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Hello all!

I'm sure you have been anxious all this time, anticipating you would receive the editorial changes for the 2015-16 handbook at any moment. We finalized the handbook only last Wednesday, and then dashed over to Yakima to run the WIAA Coaches School (which was GREAT by the way!)

At any rate, the 2015-16 editorial changes need official action/adoption by the Board, so I need your vote as soon as possible. Since the handbook committee had approved changes throughout the year and with **the majority of changes dealing with typographical errors and formatting issues, there shouldn't be any surprises in the list.**

Thanks and enjoy the rest of your summer!!

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**30.0.0 APPEALS OF LEAGUE, OR DISTRICT OR DISTRICT DIRECTOR APPEALS BOARD DECISIONS** {xe "NAME OF ORGANIZATION"}

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- 30.1.0 APPEALS** – Appeals of decisions rendered by a league shall be heard by the WIAA district board in which the league is located. ~~The WIAA Executive Board shall hear appeals of decisions rendered by the District Board. Reconsideration of decisions rendered by the WIAA Executive Board or an interpretation by the WIAA Executive Board relative to the provisions of the WIAA Rules and Regulations may be appealed to the WIAA Executive Board. Such appeals shall be conducted in accordance with WIAA Due Process Procedures.~~
- 30.1.1 Appeals of decisions rendered by a WIAA district board or disputes between WIAA District boards may be appealed to the District Directors' Appeals Board.
- 30.1.2 The WIAA Executive Board shall hear appeals of decisions rendered by the District Directors' Appeals Board.
- 30.1.3 Reconsideration of decisions rendered by the WIAA Executive Board or an interpretation by the WIAA Executive Board relative to the provisions of the WIAA Rules and Regulations may be appealed to the WIAA Executive Board. Such appeals shall be conducted in accordance with WIAA Due Process Procedures.
- CA 52.3.4 Subvarsity basketball players may play in two (2) subvarsity games, a total of up to eight (8) subvarsity quarters, in one (1) day, on eight (8) different occasions, provided there is a minimum of 45 minutes rest between games and at least two other schools involved. Athletes would still be limited to 80 quarters in a season.
- CA 52.4.1 Varsity players from all classifications of schools except 1B schools may appear in a maximum of four (4) quarters in one (1) day.
- CA 54.2.2 ~~6' x 10' or 6' x 8'~~ A nonskid surface mat(s) of at least 6' x 8' are is required for performing basket tosses and other similar multi-base tosses on a hard surface. (Folding panel mats and yoga mats are neither acceptable nor appropriate).
- CA ~~52.4.5~~ ~~If an eighth grader has participated in a middle level or junior high team, that player may participate in a maximum of forty quarters.~~
- CA 65.5.2 Each squad and each player is limited to schedule and to participate in only **two (2) one-day invitational tournaments or one (1) two-day invitation tournament.**
- CA 65.64.2 Extra Sets: Two (2) extra sets may be played following the regular contest. The additional **games sets** are for players who were not starters and played in only one set during the regular contest.
- CA Appendix 7 ~~Week 39 50% rule date of BA and SO seasons~~  
Week 40 50% rule date of BA, SB, SO TE, and TR seasons

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Appendix 11 Deleted fact finding procedure and moved it into the WIAA Executive Board policy book.

CA Page 109

Added Jim Caughlin for Bruskland Service Award and Don Koplitz as a Gareth Giles recipient

CA Page 100

Added Bill Bieloh and Ed Ploof as Gareth Giles recipients

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Appendix 14 2015-19 WIAA-WOA Agreement

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Appendix 14.1 2015-16 officials fees

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Index Added crowd management

## 2015-16 Handbook - all changes

All questions and answers (Q&A) are now in the last section of the handbook.

CA Inside front cover

### 2015-2016 WIAA EXECUTIVE BOARD

District 6	Mike Ottis	Athletic Director – Wilson Creek High School, <b>President</b>
Region A	Eric McCurdy	Executive Director of Athletics – Seattle School District, <b>Vice President</b>
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District 2	Pat McCarthy	Athletic Director – Sammamish High School
District 3	Tim Thomsen	Athletic Director – Sumner School District
District 4	Mick Hoffman	Athletic Director – Vancouver School District
District 5	Rich Rouleau	Principal – Naches Valley High School
District 7	Greg Whitmore	Athletic Director – Lind-Ritzville High School
District 8	Lori Wyborney	Principal – Rogers High School, Spokane
District 9	Ken Lindgren	Athletic Director – Oakesdale High School
Region B	Wendy Malich	Athletic Director – Franklin Pierce School District
Region C	Pam Veltri	Assistant Superintendent – Mead School District
At-large	Leta Meyer	Athletic Director – Heritage High School

### WIAA DISTRICT DIRECTORS

District 1	Jim Piccolo
District 2	Tom & Marilyn Doyle
District 3	Shelly Thiel
District 4	Tim Graham & Tim Trimble
District 5	Kent Andersen
District 6	<b>Dan White</b>
District 7	Russ Brown
District 8	Herb Rotchford
District 9	Bob Kirk

CA	Page 1	Katie Davis as Assistant to the Executive Director Added Stunt Certification: CA/CT
MAC	Page 5	Moved philosophy of crowd management from 3.0.0 to 17.32.0 (supervision of team/contest)
ASK	3.6.0	Increased high school service fees to \$60 per activities and \$.40 per student
MAC	4.7.0	<b>COMBINED PROGRAMS - DEFINITION</b> - Students from more than one WIAA member school competing as one team. A. Schools that combine in all WIAA-sponsored sports and/or all activities shall be considered as one (1) school whose name will include all schools involved in the combine with a dash between each school's name, and are not required to follow the combined program approval process. to notify the WIAA office of the combine during the classification process. E. The WIAA Office must be notified <del>annually</del> <b>at the start of each classification cycle regarding the status of each program via the WIAA membership form</b>
JM	4.9.1	<b>APPEAL OF DETERMINED CLASSIFICATION</b> - A school may appeal their determined classification to the District Directors Appeals Board. A decision of the District Directors Appeals Board may be appealed to the WIAA Executive Board. The initial appeal must be filed no later than January 10 of the classification year.
MAC	Page 12	From the WIAA Executive Board Policy Book added: <del>9.1.2 Executive Committee-The WIAA Executive Committee shall be appointed annually by the Board president. The committee shall be comprised of the WIAA Executive Board president, vice president, each sub-committee chairperson and selected past presidents. Additional members may be appointed should a diverse school size and the regional/at-large positions not be represented from the aforementioned members.</del>  <del>The Executive Committee shall meet at the president's discretion, but in particular when a decision must be made that is beyond the scope of the Executive Director's authority and the Executive Board is not scheduled to meet.</del>

- MAC 8.11.0 The Fine Arts position will rotate every three years among the Washington Music Educators Association, (~~WMEA~~), and the Washington State Forensic Association (~~WSFA~~) with ~~WMEA 2014-2017 and WSFA in 2017-2020 and the Washington Thespians Association~~ succeeding years in a similar manner.
- MAC 8.14.0 DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR {xe "DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR "}- The Executive Director's duties shall include the following:
- 8.14.1 Prepare an annual budget for WIAA Executive Board action (previously 18.14.2)
  - 8.14.2 Disburse funds of the Association upon the order of the WIAA Executive Board (previously 18.14.1);
  - 8.14.3 Prepare an annual financial report which shall be audited by a competent accountant;
  - 8.14.4 Supervise Association business and personnel, **which includes hiring staff and managing the WIAA office;**
  - 8.14.5 Interpret the rules and regulations of the Association as approved by the WIAA Executive Board;
  - 8.14.6 Manage the WIAA office;
  - 8.14.7 Make final decisions in eligibility cases appealed to the WIAA Office;
  - 8.14.8 **Carry out any other duties as assigned by the WIAA Executive Board.**
  - ~~8.14.9 Hire and manage the WIAA staff.~~
- MAC 9.3.3.3 Act as an Appeals Board in the following situations;
- a. Violations of WIAA rules by member schools (~~28.1.1~~);
  - b. A member school's classification (~~4.9.1~~);
  - c. **Appeals of decisions rendered by a WIAA district board;**
  - e. d. Disputes between districts
- 9.3.3.4 Oversee and complete district qualifying events within the designated timeline (~~25.2.1~~)

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**11.0.0 STANDARDS FOR COMMUNICATION ARTS AND LEADERSHIP INTERSCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY**{xe "NAME OF ORGANIZATION"}

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- CA 17.3.2 When individuals/teams play in the alternate season and **qualify at least one individual qualifies** for postseason qualifying events in that sport, the individuals/teams are required to have a minimum of ten (10) days of practice prior to any subsequent competition. Practices are not required in golf, but are allowed. These practices (including golf) may start no sooner than twenty (20) school days prior to round one of the state tournament. Each member of the team is allowed to practice. Schools may schedule two (2) contests after the first ten (10) practice days provided these contests would not exceed the total yearly limitation. Only players that have had ten (10) days of practice may take part in these contests.
- JM 17.5.4 Use of school equipment, facilities and/or transportation is contingent upon local school district written policy.
- A. School uniforms, ~~football helmets and shoulder pads~~ may be worn ONLY during the WIAA season for that sport except during Washington State Coaches Association feeder or all state contests. NOTE: Uniforms are considered to be the school issued contest uniform (practice or shooting shirts are not classified as school uniforms) and are defined in the adopted rule book for each specific sport.
  - B. **Football helmets and shoulder pads may be worn only during the WIAA season for that sport except as approved through the local school district policy.**
- AB 17.5.5
- Q & A-31: If the high school coach is a brother/sister of an athlete on the team, can that coach coach his brother/sister during the out-of-season time period?  
NO; only parents may coach their children during the out-of-season time period.*
- CA 17.5.5 A coach of a school team (paid or volunteer) may ~~conduct practice coach~~ only during the WIAA sport season.
- 17.5.6 ~~Practice is defined as a~~ **Coaching is defined as overseeing any** regularly scheduled team physical activity designed for the preparation of athletes for the ensuing sports season ~~and must be conducted under the supervision of the school coach. A practice is~~ **Coaching is** further defined as any attempt by the coach of a school team (paid or volunteer) to teach any phase of a game or activity to their squad or part of their squad or have their squad or part of their squad engage in drills under the supervision of that coach, or from directions provided by that coach.

- CA 17.5.8 C. During the out-of-season time period, a private high school coach may not coach **prospective** middle level students. ~~who—Prospective middle level students include:~~
- 1) **Middle level students who** attend a designated **private** feeder school owned and operated by the high school where the coach is contracted to coach; or
  - 2) In the case where no designated **private** feeder school exists, **middle level students who** reside in the public school district where the private high school is located.
- CA 17.6.0 **PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES:** A member school makes decisions regarding curriculum content and teachers and may limit the involvement of its coaching staff in teaching specific courses. Coaches may teach physical education classes provided all of the following conditions are met:
- 17.6.1 ~~The class must be open to all students.~~ The class must include students who do not participate in the sport the coach coaches.
- CA 17.12.2 **MINIMUM PRACTICE REQUIREMENT:** Each student is required to complete the minimum number of practices in a specific sport the day before participating in a game. The minimum number is included in the specific sport sections of the WIAA handbook.
- MAC 17.12.7 ~~Practice days are considered to be Monday through Friday. In addition, Schools may choose to hold schedule practice on either Saturday or Sunday during any six days of the week for the purpose of meeting the minimum practice requirements, but not both days.~~
- A. ~~Sundays may not be counted toward meeting the minimum practice requirements.~~
  - B. Practice and/or competition may be held on a nationally recognized holiday.
- CA 17.12.10 Interruption of Pre-contest Practices - If an individual athlete's pre-contest practice is interrupted, the following procedure will be used to assure that an appropriate period of practice precedes interscholastic competition:
- A. An interruption of up to three (3) consecutive school scheduled practice days, ~~excluding Sunday,~~ will have no effect on the value of previous practice days in determining compliance with pre-contest practice requirements. For example: If an athlete has completed seven (7) days of practice and then did not practice for three (3) consecutive school scheduled practice days, ~~excluding Sunday,~~ the previous seven (7) days would still count toward the minimum individual practices required before interscholastic competition.
- MAC 17.12.11 While the number of pre-contest practices will not be waived, the following rule exceptions regarding pre-contest practice requirements will be allowed **in the order listed** during the season only after every effort has been made to reschedule the contest(s) that are affected.
- 1) Number of practices in a week - exception that will be allowed:  
Provided that the local school board approves a practice for a **seventh day of the week**, that practice can count toward the minimum practice requirements.
- MAC 17.15.8 **POSTSEASON QUALIFYING EVENTS** – Postseason contests **are those events that are held after the regular season for the purpose of seeding individuals or teams into the next qualifying event or which qualify individuals or teams directly to the state tournament are not counted in the regular season contest limitation.**
- 17.15.8.1 **Postseason qualifying events** are not counted in the regular season contest limitation.
- CA 17.28.2 A student may participate in a jamboree **the day** following eight (8) days of practice.
- 17.28.3 The jamboree may count as ~~the ninth (9th) or tenth (10th) practice~~ **toward the minimum practice requirement.**
- JM 18.5.3 **Private School Education** – A student who is a regular member in a private school may participate on the interscholastic teams of his/her resident public school if the student resides within the service area of that public school and if the interscholastic activity is unavailable to the student in the private school.
- JM 18.5.2 Deleted the last sentence (~~This rule may not be appealed through the eligibility process.~~)

- JM 18.5.3 D This rule may not be appealed.
- RR 18.11.4 A. A student leaving this country for a one-year cultural/educational experience shall file a letter with his/her District Eligibility committee Chairperson prior to departure and will be eligible at his/her school of origin upon his/her return, provided all other rules of eligibility have been met.
- BS 18.16.0 FIFTH GRADE PARTICIPATION – Fifth graders may be used to salvage middle level programs only if the total enrollment of the seventh and eighth grades in a middle school is ~~not over~~ less than forty (40) when the enrollment count is taken to determine the high school classification. In that case, the fifth grade students of the school may be permitted to participate on the seventh and eighth grade baseball, basketball, soccer, softball and volleyball teams for the next two (2) years. If the total enrollment of seventh and eighth grade students in a middle school is greater than forty (40) when the enrollment count was taken, but drops below forty (40) during the first two (2) weeks of any sports season, the fifth grade students of the school may be permitted to participate on the seventh and eighth grade baseball, basketball, soccer, softball and volleyball teams during that specific sports season.
- This participation does not count against the student's middle level eligibility.
- BS 18.17.0 SIXTH GRADE PARTICIPATION{x "PARTICIPATION: SIXTH GRADE "}- Sixth graders may be used to salvage middle level programs only if the total enrollment of the seventh and eighth grades in a middle school is ~~not over~~ less than sixty (60) when the enrollment count is taken to determine the high school classification. In that case, the sixth grade students of the school may be permitted to participate on the seventh and eighth grade baseball, basketball, soccer, softball and volleyball teams for the next two (2) years. If the total enrollment of seventh and eighth grade students in a middle school is greater than sixty (60) when the enrollment count was taken, but drops below sixty (60) during the first two (2) weeks of any sports season, the sixth grade students of the school may be permitted to participate on the seventh and eighth grade baseball, basketball, soccer, softball and volleyball teams during that specific sports season.
- This participation does not count against the student's middle level eligibility.
- MAC, CA 18.19.1 PRACTICE WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL TEAM
- A. ~~If a sport is not offered by the middle school~~, eighth graders may practice with the feeder high school as long as the number of weeks does not exceed the season limitation for middle level in that sport.
- B. ~~If a sport is offered by the middle school~~, eighth graders may practice with the feeder high school teams during the time period that the seasons run concurrently.
- C. The local school board must assume all responsibility for the middle level students practicing with high school students.
- 18.19.2 PARTICIPATION WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL TEAM – ~~If a sport is not offered by the middle school~~ and pending league approval support, a 1B or 2B high school may allow eighth graders from a WIAA member feeder middle school/junior high to participate in any high school program.
- 18.19.3 PARTICIPATION WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL TEAM - ~~If a sport is offered by the middle school~~ and pending league approval support,, a 1B or 2B high school may use eighth grade students from a WIAA member feeder middle school/junior high to salvage viable varsity or junior varsity high school teams in baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball and/or volleyball.
- A. The school must have a history of offering the sport at that level, and is not beginning a program at any level.
- B. Eighth graders could be used to salvage the high school varsity team if at any time during the season the number of participants on the high school team is at or below these specified numbers.
- Baseball: 16  
Basketball: 9  
Football, 8-man: 14  
Football, 11-man: 19  
Soccer: 12  
Softball: 16  
Volleyball: 11

- C. Eighth graders could be used to salvage the high school junior varsity team if at any time during the season the number of participants on the high school team is at or below these specified numbers.
- Baseball: 25
  - Basketball: 16
  - Football, 8-man: 22
  - Football, 11-man: 30
  - Soccer: 19
  - Softball: 25
  - Volleyball: 17
- D. Any and all eligible eighth graders interested in playing at the high school level could practice with the high school junior varsity or varsity teams, but the combined roster for both the junior varsity and the varsity regular season contests would be limited to the specified numbers in 18.19.3 ~~B.~~ and C on any given day.

- MAC 18.23.5 ~~A high school student forfeits any remaining high school eligibility in that sport by competing on or against a professional or college team.~~
- ~~18.23.5.1~~ The student-athlete may play as an amateur on any team not under the jurisdiction of a professional sports team or franchise. "Jurisdiction" means that funds from the team or franchise or coaching by any member of the sports team or franchise have been provided.
- A. Sign or have ever signed a contract to play professional athletics in that sport.
  - B. Play or have ever played in a competition on any professional team in that sport.
  - C. By sport receive or have ever received, directly or indirectly, a salary or any other form of financial assistance (including scholarships, educational grants-in-aid, or any of his/her expenses for reporting to or visiting a professional team) from a professional sports organization.
- ~~18.23.5.2~~ 18.23.6 Provided he/she is not representing a WIAA member school, a student-athlete may participate against professional and college scoring athletes in the following sports: bowling, cross country, golf, gymnastics, swim/dive, tennis, track and field, and wrestling.
- 18.23.7 **A high school student forfeits any remaining high school eligibility in that sport by competing**
- A. On a college team
  - B. On or against a professional team.
- 18.23.8 Amateur standing will not be jeopardized by instructing, supervising or officiating in any organized youth sports program, recreation, playground or camp activities whether the student-athlete is paid or not paid for these duties.
- 18.23.9 AWARDS THAT ARE PERMITTED - Awards to athletic teams or to individual members of such teams under the jurisdiction of the Association may be made by a member school in the form of letters, insignias, certificates, medals, and/or trophies as are customarily emblematic of athletic competition and whose intrinsic values are insignificant.
- 18.23.10 A student who forfeits amateur status may apply to the Executive Director for reinstatement.
- CA 18.26.3 ~~B. A jamboree does not count as a contest for the purposes of meeting the suspension period.~~
- ~~C. A student who is on suspension may be on the team bench, but not in the school uniform during the suspension period.~~
- BS 23.3.1 D. "Hands on" pole Vault Coaches Training is required for Pole Vault Coaches. Coaches must be recertified every three (3) years with "hands on" training to be required the first year and either the "hands on" training or completion of WIAA-approved online courses in subsequent years.
- Each team must have a pole vault certified coach on site during practice and competition in order for an athlete(s) to be eligible to participate in pole vault.**
- E. Stunt Certification is required for Cheer Coaches and dance/drill coaches who intend to have their cheer or dance/drill squad(s) perform stunts. The certification program must be approved by the Washington State Cheer Coaches Association, the Washington State Dance/Drill Coaches Association, and the WIAA. Coaches must be recertified every three (3) years with "hands on" training to be required the first year and either the "hands on" training or completion of WIAA-approved online courses in subsequent years.

Each team must have a stunt certified coach on site during practice and competition in order for an athlete(s) to be eligible to stunt.

- F. All Middle School and High School football coaches must complete school-district approved technique specific safety training similar to "Heads Up Football". The training must include, but is not limited to, Safer Tackling Techniques and Drills, Helmet and Shoulder Pad fitting, Concussion management with Return to Play Protocols following a concussion, Heat and Hydration training and Sudden Cardiac Arrest training. Football coaches will be required to repeat this training every three years.

- BS 23.7.0 E. Each team must have a certified swim coach on site during practice and competition in order for an athlete(s) to be eligible to participate in swimming.
- F. Each team must have a certified dive coach on site during practice and competition in order for an athlete(s) to be eligible to participate in diving.

CA 25.1.7.a. *For team and individual sports, the program is counted for allocation purposes if the member school participates in varsity competition during the regular season and postseason competition in that sport. For individual sports, a school must attain a roster of at least the number listed below at the end of the third week of the fall sports season for all fall sports except cross county which is determined at the end of the fifth week and at the end of the second week during the winter except 1B/2B wrestling which is determined at the end of the third week and spring sports seasons during the first year of the allocation cycle.*

CA 25.2.8.1 Corrected WAIA to WIAA

MAC 25.2.8.2 *The combination agreement would specify that the District involved with only one allocation would have the potential to gain or to lose the allocation.*

CA 25.3.0 **SUBSTITUTION OF PLAYERS IN POSTSEASON QUALIFYING AND STATE TOURNAMENTS** - When a team qualifies for postseason competition, the school shall submit the roster to the appropriate tournament manager. Changes in the roster are permitted from one (1) level of competition to the next level except in baseball, basketball, football and soccer where changes are allowed between each round of play except at the final site.

**LEVEL** - A league tournament would be considered the first level; a district tournament would be considered the next level; a combined district/regional tournament would be considered the next level; and the state tournament would be considered the final level. No changes are permitted at that level once the tournament begins.

**ROUND** - The first games played as determined on the tournament bracket would be considered the first round; the quarter final games would be considered the second round; the semifinals would be considered the third round; and the championship game would be considered the final round. If semifinals and finals are played at the same site during a two-day period, changes in the roster are not allowed.

JM 25.1.7 a. *For team and individual sports, the program is counted for allocation purposes if the member school participates in varsity competition during the regular season and postseason competition in that sport. For individual sports, a school must attain a roster of at least the number listed below at the end of the third week of the fall sports season and at the end of the second week during the winter and spring sports seasons during the first year of the allocation cycle.*

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AB 25.1.7a. *For team and individual sports, the program is counted for allocation purposes if the member school participates in varsity competition during the regular season and postseason competition in that sport. For individual sports, a school must attain a roster of at least the number listed below at the end of the third week of the fall sports season for all fall sports except cross county which is determined at the end of the fifth week and at the end of the second week during the winter and spring sports seasons during the first year of the allocation cycle.*

CA 25.3.1 In the event of an emergency, unforeseen circumstances, or catastrophe after the tournament begins and a substantial number of team members are unable to participate, team members may be replaced if approved by the tournament manager, WIAA Executive Director or designee, thereby permitting a school to add eligible players to restore the team to the original number for tournament play.



JM 25.4.0 FOOTBALL LEAGUE RECORD TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURES – WIAA Article 57.5.0 allows for a maximum of four (4) quarters of play during a ~~three~~-two-day (2) period. Teams that play on Thursday and again on Saturday would only be permitted to utilize the Kansas Tie-Breaker on Saturday. Teams would not be permitted to play shortened quarters on Saturday prior to the Kansas Tie-Breaker.

25.5.0 RESCHEDULING OF STATE EVENTS DUE TO ~~RELIGIOUS~~ OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH ~~Individuals who observe the Sabbath on teams will not be accommodated at team events. Should a team that recognizes the Saturday Sabbath be involved in a WIAA state basketball tournament, and should the team, due to bracketing, play during the time that the Saturday Sabbath is observed, a semifinal game would be moved from Friday evening to Friday afternoon. Any Saturday consolation games would be moved to a later time that evening, and the championship game would be played during the later game time. The WIAA Executive Board will review any requests for accommodation during a team state event (baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball, volleyball), considering the following in the scheduling or rescheduling of events:~~

1. The impact on the academic schedule.
2. The safety for participants and spectators.
3. The impact on participants by considering competition schedule, cost of lodging, travel, and meals.
4. The impact on fan's ability to attend the event.
5. Loss of overall event quality for participants.

MAC 28.0.0 PHILOSOPHY OF RULE VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES: *The strength of the WIAA lies in the willingness and ability of the membership to support the rules and regulations adopted and, if necessary, to support the penalties placed upon members, if it is determined that those same rules and regulations have been violated. AFFIRMATION OF GOALS 2.2.2, 2.2.3, 2.2.5, 2.2.6. The process for developing a penalty starts with the offending school's administrator contacting the league president and determining the parameters for developing the offending school's proposal for penalty and any other remedies. If there is a doubt about a proposal, the WIAA staff must be contacted for assistance. The WIAA staff may assist or seek guidance from members of the review panel. The penalties listed are available to the leagues, districts, and WIAA Executive Board. Authority to impose forfeitures, withhold revenue shares, and impose fines is vested in the League, WIAA District Board, and WIAA Executive Board, while only the District and Executive Boards have the authority to withhold allocations and suspension, or place a member school on probation or restriction. Only the WIAA Executive Board has the authority to remove a team from post-season competition or to suspend or expel a member school. The Penalty Review Council is available to assist schools, leagues, and districts in establishing the appropriate penalty.*

CA 28.1.0 SELF-REPORTING RULE VIOLATIONS BY MEMBER SCHOOLS - When a school or the WIAA staff becomes aware that a rule has been violated, the offending school principal (or designee) must report the infraction and any action taken by the school in writing within five (5) school business days to: 1) the superintendent of the offending school, 2) the league of school membership for review and action, and 3) the appropriate WIAA District.

JM 28.2.5 The action of the league shall be forwarded to the appropriate WIAA District Board, **then to the District Directors Appeals Board**, then to the WIAA Executive Board for review. The WIAA Executive Board may appoint a fact finder to investigate the alleged violations. The Board at each level shall determine if the penalty is appropriate and in accordance with the WIAA School District Due Process Procedures. The Board at each level has the authority to levy additional penalties as deemed appropriate.

CA 29.0.0 Added a box (Board policy) around 29.0.4 and deleted 29.2.0 (already in Bound for State Regulations)

~~29.0.1 When a school feels that there has been a misinterpretation or misapplication of a rule, the school representative shall notify the official's assignor, the opposing school, the league president, and the District Director within 24 hours of the conclusion of the contest.~~

~~29.0.3 Following the contest the school principal or superintendent shall officially lodge the protest in writing. The written protest shall contain the facts, including the specific rule in question. The principal/designee must contact the WIAA office to verify the misapplication or misinterpretation of the rule prior to a ruling by the league, district or a games committee.~~

CA 29.1.4 PROTEST HEARING PROCEDURES

A. The written protest shall be sent to the appropriate board within twenty-four (24) hours ~~or no later than the next school business day following the event or incident of the conclusion of the contest.~~