

POLICY COMMITTEE

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AGENDA ITEM	RECOMMENDATION	SUPPORTING INFORMATION
1. Name, Image, and Likeness Attachment P1	To review and discuss the NCHSAA Handbook 1.2.15	***Discussion Only***
2. Non-Athletic Calendar Attachment P2	To review and discuss the 2022-23 Non-Athletic Calendar	***Discussion Only***
3. Gender of Player	To review and discuss the NCHSAA Handbook 1.2.4 1. Timing of paperwork from the schools and when the student-athlete will join the team 2. How long the student has been on medication	***Discussion Only***

4. Ejection Penalties

Attachment P3

Recommend that entire teams no longer receive team exclusions from postseason competition due to individual ejections

- If a team has players and/or coaches that accumulate six or more individual ejections, only the players/coaches ejected six or more times will be ineligible for the playoffs
- If a team receives more than 3 ejections during one incident, only the players ultimately eligible for ejection will be ineligible for the playoffs
- In the event a physical altercation on the field/court occurs involving more players than are immediately identified by the officials, the NCHSAA may identify a total number of participants through video review that are eligible for ejection and require that the school identify individual players to receive the ejection(s)
- Subsequent ejections for individual players and/or coaches (loss of eligibility in following games) could result in the team's inability to compete in subsequent

Rationale: The individual parties that have broken the NCHSAA rules should be punished, not innocent athletes, especially seniors. Want to make sure the individuals and their families do not get punished for the actions of a few players that made a poor decision(s)

Budget Impact: None

Educational Impact: School and study time would remain comparable to normal operations

Equity Impact: Would apply to all sport programs

Effective Date: July 1, 2022

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5. Louisburg High School Football Playoff Qualification	<p>games due to the total number of eligible players remaining. This may include both regular season and post-season competitions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a team reaches a threshold of 3 ejections due to fighting, the head coach will be suspended for the next game even if it is a post-season contest 	
	<p>In order for Louisburg to be eligible for a Wildcard berth in football for the Fall season of 2022, Louisburg's football record must be .500 or higher in games with conference teams(must win at least 2 of the 4 conference games on the schedule), AND Louisburg must finish with a .500 or higher overall record (conference games do count in the overall record)</p>	<p>Rationale: Louisburg will only compete against 2A schools and 3A Franklin County School, Franklinton</p> <p>Budget Impact: N/A</p> <p>Educational Impact: N/A</p> <p>Equity Impact: N/A</p> <p>Effective Date: 2022 Football Season Only</p>
6. Mid-Alignment Appeals	<p>To review and discuss the NCHSAA By-law and criteria</p>	<p>***Discussion Only***</p>
Attachment P4		

NCHSAA Name, Image, and Likeness

NFHS from NCAA

It is possible that the flexibility of the interim NIL policy would impact prospective student-athletes (e.g., high school athletes) as it relates to NCAA rules/eligibility.

Therefore, assuming the activity is not pay for play or a recruiting inducement, the NCAA would be deferential to state law and/or the institution the prospect plans to attend. Of course, we also advise prospects to ensure that the activity is permissible under their high school athletics association rules (although, not an NCAA or policy rule). Below is what we typically provide to a prospect asking about NIL activities.

Regarding NIL, we would encourage you to follow applicable state laws and consult with the NCAA athletics compliance office at the NCAA school(s) you are interested in attending. Please also consider evaluating the extent to which the terms of any agreements you intend to sign do or do not align with the interim NCAA NIL policy, including those that may give rise to prohibited pay-for-play arrangements.

Finally, below is a link to our interim NIL educational materials.

<https://www.ncaa.org/sports/2021/2/8/about-taking-action.aspx>

Louisiana

LHSAA bylaws do not prohibit student-athletes from engaging in certain commercial activities in their individual capacities. These activities, generally referred to as Name, Image and likeness (NIL), will not jeopardize a student athlete's amateur status if the student-athlete complies with LHSAA Bylaw 1.25 on "Maintaining Amateur Status" as well as all LHSAA Bylaws, policies, and regulations. Compliance with LHSAA Bylaws regarding NIL does not ensure maintenance of eligibility under the eligibility standards of other governing athletic organizations (e.g. NCAA, NAIA, NJCAA, national sport governing bodies, etc.). Student-athletes desiring information on the amateur rules of other governing organizations should consult with those organizations.

<https://www.klfy.com/sports/lhsaa-to-allow-student-athletes-to-profit-off-likeness-image/#>

South Carolina

The way our rules are written, they address amateur status.

"Any student may not have competed for money or valuable consideration other than prizes with symbolic value. No participants may accept material awards in excess of actual expenses, including hotel bills and transportation."

We interpret this to mean you cannot be paid to play the sport or paid for your success through playing. So, if a student capitalizes on a NIL deal, they would not be in violation of this rule provided they are being paid for their Name, image, or likeness.

Alabama

Alabama does not have anything in place other than our Amateur Rule. We do not foresee anything coming up this school year but do see issues down the road from this.

Mississippi

In Mississippi we do not have an NIL policy. Our handbook still states that an athlete loses their amateur status if they receive merchandise and/or money valued at \$1000.00 or greater.

Tennessee

TSSAA Bylaws prevent NIL opportunities for student athletes. This has yet to be challenged by one of our member schools. I would be surprised if it doesn't happen soon, but I am not sure what direction our association will go if challenged in the courts.

2022-2023 KEY DATES FOR NCHSAA NON-ATHLETIC EVENTS

2022

JULY

TBD	MEETING	New Schools/New AD Orientation
19-21	MEETING	NC Coaches Association Meeting, Greensboro
30	DEADLINE	Scholar-Athlete second semester (Spring Sports) nominations

AUGUST

20	MEETING	Hall of Fame Banquet
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SEPTEMBER

1	DEADLINE	Update school information in Home Campus
	DEADLINE	Fall Eligibility Summary
	INITIATIVE	Scholarship and Grant Applications Open
19-22	MEETING	Region 6, 8, 7, 5 (Sites TBD)
26-29	MEETING	Region 4, 2, 1, 3 (Sites TBD)

OCTOBER

TBD	MEETING	Education and Athletics Committee Meeting
5	MEETING	Region 3 & 4 – Virtual
11	MEETING	Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Meeting
15	DEADLINE	Schools submit winter sports schedule to regional supervisors of officials
16-17	MEETING	Coach & Captain Retreat
31	DEADLINE	Submission of the fall Scholar-Athlete Essay Contest

NOVEMBER

1	DEADLINE	NCHSAA Board Agenda Items submission
15	DEADLINE	NCHSAA Cheerleading Scholarship
30	DEADLINE	NCHSAA Education-Based Athletics Grant
30	MEETING	Winter Board of Directors Meeting

DECEMBER

TBD	DEADLINE	2022-2023 Membership dues payment
1	DEADLINE	Winter Eligibility Summary
1	MEETING	Winter Board of Directors Meeting

2023

JANUARY

3	DEADLINE	Spirit of Sport Award nominations
12	MEETING	Education-based Grant Review Committee Meeting (Virtual)
15	DEADLINE	Schools submit spring sports schedule to regional supervisors of officials

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FEBRUARY

20 **DEADLINE** | [Scholarship applications \(Clary Medal, Charlie Adams Endowed Scholarship, Gainey Award, and Willie Bradshaw Memorial Endowed Scholarship\)](#)

MARCH

TBD **MEETING** | Student Leadership Conference
 1 **DEADLINE** | ["Heart of a Champion" Nominations](#)
 1 **MEETING** | Endowment Advisory Committee Meeting (Virtual)
 14 **MEETING** | Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Meeting
 17 **DEADLINE** | [Jerry McGee Endowed Scholarship](#)
DEADLINE | Scholar-Athlete first semester (traditional Fall & Winter Sports) nominations
DEADLINE | Spring Eligibility Summary
 24 **DEADLINE** | [Scholarship applications \(Gainey Award and Willie Bradshaw Memorial Endowed Scholarship\)](#)
 26-28 **MEETING** | [NC Athletic Directors Conference, Winston-Salem](#)

APRIL

TBD **MEETING** | Nominating Committee
 1 **DEADLINE** | [Eight Who Make a Difference" Nominations](#)
DEADLINE | [Exemplary School Award](#)
DEADLINE | [NCHSAA Board Agenda Items submission](#)
DEADLINE | [NCHSAA Hall of Fame nomination](#)
DEADLINE | [SAAC Applications Due](#)
 9 **MEETING** | "Heart of a Champion" Luncheon
 10 **DEADLINE** | [Toby Webb Outstanding Coach Award](#)
DEADLINE | [Commissioner's Cup](#)
 14 **DEADLINE** | [Tony Cullen Memorial Scholarship](#)
DEADLINE | FloSports Track & Field Scholarship
 16 **MEETING** | Sports Medicine Advisory Committee Meeting
 30 **DEADLINE** | [Submission of the spring Scholar-Athlete Essay Contest](#)

MAY

2-3 **MEETING** | Board of Directors Spring Meeting
 4 **MEETING** | NCHSAA Annual Meeting
DEADLINE | School submit fall sports schedule to regional supervisors

JUNE

TBD **MEETING** | Student Athlete Summer Institute (SASI)

**NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION Meeting of the
Board of Directors – Agenda Item Submission**

Mountain Island Charter
NCHSAA Rule Change Proposal
Catawba Shores Athletic Conference

Name(s) : Matt Steger, Robert Washington, Glenn Byrum and Gerald Herbert
School/LEA/Conference/Group: Mountain Island Charter School, Charter, Catawba
Shores Athletic Conference, 1A, NCHSAA Member Schools
Supporting Schools: Mountain Island Charter School, Langtree Charter, Carver, Winston
Salem Prep, Cabarrus Charter, Sugar Creek, Union Academy

NCHSAA,

MICS requests that the following item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the NCHSAA Board of Directors:

2.5.7:

(e) Teams: Teams in the following situations will not be allowed to participate in the playoffs:

- (1) A team whose players and coaches accumulate six or more individual ejections.
- (2) A team whose players and coaches accumulate three or more individual ejections for fighting (note: if a situation occurs where three or more players on one team are ejected during one fighting incident, those three individual ejections will cause the team to lose its playoff privileges).

We recommend that entire teams no longer receive team exclusions from postseason competition due to individual ejections.

Suggestions for rule change proposal:

- If a team has players and/or coaches that accumulate six or more individual ejections, only the players/coaches ejected six or more times will be ineligible for the playoffs.
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- In the event that a physical altercation on the field occurs involving more players than are immediately identified by referees, the NCHSAA may identify a total number of participants through film review that are eligible for ejection and require that the school identify individual players to receive the ejection.

- Subsequent consequences for individual players and/or coaches (loss of eligibility in following games) could result in the team's inability to compete in subsequent games due to the total number of eligible players remaining. This may include both regular season and postseason competitions.
- If a team reaches the threshold of 3 ejections due to fighting, the head coach will be suspended for the next game even if it's a postseason game.

Rationale: (Why should the board consider and possibly pass this recommendation?)

- The individual parties that have broken the NCHSAA rules should be punished, not innocent student athletes, especially seniors. We want to look out for the student athletes that were abiding by NCHSAA rules and make sure they and their families don't get punished for the actions of a few players that made a poor decision/decisions.

Budget Impact: (What does this mean to a school's/athletic department's finances?)

- This change would not negatively affect the affected school's/athletic department's budget or finances. Instead, the opportunity to participate in postseason competition would provide the school/athletic department with the opportunity for positive financial impact.

Educational Impact: (Does this mean loss of school time? Does it interfere with study time?)

- This would not result in a negative educational impact. School and study time would remain comparable to normal operations.

Gender Impact: (Is this proposal fair to males and females?)

- Yes, since this proposal would apply to all sports, males and females will both be positively affected in the same way.

Effective Date: (When would this go into effect?)

- Fall 2022

Signature Matt Stegman AD

Date 4.1.2022

2021-2025 Realignment Adjustment Request

School Name _____

Principal's Name _____

Superintendent's Name _____

Current Classification _____

Name of Current Conference _____

By-Law VI of the NCHSAA Constitution states the following: "Classification is to be guided but not bound by the ADM figures averaging the daily membership in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 for the first month as submitted to the State Department of Public Instruction. ... **In the second year of the alignment period, schools having special hardship conditions with regard to classification**, may appeal to the Board of Directors for relief. Final action on appeals would take place at the winter meeting of the Board of Directors following completion of the normal two-year football contract period....Using ADM and other factors which may apply, the Board of Directors is given the authority to transfer schools to another classification.... "

Please state your request:

Reason for the request to change classification for the last two years of the current NCHSAA Alignment, to be effective for the 2023 -2024 and 2024-2025

Please circle each criteria below that applies, along with a brief explanation. Supportive documentation for each circled item must be included upon submission to the NCHSAA:

1. Significant disparity in current size of the school - either a significant increase or decrease in enrollment/ADM (**NOTE:** Significant is defined as greater than a %10 decline in enrollment in one of the years since 2019)
2. Closing of school(s)/or merger of schools (must have already occurred or must show school board authorization for the 2023-2024 school year)
3. Major loss of community resources

4. Rise in unemployment
5. Closure of major businesses or other employer(s)
6. Natural disaster in the community

Remember: all information that supports, defines and/or explains the request must be submitted with this form.