gene Balawajder     |
| 0      | A      | Normerii HS               | riint             | Buddy Kimura        |
| 9      | В      | Harper Creek HS           | Battle Creek      | Ed Greenman         |
| 10     | В      | Riverview Community HS    | Riverview         | R. J. Guizzetti     |
| 11     | В      | Center Line HS            | Center Line       | Norman Kraus        |
| 12     | В      | Imlay City HS             | Imlay City        | Steve Plunkitt      |
| 13     | В      | Birch Run HS              | Birch Run         | Philip Periard      |
| 14     | В      | Unity Christian HS        | Hudsonville       | Jerry DeGroot       |
| 15     | В      | Allendale HS              | Allendale         | Dave Chrisinske     |
| 16     | В      | Houghton Lake HS          | Houghton Lake     | Jack Kramer         |
| 17     | С      | Hartford HS               | Hartford          | Ken Dietz           |
| 18     | Ċ      | Hanover-Horton HS         | Horton            | Jerry Waddington    |
| 19     | C      | Manchester HS             | Manchester        | Wes Gall            |
| 20     | Č      | Memphis HS                | Memphis           | Brad Gudme          |
| 21     | Č      | Leslie HS                 | Leslie            | Scott Farley        |
| 22     | Č      | Evart HS                  | Evart             | Randy Kruse         |
| 23     | Č      | Boyne City HS             | Boyne City        | Kirk Kujawski       |
| 24     | C      | Marquette HS              | Marquette         | Mark Mattson        |
| 25     | D      | Mendon HS                 | Mendon            | Thomas Wenzel       |
| 26     | D<br>D | Whitmore Lake HS          | Whitmore Lake     | Robert Henry        |
| 27     | D      | Trinity Catholic HS       | Harper Woods      | Larry Geromin       |
| 28     | D<br>D | Heritage HS               | Saginaw           | James Noble         |
| 29     | D<br>D | Manistee HS               | Manistee          | Kenn Kott           |
| 30     | D<br>D | Mancelona HS              | Mancelona         | Mark Nixon          |
| 31     | D<br>D | Newberry HS               | Newberry          | Brandon Bruce       |
| 32     | D<br>D | Michigan Tech University  | Houghton          | Dave Nordstrom      |
| 34     | D      | whenigan reen emversity   | Houghton          | Dave Norustrolli    |

### **Legends, CHAMPS Clinic At Girls Basketball Finals**

At halftime of the Class C title game in the MHSAA Girls Basketball Tournament in East Lansing on Dec. 4, the 1974 Tecumseh team and the 1974 and 1975 Flint Holy Rosary teams will be honored through the MHSAA Legends of the Games program.

Earlier that day, the fourth girls basketball CHAMPS (Cooperation, Hard Work, Attitude, Motivation, Participation, Sportsmanship) Clinic will take place. The clinic is targeted at junior high/middle school student-athletes and their parents, and is designed to provide game skills instruction and life skills information. Students participating will be recognized at halftime of the Class D game Saturday morning.

### 2004 GIRLS BASKETBALL QUARTERFINAL TOURNAMENTS Nov. 30

| No. | Class | Host School                 | City             | Manager                |
|-----|-------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1   | A     | Eastern HS                  | Lansing          | Mario Villarreal       |
| 2   | A     | Lincoln HS                  | Ypsilanti        | Sid Wright             |
| 3   | A     | University of Detroit Mercy | Detroit          | Glenn Knott, Fac. Dir. |
| 4   | A     | Heritage HS                 | Saginaw          | James Noble            |
| 5   | В     | Caledonia HS                | Caledonia        | Scott Weis             |
| 6   | В     | University of Detroit Mercy | Detroit          | Glenn Knott, Fac. Dir. |
| 7   | В     | Davison HS                  | Davison          | David Young            |
| 8   | В     | Houghton Lake HS            | Houghton Lake    | Jack Kramer            |
| 9   | C     | Jonesville HS               | Jonesville       | Steven Baker           |
| 10  | C     | Chippewa Valley HS          | Clinton Township | Al Kastl               |
| 11  | C     | Morley Stanwood HS          | Morley           | Dave Nelson            |
| 12  | C     | Petoskey HS                 | Petoskey         | Gary Hice              |
| 13  | D     | Northwest HS                | Jackson          | Rich Kimball           |
| 14  | D     | Hamady HS                   | Flint            | Kevin Summey           |
| 15  | D     | Traverse City Central HS    | Traverse City    | John Sonnemann         |
| 16  | D     | Escanaba HS                 | Escanaba         | Justin Gluesing        |
|     |       | or                          |                  |                        |
| 17  | D     | Sault Area HS               | Sault Ste Marie  | Tim Hall               |

<sup>\*\*</sup>NOTE: If the winner from Regional 31 is from the Upper Peninsula, the game will be played at ESCANABA HIGH SCHOOL. If the winner is from the Lower Peninsula, the Quarterfinal game will be played at SAULT AREA HIGH SCHOOL.

## ASSIGNMENT OF QUALIFIERS FROM DISTRICTS TO REGIONALS

The advance master drawing for all 2004 Regional Girls Basketball Tournaments (Nov. 22-24) was conducted by the Lower Peninsula Committee and will apply to all 2004 Girls Regional Basketball Tournaments. No drawings will be conducted by Regional Managers.

### ADVANCE MASTER REGIONAL TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS (Winners from District Tournaments)

# Four Teams Lowest District No. Highest District No. 2nd Lowest District No. 2nd Highest District No.

As a result of the above advance master drawing DISTRICT WINNERS at each Regional Tournament are paired as follows on the next page:

### **MIAAA to Honor Exemplary Athletic Program**

Michigan's professional organization of high school athletic directors, the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (MIAAA), will recognize the fifth Exemplary Athletic Program award recipients during halftime of the Class D Girls Basketball Final. The award is presented to a school, or schools, which best serve as a model athletic department among Michigan high schools.

#### 2004 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL PAIRINGS

November 22-24

#### Class A

#### 1 A Muskegon-Reeths-Puffer

Grand Rapids Northview District 5 Lowell District 8 Holland West Ottawa District 6 Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills District 7

#### 2 A Holt

Mattawan District 1 Saline District 4 Battle Creek Central District 2 Mason District 3

#### 3 A Tecumseh

Temperance Bedford District 13 Dearborn District 16 Southgate Anderson District 14 Garden City District 15

#### 4 A East Detroit

Detroit Mumford District 17 Livonia Franklin District 24 Detroit Kettering District 18 Detroit Cody District 19

#### **5 A Grosse Pointe North**

Roseville District 20 Romeo District 27 East Detroit District 21 Hazel Park District 22

#### 6 A West Bloomfield

Beverly Hills Groves District 23 Lake Orion District 29 Canton District 25 Troy Athens District 26

#### 7 A Highland-Milford

Grand Blanc District 9
Lapeer East District 31
Clinton Twp. Chippewa Valley District 28
White Lake Lakeland District 30

#### **8 A Flint Northern**

Flushing District 10 Flint Central District 32 Midland District 11 Gaylord District 12

#### Class B

#### 9 B Battle Creek-Harper Creek

Dowagiae Union District 33 Marshall District 36 Otsego District 34 Edwardsburg District 35

#### 10 B Riverview

Milan District 37 Dearborn Divine Child District 40 Gibraltar Carlson District 38 Ypsilanti Willow Run District 39

#### 11 B Center Line

Macomb Lutheran North District 41 Livonia Ladywood District 44 Warren Woods-Tower District 42 Detroit Country Day District 43

#### 12 B Imlay City

Goodrich District 45 Marine City District 57 Flint Southwestern Academy District 55 Capac District 56

#### 13 B Birch Run

Portland District 54 Saginaw Swan Valley District 60 Vassar District 58 Essexville Garber District 59

#### 14 B Hudsonville Unity Christian

Eaton Rapids District 46 Grandville Calvin Christian District 50 Lake Odessa Lakewood District 47 Wyoming Rogers District 49

#### 15 B Allendale

East Grand Rapids District 48 Howard City Tri-County Area District 53 Muskegon Oakridge District 51 Grant District 52

#### 16 B Houghton Lake

Benzie Central District 61 Kingsford District 64 Oscoda District 62 Cheboygan Area District 63

#### 2004 GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONAL PAIRINGS

November 22-24, 2004

#### Class C

#### 17 C Hartford

Three Oaks River Valley District 65 Bloomingdale District 74 White Pigeon District 66 Schoolcraft District 73

#### 18 C Hanover-Horton

Homer District 67 Grass Lake District 72 Napoleon District 68 Morenci Area District 69

#### 19 C Manchester

Monroe St Mary Catholic Central District 70 Detroit Dominican District 78 Clinton District 71 Inkster District 77

#### 20 C Memphis

Clawson District 79 Harbor Beach Community District 89 Carrollton District 87 Mayville District 88

#### 21 C Leslie

Saugatuck District 75
Pewamo-Westphalia District 81
Dansville District 76
Lake Fenton District 80

#### 22 C Evart

Muskegon Catholic Central District 82 Ithaca District 86 Shelby District 83 Sanford-Meridian District 85

#### 23 C Boyne City

McBain District 84 Maple City Glen Lake District 92 Onaway District 90 Charlevoix District 91

#### 24 C Marquette

Manistique District 93 Stephenson District 96 Ishpeming District 94 L'Anse District 95

#### Class D

#### 25 D Mendon

Covert District 97 Hudsonville Freedom Baptist District 108 Battle Creek St Philip District 98 Climax Scotts District 99

#### 26 D Whitmore Lake

Waldron District 100 Morrice District 107 Adrian Lenawee Christian District 101 Detroit Urban Lutheran District 106

#### 27 D Harper Woods Trinity Catholic

Allen Park Cabrini District 102 Waterford Our Lady District 105 Harper Woods Trinity Catholic District 103 Center Line St Clement District 104

#### 28 D Saginaw Heritage

Flint Michigan School for Deaf District 111 Beal City District 114 Carsonville-Port Sanilac District 112 Kinde North Huron District 113

#### 29 D Manistee

Walkerville District 109 Onekama District 116 Fowler District 110 Manistee Catholic Central District 115

#### 30 D Mancelona

Northport District 117 AuGres Sims District 120 Bellaire District 118 Boyne Falls District 119

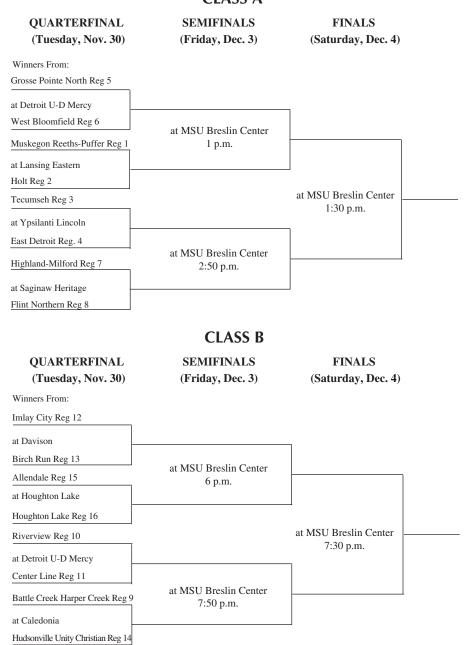
#### 31 D Newberry

Atlanta District 121 Cooks Big Bay de Noc District 124 Pellston District 122 Pickford District 123

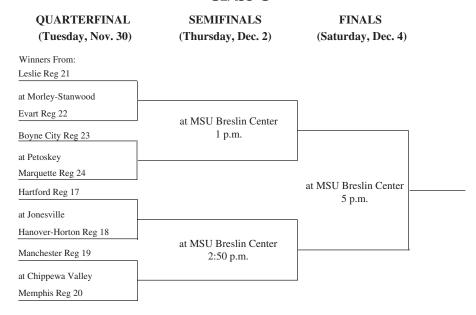
#### 32 D Houghton-Michigan Tech University

Carney-Nadeau District 125 Chassell District 128 Crystal Falls Forest Park District 126 Watersmeet District 127

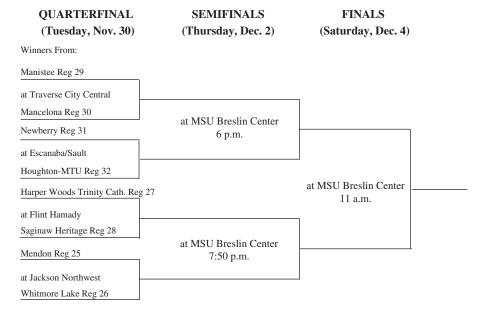
### 2004 GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT QUARTERFINAL — SEMIFINAL — FINAL PAIRINGS CLASS A



#### **CLASS C**



#### **CLASS D**



#### MHSAA COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2004-05

#### As Appointed by the Representative Council or Executive Committee

Listed below are the coaches, ADs, principals, superintendents, other faculty members and board of education members of MHSAA member schools who have been selected by the MHSAA Executive Committee to serve on the 2004-05 sport committees, and committees of special interest.

NOTE: This list includes names of some individuals who have been invited but have not confirmed as of October 25, 2004.

Committee appointments are made on an annual basis after receiving nominations of schools and recommendations of MHSAA Representative Council members. Potential committee members are notified of their appointments early in September as the school year begins. At that time, committee members receive a description of committee responsibilities and the dates and times of the meetings. The MHSAA requests that schools do not send substitutes.

Each year school representatives who serve as committee members meet in the MHSAA building to provide staff members with an array of opinions and information. Sport committees meet to select tournament sites, specify tournament procedures, and set time schedules. Sport committees may also recommend changes to the Representative Council regarding regular-season play and tournament qualification procedures.

Each committee is comprised of representatives from Class A, B, C, D schools if possible, and the members are from several geographic areas of the state. A committee may be comprised mainly of coaches or administrators, depending on the responsibilities of each particular committee. Several of the sport committees will include a representative, if not the president, of the coaches association of that sport.

Beginning with 1990-91, MIAAA and/or MASSP representatives have been appointed to committees for most sports, and officials where appropriate.

#### (5) Athletic Equity

#### Thursday, October 7, 2004 9 a.m.

John Brown, Athletic Director, Benton Harbor HS, Benton Harbor (A)

Lorin Cartwright, Athletic Director, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)

Deloris Elswick, Principal, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)

Bereket Habtemariam, Assistant Principal, Lansing Eastern (A)

Heidi Hagen, Official, Grand Rapids

Sharon Hammerschmidt, Ath. Dir., Dominican HS, Detroit (C)

Donna Hathaway, Athletic Director, Ottawa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Sunbeam Hughes, Principal, St Martin De Porres HS, Detroit (D)

Kathy Hutfilz, Official, St Louis HS, St Louis (C)

Dewayne Jones, Athletic Director, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)

Kathy McGee, Dir of Placement/Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)

Terry Mileski, Asst. Principal, Escanaba HS, Escanaba (A)

Michael Outman, Athletic Director, Baldwin Community Schools, Baldwin (D)

Fred Procter, Principal, Wylie E Groves HS, Beverly Hills (A)

Meg Seng, Athletic Director, Greenhills HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Deb Traxinger, Teacher/Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)

#### (7) Awards Committee

#### Monday, October 11, 2004 1 p.m.

Kevin Dean, Athletic Director, Edwardsburg HS, Edwardsburg (B)

Keith Eldred, Faculty Member, Williamston Middle School, Williamston

Jamie Gent, Athletic Director, Haslett HS, Haslett (B)

Jim Gibbons, Athletic Director, Churchill HS, Livonia (A)

Kris Isom, Athletic Director, Madison HS, Adrian (MIAAA) (C)

John Kearney, Athletic Director, Central Montcalm HS, Stanton (B)

Danielle Palmer, Athletic Director, Hart HS, Hart (C)

George Porritt, Athletic Director, St Mary Preparatory HS, Orchard Lake (B)

Ken Semelsberger, Athletic Director, Port Huron HS, Port Huron (A)

Mike Vondette, Athletic Director, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

John Wilcox, Athletic Director, St Johns HS, St Johns (A)

#### (20) Baseball/Softball

#### Thursday, January 20, 2005, 9:30 AM

Jack Anderson, Softball Coach, Portland HS, Portland (B)

Justin Ansel, Athletic Director, Onaway Area HS, Onaway (C)

Steve Babbit, Athletic Director, Blissfield HS, Blissfield (C)

Sue Barthold, President-MHSSCA, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)

Linda Bouvet, Softball Coach, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)

Gary Boyce, Athletic Director, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (MIAAA) (A)

Margie Caid, Softball Coach, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)

Joe Chowaniec, Softball Coach, Frankenmuth HS, Frankenmuth (B)

Jim Conway, Athletic Director, Mt Pleasant HS, Mt Pleasant (A)

Denny Fulk, Athletic Director, Laingsburg HS, Laingsburg (C)

Bob Gershman, Athletic Director, Berkley HS, Berkley (A)

John Gravlin, Athletic Director, Arthur Hill HS, Saginaw (A)

Ed Greenman, Athletic Director, Harper Creek HS, Battle Creek (B)

Dan Griesbaum, President-MHSBCA, Grosse Pointe South HS, Grosse Pointe (A)

Sharon Hammerschmidt, Ath. Dir., Dominican HS, Detroit (C)

Scott Huckaby, Athletic Director, Freedom Baptist HS, Hudsonville (D)

Bob Jones, Baseball Coach, Airport HS, Carleton (B)

Dennis Kreiner, Baseball Coach, Alma HS, Alma (B)

Steve Newkirk, Principal, Harrison Community HS, Harrison (B)

Greg Rambo, Teacher/Coach, Sault Area HS, Sault Ste Marie (B)

Andy Rio, Athletic Director, Finney HS, Detroit (A)

Archy Robinson, Official, Saginaw

Bob Rodenhouse, Softball Coach, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)

Bill Roose, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit

Andy Sprung, Baseball Coach, Hartford HS, Hartford (C)

Gerrard Taylor, Baseball Coach, Renaissance HS, Detroit (B)

Wayne Welton, Athletic Director, Chelsea HS, Chelsea (A)

Tom Willette, Athletic Director, Salem HS, Canton (A)

#### (25) Baseball/Softball Site Selection Monday, November 29, 2004, 9:30 AM

Kevin Akin, Athletic Director, Alma HS, Alma (B)

Rich Bailey, Baseball Coach, Comstock HS, Kalamazoo (B)

Sue Barthold, President-MHSSCA, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)

Mitch Bohn, Athletic Director, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)

Donna Boughner, Softball Coach, Grayling HS, Grayling (B)

Gary Boyce, Athletic Director, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (MIAAA) (A)

Mike Boyd, Athletic Director, Nouvel Catholic Central HS, Saginaw (B)

Lorin Cartwright, Athletic Director, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)

Pete Gleason, Athletic Director, Bendle HS, Burton (C)

Dan Griesbaum, President-MHSBCA, Grosse Pointe South HS, Grosse Pointe (A)

Bob Guse, Athletic Director, Eau Claire HS, Eau Claire (C)

Bill Harris, Baseball Coach, Garber HS, Essexville (B)

Kris Isom, Athletic Director, Madison HS, Adrian (C)

John Kearney, Athletic Director, Central Montcalm HS, Stanton (B)

Jean LaClair, Athletic Director, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)

Abe Leaver, Athletic Director, Yale HS, Yale (B)

Sal Malek, Athletic Director, Ladywood HS, Livonia (B)

Bruce Oosterhouse, Baseball Coach, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Dave Pinkowski, Athletic Director, Southgate Anderson HS, Southgate (A)

Brad Robinson, Athletic Director, Fraser HS, Fraser (A)

Pete Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)

Jim Sanford, Athletic Director, Lakeshore HS, Stevensville (B)

Chris Schneider, Athletic Director, East Detroit HS, Eastpointe (A)

Bob Shannon, Athletic Director, Cass Technical HS, Detroit (A)

Cindy Short, Athletic Director, Everett HS, Lansing (A)

Dick Vander Kamp, Athletic Director, Christian HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Wayne Welton, Athletic Director, Chelsea HS, Chelsea (A)

Brian Williams, Athletic Director, Lakewood HS, Lake Odessa (B)

Paul Williams, Athletic Director, Mesick HS, Mesick (C)

#### (30) Basketball

#### Thursday, December 9, 2004, 9 AM

Timothy Baker, Faculty/Official, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)

Bart Bartels, Coach, Britton-Macon HS, Britton (D)

Mitch Bohn, Athletic Director, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)

Sam Cornett, Basketball Coach, South Haven HS, South Haven (B)

Joe Droski, Athletic Director, Sparta HS, Sparta (B)

Gretchen Elliott, Basketball Coach, Monroe HS, Monroe (A)

David Feldman, Athletic Director, Marian HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)

Mike Fumas, Principal, Union City HS, Union City (C)

Donald Gustafson, Principal, St Ignace Middle School, St Ignace

Leroy Hackley, Athletic Director, Byron Center HS, Byron Center (B)

John Horrigan, Athletic Director, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)

Gary Iwinski, Athletic Director, Brown City HS, Brown City (C)

Rene LaFreniere, Athletic Director, Manton HS, Manton (C)

Reid McBeth, Basketball Coach, Buchanan HS, Buchanan (C)

Tom McDonald, Basketball Coach, Utica HS, Utica (A)

Kathy McGee, Basketball Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)

Steve Newkirk, Asst. Principal, Harrison Community HS, Harrison (MASSP) (B)

John Norton, Athletic Director, River Valley HS, Three Oaks (C)

Joe Reddinger, Athletic Director, North Dickinson HS, Felch (D)

Bill Roose, Assoc. Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit

Laurie Rvan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Al Schrauben, Athletic Director, St Patrick HS, Portland (D)

Dan Stolz, Basketball Coach, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)

Marc Throop, Athletic Director, Gull Lake HS, Richland (MIAAA) (B)

Von Washington, President-BCAM, West Ottawa HS, Holland (A)

Scott Weiss, Athletic Director, Caledonia HS, Caledonia (A)

Mark White, Basketball Coach, Renaissance HS, Detroit (B)

#### (35) Board Of Canvassers

#### Friday, September 10, 2004, 9:30 AM

Rod Doig, Principal, Otto Middle School, Lansing

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

Bob Howe, Superintendent, Leslie HS, Leslie (C)

Jack Postma, Principal, Unity Christian HS, Hudsonville (B)

Roger Rush, Athletic Director, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)

#### (40) Bowling

#### Wednesday, March 16, 2005, 9:30 AM

Brian Bannasch, Bowling Coach, Rogers City HS, Rogers City (C)

Tim Bauer, Coach/All Saints Central HS, 5465 Hilltop Drive, Bay City

Scott Bennett, 28200 Southfield Rd, Lathrup Village

Rich Burdis, Athletic Director, Flushing HS, Flushing (A)

Harry Burkey, Bowling Coach, University Liggett HS, Grosse Pointe Woods (C)

Carl Doornbos, Bowling Coach, Rockford HS, Rockford (A)

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

Greg Gumtow, 7630 Schaefer Road, Dearborn

Tom Hardy, Athletic Director, St Francis HS, Traverse City (C)

Sue Hutchins, Bowling Coach, Marshall HS, Marshall (B)

Judy Jaeger, Bowling Coach, Ladywood HS, Livonia (B)

Dave Kowalski, Bowling Coach, John Glenn HS, Westland (A)

Vicki Kowalski, Bowling Coach, Mercy HS, Farmington Hills (A)

Tracy Long, President-Bowling Assn., G-6430 West Pierson Rd, Flushing

Lyle McElhiney, Bowling Coach, Clio HS, Clio (A)

Vic Michaels, Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit

Jim Pellarito, 1042 Marcia, SW, Wyoming

Tom Praun, Bowling Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)

Rick Radulski, Bowling Coach, Utica Stevenson HS, Sterling Heights (A)

Fred Ringrose, Bowling Coach, South Lyon HS, South Lyon (A)

Tom Stockton, Bowling Coach, Utica Stevenson HS, Sterling Heights (A)

Ron Tomasoni, 1555 N Stephenson Ave, Iron Mountain

#### (50) Boys Tennis Seeding

#### Thursday, May 26, 2005, 3:00 PM

#### Friday, May 27, 2005, 8 AM

Warren Block, Tennis Coach, Athens HS, Troy (A)

Gary Ellis, Tennis Coach, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)

Eric Gajar, Tennis Coach, Greenhills HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Mitch Gatercole, Tennis Coach, Rockford HS, Rockford (A)

Barb Myler, Tennis Coach, Shrine Catholic HS, Royal Oak (C)

Jeff Newingham, Athletic Director, Garber HS, Essexville (B)

Bryan Polzin, Tennis Coach, Okemos HS, Okemos (A)

John Shade, Tennis Coach, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)

#### (55) Classification

#### Wednesday, January 19, 2005, 1 PM

Kirk Baese, Principal, Ovid-Elsie HS, Elsie (MASSP) (B)

Jim Dittmer, Board Member, Mason County Central HS, Ludington (MASB) (B)

Keith Eldred, Faculty Member, Williamston Middle School, Williamston

Dan Flynn, Teacher/Coach, Escanaba HS, Escanaba (A)

Lillian Mason, Board Member, Grand Blanc HS, Grand Blanc (MASB) (A)

Dan McShannock, Athletic Director, HH Dow HS, Midland (MIAAA) (A)

Vic Michaels, Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit

Linda Myers, Superintendent, Morley Stanwood HS, Morley (C)

Stuart Redpath, Principal, Smith Middle School, Troy

Mike Roberts, Athletic Director, Hillsdale Academy, Hillsdale (D)

David VerMerris, Principal, Western Michigan Christian HS, Muskegon (C)

Claudia Werner, Principal, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)

#### (60) Competitive Cheer

#### Wednesday, March 16, 2005, 9:30 AM

Kelly Bailey, Cheer Coach, Hudson Area HS, Hudson (C)

Jim Conway, Athletic Director, Mt Pleasant HS, Mt Pleasant (A)

Stacy Denwith, Asst. Principal, Warren Woods-Tower HS, Warren (MASSP) (B)

Denise Gordon, Cheer Coach, Bad Axe HS, Bad Axe (C)

Pam Ingles, Cheer Coach, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)

Liz Kazik, Cheer Coach, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)

Jack Kramer, Principal, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (MIAAA) (B)

Wendy Lemons, Cheer Coach, Whitmore Lake HS, Whitmore Lake (C)

Vic Michaels, Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit

Heather Prentice, Cheer Coach, Climax-Scotts HS, Climax (D)

Debra Rambow, Official, Dewitt

Stacy Sheler, Cheer Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)

Jeani VanHecke, Cheer Coach, St Clair HS, St Clair (B)

Lori Webb, Teacher, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)

#### (70) Cross Country/Track & Field Regulations Tuesday, January 25, 2005, 9 AM

Gene Balawajder, Athletic Director, Milford HS, Highland

Dan Bolhuis, Asst. Principal, Orchard View HS, Muskegon (B)

Cecil Burch, Track Coach, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)

Lewis Clingman, Teacher/Coach, Burton Middle School, Grand Rapids

Dave DeCou, Track Coach, Marcellus HS, Marcellus (C)

Mac Domke, Track Coach, Marysville HS, Marysville (B)

Rudy Godefroidt, Official/Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

Doug Grezeszak, Track Coach, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)

Kathy Hutfilz, Teacher/Official, St Louis HS, St Louis (C)

John Lober, Coach, Traverse City Central HS, Traverse City (A)

Jim Long, Track Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)

Brian Macomber, Final Manager, Comstock Park (Advisory)

Jim Mallard, Athletic Director, Allegan HS, Allegan (B)

Paul Nilsson, Track Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)

Charles Pelham, Track Coach, Pittsford HS, Pittsford (D)

Duane Pelz, Track Coach, Clinton HS, Clinton (C)

Bob Ribby, Track Coach, Eaton Rapids HS, Eaton Rapids (B)

Dale Sage, Athletic Director, Reese HS, Reese (C)

Ed Skrelunas, Principal, Clio HS, Clio (A)

Bertha Smiley, Athletic Director, Southeastern HS, Detroit (A)

Fred Smith, Athletic Director, Comstock HS, Kalamazoo (MIAAA) (B)

Kim Spalsbury, Track Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)

Douglas Willer, Principal, Hillsdale HS, Hillsdale (B)

Wright Wilson, Track Coach, Shrine Catholic HS, Royal Oak (C)

#### (75) Football

#### Monday, January 24, 2005, 9 AM

Timothy Baker, Football Coach, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)

Rod Bragg, Football Coach, St Mary Cathedral HS, Gaylord (D)

Darren Bray, Football Coach, Gladstone HS, Gladstone (B)

Marcelle Carruthers, Football Coach, Everett HS, Lansing (A)

Greg Carter, Football Coach, St Martin De Porres HS, Detroit (D)

Dave Casen, Football Coach, Sparta HS, Sparta (B)

Teresa Cole, Asst. Athletic Director, Mio-Au Sable HS, Mio (C)

Michael Colletta, Athletic Director, Belleville HS, Belleville (A)

Russell Davis, Athletic Director, Jackson HS, Jackson (A)

Denny Dock, Football Coach, Lakeshore HS, Stevensville (B)

Chris Ervin, Athletic Director, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)

Mary Jo Evans, Athletic Director, Holy Redeemer HS, Detroit (D)

Larry Featherstone, Football Coach, Benton Harbor HS, Benton Harbor (A)

Morley Fraser, Athletic Director, Central HS, Bay City (A)

Denny Fulk, Athletic Director, Laingsburg HS, Laingsburg (C)

Jason Gribble, Athletic Director, Airport HS, Carleton (B)

Paul Guse, Football Coach, Lutheran HS Westland, Westland (C)

Dan Hoffman, Football Coach, Morenci Area HS, Morenci (C)

Hugh Jewell, Official, Highland Park

Randy Johnson, Principal, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)

Bruce Mann, Football Coach, Shelby HS, Shelby (C)

Dan McShannock, Athletic Director, HH Dow HS, Midland (MIAAA) (A)

Mike Millhouse, Football Coach, Holly HS, Holly (A)

Tony Petkus, Football Coach, Fennville HS, Fennville (C)

Bob Saylor, Football Coach, Reese HS, Reese (C)

Ronald Simpkins, Football Coach, Western International HS, Detroit (A)

Marty Spencer, Football Coach, La Salle HS, St Ignace (C)

Matt Stapleton, Athletic Director, Frankfort HS, Frankfort (D)

Paul Test, Football Coach, Thurston Elementary, 2300 Prairie, Ann Arbor

Jim Webb, Football Coach, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (A)

#### (90) Girls Tennis Seeding

Monday, October 11, 2004, 3 PM Tuesday, October 12, 2004, 8 AM

Nancy Brissette, Tennis Coach, Garber HS, Essexville (B)

Glenn Corey, Tennis Coach, Garber HS, Essexville (B)

Gary Ellis, Athletic Director, Allegan HS, Allegan (Advisory) (B)

Joe Gentle, Tennis Coach, North Muskegon HS, North Muskegon (C)

Jan Gottlin, Tennis Coach, Riverview Community HS, Riverview (B)

Barb Myler, Tennis Coach, Shrine Catholic HS, Royal Oak (C)

Pat Rose, Tennis Coach, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Dwayne (Tiger) Teusink, Advisory, 52 East 30th Street, Holland (Advisory)

#### (95) Golf

#### Tuesday, November 30, 2004, 1 PM

Bob Artymovich, Golf Coach, Regina HS, Harper Woods (B)

Jim Bennett, Golf Coach, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)

Chris Carter, Golf Coach, Mona Shores HS, Norton Shores (A)

Kevin Dean, Athletic Director, Edwardsburg HS, Edwardsburg (B)

Ken Dietz, Athletic Director, Hartford HS, Hartford (C)

Bob Jenkins, Golf Coach, Northern HS, Detroit (A)

Nancy Johnson, Golf Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

Gregg Kirchen, Golf Coach, West Ottawa HS, Holland (A)

Bob Lober, President-MIGCA, Traverse City Central HS, Traverse City (A)

Doug McKay, Golf Coach, De La Salle Collegiate HS, Warren (A)

Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (MIAAA) (A)

Nancy Mohre, Golf Coach, Charlotte HS, Charlotte (B)

Mike Morris, Principal, Centreville HS, Centreville (MASSP) (C)

Jim Neubecker, Golf Coach, Byron Area HS, Byron (C)

Roger Perkins, Golf Coach, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Andy Piazza, Athletic Director, Grand Blanc HS, Grand Blanc (A)

Chuck Schira, Golf Coach, Portage Central HS, Portage (A)

Ernie Silverthorn, Golf Coach, Alma HS, Alma (B)

Michelle Snow, Golf Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)

#### (100) Gymnastics

#### Wednesday, October 13, 2004, 1 PM

Heather Carrigan, Gymnastics Coach, Fraser HS, Fraser (A)

John Cunningham, President-MHSGCJA, Plymouth HS, Canton (A)

Michelle DeHaan, Gymnastics Coach, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)

Larry Edlund, Athletic Director, Portage Central HS, Portage (A)

Deanna Fakhouri, Gymnastics Coach, Athens HS, Troy (A)

Melanie Miller, Athletic Director, JW Sexton HS, Lansing (MIAAA) (A)

Jason Rapp, Athletic Director, Adams HS, Rochester (A)

Linda Scholl, Official, Parma

Madeline Siehling, Official, Zeeland

Keith Vree, Athletic Director, Rockford HS, Rockford (A)

Anne Witherill, Gymnastics Coach, Holt HS, Holt (A)

#### (110) Ice Hockey

#### Wednesday, May 25, 2005, 9:30 AM

Ron Baum, Hockey Coach, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)

Mike Dellapina, Athletic Director, Mona Shores HS, Norton Shores (A)

Brian DeRath, Principal, Williamston Middle School, Williamston (MASSP)

Daniel DiCristofaro, Official, New Baltimore

Curt Ellis, Final Manager, Novi HS, Novi (A)

Eric Federico, Acting Superintendent, OA Carlson HS, Gibraltar (B)

Morley Fraser, Athletic Director, Central HS, Bay City (A)

Bruce Horsch, Athletic Director, Houghton HS, Houghton (C)

Jim Johnson, Athletic Director, Troy HS, Troy (A)

Chris Limback, Hockey Coach, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)

Pete Mazzoni, President-MHSHCA, Churchill HS, Livonia (A)

Tim Roach, Asst. Athletic Director, Mattawan HS, Mattawan (A)

Pete Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (MIAAA) (A)

Christian Wilson, Athletic Director, Gaylord HS, Gaylord (A)

Steven Winn, Official, Flint

Rob Woodward, Hockey Coach, Catholic Central HS, Lansing (B)

Donald Wright, Hockey Coach, Chelsea HS, Chelsea (A)

#### (120) Junior High/Middle School Tuesday, January 11, 2005, 1 PM

Dave Beyer, Athletic Director, Gladwin HS, Gladwin (B)

Joe Clay, Administrator, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit

Terri Clock, Athletic Director, Bunker Middle School, Muskegon

Keith Eldred, Faculty Member, Williamston Middle School, Williamston

Paul Ellinger, Superintendent, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)

Ray Freeze, Principal, Bath Middle School, Bath

Joe Haines, Athletic Director, Kenowa Hills Middle School, Grand Rapids

Kay Johnson, Principal, Morenci Middle School, Morenci

Fred Keier, Athletic Director, Seitz Middle School, Riverview

Tom Mecsey, Athletic Director, Cranbrook Kingswood Middle School, Bloomfield Hills)

Linda Myers, Superintendent, Morley Stanwood Middle School, Morley

Jim Nielsen, Principal, Orchard View Middle School, Muskegon

Jim Okler, Athletic Director, Grosse Ile Middle School, Grosse Ile

Dennis Powers, Cross Country Coach, Greenville Middle School, Greenville

David Reeves, Athletic Director, Traverse City West JHS, Traverse City

Ken Szczepanski, Principal, Hopkins Middle School, Hopkins

Tom Thompson, Athletic Director, White Pine Middle School, Saginaw

#### (125) Lacrosse-Boys

#### Wednesday, January 26, 2005, 9:30AM

#### Tuesday, May 10, 2005, 9:30AM

Rick DeBlasio, MI President - US Assn., East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)

Bob Dowd, Athletic Director, Athens HS, Troy (MIAAA) (A)

Jerry Fouch, Athletic Director, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)

Aaron Frank, Athletic Director, Seaholm HS, Birmingham (A)

Mike Jolly, Athletic Director, De La Salle Collegiate HS, Warren (A)

John Kenny, Lacrosse Coach, Detroit Country Day HS, Beverly Hills (B)

Rich Kimball, Athletic Director, Northwest HS, Jackson (B)

Ed Maloney, Athletic Director, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Kathy McGee, Dir. Of Placement/Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)

Roger Pattee, Official, Livonia

Jack Provencal, Athletic Director, Grand Haven HS, Grand Haven (A)

#### (130) Lacrosse-Girls

#### Thursday, January 27, 2005, 9:30 AM

#### Tuesday, May 10, 2005, 9:30 AM

Amy Dickinson, Asst. Principal, West Ottawa HS, Holland (A)

Pat Hayes, Lacrosse Coach, Detroit Country Day HS, Beverly Hills (B)

Judy Hehs, Principal, Academy Of The Sacred Heart, Bloomfield Hills (D)

Betsy Kreston, Lacrosse Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)

Jack Mehall, President-MLCA, 2360 Liberty Street, Farmington

Greg Michaels, Athletic Director, Lakeland HS, White Lake (A)

Rick Schmidt, Athletic Director, Holt HS, Holt (MIAAA) (A)

Fred Smith, Athletic Director, Comstock HS, Kalamazoo (B)

#### (135) Lower Peninsula Girls/Boys Basketball Tournament Tuesday, September 21, 2004, 9 AM Wednesday, May 11, 2005, 9 AM

Mitch Bohn, Athletic Director, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)

John Brown, Athletic Director, Benton Harbor HS, Benton Harbor (A)

Mike Colletta, Athletic Director, Belleville HS, Belleville (A)

Terry Curley, Athletic Director, Marysville HS, Marysville (B)

Russell Davis, Athletic Director, Jackson HS, Jackson (A) Lafavette Evans, Supervisor, Detroit Public Schools, Detroit

Tim Genson, Athletic Director, Mason County Central HS, Scottville (B)

Jan Gillette, Athletic Director, Comstock Park HS, Comstock Park (B)

Leroy Hackley, Athletic Director, Byron Center HS, Byron Center (B)

Joe Haines, Athletic Director, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Kevin Herendeen, Principal/Official, East Jackson HS, Jackson (C)

Gary Hice, Athletic Director, Petoskey HS, Petoskey (A)

Barry Hobrla, Athletic Director, Lowell HS, Lowell (A)

Dewayne Jones, Athletic Director, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A)

Buddy Kimura, Athletic Director, Northern HS, Flint (A)

Maureen Klocke, Athletic Director, Capac HS, Capac (B)

Thomas Litzner, Athletic Director, Pellston HS, Pellston (C)

Ted Manning, Athletic Director, Schoolcraft HS, Schoolcraft (C)

Jeffrey Melvin, Principal, Bangor HS, Bangor (C)

Vic Michaels, Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit

John Norton, Athletic Director, River Valley HS, Three Oaks (C)

Pat Richardson, Athletic Director, Grass Lake HS, Grass Lake (C)

Cheri Ritz, Athletic Director, Wayland Union HS, Wayland (B)

Jan Sander, Athletic Director, Warren Woods-Tower HS, Warren (B)

Rick Schmidt, Athletic Director, Holt HS, Holt (A) Cindy Short, Athletic Director, Everett HS, Lansing (A) Susan Tucker, Athletic Director, Perry HS, Perry (B) Jim Vidro, Athletic Director, Union HS, Grand Rapids (A) Christian Wilson, Athletic Director, Gaylord HS, Gaylord (A) Sid Wright, Athletic Director, Lincoln HS, Ypsilanti (A)

#### (140) Officials Review

#### Monday, September 27, 2004, 9:30 AM

Dave Bos, OK Conference, 5730 Marlin Avenue, Hudsonville Jim Danhoff, Kalamazoo Valley Assn., 12386 East D Avenue, Richland Jason Gribble, Huron League, Airport HS, Carleton (B) Bob Grounds, Assn. of Mid-Michigan Officials, 7404 Francis Road, St. Johns Bill Heintskill, Tri Valley Conference, 2001 28th Street, Bay City Peggy Lintemuth, Lake MI Comp Cheer Off. Assn., 115 Bay Circle Drive, Holland Joe McCormick, Approved Association, 1540 Trail Drive, Trenton Vic Michaels, Director, Archdiocese of Detroit, Detroit Edward Miller, West Michigan D League, Mason County Eastern HS, Custer (D) Bruce Moss, Central State Activity Assn., 223 E Superior Street, Alma Mike Parsons, Huron Valley Off. Assn., 2590 Gladstone Avenue, Ann Arbor R. Scott Ryder, West MI Soccer Ref. Assn., 1016 Southern Street, Kalamazoo Brett Spaulding, Betsie Valley Off. Assn., 18250 Pine Meadows Dr, Thompsonville Scott Tallmadge, Eastern MI Off. Assn., 519 12th Street, Port Huron Jim Weiler, Superior Officials Assn., PO Box 77, Chassell Hans Wienke, Mid Peninsula Ath. Assn., Iron Mountain

#### (150) Ski

#### Thursday, November 4, 2004, 10 AM

Jim Bartlett, Advisory, Nub's Nob Ski Area, Harbor Springs (Advisory) Randy Bingham, Athletic Director, Harbor Springs HS, Harbor Springs (C) Ken (Woody) Brackney, Ski Coach, Fenton HS, Fenton (A) Reg Cavendar, Ski Coach, Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills (A) Bill Chilman, Principal, Cadillac HS, Cadillac (MASSP) (A) Dan Costigan, Ski Coach, Detroit Country Day HS, Beverly Hills (B) Cathy Erickson, Ski Coach, Roscommon HS, Roscommon (B) Ed Grice, Advisory, Boyne Mountain Ski Resort, Boyne Falls (Advisory) Dewayne Jones, Athletic Director, West Bloomfield HS, West Bloomfield (A) Gary Hice, Athletic Director, Petoskey HS, Petoskey (MIAAA) (A) Randy Josey, Ski Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B) Nancy Malinowski, Athletic Director, Mercy HS, Farmington Hills (A) Brewster McVicker, Ski Coach, Petoskey HS, Petoskey (A) Sue Miller, Prsident-MHSSCA, Charlevoix HS, Charlevoix (C) Allan Nelson, Ski Coach, Flushing HS, Flushing (A) Richard Niesen, Athletic Director, Hackett Catholic Central HS, Kalamazoo (C) Renee Rhodes, Ski Coach, Howell HS, Howell (A)

#### (155) Soccer

#### Wednesday, February 9, 2005, 9:30 AM

Jack Wood, Ski Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

Kim Brewbaker, Soccer Coach, St Johns HS, St Johns (A) Goran Cepo, Soccer Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A) Keith Froelich, Athletic Director, Okemos HS, Okemos (A) Jim Galvas, Soccer Coach, Clio HS, Clio (A) Dene Hadden, Principal, South Haven HS, South Haven (MASSP) (B) Linda Harrison, Soccer Coach, Greenville HS, Greenville (A)

Todd Heugh, Soccer Coach, Rochester HS, Rochester Hills (A)

Barry Hobrla, Athletic Director, Lowell HS, Lowell (MIAAA) (A)

Jeff Lillo, Soccer Coach, Michigan Lutheran HS, St Joseph (D)

Floyd Lincoln, Soccer Coach, Durand Area HS, Durand (B)

Andrea Oatman, Soccer Coach, Bridgman HS, Bridgman (C)

Doris Pipkens, Soccer Coach, Holt HS, Holt (A)

Jim Pittman, Athletic Director, Clinton HS, Clinton (C)

Susan Riksen, Official, Gobles

Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Meg Seng, Athletic Director, Greenhills HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Michael Thom, Co-Athletic Director, Notre Dame Preparatory School, Pontiac (B)

Clark Udell, President-MISCA, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Andy Valdmanis, Soccer Coach, Traverse City Central HS, Traverse City (A)

Jeff Vennell, Athletic Director, Cranbrook Kingswood HS, Bloomfield Hills (B)

Mike Vondette, Athletic Director, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

#### (175) Swimming

#### Tuesday, March 22, 2005, 9:30 AM

Tom Belco, Swim Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)

Butch Briggs, President-MISCA, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)

Michelle Caie, Swim Coach, Walled Lake Northern, Commerce (A)

Sue Calvo, Athletic Director, Swartz Creek HS, Swartz Creek (A)

Judy Dennis, Swim Coach, Alpena HS, Alpena (A)

Tiffany Donegan, Swim Coach, East Lansing HS, East Lansing (A)

John Dudley, Adivsory, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (Advisory)

Tim Eastman, Principal/Coach, Hackett Catholic Central HS, Kalamazoo (C)

Mary Ann Egnatuk, Swim Coach, Albion HS, Albion (C)

Jamie Gent, Athletic Director, Haslett HS, Haslett (MIAAA) (B)

John Krimmel, Athletic Director, Dundee HS, Dundee (B)

Ellen Pugh, Athletic Director, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)

Ashley Seidl, Swim Coach, Berkley HS, Berkley (A)

Mike Sharrow, Principal, Algonac HS, Algonac (MASSP) (B)

Dave Smith, Swim Coach, Warren Woods-Tower HS, Warren (B)

Wendy Smith, Swim Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)

Janis Stahr, Official, Flat Rock

Catherine Stevens, Assoc. Athletic Director, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)

Mike Venos, Swim Coach, Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)

Jenni Wilkening, Swim Coach, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)

#### (180) Tennis

#### Thursday, January 6, 2005, 9:30 AM

Doug Adams, Tennis Coach, Clio HS, Clio (A)

Sue Bailey, Tennis Coach, DeWitt HS, DeWitt (B)

Mary Bradley, Tennis Coach, Ovid-Elsie HS, Elsie (B)

Lorin Cartwright, Athletic Director, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)

Jim DeRidder, Tennis Coach, Kenowa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Bob Dowd, Athletic Director, Troy Athens HS, Troy (A)

Wendy Franz, Advisory, Midland Community Tennis Ctr, Midland (Advisory)

Dennis Green, Tennis Coach, Harbor Springs HS, Harbor Springs (C)

Michelle Hicks, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Tom Kudwa, Tennis Coach, Ludington HS, Ludington (B)

Carl Latora, Athletic Director, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)

Dave McCarney, Athletic Director, Lincoln Park HS, Lincoln Park (A)

Jerry Murphy, President-MHSTCA, Rochester HS, Rochester Hills (A)

Richard Niessen, Athletic Director, Hackett Catholic Central HS, Kalamazoo (C)

Marla Philpot, Asst. Principal, Port Huron Northern HS, Port Huron (MASSP) (A)

Pam Porter, Tennis Coach, Lakeshore HS, Stevensville (B)

Meg Seng, Athletic Director, Greenhills HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Linda Siebold, Tennis Coach, Everett HS, Lansing (A)

Dwayne (Tiger) Teusink, Advisory, 52 East 30th Street, Holland (Advisory)

Deb VanKuiken, Athletic Director, Holly HS, Holly (MIAAA) (A)

Mary Walter, Tennis Coach, St Francis HS, Traverse City (C)

Don Zoller, Principal, Frankenmuth HS, Frankenmuth (B)

### (185) Track & Field Site Selection Friday, January 14, 2005, 9:30 AM

Ron Beegle, Athletic Director, Charlotte HS, Charlotte (B)

Kevin Behmer, Track Coach, Huron HS, Ann Arbor (A)

Ken Bokhoven, Track Coach, Christian HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Gary Carson, Athletic Director, Almont HS, Almont (B)

Lewis Clingman, Faculty Member/Official, Burton Middle School, Grand Rapids

Jeff Crowe, Track Coach, Fowler HS, Fowler (D)

Robert Glenn, Athletic Director, Murray-Wright HS, Detroit (A)

Greg Glover, Athletic Director, Webberville Community HS, Webberville (D)

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (C)

Derek Gonzalez, Coach, Ypsilanti Lincoln HS, Ypsilanti (A)

Vicki Hames-Frazier, Track Coach, Greenhills HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Tom Hardy, Athletic Director, St Francis HS, Traverse City (C)

Eric Harrelson, Athletic Director, Bath HS, Bath (C)

Steve Hines, Athletic Director, East Jordan HS, East Jordan (C)

Ken Jabe, Boys Track Coach, Dundee HS, Dundee (B)

Lee Kahler, Track Coach, Bad Axe HS, Bad Axe (C)

Rich Kimball, Athletic Director, Northwest HS, Jackson (B)

Jack Kramer, Athletic Director, Houghton Lake HS, Houghton Lake (B)

Karen Leinaar, Athletic Director, Benzie Central HS, Benzonia (B)

Chris Miller, Athletic Director, Gobles HS, Gobles (C)

Jim Noble, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)

Sharon Richardson, Track Coach, New Buffalo HS, New Buffalo (D)

Dale Sage, Athletic Director, Reese HS, Reese (C)

Larry Steeb, Track Coach, Whitmore Lake HS, Whitmore Lake (C)

Jim Sutton, Asst. Athletic Director, East Kentwood HS, Kentwood (A)

Steve Virkstis, Track Coach, Comstock Park HS, Comstock Park (B)

Wright Wilson, Track Coach, Shrine Catholic HS, Royal Oak (C)

#### (190) Track & Field Standards

#### Wednesday, December 8, 2004, 9 AM

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

Lorenda Jonas, Track Coach, Bath HS, Bath (C)

James Long, Track Coach, Kalamazoo Central HS, Kalamazoo (A)

Mitch Lutzke, Track Coach, Williamston HS, Williamston (B)

Brian Macomber, Official, Comstock Park

Jim Noble, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)

Kim Spalsbury, Track Coach, Grand Ledge HS, Grand Ledge (A)

Mike Unger, Athletic Director, Lutheran HS Westland, Westland (C)

#### (195) Trophy & Medal

#### Thursday, April 14, 2005, 9:30 AM

Keith Eldred, Faculty Member, Williamston Middle School, Williamston

Paul Ellinger, Superintendent, Cheboygan Area HS, Cheboygan (B)

Delores Elswick, Athletic Director, Grosse Ile HS, Grosse Ile (B)

Al Fracassa, Football Coach, Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills (A)

Rudy Godefroidt, Principal, Hemlock HS, Hemlock (B)

Bill Newkirk, Superintendent, Meridian HS, Sanford (C)

#### (200) Volleyball

#### Tuesday, November 09, 2004, 9:30 AM

Sandy Ahola, Athletic Director, Faith HS, Burton (D)

Kim Argiri-Slone, Vollebyall Coach, Fraser HS, Fraser (A)

Tim Beardon, Principal, South Lake HS, St Clair Shores (B)

Melissa Bradley, Volleyball Coach, Frankfort HS, Frankfort (D)

Jeff Champion, Volleyball Coach, Lenawee Christian HS, Adrian (D)

Eve Claar, Volleyball Coach, Pioneer HS, Ann Arbor (A)

Teresa Cole, Asst. Athletic Director, Mio-Au Sable HS, Mio (C)

Diana Davis, Volleyball Coach, Paw Paw HS, Paw Paw (B)

Terry Emery, Principal, Pellston HS, Pellston (MASSP) (C)

Cathy Erickson, Volleyball Coach, Roscommon HS, Roscommon (B)

Ken Erny, Athletic Director, Fruitport HS, Fruitport (B)

Kathi Frank, Counselor/Official, Onsted HS, Onsted (B)

Leroy Hackley, Athletic Director, Byron Center HS, Byron Center (B)

Blake Hagman, Advisor, Final Manager, Kalamazoo (Advisory)

Sharon Hammerschmidt, Athletic Director, Dominican HS, Detroit (C)

Steve Hoke, Athletic Director, Hastings HS, Hastings (B)

Cody Inglis, Athletic Director, Suttons Bay HS, Suttons Bay (MIAAA) (C)

Dawn Jaqua, Volleyball Coach, Portage Central HS, Portage (A)

John Knuth, Athletic Director, Croswell-Lexington HS, Croswell (B)

Laurie Kohout, Athletic Director, Central HS, Flint (A)

Jean LaClair, President-MIVCA, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)

Ed Maloney, Athletic Director, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Sally Paulus, Official, Midland

Roger Rush, Athletic Director, Pine River Area HS, Leroy (C)

Laurie Ryan, Athletic Director, Forest Hills Central HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Kathy Trenary, Volleyball Coach, Mendon HS, Mendon (D)

Sue Tucker, Athletic Director, Perry HS, Perry (B)

Lori VanOverloop, Volleyball Coach, Covenant Christian HS, Grand Rapids (C)

Sherri Warner, Volleyball Coach, New Lothrop HS, New Lothrop (C)

Betty Wroubel, Athletic Director, Notre Dame Preparatory School, Pontiac (B)

#### (210) Volleyball Site Selection

#### Tuesday, September 14, 2004, 9:30 AM

Ron Beegle, Athletic Director, Charlotte HS, Charlotte (B)

Teresa Cole, Athletic Director, Mio-Au Sable HS, Mio (C)

Diane Davis, Volleyball Coach, Paw Paw HS, Paw Paw (B)

Chris Ervin, Athletic Director, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)

Jerry Fouch, Athletic Director, East Grand Rapids HS, Grand Rapids (B)

Greg Gallas, Athletic Director, Tri-unity Christian HS, Wyoming (D)

Fred Gerds, Athletic Director, Lutheran Northwest HS, Rochester Hills (C)

Lori Glidden, Athletic Director, Marlette HS, Marlette (C)

Roy Gurk, Athletic Director, Dearborn HS, Dearborn (A)

Donna Hathaway, Athletic Director, Ottawa Hills HS, Grand Rapids (A)

Scott Huckaby, Athletic Director, Freedom Baptist HS, Hudsonville (D)

Rich Kimball, Athletic Director, Northwest HS, Jackson (B)

Maureen Klocke, Athletic Director, Capac HS, Capac (B)

John Knuth, Athletic Director, Croswell-Lexington HS, Croswell (B)

Jean LaClair, Athletic Director, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)

Rene LaFreniere, Athletic Director, Manton HS, Manton (C)

Carl Latora, Athletic Director, Portage Northern HS, Portage (A)

Ed Maloney, Athletic Director, Gabriel Richard HS, Ann Arbor (C)

Jodi Manore, Volleyball Coach, Bedford HS, Temperance (A)

Cheri Ritz, Athletic Director, Wayland Union HS, Wayland (B)

Pete Ryan, Athletic Director, Heritage HS, Saginaw (A)

Chris Schneider, Athletic Director, East Detroit HS, Eastpointe (A)

Norm Taylor, Superintendent, Constantine HS, Constantine (C)

Mario Villerreal, Athletic Director, Eastern HS, Lansing (A)

Christian Wilson, Athletic Director, Gaylord HS, Gaylord (A)

#### (215) Wrestling

#### Wednesday, January 26, 2005, 9:30 AM

Kevin Akin, Athletic Director, Alma HS, Alma (B)

Kent Bailo, Wrestling Coach, Brandon HS, Ortonville (A)

Dan Chrenko, Asst. Principal, Trenton HS, Trenton (MASSP) (B)

Dustin Cichocki, Wrestling Coach, Carson City-Crystal HS, Carson City (C)

Sam Davis, Principal, Dwight Rich Middle School, Lansing

Timothy Erickson, Official, Rockford

Tom Flynn, Wrestling Coach, Wylie E Groves HS, Beverly Hills (A)

Mark Fuhrman, Athletic Director, Pinconning Area HS, Pinconning (B)

Mike Garvey, Athletic Director, Delton Kellogg HS, Delton (MIAAA) (B)

Michael Goggins, Wrestling Coach, Hastings HS, Hastings (B)

Stephen Hendershott, Official, Ortonville

Mark Holdren, President-MWA, Portland HS, Portland (B)

Tom Johnson, Athletic Director, Iron Mountain HS, Iron Mountain (C)

Al Kastl, Athletic Director, Chippewa Valley HS, Clinton Township (A)

Rudy Kocsis, Wrestling Coach, Chesaning Middle School, Chesaning

Jerry LaJoie, Wrestling Coach, Gaylord HS, Gaylord (A)

Rob Madigan, Wrestling Coach, Norway HS, Norway (C)

Scott Marvin, Wrestling Coach, Thornapple Kellogg HS, Middleville (B)

Ken Mohney, Athletic Director, Mattawan HS, Mattawan (A)

Ronald Nagy, Guest, Hazel Park

Dennis Paquete, Wrestling Coach, Bangor HS, Bangor (C)

Jeff Pittman, Athletic Director, Mason HS, Mason (A)

Ellen Pugh, Athletic Director, Ogemaw Heights HS, West Branch (B)

Jim Scott, Wrestling Coach, Grand Valley State University, Allendale

Al Sosinski, Wrestling Coach, Bronson HS, Bronson (C)

Patrick Threet, Wrestling Coach, Warren Woods-Tower HS, Warren (B)

Frank Vilardi, Wrestling Coach, Southgate Anderson HS, Southgate (A)

Mario Villarreal, Athletic Director, Eastern HS, Lansing (A)

John Zintsmaster, Wrestling Coach, Luke M Powers Catholic HS, Flint (B)

# GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

#### East Lansing, September 14, 2004

#### **Members Present:**

Ron Beegle, Charlotte
Teresa Cole, Mio
Diane Davis, Paw Paw
Chris Ervin, Carson City
Jerry Fouch, East Grand Rapids
Greg Gallas, Wyoming
Lori Glidden, Marlette
Roy Gurk, Dearborn
Donna Hathaway, Grand Rapids
Scott Huckaby, Hudsonville
Rich Kimball, Jackson
Maureen Klocke, Capac
John Knuth, Croswell
Jean LaClair, Bronson
Rene LaFreniere, Manton

Carl Latora, Portage Ed Maloney, Ann Arbor Jodi Manore, Temperance Pete Ryan, Saginaw Chris Schneider, Eastpointe Norm Taylor, Constantine Christian Wilson, Gaylord

#### Members Absent:

Fred Gerds, Rochester Hills Cheri Ritz, Wayland Mario Villerreal, Lansing

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Gina Mazzolini (Recorder)

The committee was reminded of its responsibility and reviewed the accepted criteria for selecting the 2005 hosts for MHSAA Girls Volleyball Tournament contests involving Lower Peninsula schools. The Upper Peninsula Athletic Committee will select sites where all the schools or a majority are Upper Peninsula schools.

#### **DRAWINGS**

Drawings were conducted for District qualifiers to Regional Tournament competition as well as Semifinal bracket placement in all classes.

#### Four Team Regional: Tournament Advance Master Draw

| 2nd Highest District No. |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Highest District No.     |  |
| 2nd Lowest District No.  |  |
| Lowest District No.      |  |

#### **Semifinal Bracket Placement in All Classes:**

| Class A | Class B |
|---------|---------|
| 3       | 8       |
| 1 —     | 7       |
| 4       | 5       |
| 2       | 6 —     |
| Class C | Class D |
| 11      | 14      |
| 9       | 15      |
| 10      | 16      |
| 12 —    | 13      |

The committee then selected Quarterfinal, District and Regional centers in all classes except schools located in the Upper Peninsula.

### And We Quote -

"If you don't respect your opponent, you don't respect yourself."

- Lloyd Carr, University of Michigan Football Coach

# BOYS BASKETBALL SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

#### East Lansing, September 21, 2004

#### **Members Present:**

Mitch Bohn, Sanford John Brown, Benton Harbor Terry Curley, Marysville Russell Davis, Jackson Lafavette Evans, Detroit Tim Genson, Scottville Jan Gillette, Comstock Park Leroy Hackley, Byron Center Joe Haines, Grand Rapids Kevin Herendeen, Jackson Gary Hice, Petoskey Barry Hobrla, Lowell Dewayne Jones, West Bloomfield Buddy Kimura, Flint Maureen Klocke, Capac Thomas Litzner, Pellston Ted Manning, Schoolcraft

Jeffrey Melvin, Bangor

Vic Michaels, Detroit John Norton, Three Oaks Pat Richardson, Grass Lake Cheri Ritz, Wayland Jan Sander, Warren Rick Schmidt, Holt Cindy Short, Lansing Susan Tucker, Perry Jim Vidro, Grand Rapids Christian Wilson, Gaylord Sid Wright, Ypsilant

#### **Members Absent:**

Mike Colletta, Belleville

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Nate Hampton Sharla Stokes (Recorder)

The committee was reminded of its responsibility and reviewed the accepted criteria for selecting the 2005 hosts for MHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament contests.

#### DRAWINGS

Drawings were conducted for District qualifiers to Regional Tournament competition as well as Semifinal bracket placement in all classes.

#### Four Team Regional:

#### **Tournament Advance Master Draw**

Lowest District No. 2nd Lowest District No. Highest District No. 2nd Highest District No. 2nd Highest District No.

#### Semifinal Bracket Placement in All Classes:

| Class A | Class B |
|---------|---------|
| 4       | 7       |
| 2       | 8       |
| 1       | 5       |
| 3       | 6       |
| Class C | Class D |
| 10      | 15      |
| 12      | 13      |
| 11      | 14      |
| 9       | 16      |

The committee then selected Quarterfinal, District and Regional centers in all classes except schools located in the Upper Peninsula.

Regional 8 will be divided once again, with Gaylord hosting the northernmost schools, and Davison hosting the southernmost schools. Davison will host the Regional Final game.

#### OFFICIALS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

#### East Lansing, September 27, 2004

#### **Members Present:**

Dave Bos, Hudsonville
Jim Danhoff, Richland
Jason Gribble, Carleton
Bill Heintskill, Bay City
Peggy Lintemuth, Holland
Joe McCormick, Trenton
Vic Michaels, Detroit
Ed Miller, Custer
Bruce Moss, Alma
Mike Parsons, Ann Arbor
R. Scott Ryder, Kalamazoo
Brett Spalding, Thompsonville

Scott Tallmadge, Port Huron Jim Weiler, Chassell Hans Wienke, Iron Mountain

#### **Members Absent:**

Bob Grounds, St. Johns

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Randy Allen Tom Minter Mark Uyl (Recorder) Faye Verellen

The committee members introduced themselves and were reminded of the functions of the Officials Review Committee and of their relationship to the MHSAA Representative Council. A quick review of the committee appointment terms was done.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The committee reviewed the officiatingrelated items approved by the Representative Council at the May 2004 meeting. The new standards for assignors, entry-round tournament assignment procedures (BA, SB, WR, Lacrosse), and the new registered assignortournament selection committee communication process were discussed and reviewed. In addition, an update was provided on the criminal background checks of officials, ongoing survey of former MHSAA officials, and zone assignment issues for officials who work in multiple zones. For those officials who work in multiple zones, the committee believed that officials should be considered for assignment in the zone they indicate on their rules meeting attendance form, not necessarily the zone of residence.

The committee conveyed its strong feelings that the only officials to be considered for tournament assignments in football, basketball and wrestling in 2005-2006 be members in good standing of an Approved Association. The committee was informed that this policy will be strictly enforced by MHSAA staff in tournament selection meetings in those required sports for next year.

### RATING & EVALUATION OF OFFICIALS

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the current MHSAA rating system. Information was provided regarding the rating / evaluation systems used in other states, and the committee felt that Michigan has a system that is superior to the surrounding states. Concerns identified were the complete and accurate submission of ratings from all schools to the MHSAA for all officials, along with rating comparison data. The committee supported the MHSAA providing state-wide and zone rating averages so officials can identify where their rating places them in comparison with other officials in that sport.

A variety of officiating evaluation tools were provided to the committee and the committee encourages the Representative Council to authorize MHSAA staff to move forward to develop defined officiating standards, and subsequent evaluation instruments, which can be used in a future evaluation program.

### OFFICIALS RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The committee encouraged MHSAA staff to evaluate the current gifts offered to officials after five and ten years of registration. There was consensus to identify one gift (gender neutral) for each recognition level in hopes in increasing the quality of the product while keeping costs constant because the two gifts can be purchased in bulk quantities.

### RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

- Allow approved, tournament eligible MHSAA officials (excluding reciprocal officials) who reside outside of Michigan to be considered for entry level tournament assignments in all sports (8-7).
- 2. Allow approved, tournament eligible MHSAA officials (excluding reciprocal officials) who reside outside of Michigan to be considered for entry level tournament assignments in the Baseball / Softball tournaments (11-4). ■

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The official MHSAA Web site, **mhsaa.com**, will have a new look when schools come back from their holiday break in January 2005.

The renovation project, which began last spring, will launch Phase 1 in January, offering a more contemporary look with a more streamlined navigational flow. Users will find previous favorites such as Games Wanted, Forms and Tournament results intact, along with new features focusing on Resources and Student Leadership within this phase. Member schools also may notice an increase in Tournament Management materials online, a service which has already expanded throughout this fall season.

Future plans include the development of more dynamic Web pages for submission of forms and various registration materials.

Member schools and registered officials still should maintain building and personnel data on **mhsaa.net**.

"We believe our school administrators, coaches, students and spectators all will enjoy the renovated Web site and the many resources and features it has to offer," said MHSAA Executive Director John E. "Jack" Roberts. "In updating our design and expanding the content, we have taken a highly successful Web site and made it even better."

#### FOOTBALL OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE

East Lansing, September 23, 2004

#### **Members Present:**

Ron Allen, Holland Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids Fred Bowers, Waldron Rich Burdis, Flushing Richard Catt, Ludington Russ Collins, St Clair Shores Mike Dellapina, Norton Shores Denny Dock, Stevensville Lafavette Evans, Detroit Jerry Fouch, Grand Rapids Morley Fraser, Bay City Keith Froelich, Okemos Justin Gluesing, Alpena Leroy Hackley, Byron Center Tony Harris, Auburn Hills Elbert Hicks, Flint Barry Hobrla, Lowell Tom Johnson, Iron Mountain Jack Kerspilo, Reading John Krimmel, Dundee Rick Ledy, St Ignace Karen Leinaar, Benzonia Dave McCarney, Lincoln Park Mike Messner, Constantine Vic Michaels, Detroit

Douglas Paige, Howell
Philip Periard, Birch Run
Don Poshak, Calumet
Pat Richardson, Grass Lake
Bill Root, Roscommon
Bob Root, Flint
Scott Shaw, Three Rivers
Thomas Smith, Escanaba
Mario Villarreal, Lansing
John Wilcox, St Johns

#### **Members Absent:**

Marshall Thomas, Saginaw

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Andy Frushour
Aaron Leong
Nate Hampton
Mandi Hoover
Camala Kinder
Tom Minter
Mark Uyl
Jamie VanDerMoere
Faye Verellen
Debbie Waddell

The Committee was presented with the entire list of approved officials in Football who had completed availability forms at the MHSAA rules meetings in the fall. A list of officials who were recommended by leagues, and nominated by officials associations were also provided for review by each zone committee. Assignments were made for the playoffs on the basis of the availability of the officials and the criteria outlined in the *Officials Guidebook*.

#### RATINGS

Specific rating standards as published in the Officials Guidebook were used in the selection process. Minimal ratings required included 2.1 for Semifinal and Final officials and 2.5 for Pre-District, District and Regional officials. Officials recommended by two or more leagues/conferences and/or officials associations were qualified to the next rating level.

#### OFFICIALS AVAILABILITY

Approximately 1,239 officials indicated their availability for the Football playoff games. Of this number 80 officials were assigned to Semifinals; and 40 officials were assigned to the Finals. Crews available for the Pre-District, District and Regional playoff games totaled 218. Crew assignments included over 100 crews assigned to Pre-District (128 games), District (64 games), Regional (32 games). Nearly 1000 officials are involved in this year's playoffs.

# GIRLS BASKETBALL OFFICIALS ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE

East Lansing, October 4, 2004

#### **Members Present:**

Mel Atkins, Grand Rapids Joe Austin, Buchanan Mitch Bohn, Sanford Daniel Delamarter, Ubly Van Dickerson, Kalamazoo Ken Dietz, Hartford Chris Ervin, Carson City Lafavette Evans, Detroit Dan Fife, Clarkston Keith Froelich, Okemos Leroy Hackley, Byron Center Kevin Herendeen, Jackson Elbert Hicks, Flint Paul Hornak, Ithaca Cody Inglis, Suttons Bay Maureen Klocke, Capac Karen Leinaar, Benzonia Sean Maloney, Dearborn Heights Glenn Metcalf, Muskegon Heights Vic Michaels, Detroit

Jim Pittman, Clinton
Dale Sage, Reese
Jan Sander, Warren
Dick Slade, Saginaw
Mario Villarreal, Lansing
Keith Vree, Rockford
Wayne Welton, Chelsea
Christian Wilson, Gaylord
Jeff Zonyk, Three Rivers

#### Members Absent:

Jan Gillette, Comstock Park Lori Hyman, Livonia

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Nate Hampton Tom Minter Mark Uyl Jamie VanDerMoere Faye Verellen Debbie Waddell

The Committee was presented with the entire list of approved officials in Girls Basketball who had completed availability forms at the MHSAA rules meetings in the fall. Assignments were made for the tournament on the basis of recommendations and availability of the officials.

#### **RATINGS**

Minimal ratings required for consideration were 2.1 for Final officials; 2.5 for Semifinal and Quarterfinal officials; 2.7 for Regional and District officials. Officials recommended by one or more leagues/conferences and/or officials associations were qualified to be considered for the next higher tournament level.

#### TOURNAMENT INVITATIONS

Officials are assigned to work only one game per day in any tournament competition. The District, Regional and First-Round Management were sent copies of Official Response Forms for those officials assigned to their site. At Regional Tournaments, officials are assigned to work one game of the three available.

#### OFFICIALS AVAILABILITY

Eight-hundred eleven (811) officials indicated their availability for Tournament assignments. Of this number, 590 were assigned to the Districts. Regional assignments for officials this year totaled 288 for the Lower Peninsula. Fifty (50) officials were selected to work the First-Round games (Quarterfinals). Twenty-Four (24) Semifinal officials and Twelve (12) Final officials were selected for the Championship Games.

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