



NORTH BAY LEAGUE

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ATHLETIC DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2023, 10 AM Lewis Learning Center

ATTENDANCE			
Mike Roan	Analy	Ryan Riddle	Piner
Monica Mertle	Cardinal Newman	Scotty McKeon	Rancho Cotate
Richard Sanchez	Cardinal Newman	Kenny Knowlton	Santa Rosa
Ry Basham-Mintz	Elsie Allen	Bryan Price	Santa Rosa
Josh Cavanagh	Healdsburg	Heather Campbell	St. Vincent
Jerry Deakins	Maria Carrillo	Aaron O'Brien	Ukiah
Dean Haskins	Montgomery	Jamie Williams	Windsor
Megan Ornelas	Montgomery	Joe Ellwood	Commissioner
		Dean Haskins	Asst. Commissioner
I. APPROVAL OF THE NBL AGENDA (ACTION) Joe			
Motion to approve the NBL AD Agenda.			
II. APPROVAL OF THE NBL CONSENT AGENDA			
There is no consent agenda for this meeting.			
III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE PREVIOUS MEETING (ACTION) Joe			
Motion to approve the minutes from the 9/19/23 athletic director meeting, previously emailed and available online at www.northbayleague.org			
IV. PUBLIC COMMENT			
Pursuant to Education Code Section 54954.3 and Education Code section 33353, any member of the public wishing to speak on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the NBL, CIF, and NCS will be heard at this time. The time for such comment is no more than two (2) minutes per person on an item and no more than twenty (20) minutes total on an item or as designated by the Chair.			
V. NORTH BAY LEAGUE AGENDA ITEMS			
A. Oak and Redwood Division placements for 2024-2026 (Girls' tennis, girls' golf, cross country, girls' volleyball. (R/D/A) (Joe)			
B. Motion to amend Wrestling Bylaw 15.901. (R/D/A) (Dean)			
Representative to the NCS Seeding Committee Meeting. The varsity coaches of the teams that finish first and second at the NBL Qualifying Tournament will represent the North Bay League at the NCS Seeding Meeting. If the varsity coach of either the first or			

second place cannot attend the seeding meeting, then the varsity coach of the third-place team shall attend the seeding meeting. If only one of the varsity coaches from the first, second or third place team can attend the seeding meeting, then the representative to the management committee shall attend as the second NBL representative. In case of a tie for first place at the NBL qualifying tournament, the varsity coaches of the tied teams will attend the seeding meeting. 3/27/2019

Proposal:

The NBL Wrestling representative and the coach of the first-place team from the qualifying league tournament will represent the NBL at the NCS Seeding Meeting. If either the NBL representative or the first-place varsity coach cannot attend the seeding meeting or if they are the same person, the coach from the second-place finisher in the league qualifying tournament shall attend the meeting.
Motion supported by the wrestling coaches.

C. [SAC proposal developed by Rancho Cotate](#) on changing NCS Bylaw 106.D. to allow movement between the four Redwood Empire Football leagues every two years. (R/D/A) (Joe)

D. Approval of new [RE Football Bylaws](#) (R/D/A) (Joe)

E. Freshman basketball team arrival times at away venues. (R/D) Joe

F. Winter Ejection Policy Verifications (R/D) Dean

G. New items (R/D) Joe

VI. NCS SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ([Full 12/4/23 SAC Agenda](#))

I. CONSENT AGENDA

There is no consent agenda for this meeting.

IV. CIF ITEMS

A. HEAT ILLNESS AND AIR QUALITY INDEX (Information, Cruickshank)
Information regarding the amendment of CIF Bylaws 503.K. and 503.L.
Attachment A (May be available at meeting)

B. FALL SPORT ACCLIMATIZATION POLICY (Information, Cruickshank)
Information regarding the establishment of a state-wide fall sport acclimatization policy.
Attachment B (May be available at meeting)

C. BOYS' VOLLEYBALL (Information, Cruickshank)
Information regarding the establishment of a CIF Boys' Volleyball State Championship.
Attachment C (May be available at meeting)

D. TRADITIONAL COMPETITIVE CHEER (Information, Cruickshank)
Information regarding the establishment of a CIF Traditional Competitive Cheer Regional.
Attachment D (May be available at meeting)

V. NCS ITEMS

A. [THREE-YEAR CALENDAR](#) (R/D/A, Niemi)

Proposal to adopt the next year of the three-year cycle (2026-27). Implementation 2024-25
Attachment E at the end of this agenda.

B. TRACK AND FIELD (BOYS AND GIRLS) (R/D/A, Track Management Committee)
Proposal to amend NCS 28.405H Area Entries and 28.600H NCS Meet of Champions
Immediate implementation. (Attachment F below)

League Submitting Proposal: Track & Field Management Committee (11-0)

Date of Requested Implementation: Immediate (Spring 2024)

Description of Proposal:

28.405H Area Entries

Any competitor or relay team that is disqualified from an event during the league qualifying meet may not move on to the next level of competition in that event. A league may only submit qualified entries to advance to the next level of competition regardless even if they do not fill their allotted number of entries. *Rule 4 Sec. 5 Art. 1 NFHS Track and Field Rule Book 2011 (Board of Managers 4/18/11)*

Entries to the NCS Class A/Area meet will be as follows:
(*Board of Managers 1/24/17*)

NCS Class A and 2A/3A Area Meets			
Class A ⁶	Redwood Empire ⁶	Bay Shore ⁶	Tri-Valley ⁶
Bay Counties 8 (4 relays) CMC 8 (4 relays) HDNL (little 5) 4 (2 relays) *Branson, Berean Christian	HDNL Big 5 3 MCAL 3 NBL 5 VVL 3 Lower Lake *Next 6-10 best marks from all leagues. Plus, any at-large marks. Only performances from league championship finals may be used to determine advancers.	Mission Valley 4 TCAL 6 WACC 6 *Next 8 best marks from all 3 leagues. Plus, any at-large marks. Only performances from league championship finals may be used to determine advancers.	Bay Valley 4 Diablo Athletic 6 East Bay 6 *Next 8 best marks from all 3 leagues. Plus, any at-large marks. Only performances from league championship finals may be used to determine advancers.

⁶Entries in the 4x800m relay are based solely on times (entries in this event do NOT qualify through a league championship). Times must be verifiable FAT times run during the current season (times can be taken from league championship; if the league holds this event). There will be up to 16 entries at each Class A/Area meet determined as follows:

CLASS A

Best 16 times from all Class A schools

REDWOOD EMPIRE

HDNL (Big 5)—2

MCAL—2

NBL—4

VVAL—2

Next best times 6 times

BAY SHORE

MVAL—2

TCAL—3

WACC—3

Next best 8 times

TRI-VALLEY

		<p>BVAL—2 DAL—3 EBAL—3 Next best 8 times</p> <p>28.600H NCS MEET OF CHAMPIONS 28.601H</p> <p>2. Entries in the 4x800 relay will be as follows: Class A, 2 automatic qualifiers Redwood Empire, 2 automatic qualifiers Bay Shores, 2 automatic qualifiers Tri-Valley, 2 automatic qualifiers The remaining qualifying 8 entries will be determined by next best marks from all 4 of the qualifying meets (Class A, Redwood Empire, Bay Shore, Tri-Valley)</p> <p>Rationale in Support of Proposal: The committee felt it was important to reduce the number of entries at MOC and at the area meets. Currently there are 24 entries and it presented safety concerns at the exchanges.</p> <p>Possible Objections to Proposal: N/A</p>	
		<p>C. TRACK AND FIELD (BOYS AND GIRLS) (R/D/A, Track Management Committee) Proposal to amend NCS 28.1200H Unified Division Competition. Immediate implementation. (Attachment G below)</p>	
		<p>League Submitting Proposal: Track & Field Management Committee (11-0) Date of Requested Implementation: Immediate (Spring 2024) Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate) 28.1200H UNIFIED DIVISION COMPETITION</p> <p>POSTSEASON ADVANCEMENT FOR UNIFIED COMPETITORS: Unified competitor units and relay teams declared at the league championships must remain intact for the remainder of postseason competition. A “Unified competitor unit” is treated as an individual, <i>not</i> a relay. Alternates and/or substitutions are not permitted. One Unified Partner alternate may be added to the Unified Competitor Unit. The alternate must be declared at the League’s qualifying championship and cannot be changed throughout the remainder of the post season. The Unified division will use the same procedures for qualifying from league to Area/Class A competition and from Area/Class A competition to MOC competition as the open division.</p> <p>Rationale in Support of Proposal: There were several times when the unified athlete would have to drop out of an event because their partner either could not or did not want to participate. The committee felt it was important to allow the addition of an alternate so the unified athlete doesn’t get DQd for their partner’s actions.</p> <p>Possible Objections to Proposal: NA</p> <p>Income/Expenses Related to Implementation: N/A</p>	
		<p>D. DIVING (BOYS AND GIRLS) (R/D/A, Niemi) Proposal to adjust the 2024 NCS Diving date (Attachment H below)</p>	

	<p>League Submitting Proposal: Swimming & Diving Management Committee Vote from Committee: 9-0 Date of Requested Implementation: Spring 2024 Description of Proposal: Proposal to adjust the 2024 NCS diving championship from its original date (Thurs., May 2, 2024) to one day earlier (Wed., May 1, 2024). This would allow NCS to avoid a USA Diving meet scheduled May 2-4, 2024.</p> <p>Rationale in Support of Proposal: The key reason for this proposed change is to ensure we have enough quality deck officials and meet management on site for the NCS championship. Historically, NCS has moved swimming and diving championships by one full week when it conflicted with the Santa Clara International meet on an Olympic year. Concord Community Pool has informed NCS that the site is available for a Wednesday championship meet.</p> <p>Possible Objections to Proposal: Divers would have a shortened timeframe to register on Divemeets and would be competing one day earlier than they have in the past meets.</p> <p>Income/Expenses Related to Implementation: N/A.</p> <p>Attachments: N/A.</p>
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	<p>E. WRESTLING (BOYS & GIRLS) (R/D/A, Wrestling Management Committee) Proposal to establish four divisional (sub-section) qualifying tournaments for the NCS Wrestling Championships. Implementation beginning 2024-2025. (Attachment I below)</p>
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	<p>League Submitting Proposal: Wrestling Management Committee Vote from the League Regarding Proposal: 10-1-1 Date of Requested Implementation: 2024/25 Season Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate)</p> <p>Boys and Girls Wrestling Divisional Qualifier Four divisional (sub-section) qualifying tournaments to the NCS Wrestling Championship, which would replace League tournaments as the qualifying tournament. These would be all comers events with both boys and girls tournaments held at the same location. Each school will be allowed one representative per weight class to their Divisional tournament. The projected bracket size for all Divisional Tournaments based on current participation is 8 to 24 wrestlers.</p> <p>Dates: 1.5 Day tournament one week before the NCS (Masters) Championships February 14/15, 2025 February 13/14, 2026</p> <p>Divisions: Schools will be classified for competition in the existing NCS Divisions based on school size and geography. See link below. https://www.cifnccs.org/sports/wrestling/23-24_Dual_Team_Wrestling_Divisions.pdf</p> <p>NCS Divisional Entries: Every team in the NCS will be allowed one (1) wrestler per school and per weight into their respective NCS Divisional tournament for both boys and girls. Girls' teams that exist in the Oakland section and are part of the NCS, will compete in the Division 2 East Bay subsection.</p>
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These entries will be exclusively decided by each school and submitted to the NCS Divisional tournament director by the league representative on or before Sunday leading up to the weekend of the Divisional tournament.

Bracket size will vary per the number of entries and member schools in each division.

A process for submitting entries will be determined by the tournament committee.

Events for boys and girls will take place at the same venue.

Seeding:

Every High School within the NCS will be allowed (1) entry per school and per weight into their prospective NCS Divisional tournament for both boys and girls

Girls' teams that exist in the Oakland section and are part of the NCS, will compete in the Division 2 East Bay subsection.

These entries will be exclusively decided by each school and submitted to the NCS Divisional tournament director by the league representative on or before Wednesday at midnight, leading up to the weekend of the Divisional tournament.

All relevant seeding information MUST be submitted with entries

Bracket size will vary per the number of entries and member schools in each division.

The seeding meeting for the Divisional tournaments will take place Thursday evening at 6pm

Meeting will be in person or remote and organized by the Divisional tournament director

All brackets will be seeded through 8 wrestlers

Any wrestler considered for a seed or at-large berth, must have their entire body of work entered in the NCS website for review and consideration. Any wrestler not having this information will not be considered for a seed. (Board of Managers 10/2/20)

All competitors proposed for a seed must be submitted for a seed before the seeding of that weight class begins. All finalization of seeds will be done per weight class by representative voting.

Guidelines, in no particular order, for all seeded wrestlers

- a.Head-to-head wins (during current season)
- b.Returning CIF State medalist (place & weight class)
- c.Returning CIF State qualifier
- d.Returning NCS medalist (place and weight class)
- e.Overall Record (all wins and losses)
 - i.Tournaments (include size [64/32/24/16] dual) and place/finish
 - ii.Section losses
- f.Common Opponents
- g.CIF State Rankings

Two representatives per league will be allowed at the Divisional seeding meeting, but will be allowed only one voting representative. Each league will be responsible to decide who their representative(s) will be.

Events for boys and girls will take place at the same venue.

NCS Masters Entries:

- Qualifiers from both the Boys and Girls NCS Divisional tournament will be entered into the NCS Master event
- Event for boys and girls will take place at the same venue
- Brackets will consist of 20 wrestlers for both boys' and girls' divisions
- Number of entries per division is statistically supported and will be reviewed in a two- year cycle by the wrestling management committee based on two-year medal counts. Each

Division will be allocated their number of entries based on their performance at the NCS Championships.

- Each division will be allotted two automatic qualifiers.
- There will be 2 At-Large entries per weight decided on at the NCS seeding meeting. Only wrestlers that compete in their divisional tournament will be eligible for an At-Large bid.
- Number of remaining qualifiers per division will be found via medal count using the following formula: Number of medals won at the Masters per division (two years)/number of medals available (over two years) = percent of medals. Percent of medals allocated multiplied by/remaining qualifiers to be distributed (10) = number of qualifiers earned. In order to lose a qualifier, a division must show greater than/less than a 0.5 distribution AND another division must be greater than/less than a 0.5 distribution (See attachment for detailed formula)
- Entries per division for inaugural year will be based on the medal count from the preceding two years
- Sample Entries if implemented for the 2023/24 season (see attachment for detailed formula). Boys' & girls': D1-6; De RE – 5; D2 EB – 4; DC - 3
- Any hardship cases must be made at the NCS seeding meeting and voted on by the representatives at the meeting.
- There would be an opportunity for alternate spots at the NCS Championships if a wrestler in a particular weight becomes ill, injured, has a skin infection or does not make weight at weigh ins. In this case the next highest placing wrestler in that weight class from the same division would take their place and it would be up to the alternate from that particular Division to be at weigh-ins and on weight. If the next highest placing wrestler from that division is not present, then the alternate spot will be allocated based on a divisional rotation
- Brackets for the boys' and girls' tournament will be built based on a formula separating the top 4 wrestlers as well as common Divisional separation. All relevant seeding information MUST be provided to the seeding committee by League Representatives by midnight at the conclusion of the divisional tournament. Brackets will be posted no later than the Monday prior to the NCS Championships.

Divisional and Championship Tournament Venues:

Host League for NCS East Bay Championship

In the event that a management committee for each NCS East Bay Championship cannot be secured, the following league rotation will be implemented:

YEAR	DIVISION 1	DIVISION 2
2024-25	BVAL	TCAL
2025-26	DAL	MVAL
2026-27	EBAL	EBAL
2027-28	MVAL	WACC
2028-29	WACC	DAL
2029-30	BVAL	TCAL

Host League for NCS Redwood Empire Division 2 Championship

The NCS Redwood Empire Division 2 Wrestling Championships shall be hosted by participating leagues according to the following rotation:

YEAR	REDWOOD EMPIRE
2024-25	MCAL
2025-26	NBL

2026-27	HDN
2027-28	VVAL
2028-29	MCAL

Host League for NCS Division 3 Championships

The NCS Division 3 Wrestling Championship shall be hosted by participating leagues according to the following rotation:

YEAR	REDWOOD EMPIRE
2024-25	CMC
2025-26	HDN
2026-27	NBL
2027-28	TCAL
2028-29	CMC

NCS Masters Championship venue will be decided on by NCS management and based on the ability to host a combined boys' and girls' masters' championship

Divisional and Masters Operating Procedures:

Tournament operating system: Track of Flo Wrestling

Number of mats needed: Divisional, 4-6; Masters,8-10

Number of referees for each divisional: 3 officials are needed for every 2 mats. An odd number of mats requires one extra official

Number of medals for each divisional: medals will be awarded to the top six wrestlers in each weight category.

Medal rounds and finals: See attached outline of rounds/rules; Modifications will be up to individual tournament directors.

Income/Expenses Related to Implementation:

Expenses:

Expenses for schools

Entry fee per wrestler for both the Divisional and Masters event will be \$25.

Travel expenses will depend upon the number of participants per school and the distance said school must travel. Masters tournament size has been modified to offset travel costs per team. Also, Divisional tournaments will allow travel to take place day 1 before tournament start, decreasing the need for lodging.

NCS Expenses

Officials

Operating Costs include facilities, custodial staff, meals for volunteers, porta potties, mat tape, etc. Masters tournaments would be less costly due to combining boys' and girls' tournaments. There will be additional costs for Divisionals that will depend of the size of each tournament

Awards. Current cost of awards for the Masters tournament will not change. Additional cost for Divisional awards will be approximately \$4162.

Bracket building and Tournament Management. Current cost will not change for the Masters tournament. There will be an additional expense for each divisional tournament that will depend of the size of said tournament.

Income:

The current Masters tournament includes 868 male and female athletes generating income. The proposal for the new masters would include 560 male and female athletes generating income. The new Divisional tournament is proposed to have approximately 1300 male and female athletes generating income.

Total—current number of involved wrestlers is 1300 male and female athletes generating income. The new proposal for divisional tournaments would include approximately 1860 male and female athletes generating income.

Rationale in Support of Proposal:

Equality (Advantages to combined Boys and Girls tournaments) - Coaches will be able to coach both male and female athletes at the same venue as opposed to having split up their coaching staff and choosing which Masters tournament to attend. Teams will be able to travel together to the same venue reducing the cost of travel. NCS Officials will be condensed to one location at the Masters tournament improving the level of officiating and making it more equitable for female wrestlers. Girls wrestling in particular, will see an increase in visibility to the wrestling community with a combined Divisional and Masters event which will include combined, showcased, finals matches. With the current growth of girls wrestling, adding a Girls Subsection will help create sustainability for the number of entries for a girls Masters tournament. Currently, the size of girls' brackets is unsustainable, possibly even for the upcoming 2023/24 season. Implementation of this proposal will allow for continued growth.

Opportunity and Participation - The addition of Divisional Tournaments will provide opportunity for more wrestlers to compete in a NCS post season event. Divisionals will also increase the opportunity for more wrestlers to earn an NCS postseason medal. There are currently 112 NCS medalists in wrestling (8 medalists per weight x 14 weight classes). The addition of 4 Divisionals will increase the total number of NCS postseason medalists in wrestling to 448 (6 medalist per weight x 14 weight classes x 4 divisions + 112 Masters medalists). We believe that the added opportunity to compete in a post season event and earn a NCS medal will provide incentive for wrestlers to stick with and invest more time in a demanding and difficult sport. Student-athletes that may have walked away from the sport in the past will continue to compete and improve. These would also provide balance and more competitive opportunities for a greater number of teams. The possibility of more accolades should theoretically raise the level of competition in every team's wrestling room. The Divisional events, increased medal count, and additional team Divisional Championships will increase the visibility of the sport. This should in turn increase participation as more student-athletes feel they can compete and be successful. This would allow the level of wrestling to increase in each league, which would then affect the quality of wrestling at the NCS Masters Tournament. It would also create fuller teams and help teams retain athletes throughout the season.

Accolades - Adding divisionals would increase the strength of wrestling in the section and would make it more relevant and competitive with the stronger sections in the state. We have a large number of schools that have great programs year in and year out with little chance of success past their league tournaments. Without a full team wrestling past the league tournament and into the postseason, these schools cannot compete against the schools with full lineups that continue to dominate the NCS Masters tournament. A divisional creates more opportunities for teams to win. We need to create more opportunities for athletes to earn accolades. We need to give coaches and wrestlers a reason to put more time into their sport and create a way to get kids and keep kids out for the team. We need to provide another avenue to build school/team pride and spirit.

Alignment - The NCS is currently the only major section that does not have a subsection in wrestling. Parity with CIF Sections across the State-The addition of Divisionals will put the NCS post season in line with other sections around California opening up the possibility of more inter-section participation during the season.

Improved Officiating - This proposal would help to allow for quality officiating at our Divisional Qualifiers. The approximately 22 seasoned officials who now work the Masters will be spread equitably over the 4 Divisional events. The divisionals will each be run on 4- 5 mats that would require 6-8 officials per venue. Currently our officiating crews are stretched thin at League Qualifying events which are traditionally both JV and Varsity boys' and girls' athletes using the same number of mats. The Divisional would be Varsity only, requiring fewer total referees on that weekend. This will allow for our more experienced crews to officiate the Divisionals, which will help decrease controversial calls and match outcomes that have detrimental consequences during Masters seeding. This will ensure that only our best referees are on the mat during the most important matches leading to the NCS Masters Championship.

Increased Revenue - There are currently 868 athletes generating revenue for the NCS in the Post Season. Implementing this proposal would bring that number to 1860. It would also reduce the number of Masters tournaments by one, with the combination of the Boys and Girls event. Additionally, this would save the NCS a significant amount of money.

F. EBAL Proposal to add an Open Division for Baseball (R/D/A)

League Submitting Proposal: East Bay Athletic

League Vote from the League Regarding Proposal:

Date of Requested Implementation: 23-24 school year

Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate):
 Add an open division for baseball that is equitable. Teams selected to the open division would get an automatic bid to NorCal. NCS gets nine Nor Cal bids so here is how the Open Division would work: it would be the top four teams as determined by committee regardless of division. The tourney would be a 4-team single game elimination played in one week, preferably the second week of the NCS Playoffs. Divisions 1-6 would remain in their same format.

Rational in Support of Proposal:
 Baseball usually has many different teams that have had successful years but they do not always come from one division. Having an open format would make other divisions more equitable and would give our section a chance to see w ho the best/top team is in NCS regardless of their division. There are years that a D2 or D3 team could very well have been an "Open Champ." It would also allow NCS to send three VERY strong teams to NorCal.

Possible Objections to Proposal:
 This would eliminate one of the section winners from being able to advance because we only have nine NorCal bids.

Income/Expenses Related to Implementation:
 The only foreseeable expenses related to this would be the addition of a few more games to the total number of NCS games because there would be an extra division. Essentially, it is adding three more games to the total number of NCS Playoff games.

Attachments
 Attached you will find the data from 2016-2023 showing who were the top three and top five teams in Division 1 at the end of the year. This shows that many different teams would be in that

top three from year to year. This does not even include other divisions but we could not find any "hard data" that included all the divisions together because there has never been a NCS list that includes all divisions on one list.'

Ranking	2023	2022	2019	2018	2016
1	De La Salle	De La Salle	De La Salle	De La Salle	De La Salle
2	Clayton Valley	Foothill	Acalanes	Foothill	Heritage
3	Granada	Clayton Valley	Amador Valley	Berkeley	San Ramon Valley
4	Amador Valley	California	Foothill	Heritage	College Park
5	San Ramon Valley	College Park	Heritage	San Ramon Valley	Monte Vista

NCS PLAYOFF SEEDING

1	De La Salle	Foothill	De La Salle	De La Salle	De La Salle
2	San Ramon Valley	Clayton Valley	Amador Valley	Foothill	Heritage
3	Clayton Valley	De La Salle	Acalanes	Berkeley	Granada
4	Amador Valley	California	Foothill	Heritage	College Park
5	Granada	College Park	College Park	Monte Vista	San Ramon Valley

Times in Top 5

Team	Max Prep	NCS Seeding
De La Salle	6	6
Clayton Valley	3	3
Amador Valley	2	3
San Ramon Valley	4	3
Foothill	4	3
College Park	2	3
Granada	1	2
Heritage	3	2
Monte Vista	2	2
California	1	1
Acalanes	1	1

Times in top 3

Team	Max Prep	NCS Seeding
De La Salle	6	5
Clayton Valley	3	2
Amador Valley	1	2
San Ramon Valley	2	2
Foothill	2	2
Granada	1	1
Heritage	1	1
Monte Vista	0	1
Acalanes	1	1
College Park	0	0
California	0	0

G. EBAL Proposal to add an Open Division for Softball (R/D/A)

		<p>League Submitting Proposal: East Bay Athletic League Vote from the League Regarding Proposal: 10-0 Date of Requested Implementation: 23-24 School Year Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate) Add an open division for Softball that is equitable. Teams selected to the open division would get an auto bid to NorCal. NCS gets nine NorCal bids so here is how the Open Division would work: It would be the top four teams as determined by committee regardless of division. The tourney would be 4-team single game elimination played in one week, preferably the second week of the NCS Playoffs. Divisions 1-6 would remain the same in their format.</p> <p>Rationale in Support of Proposal: Softball usually has many different teams have successful years but they do not always come from one division. Having an open format would make other divisions more equitable and would give our section a chance to see who the best/top team is in NCS regardless of their division. There are years that a D2 or D3 team could very well have been an "Open Champ." It would also allow NCS to send three VERY strong teams to NorCal. This is also the same proposal and format as proposed for baseball, and is supported by coaches across the NCS.</p> <p>Possible Objections to Proposal: This would eliminate one of the section winners from being able to advance because we only have nine Norcal bids.</p> <p>Income/Expenses Related to Implementation: The only foreseeable expenses related to this would be the addition of a few more games to the total number NCS games because there would be an extra division. Essentially it is adding three more games to the total number of NCS Playoff games.</p>
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		<p>H. EBAL Proposal to change NCS Stunt Championship from a 1-day event to a 2-day event. R/D/A</p>
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		<p>League Submitting Proposal: <u>East Bay Athletic League</u> Vote from the League Regarding Proposal: Date of Requested Implementation: 2024 Spring Season Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate) Changing Stunt North Coast Section Championship from a 1-day event to a 2-day event.</p> <p>Rationale in Support of Proposal: Per bracket history, teams that advance after the 1st round of play at North Coast Sections for STUNT, play 3 games in 1 day. For teams to play their best and avoid the risk of injuries, the EBAL is proposing the 3rd Place Contest & Championship Games be played on the 2nd day of the event.</p> <p>Possible Objections to Proposal: Getting transportation to and from the host site both days. Booking officials and referees for both days.</p> <p>Income/Expenses Related to Implementation: Transportation to and from the host site for visiting schools.</p>
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Host site to have more volunteers to cover day 1 & day 2.
Tickets are charged per day to spectators (more \$ for host site). (Officials and refs paid per game, so this will not change.)

VI. NCS CHAMPIONSHIPS/COMPETITIVE EQUITY

A. NCS PLAYOFF STRUCTURE (R/D/A, BAC & Cruickshank)
Proposal to establish new NCS playoff structure as described below.
Note: this item needs 2/3 affirmative vote in order to reconsider during the same academic year, as per NCS 110G.1.d. Attachments J (BAC Model) and K (NCS Model) below

**Bay Area Conference Proposal for NCS Play-Offs (attachment J)
"CCS Model"**

Proposal: The proposal put forward today is to have the NCS adopt the CCS model with very few modifications. The CCS model has these advantages:

It maintains the size-based classifications that protect small schools from large school competition. It pulls up 11 schools out of the sized based divisions to play in the Open Division. Last year in BB, the D1, D2, D3 and D4 winners would have been pulled up into Open from both BBB and GBB opening up those Section title opportunities to other size-based schools.

It ends the 3-year method of moving smaller schools into larger school classifications. This eliminates the scenario where a school is good for a few years, then graduates key players and then has to wait 3 years to move back down to the original level. This move up method is also what is killing larger but not exceptional athletic schools as the competition keeps getting tougher in the larger divisions.

Most importantly, it has been in effect in the CCS for 8 years now and it is WORKING in that Section. Most CCS schools/ADs seem to like this model. We do not seem to like our model.

Date of Requested Implementation: 2024-2025 School Year. This gives one calendar year to work out any issues and look at brackets in 23-24 to prep for unintended consequences. We would also then be aligned with the new alignment cycle.

Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate). Bylaws affected include 510H, 511H and 513H. The Open Division is 8 teams in CCS, but would be 11 teams in NCS since we get more allotted NorCal slots.

NORTH COAST SECTION PLAYOFFS

Sports: Volleyball (VB), Water Polo (WP), Basketball (BSKB), Winter B&G Soccer (Soc), Lacrosse (LAX), Baseball (BSB), Softball (SB). Note we are intentionally omitting Football since it has its own issues and politics. We are using Boys and Girls Basketball as the example sport throughout this proposal. We will need to provide a greater definition on the size of Open Division for non-BB sports which can be done between now and the next SAC meeting in September.

Base Divisions: Traditional NCS enrollment-based divisions. For example, for basketball: Division 1 – 1950+
Division 2 – 1350-1949
Division 3 – 900-1349
Division 4 – 420-899

Division 5 – 200-419
Division 6 – 199 and less

Petitioning up or down: Per existing NCS guidelines individual schools could petition to move up or down enrollment divisions

Automatic Qualifiers: Per existing NCS guidelines

Qualifying: Per existing NCS guidelines

Hosting: Per existing NCS guidelines

Bracket Development:

Per existing NCS seeding committee guidelines taking into account overall record, league record and place, division record, strength of schedule and head-to-head results. For the purposes of the examples presented with this proposal we exclusively used the MaxPreps rankings for Open selection and Division selection and seeding.

Open Division (maximized to include 11 teams) – The bracket development process begins with selecting the best 11 teams in the Section to play in the Open Division. These teams could be pulled from any of the Base Divisions 1-6. They would be seeded 1-11 and play a traditional bracket to determine a NCS Open Champion. (Note the CCS has recently used a pool play format but with 11 teams a traditional bracket is a better solution). All 11 Open teams would get a NorCal bid which would assure that the NCS's best teams are representing it in the NorCal Tournament.

Divisions 1-6 – The seeding committee would then seed the remaining teams in each Base Division in a bracket with up to 16 teams. The two finalists in each division (1-5) would earn a NorCal bid. Division 6 would continue to receive 4 NorCal bids.

Staggered Brackets in Division Play – The brackets in division play would be staggered with the top seeds getting byes in order to avoid first round blow-outs. See example CCS bracket. This method pits seeds 9 through 16 in the first round, the winners vs seeds 5-8 in the 2nd round, and the winners vs seeds 1 through 4 in the quarters. First week has two rounds and 2nd week has 3 rounds.

NorCal Qualifier Allotment: Per existing guidelines, the NCS has 25 bids to NorCals with 4 being tied to D6. Therefore, we calculate: 25 bids = 4 (D6) + 10 (D1-5 finalists) + 11 (Open).

See attached examples of breakdown of Open and Division Seeding for boys' and girls' basketball using MaxPreps rankings only. Note the NCS has not presented enrollment-based divisions recently so we tried to recreate them using the footnotes in the posted NCS Divisions.

Rationale in Support of Proposal:

The current NCS system is not aging well for a couple reasons including all the best teams are being collected into the top divisions which crowds out the opportunity for larger public schools to succeed. Moreover, many of the best NCS teams are no longer qualifying for NorCals since the upper divisions have become a mosh pit of the best teams with many of them being eliminated in early rounds. The lower divisions are becoming weaker and insignificant like the NIT

or CBIT in college basketball. The NCS's great history of Division Championships is being lost at all levels.

The CCS has been using its Open model for 8 years with great results that are well received by its members. The power teams are pulled out of the traditional Base Division brackets. The remaining teams compete for historically significant Division Championships and NorCal bids. With the power teams cleared out the remaining teams consistently have a fighting chance and are rewarded with success when they have good teams that play well. The history of CCS Division Champions since the addition of its Open Division is very diverse with public schools of all sizes regularly capturing Division Championships and earning NorCal bids. The CCS's best teams always represent it in NorCals. The CCS eliminated first round blow-outs with its staggered brackets.

The Open Division is the best version of Competitive Equity because it is based on current success and not past results. So often in the current NCS system teams are moved up based on past success but the reason for that success has graduated and the successor teams are left at a great competitive disadvantage.

Enrollment size still matters – We have done regression analyses that show enrollment is very significantly correlated to MaxPreps rankings. Also, historical results from the NorCal playoffs show small enrollment schools lose very disproportionately in the NorCal's version of competitive equity. Small schools are in a "lose-lose" situation in that they are either being moved up to play bigger schools or bigger schools are being moved down. This proposal preserves enrollment being a factor which protects smaller enrollment schools from being at a constant disadvantage.

Educational outcomes are vitally important to what we are all trying to accomplish with high school sports. For high school sports to be educational hard work and success needs to be rewarded with Championships and NorCal bids. Losing and falling just short is ok and a valuable part of learning too. The State's version of competitive equity punishes success and rewards failure which hurts educational outcomes. As a result, it is almost universally disliked by coaches and players. Do not confuse benefitting from the system with liking it. This CCS model proposal strikes the right balance with competitive equity in the form of pulling out the power schools via an Open Division and then allowing the rest of schools to compete for traditional and historically significant Division Championships.

Possible Objections to Proposal:

Schools with socio-economic disadvantages are likely to still be left behind. That being said this is the case with all play-off systems including the current one. The solution is to adjust enrollments levels down for schools in lower socio-economic areas, but we have not added that to this proposal. It is a big issue and should be addressed on its own. If it is adopted, this proposal still works well with that adjustment.

Lower Division Relative "Power Teams" could remain even after the top 11 are pulled up to Open. The examples show that Power Teams are being pulled out of all 5 divisions and the CCS history shows this is an infrequent occurrence. But it could happen. No system can guarantee that it can get placement exactly right.

There is a reduction from 4 to 2 in NorCal slots for divisions 4 and 5. This is balanced by the elimination of the block on D4 or D5 teams being allowed to go to Open. Last year, a D4 team in each of Boys and Girls BB would have been pulled up to Open had this new system been in place.

Income/Expenses Related to Implementation:

The same number of teams should qualify so this proposal should not increase expenditures. That being said, it should increase ticket sales. Recently League Championship play-offs with rivalries and tradition are outdrawing the NCS and State play-offs that are losing their historical and competitive significance at the lower levels in particular. This model best retains the significance, history and rivalries of NCS Championships and thus should increase fan interest and attendance.

NORTH COAST SECTION, CIF Revised 11/1/23
PROPOSAL FOR SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REVIEW (Attachment K)

Changes to the proposal from the previous version are in red/italics:

Evening of the brackets on an as needed basis.

Division numbers to even out divisions as best we could. Addition of 16 team brackets in Water Polo divisions 1 and 2. Removal of the four-year moratorium.

Also included are:

- Divisional breakdowns by sport*
- NCS member school enrollment numbers for 2022-2023*
- Girls Volleyball brackets using current data by:*

MaxPreps Rankings

Max Preps Rankings without score differential

RPI using the 40% WP, 40% DWP, 20% OOWP

- NCS MaxPreps Rankings for VB as of Sunday Oct 22, 2023*
- MaxPreps Rankings for VB without score differential*
- RPI rankings for VB*
- Explanation from MaxPreps on Rankings and RPI*
- Explanation of the score differential from our MaxPreps liaison*

League Submitting Proposal: NCS Staff

Date of Requested Implementation: 2024-2025 School year

Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate): Bylaws affected include 510H, 511H, 513H

NORTH COAST SECTION PLAYOFFS

SPORTS

Football (FB), Volleyball (VB), Water Polo (WP), Basketball (BSKB), Winter B & G Soccer (Soc), Lacrosse (LAX), Baseball (BSB), Softball (SB)

BASE DIVISIONS

Base Divisions would be determined by enrollment and would only change when a school's enrollment changes.

AUTOMATIC QUALIFIERS

	FB, LAX, WP	VB, BSKB, SOC, BSB, SB
Leagues of 10+	2	1
Leagues of 6-9	1	1
Leagues of 4-5	1	1

QUALIFYING

- A) League Champions
- B) Additional League Automatic Qualifiers
- C) .500 or better overall
- D) .500 or better in league
- E) .500 or better in base division
- F) All teams must still apply through CIFHome

HOSTING

- ▶ League Champions or Higher seed in first round, higher seed after that.

BRACKET DEVELOPEMENT

Brackets are created using MaxPreps rankings.

Seed beginning with Open or DI and continue seeding brackets using MaxPreps NCS rankings.

If a team does not qualify (above) regardless of their rank, they are not seeded in any bracket.

A school cannot be placed in a bracket more than two divisions higher or lower from their base division. (ex. If they are a DI school, they cannot be seeded lower than D3, A D5 school cannot be seeded higher than D3.)

EXCEPTION: Open teams can be selected using MaxPreps Rankings from any division, including football's Open/Division 1 bracket.

The total number of qualifiers could be spread evenly over each bracket when possible and for the good of the tournament. However, exceptions may arise.

Brackets would be set using MaxPreps Rankings, but the seeding committee could move teams within brackets based upon seeding criteria. Head-to-Head, strength of schedule, league finish, etc. could be factored in by the committee.

In the sports of Girls Volleyball and Basketball, Division 6 brackets will contain only those schools which have an enrollment of less than 200. Division 6 schools would not be moved up to a higher division regardless of their MaxPreps ranking.

NCS Staff and the Seeding Committee can adjust the seeding for the good of the tournament.

Football: Brackets/Divisions would remain at 7 with the Open/Division 1 teams being selected from any of the 7 divisions. The 7 Champions would qualify for the CIF Bowl games.

Division 1 - 2300+

Division 2 - 1, 755-2,229

Division 3 - 1,490-1, 754

Division 4 - 1,243-1,489

Division 5 - 810-1,242

Division 6 - 421-809

Division 7 - 420 & below

Girls Volleyball: Would add an Open Bracket with 6 teams that could be chosen from any division. CIF Qualifiers (25): All 6 Open teams, the finalists in Divisions 1-5 plus the highest seeded semifinal losing team in each division will advance. All semifinalists will advance in Division 6.

Division 1 - 1910+

Division 2 - 1,450-1,899

Division 3 - 900-1,449

Division 4 - 419-899

Division 5 - 200-418

Division 6 - 199 & fewer

Water Polo: *16 Team brackets* and a 4 team Open Division. CIF Qualifiers (6): The 4 Open Semifinalists plus Division 1 and Division 2 Champion.

Division 1 - 1,751+

Division 2 - 1,750 and below

Basketball: No change to the current structure of a 6 team Open Bracket and 6 divisions except Open Division teams could be chosen from any division. CIF Qualifiers (25): All 6 Open teams, the finalists in Division 1-5 plus the highest seeded semifinal losing team in each division will advance. All semifinalists will advance in Division 6.

Division 1 - 1910+

Division 2 - 1,450-1,899

Division 3 - 900-1,449

Division 4 - 419-899

Division 5 - 200-418

Division 6 - 199 & fewer

Winter Soccer: No change to the current structure of brackets. CIF Qualifiers (10) are the finalists in each division and the 2 highest seeded semifinal losing teams.

Division 1 - 1,950+

Division 2 - 1,500-1,949

Division 3 - 1,000-1,499

Division 4 - 999 and below

Lacrosse: No Change to the current structure. No CIF Regional Tournament.

Division 1 - 1,301+

Division 2 - 1,300 and below

Baseball: No change to current bracket structure. CIF Qualifiers (9): would be the 6 Division Champions and the top 3 highest seeded runners-up from Division 1-5.

Division 1 - 1,900+

Division 2 - 1,410-1,899

Division 3 - 1,000-1,409

Division 4 - 430-999

Division 5 - 200-429

Division 6 - 199 and below

Softball: No change to current bracket structure. CIF Qualifiers (9): would be the 6 Division Champions and the top 3 highest seeded runners-up from Division 1-5.

Division 1 - 1,900+

Division 2 - 1,410-1,899

Division 3 - 1,000-1,409

Division 4 - 430-999

Division 5 - 200-429

Division 6 - 199 and below

Boys' Volleyball: No change to the current structure of 4 divisions. CIF Qualifiers (8): The 2 finalists from each division.

Division 1 - 1,950+

Division 2 - 1,400-1,949

Division 3 - 501-1,399
Division 4 - 500 & fewer

SEEDING CRITERIA

The criteria for seeding brackets in the competitive equity sports listed shall be a balance between:

- Record Overall
- League/Place Co-Champion
- League Playoff Finish/Record
- Non-League Record
- Strength of Schedule
- MaxPreps Ranking (MP)

Rationale in Support of Proposal:

The ongoing discussions with SAC committee and the Ad-Hoc committee in 2021-2022 brought several concerns and ideas to the forefront.

Small schools throughout the NCS do not want a system that does not give them the opportunity to compete in section championships.

Increasing the number of automatic qualifiers from leagues allows every league to be well represented.

Hosting for league champions is very important and would remain the same as done currently.

Competitive Championships are important. Real time brackets could potentially make for more competitive brackets instead of brackets based upon past history.

CIF qualifiers are important to a majority of our schools.

Possible Objections to Proposal:

All the reasons in support may also be objections from member schools.

Income/Expenses Related to Implementation:

Since this model would not affect the number of schools participating in the championships, and since games are potentially more competitive, the financial impact, although unknown, could be positive.

LENGTH OF PROPOSAL

~~This structure of this proposal, if approved, cannot be altered during the 2024-2028 alignment cycle.~~

Changes in red/italics:

Evening of the brackets on an as needed basis.

Division numbers to even out divisions as best we could. Addition of 16 team brackets in Water Polo divisions 1 and 2. Removal of the four-year moratorium.

B. COMPETITIVE EQUITY DIVISIONS (R/D/A, BAC)
Proposal to amend NCS 507.H.c.1 and 2 Divisions (Attachment L below)

NCS Competitive Equity Proposal - October 2023

This proposal aims to enhance mobility among competitive equity divisions within the North Coast Section. It addresses the challenge of enabling highly competitive teams to ascend the ladder promptly and ensures teams move down the divisions at a more appropriate rate.

Proposed Amendments:

Revision of Evaluation Period:

507H Division, C1 - NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook

We propose a change in the evaluation period from the "most recent three-year period of competition in the NCS Championships" to the "most recent two-year period of competition in the NCS Championships."

Adjustment of Competitive Threshold:

507H Divisions, C2 - NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook

We suggest revising the competitive threshold for division movement from "any team accumulating 24 or more points during a two-year period of competition in the NCS championships or averaging 8.0 or higher during a three-year period of competition in the NCS Championships" to "any team averaging 7.0 or higher during a two-year period of competition in the NCS Championships."

Rationale:

Timeliness and Relevance:

This modification ensures a more current and reflective assessment of team performance, taking into account recent developments and changes within the participating teams. Shortening the evaluation period to two years ensures that teams' recent performances are given more weight. This adjustment provides a more current and relevant perspective on a team's competitive prowess.

Inclusivity and Fairness:

Lowering the average requirement to 7.0 allows for a more inclusive approach. It acknowledges that a team consistently performing at a high level over a shorter duration is deserving of progression to a higher division. This change maintains a high standard for competitive excellence while allowing for a broader scope of evaluation. This adjustment will also allow for less competitive teams in higher divisions to move down more quickly as teams move up more quickly.

Conclusion:

In summary, these proposed amendments address the need for a more responsive and equitable Competitive Equity Model within the North Coast Section. By incorporating a two-year evaluation period and adjusting the competitive threshold to 7.0, we strike a balance between recognizing consistent excellence and encouraging teams to strive for continuous improvement. It also allows us to maintain a clear, and transparent NCS seeding process.

Scenarios:

Year 1 & year 2 semi-final appearances:

Results in a total of 12 points for an average of 6, team remains in current competitive division

Year 1 & year 2 with one semifinal and one championship appearance

Results in a total of 16 points for an average of 8, team moves up to a higher competitive division the following year

		<p>Year 1 & year 2 with 2 championship appearances Results in a total of 20 points for an average of 10, team moves up to a higher competitive division the following year</p> <p>Year 1 - Win NCS Championship Results in a total of 15 points for an average of 7.5, team moves up to a higher division the following year *This results in no back-back NCS champions in the same competitive division.</p> <p>Year 1 - NCS Championship appearance Results in a total of 10 points for an average of 5, team remains in current competitive division</p> <p>With this model, more teams would move up each year, and teams would move up more quickly. This model would also create more opportunities for more teams to move down and move down more quickly</p>
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VII. NEW BUSINESS		
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		<p>A. FOOTBALL (R/D/A, MCAL) Proposal to amend NCS 504H Minimum Standards/Procedures for Qualifying League Representatives to Section Championship Series in Team Sports. (Attachment M below)</p>
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		<p>League Submitting Proposal: Marin County Athletic League (hopefully by SAC meeting NBL & VVAL will be part of this) Vote from the League Regarding Proposal: ADs 8-1 Board of Managers 8-1 Date of Requested Implementation: Fall 2024 Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate)</p> <p>504H Minimum Standards/Procedures for Qualifying League Representatives to Section Championship Series in Team Sports</p> <p>f) In the sports of baseball, basketball, football, lacrosse, soccer, softball, stunt, team tennis, volleyball and water polo, a team shall have compiled either an overall record of at least an equal number of wins and losses, or an overall record of at least an equal number of wins and losses against teams in its own division, or an equal number of wins and losses against teams in league competition in order to participate in the NCS Championships. NOTE: League record does not include the league playoffs. (Board of Managers, 1/18/08) ".500 record" is defined as a team having an equal number of wins and losses. NOTE: A 0-0 record is not considered an even record for purposes of qualifying to the NCS Championships. "Teams in its own division" is defined as any team whose grades 9-12 enrollment fall within the school's NCS Divisions (enrollment-based divisions). (See NCS Division ranges). NOTE: For NCS divisions that are determined by competitive equity, NCS staff will honor the most recently used enrollment breaks (prior to competitive equity) to determine where a non-NCS school would be placed, enrollment-wise (using previous year's Total Enrollment info). (Board of Managers 1/24/20) Games against teams outside the United States will not be counted in determining the ".500 record within a division." When a team's petition is approved to play in a division of greater enrollment, that division for which the team is approved, shall be its division for the respective year. NOTE: Schools that petition up in competitive equity divisions will remain at that division during the current year and future years. Schools that petition up in enrollment-based divisions may move</p>
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		<p>back to their actual division (based on enrollment breaks) in accordance with the time schedule set by the NCS Board of Managers.</p> <p>g) In the Sport of football, where a conference has formed leagues for football only using the realignment process outlined in NCS 106.D, there would be no minimum qualifying standard. All teams regardless of record could apply for entry into the NCS football championships.</p> <p>Rationale in Support of Proposal: To encourage teams from the lower divisions to schedule teams in higher divisions in preseason. In the newly established Redwood Empire Conference, teams in the top groups which are normally top performers in section & state play-offs are going to have really good teams with losing records and not qualify for the playoffs.</p> <p>Possible Objections to Proposal: Removing the minimum standard rule for conference football might open up requests from other sports to remove the .500 record rule. To be in the play-offs, teams should be of a caliber of having a winning record.</p> <p>Income/Expenses Related to Implementation: Teams that may not be able to qualify for the play-offs due to not meeting the minimal standard because of the divisions they are assigned to for conference play, have transitionally been top performers in the section. This might negatively result in lack of income for the section as top contenders that have been opponents from three different leagues are now in the same division for league play.</p>
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	VIII. OLD BUSINESS	
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	A.	WRESTLING (R/D/A, Wrestling Management Committee) Immediate Implementation Proposal to amend NCS 32.405H Seeding (Attachment N below)
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**ATTACHMENT N
 FAILED, AS WRITTEN BY COMMITTEE (STRIKETHROUGH & RED), 7 – 24
 AMENDED (IN GREEN) TABLED, 28-4**

		<p>League Submitting Proposal: Wrestling Management Committee (8-0) Date of Requested Implementation: Winter 2024 Description of Proposal: (include bylaw revision, if appropriate) 32.405H Seeding BOYS Any wrestler considered for a seed or at-large berth, must have his entire body of work entered in the NCS website for review and consideration. Any wrestler not having this information will not be considered for a seed. (Board of Managers 10/2/20)</p> <p>Guidelines, in no particular order, for all seeded wrestlers (REMOVE “NO PARTICULAR”) Head-to-head wins (during current season) Returning CIF State medalist (place and weight class) Returning CIF State qualifier Returning NCS medalist (place and weight class) Overall record (all wins and losses) Tournaments (include size (64/32/24/16/dual) and place/finish)) Common Opponents <u>League-rep voting (REINSTATE)</u> CIF State Rankings</p>
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			<p>Seeding will be determined by league rep voting. (REMOVE)</p> <p>Rationale in Support of Proposal: There needs to be a way to determine a consensus on who to move forward as seeded wrestlers. Previously there was concern with the current language that too much weight was given to "League rep voting" the way the language is currently written.</p>
			X. STAFF REPORTS
		A.	Commissioner
		B.	Assistant Commissioner
		C.	Associate Commissioner



2024-2027 NORTH COAST SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

LAST UPDATED: BN 10/13/23/APPROVED BOM:

ATTACHMENT
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PRACTICES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
FALL	Aug. 12	Aug. 11	Aug. 10
WINTER	Nov. 4	Nov. 3	Nov. 2
SPRING	Feb. 10	Feb. 9	Feb. 8
Start of Summer Period	June 1	June 1	June 1

FALL SOCCER	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	Nov. 2	Nov. 1	Oct. 31
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF championships	Nov. 2	Nov. 1	Oct. 31
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	Nov. 2 (10 PM)	Nov. 1 (10 PM)	Oct. 31 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	Nov. 3	Nov. 2	Nov. 1
NCS Fall Soccer Championships	Nov. 6, 8, 9, 13, 15, 16	Nov. 5, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15	Nov. 4, 6, 7, 11, 13, 14

GIRLS' GOLF	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	Oct. 22	Oct. 21	Oct. 20
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	Oct. 22	Oct. 21	Oct. 20
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	Oct. 22 (8 PM)	Oct. 21 (9 PM)	Oct. 20 (9 PM)
At-Large meeting	Oct. 23	Oct. 22	Oct. 21
NCS Division 2 Championship/Individual Qualifier (pending course availability)	Oct. 28	Oct. 27	Oct. 26
NCS Division 1 Championship (pending course availability)	Nov. 4	Nov. 3	Nov. 2
Nor-Cal Golf Championships	Nov. 11	Nov. 10	Nov. 9
CIF State Championships	Nov. 20	Nov. 19	Nov. 18

WATER POLO	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	Nov. 2	Nov. 1	Oct. 31
Final date for competition other than NCS Championships	Nov. 2	Nov. 1	Oct. 31
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	Nov. 2 (9 PM)	Nov. 1 (9 PM)	Oct. 31 (9 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	Nov. 3	Nov. 2	Nov. 1
NCS Water Polo Championships	Nov. 6, 7, 9, 13, 16	Nov. 5, 6, 8, 12, 15	Nov. 4, 5, 7, 11, 14
Nor-Cal Championships	Nov. 20, 22-23	Nov. 19, 21-22	Nov. 18, 20-21

CROSS COUNTRY	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	Nov. 16	Nov. 15	Nov. 14
NCS entries due	Nov. 17 (11:59 PM)	Nov. 16 (11:59 PM)	Nov. 15 (11:59 PM)
NCS Championships	Nov. 23	Nov. 22	Nov. 21
CIF State Championships	Nov. 30	Nov. 29	Nov. 28

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	Oct. 26	Oct. 25	Oct. 24
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	Oct. 26	Oct. 25	Oct. 24
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	Oct. 26 (10 PM)	Oct. 25 (10 PM)	Oct. 24 (10 PM)
At-large & Seeding Meeting	Oct. 27	Oct. 26	Oct. 25
Division 1, 3, 5 NCS Championships	Oct. 29, Nov. 2, 6, 9	Oct. 28, Nov. 1, 5, 8	Oct. 27, 31, Nov. 4, 7
Division 2, 4, 6 NCS Championships	Oct. 30, Nov. 2, 6, 9	Oct. 29, Nov. 1, 5, 8	Oct. 28, 31, Nov. 4, 7
Nor-Cal Championships	Nov. 12, 13, 14, 16, 19	Nov. 11, 12, 13, 15, 18	Nov. 10, 11, 12, 14, 17
CIF State Championships	Nov. 22-23	Nov. 21-22	Nov. 20-21

GIRLS' TENNIS	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers in team tennis	Nov. 9 (Team only)	Nov. 8 (Team only)	Nov. 7 (Team only)
Final date for team competition other than NCS Championships	Nov. 9 (Team only)	Nov. 8 (Team only)	Nov. 7 (Team only)
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers for singles/doubles	Nov. 13	Nov. 12	Nov. 11
Final date for singles/doubles competition other than NCS Championships	Nov. 13	Nov. 12	Nov. 11
NCS postseason singles/doubles applications due	Nov. 13 (9 PM)	Nov. 12 (9 PM)	Nov. 11 (9 PM)
At-large Meeting (Singles)	Nov. 14	Nov. 13	Nov. 12
Singles/Doubles Championships	Nov. 18-19	Nov. 17-18	Nov. 16-17
NCS postseason team applications due (automatic & at-large)	Nov. 9 (9 PM)	Nov. 8 (9 PM)	Nov. 7 (9 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting (Team Tennis)	Nov. 10	Nov. 9	Nov. 8
Team Tennis Championships – Division 1 & 2	Nov. 12, 14, 16	Nov. 11, 13, 15	Nov. 10, 12, 14
Nor-Cal Team Tennis Championships (*play-in dates for Oak/SF)	Nov. 19*, 22-23	Nov. 18*, 21-22	Nov. 17*, 20-21
CIF State Championships	Nov. 30	Nov. 29	Nov. 28

FOOTBALL	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
First date for helmet acclimation period	July 24	July 23	July 22
First date schools can play a scrimmage, provided individuals have had at least 10 days of practice	Aug. 23 or 24	Aug. 22 or 23	Aug. 21 or 22
First date schools can play a game, provided the team has had at least 14 days of practice and individuals have had at least 10 days of practice	Aug. 28	Aug. 27	Aug. 26
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers to NCS Championships	Nov. 9	Nov. 8	Nov. 7
Final date for games other than NCS Championships	Nov. 9	Nov. 8	Nov. 7
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	Nov. 9 (10 PM)	Nov. 8 (10 PM)	Nov. 7 (10 PM)
At-large & Seeding Meeting	Nov. 10	Nov. 9	Nov. 8
Division 1-7, Open & 8-person first round	Nov. 15-16	Nov. 14-15	Nov. 13-14
Division 1-7 semifinals, Open & 8-person Championships	Nov. 22-23	Nov. 21-22	Nov. 20-21
Division 1-7 Championships	Nov. 29-30	Nov. 28-29	Nov. 27-28
Nor-Cal Regional Football games	Dec. 6-7	Dec. 5-6	Dec. 4-5
CIF State Bowl Games	Dec. 13-14	Dec. 12-13	Dec. 11-12

BASKETBALL	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Foundation Games	Nov. 26	Nov. 25	Nov. 24
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	Feb. 15	Feb. 14	Feb. 13
Final date for competition other than NCS Championships	Feb. 15	Feb. 14	Feb. 13
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	Feb. 15 (10 PM)	Feb. 14 (10 PM)	Feb. 13 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Feb. 14
Division 1-3-5 first round games	Feb. 18	Feb. 17	Feb. 16
Division 2-4-6 first round games	Feb. 19	Feb. 18	Feb. 17
Open Division first round games	Feb. 20	Feb. 19	Feb. 18
Division 1-3-5 quarterfinal games	Feb. 21	Feb. 20	Feb. 19
Division 2-4-6 quarterfinal games	Feb. 22	Feb. 21	Feb. 20
Division 1-3-5 semifinal games	Feb. 25	Feb. 24	Feb. 23
Open Division, Division 2-4-6 semifinal games	Feb. 26	Feb. 25	Feb. 24
Open Division, Division 1-6 NCS Championships	Feb.28-Mar. 1	Feb. 27-28	Feb. 26-27
Nor-Cal Championships	Mar. 4, 5, 6, 8, 11	Mar. 3, 4, 5, 7, 10	Mar. 2, 3, 4, 6, 9

CIF State Championships	Mar. 14-15	Mar. 13-14	Mar. 12-13
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WINTER SOCCER	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	Feb. 15	Feb. 14	Feb. 13
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	Feb. 15	Feb. 14	Feb. 13
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	Feb. 15 (10 PM)	Feb. 14 (10 PM)	Feb. 13 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Feb. 14
Division 1 & 4 NCS Championships	Feb. 19, 22, 26, 28 or Mar. 1	Feb. 18, 21, 25, 27 or 28	Feb. 17, 20, 24, 26 or 27
Division 2 & 3 NCS Championships	Feb. 18, 21, 25, 28 or Mar. 1	Feb. 17, 20, 24, 27 or 28	Feb. 16, 19, 23, 26 or 27
Nor-Cal Championships	Mar. 4, 6, 8	Mar. 3, 5, 7	Mar. 2, 4, 6

WRESTLING	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Final date for competition other than league individual qualifying tournament or NCS and CIF Championships	Feb. 5	Feb. 4	Feb. 3
Deadline for leagues to determine dual team qualifiers & at-large applications due	Feb. 5 (10 PM)	Feb. 4 (10 PM)	Feb. 3 (10 PM)
Dual Team Competition (student competition)	Feb. 8	Feb. 7	Feb. 6
Deadline for leagues to determine individual qualifiers	Feb. 15	Feb. 14	Feb. 13
NCS girls' entries due	Feb. 15 (5 PM)	Feb. 14 (5 PM)	Feb. 13 (5 PM)
NCS boys' entries due	Feb. 15 (11:59 PM)	Feb. 14 (11:59 PM)	Feb. 13 (11:59 PM)
Seeding Meeting	Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Feb. 14
NCS Championships	Feb. 21-22	Feb. 20-21	Feb. 19-20
CIF State Championships	Feb. 27-28, Mar. 1	Feb. 26-28	Feb. 25-27

CO-ED BADMINTON	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 10	May 9	May 8
Final date for competition other than NCS Championships	May 10	May 9	May 8
NCS entries deadline	May 11	May 10	May 9
NCS bracket development	May 11	May 10	May 9
NCS Championships	May 17	May 16	May 15
CIF Nor-Cal Championships	May 24	May 23	May 22

BASEBALL	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 17	May 16	May 15
Final date for competition other than NCS Championships	May 17	May 16	May 15
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	May 17 (10 PM)	May 16 (10 PM)	May 15 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	May 18	May 17	May 16
Division 1, 3, 5 first round games	May 20	May 19	May 18
Division 2, 4, 6 first round games	May 21	May 20	May 19
Division 1, 3, 5 quarterfinal games	May 23	May 22	May 21
Division 2, 4 quarterfinal games, Division 6 semifinal games	May 24	May 23	May 22
Division 1, 3, 5 semifinal games	May 27	May 26	May 25
Division 2, 4 semifinal games	May 28	May 27	May 26
Division 1-6 NCS Championships	May 30-31	May 29-30	May 28-29
Nor-Cal Championships	June 3, 5, 7	June 2, 4, 6	June 1, 3, 5

COMPETITIVE SPORT CHEER (STUNT)	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	April 22	April 21	April 20
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	April 22	April 21	April 20
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	April 22 (10 PM)	April 21 (10 PM)	April 20

At-large & Seeding Meeting	April 23	April 22	April 21
NCS Championships	April 26	April 25	April 24
CIF State Invitational Championship	May 2-3	May 1-2	April 30, May 1

BOYS' GOLF	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	April 29	April 28	April 27
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	April 29	April 28	April 27
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	April 29 (8 PM)	April 28 (8 PM)	April 27 (10 PM)
At-large Meeting	April 30	April 29	April 28
NCS Division 2 Championship/Individual Qualifier (pending course availability)	May 5	May 4	May 3
NCS Division 1 Championship (pending course availability)	May 12	May 11	May 10
Nor-Cal Golf Championships	May 19	May 18	May 24
CIF State Championships	June 3	June 2	June 1

LACROSSE	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 3	May 2	May 1
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	May 3	May 2	May 1
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	May 3 (10 PM)	May 2 (10 PM)	May 1 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	May 4	May 3	May 2
NCS Championships	May 6, 8, 13, 15	May 5, 7, 12, 14	May 4, 6, 11, 13

SPRING SOCCER	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 3	May 2	May 1
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	May 3	May 2	May 1
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	May 3 (10 PM)	May 2 (10 PM)	May 1 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	May 4	May 3	May 2
NCS Championships	May 6, 8, 13, 15	May 5, 7, 12, 14	May 4, 6, 11, 13

SOFTBALL	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 17	May 16	May 15
Final date for competition other than NCS Championships	May 17	May 16	May 15
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	May 17 (10 PM)	May 16 (10 PM)	May 15 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	May 18	May 17	May 16
Division 1- 6 first round games	May 20-21	May 19-20	May 18-19
Division 1- 5 quarterfinal games/Division 6 semifinal games	May 23-24	May 22-23	May 21-22
Division 1- 5 semifinal games	May 27-28	May 26-27	May 25-26
Division 1- 6 NCS Championship games	May 30-31	May 29-30	May 28-29
Nor-Cal Championships	June 3, 5, 7	June 2, 4, 6	June 1, 3, 5

SWIMMING & DIVING	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 3	May 2	May 1
Final date for competition other than NCS Championships	May 3	May 2	May 1
NCS entries due	May 4 (1:15 PM)	May 3 (1:15 PM)	May 2 (1:15 PM)
Seeding Meeting	May 5	May 4	May 3
*Diving Championships	May 8	May 7	May 6
*Swimming trials	May 9	May 8	May 7
Swimming Championships	May 10	May 9	May 8
CIF State Championships	May 15-17	May 14-16	May 13-15
*When the venue for the swimming and diving championship allows both activities to be held in the same location, the diving championships will be held on the same day as the swimming trials.			

BOYS' TENNIS	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 7	May 6	May 5
Final date for competition other than NCS Championships	May 7	May 6	May 5
NCS postseason singles/doubles applications due	May 7 (9 PM)	May 6 (9 PM)	May 5 (9 PM)
At-large Meeting (Singles)	May 8	May 7	May 6
Singles/Doubles Championships	May 9-10	May 8-9	May 7-8
NCS postseason team applications due (automatic & at-large)	May 7 (9 PM)	May 6 (9 PM)	May 5 (9 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting (Team Tennis)	May 10	May 9	May 8
Team Tennis Championships – Division 1 & 2	May 13, 15, 17	May 12, 14, 16	May 11, 13, 15
Nor-Cal Team Tennis Championships (*play-in dates for Oak/SF)	May 20*, 23-24	May 19*, 22-23	May 18*, 21-22
CIF State Championships	May 31	May 30	May 29

TRACK AND FIELD	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 10	May 9	May 8
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	May 10	May 9	May 8
Class A Championships	May 17	May 16	May 15
Area Meets (Redwood Empire, Bay Shore & Tri-Valley)	May 17	May 16	May 15
NCS Meet of Champions	May 23-24	May 22-23	May 21-22
CIF State Championships	May 30-31	May 29-30	May 28-29

BOYS' VOLLEYBALL	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>
Deadline for leagues to determine qualifiers	May 3	May 2	May 1
Final date for competition other than NCS or CIF Championships	May 3	May 2	May 1
NCS postseason applications due (automatic & at-large)	May 3 (10 PM)	May 2 (10 PM)	May 1 (10 PM)
At-Large & Seeding Meeting	May 4	May 3	May 2
NCS Championships	May 6, 8, 13, 15	May 5, 7, 12, 14	May 4, 6, 11, 13
Nor-Cal Championships	May 20, 22, 24	May 19, 21, 23	May 18, 20, 22

*2025 Mother's Day is on May 11th. For this weekend the seeding meeting will be on May 10th.

*2026 Mother's Day is on May 10th. For this weekend the seeding meeting will be on May 9th.

*2027 Mother's Day is on May 9th. For this weekend the seeding meeting will be on May 8th.