NCHSAA EJECTION POLICY

The policy applies to all persons involved in an athletic contest, including student-athletes, coaches, managers and game administrators. The following examples include behavior or conduct which will result in an ejection from a contest:

- 1. **Fighting**, which includes, but is not limited to, combative acts such as:
 - *An attempt to strike an opponent with a fist, hands, arms, legs or feet
- *An attempt to punch or kick an opponent, regardless of whether or not contact is made
- *An attempt to instigate a fight by committing an unsportsmanlike act toward an opponent that causes an opponent to retaliate
- *Leaving the bench area to participate in a fight (contact or no contact)
- 2. Biting observed by an official
- 3. Taunting, baiting or spitting toward an opponent
- 4. **Profanity**, directed toward an official or opponent
- 5. Obscene gestures, including gesturing in such a manner as to intimidate
- 6. Disrespectfully addressing (physically contacting an official is subject to automatic expulsion and can result in ineligibility for remainder of career) an official

Penalty for an ejection for the above reasons:

*Football - ejection from the contest and miss the next contest at that level and contests in the interim (EXCEPTION: fighting equals 2 missed contests)

*All other sports - ejection from that contest; miss the next <u>two</u> contests at that level and all contests in the interim <u>(EXCEPTION: fighting equals 4 missed contests)</u>

Players receiving two ejections for unacceptable behavior as defined above will be suspended from all sports for the remainder of that sport season. Receiving a third ejection in a school year will result in suspension from athletics for one calendar year (365 days from the date of the third ejection).