

POLICY COMMITTEE

Committee Members: Chair - Bobby Wilkins, Vice Chair - Rob Jackson, Sandy George, Burt Jenkins, Troy Lindsey, Cathy Moore **Staff:** Brad Alford

AGENDA ITEM	RECOMMENDATION	SUPPORTING INFORMATION
1. 2020 Summer Dead Periods (NC Basketball Coaches Association)	To lift the 2020 Summer Dead Periods. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 29 - July 5• July 20-26	<p>Rationale: The intent of these summer Dead Periods was to give student-athletes and their families an opportunity over the summer to vacation and have some time away from their sports. Given the circumstances of this year with the Coronavirus, they have had a great deal of time away from their respective sports and many would welcome the opportunity to rejoin their teams and resume normal sports activities.</p> <p>Budget Impact: This rule change would have no budgetary impact on school's athletic department finances.</p> <p>Educational Impact: There would be no educational impact nor additional loss of instructional time.</p> <p>Equity Impact: The rule would be the same for both Boys and Girls. It would have no gender bias whatsoever.</p> <p>Effective Date: Summer 2020 Only</p>

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<p>2. 2nd Summer Dead Period (NC Track and Cross Country Coaches Association) Attachment P1</p>	<p>To allow workouts during the NCCA Clinic week with the exception of the day in which a specific sport clinic is held.</p> <p>Example: Cross Country clinic is held on Wednesday. Cross County could hold workouts Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.</p>	<p>Rationale: For outdoor fall sports, the additional workout days in July would help athletes become acclimated to the heat as they prepare for mandatory practices beginning August 1. This is keeping in line with the NCHSAA Fundamentals of Heat Prevention and Management for all sports.</p> <p>Budget Impact: It will not affect the individual school's finances.</p> <p>Educational Impact: It will not affect the school day or loss of time.</p> <p>Equity Impact: Equitable.</p> <p>Effective Date: 2020-21 school year.</p>
<p>3. State Qualifying Procedure (Swimming and Diving Advisory Committee)</p>	<p>To change the number of qualifiers from each region from the top 8 to the top 6. In order to maintain the total of 24 state qualifiers, the remaining 6 qualifiers will be the top 6 times from any region.</p>	<p>Rationale: Often times regional are unbalance in terms of quality of competition. The proposal still allows for an equal and reasonable representation from each region while also allowing state championship caliber swimmers/relays to qualify.</p> <p>Budget Impact: N/A</p> <p>Educational Impact: N/A</p> <p>Equity Impact: Proposal impact is the same for males and females.</p> <p>Effective Date: 2020-2021 winter sports season.</p>

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<p>4. Modification of Events #1 (Swimming and Diving Advisory Committee)</p>	<p>To adopt the following meet format in accordance with NFHS Rule 5.1.1 NOTE 1: These events may be modified for non-championship multi-team competition.</p> <p>RELAY MEET</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1,2) 50 Freestyle • (3,4) 200 Medley Relay • (5,6) 200 Freestyle Relay • (7,8) 4x100 Individual Medley Relay • (9,10) 200 Butterfly Relay • (11,12) 400 Freestyle Relay (8x50) • (13,14) 500 Freestyle Relay: 50-100-200-100-50 or 200-150-100-50 • (15,16) 200 Backstroke Relay • (17,18) 200 Breaststroke Relay • (19,20) 400 Freestyle Relay (4x100) <p>Qualifying times for events (1,2,3,4,5,6,19,20) are eligible for regional entry.</p>	<p>Rationale: Relay meets are popular and fun for the student athletes. As swimming is typically an individual sport, relays are the only events that the athletes perform as a true team. It is a team building exercise, and promotes team spirit.</p> <p>Budget Impact: The fees charged will be determined by the host team/conference. These fees help offset the costs of a typically non-revenue generating sport.</p> <p>Educational Impact: Meets shall be contested to ensure that no loss of classroom educational time will be required, and that meets minimally impact the study time of participants.</p> <p>Equity Impact: All events will be swum by both genders, maintaining current entry limit standards as adopted by NFHS.</p> <p>Effective Date: 2020-2021 winter sports season.</p>

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<p>5. Modification of Events #2 (Swimming and Diving Advisory Committee)</p>	<p>To adopt the following meet format in accordance with NFHS Rule 5.1.1 NOTE 3: Pentathlon meets may be conducted with unlimited entries.</p> <p>PENTATHLON MEET</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1,2) 100 Backstroke • (3,4) 100 Breaststroke • (5,6) 100 Butterfly • (7,8) 100 Freestyle • (9,10) 200 Individual Medley <p>Qualifying times are eligible for regional entry.</p>	<p>Rationale: The winter sports season is relatively short, and surrounds the first semester exam schedule, which affects the participation in at least one meet per season for each team. Pool space is limited, so there are not as many opportunities for athletes to get official times for several events. This meet gives the participants that opportunity.</p> <p>Budget Impact: The fees charged will be determined by the host team/conference. These fees help offset the costs of a typically non-revenue generating sport.</p> <p>Educational Impact: Meets shall be contested to ensure that no loss of classroom educational time will be required, and that meets minimally impact the study time of participants.</p> <p>Equity Impact: All events will be swum by both genders, maintaining current entry limit standards as adopted by NFHS.</p> <p>Effective Date: 2020-2021 winter sports season.</p>

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<p>6. Lighting Standards Attachment P2</p>	<p>To require member schools to complete a “System Operation and Maintenance Checklist” form on an annual basis to ensure that electrical and structural components of facility lighting systems are up to code with NEC (National Electrical Code) and IBC (International Building Code) standards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline to complete the Checklist form will be prior to participation in the playoffs but staff recommends conducting annually in summer months when students are absent from campus. • Initial focus on electrical and structural components. <p>Penalty for failure to complete the required Checklist form: The school cannot host a playoff event due to failure to comply with minimum electrical and structural requirements deemed safe for operation.</p>	<p>Rationale: Minimum recommended Lighting Standards have been in place since 1994 for the health and safety of the student-athletes/fans, etc. but no mechanism to ensure that schools are compliant has been in place.</p> <p>Budget Impact: Costs associated with having professional maintenance personnel assess the electrical and structural components for all lighting systems within the respective school’s various facilities, both inside and outside. Costs associated with remedying any deficient electrical and/or structural components to bring them up to IBC and NEC standards.</p> <p>Educational Impact: NA</p> <p>Equity Impact: All schools will be required to conduct the Checklist.</p> <p>Effective Date: In advance of 2020-2021 school year.</p>

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7. Rules Clinic Attendance	<p>To add Indoor Track and Cross Country to the required sports for head coaches to attend one of the NCHSAA clinics in accordance to rule 2.1.7(g)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended for 2020-21 Required for 2021-22 	<p>Rationale: It is the expectation of the NCHSAA that coaches of member schools to know and play within the rules. Indoor Track and Cross Country are the only sports that are not currently required to attend a ruled clinic.</p> <p>Budget Impact: The NCHSAA penalty code for 1) failure of head coach to attend a required rules clinic: \$400.00 and 2) head coach coaching in contest prior to attending rules clinic: \$500.00.</p> <p>Educational Impact: N/A</p> <p>Equity Impact: Men's and women's Indoor Track and Cross Country coaches would now be held to the same requirements as all other head coaches.</p> <p>Effective Date: 2021-2022 school year.</p>
8. Pre-Participation Examination (Sports Medicine Advisory Committee)	<p>To extend the validity of any PPE dated on or after 4/1/19.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any student-athlete with a PPE form dated on or after 4/1/19 is not required to obtain a new PPE for the 2020-2021 academic year. Any student-athlete with a PPE form expiring on or before 3/31/19 will need to obtain a new PPE form before they will be allowed to participate. Applies to student-athlete participation in school-sponsored practice, competition or skill development. 	<p>Rationale: There are potential challenges regarding student-athletes obtaining PPEs for the 2020-2021 academic year. Many athletes will have their PPEs which will expire in the next few weeks/months and with the COVID-19 restrictions many will not have the opportunity to get these renewed. Many communities have mass screening examinations to provide the PPE annually. These are typically completed from April to June each year. The COVID-19 restrictions will preclude this. As the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted there will most likely be a large influx of patients who have had their care postponed for those who will take priority on re-entry into the medical system.</p> <p>Budget Impact: N/A</p> <p>Educational Impact: N/A</p> <p>Equity Impact: Proposal impact is the same for males and females.</p> <p>Effective Date: Immediately</p>

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9. Pre-Participation Examination Form (Sports Medicine Advisory Committee)	To review and discuss the PPE Form.	***Discussion Only***
10. Non-Athletic Calendar Attachment P3	To review and discuss the 2020-2021 Non-Athletic Calendar.	***Discussion Only***
11. Scholastic Requirements Attachment P4	<p>To receive an update from NC DPI</p> <p>Tabled from Spring 2019 and Winter 2019</p> <p>Review and discuss NCHSAA Handbook Rule 1.2.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCHSAA A minimum of 70% courses taken previous semester • Onslow County Schools A minimum of 66% courses taken previous semester • Promotion Standards 	<p>** Discussion Only** (with previous rationale)</p> <p>Schools today are becoming more creative in the ways they deliver instruction to students and students are offered much more flexibility in scheduling courses than ever before. This proposal would make it much simpler for school-level administrators, as well as the NCHSAA staff, to easily determine a student's athletic eligibility based on his/her academic performance from the previous semester. It would also make it much easier to give students guidance in terms of their scheduling of future courses as it relates to their athletic eligibility. It would create more consistency across the state – regardless of the structure of any school's academic day.</p>
12. Gender of a Player	To review and discuss current policies and procedures.	***Discussion Only***
13. Homeschool Participation	To review and discuss current policies and procedures.	***Discussion Only***

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1A Schools			Yes	No
1	1A	Albemarle		
2	1A	Alleghany		
3	1A	Andrews		
4	1A	Avery County	1	
5	1A	Bessemer City		
6	1A	Bishop McGuinness		
7	1A	Camden County		
8	1A	Cape Hatteras		
9	1A	Chatham Central	1	
10	1A	Cherokee		
11	1A	Cherryville HS	1	
12	1A	Community School of Davidson		
13	1A	East Carteret HS		
14	1A	East NC School for the Deaf		
15	1A	East Surry		
16	1A	East Wilkes		
17	1A	Elkin	1	
18	1A	Franklin Academy	1	
19	1A	Gates County		
20	1A	Granville Central	1	
21	1A	Gray Stone Day School		
22	1A	Hayesville		
23	1A	Henderson Collegiate		
24	1A	Highland School of Technology		
25	1A	Highlands		
26	1A	Hiwasee Dam		
27	1A	Hobbton		
28	1A	Holmes, John		
29	1A	Jones		
30	1A	Kipp Pride Hs		
31	1A	Lakewood High	1	
32	1A	Lejeune High		1
33	1A	Lincoln Charter		1
34	1A	Louisburg	1	
35	1A	Manteo		
36	1A	Mattamuskeet		
37	1A	Mitchell		
38	1A	Mount Airy		
39	1A	Mountain Island Charter		1
40	1A	Murphy	1	

41	1A	Nantahala		
42	1A	NC School for Deaf		
43	1A	Neuse Charter	1	
44	1A	North Duplin		
45	1A	North Edgecombe		
46	1A	North Moore		
47	1A	North Rowan		
48	1A	North Stanley	1	
49	1A	North Stokes		
50	1A	Northampton County		
51	1A	Northside-Princeton		1
52	1A	Northwest Halifax		
53	1A	Ocracoke		
54	1A	Oxford Preparatory		
55	1A	Pamlico County		
56	1A	Pender		
57	1A	Perquimans		1
58	1A	Pine Lake Preparatory		
59	1A	Polk County	1	
60	1A	Princeton		
61	1A	Queen's Grant	1	1
62	1A	Raleigh Charter		
63	1A	Research Triangle		
64	1A	Riverside	0	0
65	1A	Robbinsville		
66	1A	Rocky Mount Preparatory		
67	1A	Rosewood		
68	1A	Rosman		
69	1A	South Creek		
70	1A	South Davidson	1	
71	1A	South Robeson		
72	1A	South Stanly		
73	1A	South Stokes		
74	1A	Southeast Halifax		
75	1A	Southside		
76	1A	Spring Creek		
77	1A	Starmount		
78	1A	Sugar Creek		
79	1A	Swain	1	
80	1A	Tarboro		
81	1A	Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy		
82	1A	Tri-County Early College		
83	1A	Union		
84	1A	Union Academy	1	
85	1A	Uwharrie Charter Academy	1	

86	1A	Voyager Academy		
87	1A	Walkertown	1	
88	1A	Wallace-Rose Hill		
89	1A	Washington County		
90	1A	Weldon		
91	1A	West Columbus		
92	1A	West Montgomery		
93	1A	Whiteville		
94	1A	Winston-Salem Prep		
95	1A	Woods Charter		

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Yes No

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2A Schools			Yes	No
1	2A	Andrews, T.W.	1	
2	2A	Anson		
3	2A	Ashe County		
4	2A	Atkins		1
5	2A	Ayden-Grifton	1	
6	2A	Bandys		
7	2A	Bartlett Yancey		
8	2A	Beddingfield, E.T.		
9	2A	Bertie		
10	2A	Brevard	1	
11	2A	Bunker Hill	1	
12	2A	Bunn	1	1
13	2A	Burns		
14	2A	Carrboro		
15	2A	Carver		
16	2A	Central Academy of Tech & Arts	1	
17	2A	Central Davidson		
18	2A	Chase		
19	2A	Clinton		
20	2A	Croatan		
21	2A	Cummings	1	
22	2A	Currituck County		
23	2A	Dixon	1	
24	2A	Draughn		
25	2A	Durham School of the Arts	1	
26	2A	East Bladen		
27	2A	East Burke	1	1
28	2A	East Davidson		
29	2A	East Duplin		1
30	2A	East Gaston		
31	2A	East Hendersoon		
32	2A	East Lincoln		
33	2A	East Montgomery		
34	2A	East Rutherford		
35	2A	Eastern Randolph	0	0
36	2A	Fairmont		
37	2A	Farmville Central		
38	2A	First Flight	1	
39	2A	Foard	1	
40	2A	Forbush	1	1
41	2A	Forest Hills		

42	2A	Franklin	1	
43	2A	Goldsboro	1	
44	2A	Graham High	1	
45	2A	Greene Central		
46	2A	Heide Trask		
47	2A	Hendersonville		
48	2A	Hertford County		
49	2A	Hibriten		
50	2A	Jordan-Matthews	1	
51	2A	Kenan, James		
52	2A	Lake Norman Charter		
53	2A	Ledford	1	1
54	2A	Lenoir		
55	2A	Lexington	1	
56	2A	Lincolnton		1
57	2A	Madison		
58	2A	Maiden	1	
59	2A	Midway		
60	2A	Mount Pleasant		1
61	2A	Mt. Heritage		
62	2A	Nash Central		
63	2A	NC Science & Math		
64	2A	Newton-Conover	1	
65	2A	North Davidson	1	
66	2A	North Johnston	1	
67	2A	North Lenoir		
68	2A	North Lincoln	1	
69	2A	North Pitt	1	1
70	2A	North Rowan		
71	2A	North Surry	1	
72	2A	North Wilkes	1	
73	2A	Northeastern	1	
74	2A	Northside-Onslow		
75	2A	Oak Grove	1	
76	2A	Owen		
77	2A	Parkwood		
78	2A	Pasquotank		
79	2A	Patton		
80	2A	Pisgah		
81	2A	Providence Grove		
82	2A	Randleman		
83	2A	Red Springs High		
84	2A	Reidsville		
85	2A	Richlands	1	
86	2A	Roanoke Rapids		

87	2A	RS Central		
88	2A	Salisbury	1	
89	2A	Shelby		
90	2A	Shelby High		
91	2A	Smoky Mountain		
92	2A	South Columbus		
93	2A	South Granville		
94	2A	South Lenoir		
95	2A	South Point		
96	2A	South Rowan	1	
97	2A	Southwest Edgecombe		
98	2A	Southwest Onslow		
99	2A	Spring Creek		
100	2A	St. Pauls		
101	2A	Surry Central	1	
102	2A	Thomasville		1
103	2A	Trinity High School	0	0
104	2A	Vance County		
105	2A	Walkertown		
106	2A	Wallace-Rose Hill		
107	2A	Warren County		
108	2A	Washington		
109	2A	Webb	1	
110	2A	West Bladen		
111	2A	West Caldwell		
112	2A	West Craven		
113	2A	West Davidson		
114	2A	West Lincoln		
115	2A	West Stanly		
116	2A	West Stokes	1	
117	2A	West Wilkes	1	
118	2A	Wheatmore	1	
119	2A	Whiteville		
120	2A	Wilkes Central		

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Yes **No**

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3A Schools			Yes	No
1	3A	Alexander Central		
2	3A	Ashbrook		
3	3A	Asheboro		
4	3A	Asheville		
5	3A	Aycock, Charles B.	1	
6	3A	Brown, A. L.	1	
7	3A	Burns		
8	3A	Cape Fear		
9	3A	Cardinal Gibbons		
10	3A	Cedar Ridge	1	
11	3A	Central Cabarrus	1	1
12	3A	Central Davidson		
13	3A	Chapel Hill		
14	3A	Charlotte Catholic		
15	3A	Clayton		
16	3A	Cleveland		1
17	3A	Concord	1	
18	3A	Conley		1
19	3A	Cox Mill		
20	3A	Crest		
21	3A	Cuthbertson	1	
22	3A	Douglas Byrd	1	
23	3A	Dudley	1	
24	3A	East Chapel Hill	1	
25	3A	East Henderson		
26	3A	East Rowan		
27	3A	East Wake		1
28	3A	Eastern Alamance	1	
29	3A	Eastern Guilford	1	
30	3A	Eastern Wayne		
31	3A	Enka		
32	3A	Erwin		
33	3A	Fike High School	1	
34	3A	Forestview		
35	3A	Franklinton	1	
36	3A	Freedom		
37	3A	Gray's Creek	1	
38	3A	Harnett Central		
39	3A	Havelock		
40	3A	Hickory		

41	3A	Hillside		
42	3A	Hunt	1	
43	3A	Huss		1
44	3A	Jacksonville	1	
45	3A	Jesse C. Carson	1	
46	3A	Kings Mountain	1	
47	3A	Ledford		
48	3A	Lee County		1
49	3A	Marvin Ridge		
50	3A	McMichael		
51	3A	Monroe		
52	3A	Morehead		
53	3A	Mount Tabor	1	
54	3A	Nash Central		
55	3A	New Hanover		
56	3A	North Brunswick		
57	3A	North Buncombe	1	
58	3A	North Forsyth	1	
59	3A	North Gaston		
60	3A	North Henderson	1	1
61	3A	North Iredell	1	
62	3A	Northeast Guilford	1	
63	3A	Northern Durham		
64	3A	Northern Guilford		
65	3A	Northern Nash		
66	3A	Northside High Jacksonville	1	
67	3A	Northwest Cabarrus	1	
68	3A	Northwood	1	
69	3A	Orange	1	
70	3A	Parkland	1	
71	3A	Parkwood		
72	3A	Patton		
73	3A	Person		
74	3A	Piedmont		
75	3A	Pisgah		
76	3A	Reynolds, A. C.	1	
77	3A	Richlands		
78	3A	Roberson , T. C.	1	
79	3A	Robinson, Jay M		
80	3A	Rockingham County		
81	3A	Rocky Mount HS		
82	3A	Rose, J. H.		
83	3A	Smith, Ben L		1
84	3A	Smith, E. E.	1	

85	3A	Smithfield-Selma	1	
86	3A	South Brunswick		
87	3A	South Iredell High		
88	3A	South Johnston High		
90	3A	South Point		
91	3A	South Rowan		
92	3A	Southeast Guilford	1	
93	3A	Southern Alamance		
94	3A	Southern Durham		
95	3A	Southern Guilford		
96	3A	Southern Lee		
97	3A	Southern Nash		
98	3A	Southern Wayne		
99	3A	Southwest Guilford	1	
100	3A	Southwestern Randolph		
101	3A	St. Stephens		
102	3A	Statesville	1	
103	3A	Stuart Cramer		
104	3A	Sun Valley High		
105	3A	Swansboro	1	
106	3A	Terry Sanford		
107	3A	Topsail	1	
108	3A	Triton		
109	3A	Tuscola		
110	3A	Union Pines	1	
111	3A	Watagua	1	
112	3A	Weddington		
113	3A	West Brunswick		
114	3A	West Caldwell		
115	3A	West Carteret		1
116	3A	West Craven		
117	3A	West Henderson	1	
118	3A	West Johnston		
119	3A	West Rowan		
120	3A	West Stokes		
121	3A	Western Alamance		
122	3A	Western Guilford	1	
123	3A	Western Harnett		
124	3A	Westover	1	1
125	3A	White Oak	1	
126	3A	Williams	1	

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	4A Schools		Yes	No
1	4A	Apex	1	0
2	4A	Apex Friendship	1	
3	4A	Ardrey Kell		
4	4A	Ashley		
5	4A	Athens Drive	1	
6	4A	Berry Academy		
7	4A	Britt, Jack		1
8	4A	Broughton,	1	
9	4A	Butler, David		
10	4A	Cardinal Gibbons	1	
11	4A	Cary	1	
12	4A	Corinth Holders		
13	4A	Davie County	1	
14	4A	East Forsyth		
15	4A	East Mecklenburg		
16	4A	Enloe		
17	4A	Fuquay-Varina		
18	4A	Garinger		
19	4A	Garner Magnet		
20	4A	Glenn	1	
21	4A	Green Hope	1	
22	4A	Grimsley	1	
23	4A	Harding University		
24	4A	Heritage	1	
25	4A	Hickory Ridge H.S.	1	
26	4A	High Point Central	1	
27	4A	Hoggard	1	
28	4A	Hoke County		
29	4A	Holly Springs	1	0
30	4A	Hopewell		
31	4A	Hough, W. A.		
32	4A	Independence		
33	4A	Jordan	1	
34	4A	Knightdale		1
35	4A	Lake Norman		
36	4A	Laney	1	
37	4A	Leesville Road	1	
38	4A	Lumberton		
39	4A	Mallard Creek	1	
40	4A	McDowell		

41	4A	Middle Creek		
42	4A	Millbrook	1	
43	4A	Mooreville		
44	4A	Myers Park		
45	4A	New Bern	1	
46	4A	North Mecklenburg		
47	4A	Northwest Guilford		
48	4A	Olympic		
49	4A	Overhills		
50	4A	Page	1	
51	4A	Panther Creek		
52	4A	Pine Forest	1	
53	4A	Pinecrest	1	1
54	4A	Porter Ridge		
55	4A	Providence		1
56	4A	Ragsdale	1	
57	4A	Reagan	1	1
59	4A	Reynolds, R. J.		
60	4A	Richmond		
61	4A	Riverside-Durham	1	
62	4A	Rocky River		
63	4A	Rolesville		
64	4A	Sanderson		1
65	4A	Scotland County		
66	4A	Seventy-First		
67	4A	South Caldwell		
68	4A	South Central		
69	4A	South Mecklenburg	1	
70	4A	South View	1	
71	4A	Southeast Raleigh		
72	4A	Southwest Guilford		
73	4A	Swett, Purnell		
74	4A	Vance, Zebulon		
75	4A	Wake Forest		
76	4A	Wakefield		
77	4A	West Charlotte		
78	4A	West Forsyth	1	
79	4A	West Johnston		
80	4A	West Mecklenburg	0	0

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Yes

No

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2.2.3(b): The Board of Directors has adopted standards for the lighting of events sponsored by the NCHSAA or any member school.

- (1) These standards incorporate the most current data available regarding the lighting, electrical and structural issues that apply to the installation and maintenance of safe, effective lighting systems.
- (2) These standards were developed by a Standards Advisory Committee made up of experienced engineers, architects, electrical contractors, attorneys and insurance underwriters.
- (3) They are divided into recommended minimums and desirable features. The minimums establish criteria which are important to the safe conduct of sponsored activities. The desirable features are intended to provide guidelines for lighting system that give added values of durability, energy-efficiency, environmental sensitivity and cost effectiveness.
- (4) NCHSAA playoff events are intended to be held at sites that meet the minimum standards.
- (5) A copy of the revised lighting standards may be viewed on the NCHSAA website.

The benefits to schools to meet the minimum lighting standards are significant but the risk of just one injury justifies taking the necessary action to move this program from 'recommended' to 'required'. This is about liability, quality of play, and helping schools understand how they can practically implement best practices.

Schools can be supported with several strategies that would allow them to implement a testing protocol to aid in meeting minimum lighting standards as established by NCHSAA:

1. Schools can implement a testing protocol on their own with current resources, assuming they have the proper equipment (light meters) and trained personnel.
 - a. NCHSAA partner, Musco, will provide support with the necessary forms and templates along with sample reports to provide good understanding of how the testing should be done.
2. Musco can provide regional training workshops that would give schools/personnel the necessary training and resources to conduct their own inspections.
 - a. Musco would conduct these training sessions with licensed electricians at no cost to the schools. These training sessions can also be video-taped for use by schools in the future and discussion regarding what tools are needed (such as light meters, electrical testing meters, etc., which most schools/facility maintenance personnel should have in their tool bags) can be included.
3. Musco can provide a fee-based service utilizing their licensed contractors and staff to conduct the inspections.
 - a. Normally, Musco would see a cost of around \$2,500 for this type of program. However, they believe that there is so much value to the schools, that Musco will test the light levels at no charge, with schools covering the cost of the electrician at a nominal fee.

For example, there may be a minimum fee of \$500.00 for mobilization for 1 field test. For each additional field, there would be an added fee. The value would be to the schools for an easy program to implement, full testing and reporting provided, and ideally, a level of training done that would encourage them to do it on their own in the future. If any funding is available through the NCHSAA, it could be utilized to support the program by reducing cost or incentivizing the first "x" number of schools to schedule the inspections.

- As a starting point, an initial inspection would be prudent to establish a baseline of understanding where the facility stands in relation to the lighting standards.
- Subsequent inspections can be annual for the electrical inspection and bi-annual for light level testing. The biggest concern at this point is electrical safety. However, conducting a comprehensive inspection will go a long way in creating awareness of the current condition of the systems that are in play and for future upgrades to LED as funding becomes available.

- The Board will also have to determine how schools would report back to the Association upon completion of the test. This will support the Associations verification for compliance when playoff games are scheduled.

ANNUAL SYSTEM OPERATION & MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

School Name _____ Field Name _____

Date of Inspection _____ Voltage/Phase _____ Date Installed _____

Type of Pole _____ Type/# of Luminaires _____

Inspected By _____ Contact Number _____

Needs
OK Repair N/A Notes

WARNING! Turn off electricity at power source and at safety disconnect on poles

Lighting Performance Testing				
Check with the AD and Staff to see if there are any concerns regarding field (pole, electrical or lighting)				
Average maintained foot-candles meet guidelines				
Uniformities meet guidelines				
Service Entrance & Pole Distribution Boxes				
Warning Stickers, wiring diagrams, circuit labels should be posted and legible				
Snap all breakers on and off several times to ensure firm contact				
If fuses are used at main service, check continuity				
Insulation around wiring should show no signs of deterioration				
Wiring should show no heat discoloration.				
Signs of wear should be replaced on taped connections				
Bare wires and exposed connections should be wrapped with insulated covering				
Are the panels appropriately locked or access minimized from the public				
Check all grounding connections at service entrance and at poles				
Pole Structures				
Wood poles checked for leaning and resulting misalignment of luminaires				
Wood poles checked for twisting and resulting misalignment of luminaires				
Wood poles checked for decay. Just below ground level, woodpecker holes etc.				
Steel anchor bolt poles checked for signs of corrosion				
Steel anchor bolt poles checked for proper drainage in grout at base				
Direct burial steel poles checked for proper mastic covering above/below grade at base				
Direct burial steel poles checked for water/moisture inside pole and corrosion around base of pole				
Direct burial steel poles checked for proper mastic covering inside the pole				
Pull on conduits in hand holes to check for looseness				
Check for all pole electrical access covers in place				
Check for all external cable conduit to be in good shape, not cracked or missing				
Check for other visible signs of deterioration? Specify				
Check any pole climbing equipment for proper attachment, alignment and decay or corrosion				
Check to make sure trees are not encroaching on the pole structures or overhead wires				
Luminaires				
Check for signs of out-gassing, leaking or water damage				
Check for broken or missing lens covers, replace if needed				
Check for luminaires not operating. Trouble shoot and repair				
Visually inspect ballast/drivers at 10' above grade or with binoculars for integral ballasts/drivers for signs of deterioration				
Check to make sure capacitors are not bulging				
Do any of the luminaires need realignment (visual and light level testing)				
Insulation covering on wiring should show no signs of wear or cracking.				
Ground wire connections must be secure.				
Check around ballasts for signs of blackening. (metal halide)				
Check that capacitors aren't bulging. (metal halide)				
Check aiming alignment of all luminaires.				
On wooden poles, see if cross-arms are still aligned with the field and horizontal.				

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