

NMAA

Commission Meeting



Wednesday, February 2, 2022
NMAA
9:00 AM



New Mexico Activities Association Commission Updated February 2022



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Note: The terms of the elected representatives to the NMAA Commission shall be three years. The initial term lengths are staggered to provide continuity on the Commission. Subsequent terms are for three years for the elected position.



NEW MEXICO ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION COMMISSION MEETING



Via Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82506237464>
Passcode: 606915

February 2, 2022 - 9:00 AM

AGENDA

A= Action Item

D/I= Discussion/ Information Item

- I. Call Meeting to Order and Welcome**
 - Roll Call – Ascertain Quorum
 - (A) Approval of Agenda
 - (A) Approval of Minutes (November 17, 2021)
- II. NMAA Director's Report**
- III. NMAA Financial Report**
- IV. NMAA Activities Report**
- V. New Mexico Officials Association Report**
- VI. Discussion/ Informational Items**
 - (D/I) Winter State Championships
 - (D/I) NMOA State Clinic / NMHSCA Summer Clinic
 - (D/I) Bylaws Committee Update: Classification & Alignment
- VII. Action Items**
 - (A) **Powerlifting:** Sanction as Sport
 - (A) **Wrestling:** Boys' Weight Class Realignment
 - (A) **Wrestling:** Regional State Qualifying
 - (A) **Football:** 6-Man Calendar
 - (A) **Esports:** Bylaw Amendments
- VIII. Consider Adjournment**

Next Commission Meeting – May 18, 2022 (NMAA)

NMAA Commission Meeting
November 17, 2021
9:00 AM
Hall of Pride and Honor

Welcome – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Ernie Viramontes at 9:01 am. A roll call was conducted by Ms. Jacquelyne Martinez, NMAA Assistant Director, and the following members were present:

Mr. Ben Tensay (Large Area A)
Mr. Cooper Henderson (Large, Area B) – Via teleconference
Mr. Dickie Roybal (Small, Area B)
Mr. Ernie Viramontes (Large, Area C) **Chair*
Mr. Jory Mirabal (Small, Area C)
Ms. LeeAnn Moores (Large, Area D)
Ms. Robbie Robinson (Small Area D)
Mr. Willie Owens (Non-Public Schools)
Mr. Thomas Mabrey (New Mexico High School Coaches Association)
Mr. Scott Affentranger (New Mexico Association of Secondary School Principals)
Mr. Larry Chavez (New Mexico High School Athletic Directors Association)
Ms. Mary Hahn (Activities Council)
Mr. Dale Lindley (Jr. High/Middle School Committee)
Mr. Jess Martinez (New Mexico Officials Association)
Mr. Frank Cordova (New Mexico State School Boards Association)

15 members were present representing a quorum.

Not Present:

Mr. Kamau Turner (Small, Area A)

Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Viramontes asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Chavez made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Tensay seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (15-0).

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Viramontes asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2021, Commission Meeting as presented. Mr. Affentranger made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Lindley seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (15-0).

NMAA Director's Report:

Mr. Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director, discussed four (4) items on his report: 1) provided a recap/update of Fall Championships (Soccer, Cross Country, Volleyball, Football) and the move to Digital Ticketing for all state events; 2) gave information about the NMAA Foundation's Scholarship Program and upcoming Bowl-A-Thon and Golf Classic fundraisers; 3) reported on the recent Board of Directors' (Mr. Matt Moyer was re-elected for Small Area B) and Commission (Mr. Dickie Roybal and Mr. Cooper Henderson were re-elected for Small Area B & Large Area B and Ms. Ann Stewart was elected to take over for Ms. LeeAnn Moores for Large Area D) election results; and 4) introduced and welcomed the NMAA's newest staff member, Mr. Dillon Metzgar who is serving as the Assistant to the Commissioner of Officials / Events Coordinator.

NMAA Financial Report:

Ms. Shari Kessler-Schwaner, NMAA Business Manager, presented the financial report. She discussed three (3) items on her report: 1) provided information regarding the 2021-2022 financial reports for Fall State Championships; 2) reported that the second PPP loan for the NMAA has been forgiven; and (3) provided an update on digital ticketing for state events using GoFan.

NMAA Activities Report:

Ms. Tammy Richards, NMAA Assistant Director, presented the activities report. She discussed three (3) items on her report: 1) stated that the annual Activities Council Meeting was recently held; 2) provided information regarding the NMAA's partnership with Western New Mexico University to provide scholarships to students participating in activities; and 3) reported that the state events for all NMAA activities will take place in the spring – most in person but some may be virtual depending on the climate of the pandemic at the time.

New Mexico Officials Association Report:

Mr. Zac Stevenson, NMAA Commissioner of Officials, presented the officials report. He discussed six (6) items on his report: 1) provided an update on the officials assigned to the Fall Championships; 2) thanked the regional assignors and athletic directors for their hard work to ensure games were covered throughout the fall during a difficult shortage of officials; 3) reported on the launch of the NMOA's Officiating Recruitment program which provided free registrations to coaches and an additional two individuals per school; 4) stated that the NMOA Task Force Committee will be holding its second meeting soon to discuss recruitment/retention, creative scheduling, and grants to cover start-up equipment; 4) announced a partnership between the NFHS, state associations, and the NFL to discuss their Grassroots Officiating Pipeline Development Initiative; and 5) provided an update on officials numbers which have shown a slight increase from 2020-2021, but a fairly significant decline from 2019-2020 (pre-pandemic). Mr. Roybal asked that the NMAA look at assignments for the State Football Playoffs and the mileage incurred for certain games around the state.

Discussion/Informational Items:

Test to Stay / Test to Play Information - Ms. Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, discussed the "Test to Stay" program implemented by the Public Education Department to keep kids in school and how the "Test to Play" portion of this will help to also keep them involved in extracurricular activities/athletics. She has also been in communication with the PED and Department of Health to try and expand student testing so that it could be used to eliminate indoor mask mandates for competing athletes and so that overnight travel restrictions could be adjusted so that multiple unvaccinated students could stay in a hotel room.

Classification & Alignment Update - Ms. Marquez provided an update on the 2022-2024 Classification & Alignment block, stating they are currently waiting on certified 40-day numbers from the Public Education Department so that three-year enrollment averages can be calculated. She asked for schools to hold off on any scheduling for next year because there is still a lot of work to be done between now and the Board Meeting on December 2nd. She also mentioned that concerns have been raised for the sport of football and possible three-team districts due to movement up and down between certain classes. The Commission provided feedback that these small districts should be avoided due to the problems it creates when scheduling.

Scheduling / Regional Assignors - Ms. Marquez discussed the role of regional assignors and how much work they put in each year in comparison to the small stipends they receive for compensation. The group discussed possible pay increases along with the possible creation of additional assigning positions to help with this workload. The NMAA will continue to review this issue with member schools and the NMOA.

Out-of-Season Coaching - Ms. Marquez discussed out-of-season coaching regulations and asked the group if it was time to look at potential changes. She also presented participation data showing how many single sport athletes there are in New Mexico compared to multi-sport athletes. The Commission provided feedback that was both in favor of the current rules and in favor of possible changes that would help ensure out of season athletes are working with educators. The NMAA will continue to review this topic and present possible changes at a later date.

Basketball: Shot Clock - Ms. Marquez stated the NFHS, by state association adoption, approved the use of a shot clock in basketball beginning with the 22-23 schools year. The group felt that this was not needed in New Mexico at this time and could put a financial burden on schools to install and operate. Feedback also

included the challenges it may bring for officials and the shot clock operator. If a shot clock is implemented at some point in New Mexico, schools will be given significant time to prepare.

Bowling: Activity vs Sport - Ms. Marquez discussed the possibility of sanctioning Bowling as a sport instead of as an activity. It was stated that the NMAA currently has 30 co-ed teams that compete in Bowling. The group felt that a change was not needed at this time but that the possibility should continue to be evaluated moving forward.

Spirit: Activity vs Sport - Ms. Marquez discussed the possibility of moving Spirit back to an activity instead of sanctioning it as a sport. She stated that the NMAA would continue to host a state competition for spirit even if it was classified as an activity, but there would no longer be regular season competition requirements in order to participate in state. Feedback included pros and cons of making this adjustment. The NMAA will survey its member schools on this issue and will continue to evaluate Spirit based on this feedback and future discussions with the Commission and Board of Directors.

COVID Handbook Addendum #8: Missed Games - Ms. Marquez discussed updating the COVID Handbook as it pertains to cancelled games. She stated that with the new Test to Stay/Play policies, schools should be able to participate in most contests and that forfeits would be issued in situations where a school has enough players to compete but decides not to. This will be taken to the Board of Directors for possible approval at their December 2nd meeting.

Action Items:

Tennis: Universal Tennis Rating - Mr. Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director, presented a proposal to require the use of Universal Tennis Rating (UTR) by NMAA-member tennis schools during the 2021-2022 school year to study possible seeding/selection application in the future. Mr. Viramontes asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Chavez made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Owens seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (15-0).

Consider Adjournment

Mr. Viramontes asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:57. am. Mr. Tensay made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Moores seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (15-0).

2021-2022 FALL SPORTS

| | Jul '21 - Jun 22 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | % of Budget |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Income | | | | |
| 4111 · GATE RECEIPTS | 711,375.00 | 605,000.00 | 106,375.00 | 117.6% |
| 4114 · SPONSORSHIPS | 105,000.00 | 105,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| 4116 · T-SHIRT& CONCESSIONS | 47,500.00 | 47,500.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| Total Income | 863,875.00 | 757,500.00 | 106,375.00 | 114.0% |
| Expense | | | | |
| 6072 · NON NMAA GAME EX | 700.00 | 0.00 | 700.00 | 100.0% |
| 7011-01 · NON NMAA OFFICIAL FEES | 1,373.40 | 0.00 | 1,373.40 | 100.0% |
| 7011 · OFFICIALS/ADJUDICATORS | 72,905.60 | 84,000.00 | -11,094.40 | 86.8% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | | | | |
| 7012T · ATHLETIC TRAINER | 2,910.00 | 4,550.00 | -1,640.00 | 64.0% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL - Other | 67,101.68 | 90,000.00 | -22,898.32 | 74.6% |
| Total 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | 70,011.68 | 94,550.00 | -24,538.32 | 74.0% |
| 7013 · FACILITY COSTS | 14,278.34 | 18,000.00 | -3,721.66 | 79.3% |
| 7014 · SECURITY | 20,561.80 | 15,700.00 | 4,861.80 | 131.0% |
| 7015 · TROPHIES/MEDALS/AWARDS | 5,538.00 | 8,850.00 | -3,312.00 | 62.6% |
| 7017 · MEALS | 982.31 | 1,400.00 | -417.69 | 70.2% |
| 7018 · TRAVEL | 1,491.71 | 1,450.00 | 41.71 | 102.9% |
| 7021 · PROGRAMS/PRINTING | 2,175.00 | 7,700.00 | -5,525.00 | 28.2% |
| 7022 · SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT | 2,175.00 | 7,700.00 | -5,525.00 | 28.2% |
| 7023 · VISITING TEAM SHARE | 7,715.13 | 10,700.00 | -2,984.87 | 72.1% |
| 7024 · HOST SCHOOL SHARE | 62,097.51 | 50,000.00 | 12,097.51 | 124.2% |
| 7026 · HOSPITALITY | 62,097.51 | 50,000.00 | 12,097.51 | 124.2% |
| 7114 · ARBITER FEES | 2,135.44 | 1,000.00 | 1,135.44 | 213.5% |
| | 1,057.50 | 0.00 | 1,057.50 | 100.0% |
| Total Expense | 325,120.93 | 343,350.00 | -18,229.07 | 94.7% |
| NET INCOME | \$ 538,754.07 | \$ 414,150.00 | 124,604.07 | 130.1% |

2021-2022 VOLLEYBALL

| | Jul '21 - Jun 22 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | % of Budget |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Income | | | | |
| 4111 · GATE RECEIPTS | 120,125.00 | 105,000.00 | 15,125.00 | 114.4% |
| 4114 · SPONSORSHIPS | 22,000.00 | 22,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| 4116 · T-SHIRT& CONCESSIONS | 11,000.00 | 11,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| Total Income | 153,125.00 | 138,000.00 | 15,125.00 | 111.0% |
| Expense | | | | |
| 7011 · OFFICIALS/ADJUDICATORS | 27,041.43 | 30,000.00 | -2,958.57 | 90.1% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | | | | |
| 7012T · ATHLETIC TRAINER | 1,590.00 | 3,000.00 | -1,410.00 | 53.0% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL - Other | 15,193.41 | 39,000.00 | -23,806.59 | 39.0% |
| Total 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | 16,783.41 | 42,000.00 | -25,216.59 | 40.0% |
| 7013 · FACILITY COSTS | 7,201.25 | 10,000.00 | -2,798.75 | 72.0% |
| 7014 · SECURITY | 1,763.80 | 0.00 | 1,763.80 | 100.0% |
| 7015 · TROPHIES/MEDALS/AWARDS | 895.70 | 1,500.00 | -604.30 | 59.7% |
| 7017 · MEALS | 178.09 | 200.00 | -21.91 | 89.0% |
| 7018 · TRAVEL | 481.50 | 250.00 | 231.50 | 192.6% |
| 7021 · PROGRAMS/PRINTING | 535.00 | 1,200.00 | -665.00 | 44.6% |
| 7022 · SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT | 4,836.87 | 5,200.00 | -363.13 | 93.0% |
| 7026 · HOSPITALITY | 2,135.44 | 1,000.00 | 1,135.44 | 213.5% |
| 7114 · ARBITER FEES | 522.00 | 0.00 | 522.00 | 100.0% |
| Total Expense | 62,374.49 | 91,350.00 | -28,975.51 | 68.3% |
| NET INCOME | \$ 90,750.51 | \$ 46,650.00 | 44,100.51 | 194.5% |

2021-2022 FOOTBALL

| | Jul '21 - Jun 22 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | % of Budget |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Income | | | | |
| 4111 · GATE RECEIPTS | 518,610.00 | 445,000.00 | 73,610.00 | 116.5% |
| 4114 · SPONSORSHIPS | 35,000.00 | 35,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| 4116 · T-SHIRT& CONCESSIONS | 16,000.00 | 16,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| Total Income | 569,610.00 | 496,000.00 | 73,610.00 | 114.8% |
| Expense | | | | |
| 6072 · NON NMAA GAME EX | 70.00 | 0.00 | 70.00 | 100.0% |
| 7011-01 · NON NMAA OFFICIAL FEE | 1,373.40 | 0.00 | 1,373.40 | 100.0% |
| 7011 · OFFICIALS/ADJUDICATORS | 41,707.62 | 49,000.00 | -7,292.38 | 85.1% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | 42,081.87 | 42,000.00 | 81.87 | 100.2% |
| 7013 · FACILITY COSTS | 4,017.50 | 5,000.00 | -982.50 | 80.4% |
| 7014 · SECURITY | 17,137.11 | 10,000.00 | 7,137.11 | 171.4% |
| 7015 · TROPHIES/MEDALS/AWARDS | 1,253.98 | 2,750.00 | -1,496.02 | 45.6% |
| 7017 · MEALS | 258.63 | 500.00 | -241.37 | 51.7% |
| 7018 · TRAVEL | 400.50 | 1,000.00 | -599.50 | 40.1% |
| 7021 · PROGRAMS/PRINTING | 560.00 | 4,500.00 | -3,940.00 | 12.4% |
| 7022 · SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT | 30.46 | 1,000.00 | -969.54 | 3.0% |
| 7023 · VISITING TEAM SHARE | 62,097.51 | 50,000.00 | 12,097.51 | 124.2% |
| 7024 · HOST SCHOOL SHARE | 62,097.51 | 50,000.00 | 12,097.51 | 124.2% |
| 7114 · ARBITER FEES | 407.25 | 0.00 | 407.25 | 100.0% |
| Total Expense | 233,493.34 | 215,750.00 | 17,743.34 | 108.2% |
| NET EXPENSES | \$ 336,116.66 | \$ 280,250.00 | 55,866.66 | 119.9% |

2021-2022 SOCCER

| | Jul '21 - Jun 22 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | % of Budget |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Income | | | | |
| 4111 · GATE RECEIPTS | 30,415.00 | 25,000.00 | 5,415.00 | 121.7% |
| 4114 · SPONSORSHIPS | 31,000.00 | 31,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| 4116 · T-SHIRT & CONCESSIONS | 9,500.00 | 9,500.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| Total Income | 70,915.00 | 65,500.00 | 5,415.00 | 108.3% |
| Expense | | | | |
| 6072 · NON NMAA GAME EX | 630.00 | 0.00 | 630.00 | 100.0% |
| 7011 · OFFICIALS/ADJUDICATORS | 4,156.55 | 5,000.00 | -843.45 | 83.1% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | | | | |
| 7012T · ATHLETIC TRAINER | 0.00 | 800.00 | -800.00 | 0.0% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL - Other | 781.40 | 2,500.00 | -1,718.60 | 31.3% |
| Total 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | 781.40 | 3,300.00 | -2,518.60 | 23.7% |
| 7013 · FACILITY COSTS | 3,059.59 | 3,000.00 | 59.59 | 102.0% |
| 7014 · SECURITY | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | -2,500.00 | 0.0% |
| 7015 · TROPHIES/MEDALS/AWARDS | 1,074.84 | 2,000.00 | -925.16 | 53.7% |
| 7017 · MEALS | 325.76 | 500.00 | -174.24 | 65.2% |
| 7018 · TRAVEL | 0.00 | 100.00 | -100.00 | 0.0% |
| 7021 · PROGRAMS/PRINTING | 450.00 | 1,000.00 | -550.00 | 45.0% |
| 7022 · SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT | 30.45 | 1,000.00 | -969.55 | 3.0% |
| 7114 · ARBITER FEES | 65.25 | 0.00 | 65.25 | 100.0% |
| Total Expense | 10,573.84 | 18,400.00 | -7,826.16 | 57.5% |
| NET INCOME | \$ 60,341.16 | \$ 47,100.00 | 13,241.16 | 128.1% |

2021-2022 CROSS COUNTRY

| | Jul '21 - Jun 22 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | % of Budget |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Income | | | | |
| 4111 · GATE RECEIPTS | 42,225.00 | 30,000.00 | 12,225.00 | 140.8% |
| 4114 · SPONSORSHIPS | 17,000.00 | 17,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| 4116 · T-SHIRT & CONCESSIONS | 11,000.00 | 11,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.0% |
| Total Income | 70,225.00 | 58,000.00 | 12,225.00 | 121.1% |
| Expense | | | | |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | | | | |
| 7012T · ATHLETIC TRAINER | 1,320.00 | 750.00 | 570.00 | 176.0% |
| 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL - Other | 9,045.00 | 6,500.00 | 2,545.00 | 139.2% |
| Total 7012 · EVENT PERSONNEL | 10,365.00 | 7,250.00 | 3,115.00 | 143.0% |
| 7014 · SECURITY | 1,660.89 | 3,200.00 | -1,539.11 | 51.9% |
| 7015 · TROPHIES/MEDALS/AWARDS | 2,313.48 | 2,600.00 | -286.52 | 89.0% |
| 7017 · MEALS | 219.83 | 200.00 | 19.83 | 109.9% |
| 7018 · TRAVEL | 609.71 | 100.00 | 509.71 | 609.7% |
| 7021 · PROGRAMS/PRINTING | 630.00 | 1,000.00 | -370.00 | 63.0% |
| 7022 · SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT | 2,817.35 | 3,500.00 | -682.65 | 80.5% |
| 7114 · ARBITER FEES | 63.00 | 0.00 | 63.00 | 100.0% |
| Total Expense | 18,679.26 | 17,850.00 | 829.26 | 104.6% |
| NET INCOME | \$ 51,545.74 | \$ 40,150.00 | 11,395.74 | 128.4% |

New Mexico Activities Association

Commission Meeting – February 2, 2022



POWERLIFTING: SANCTION AS SPORT

☒ Action Item ☐ Referenda Item
☐ Discussion Item ☒ Non-Referenda Item

Presenter:

Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director

Proposal: Elevate powerlifting from temporary activity status to a fully-sanctioned NMAA winter sport beginning with the 2022-2023 SY.

Rationale: Powerlifting was approved by the NMAA Board of Directors as a temporary activity due to the Covid-19 Pandemic during the 2020-2021 SY. During that school year, the NMAA successfully completed a virtual season with roughly 250 individuals and 25 schools participating. Powerlifting's status as a temporary activity was extended for the 2021-2022 SY and roughly 30 schools have expressed interest in participating this year and an in-person State Championship event will be held April 9, 2022 in Rio Rancho, NM.

Due to its initial success along with increasing interest from the membership, the NMAA is in favor of continuing to sponsor powerlifting but with a designation that is more appropriate and which provides the NMAA more regulatory oversight.

Budget Impact:

- Increased costs for member schools due to the financing of an additional sport (equipment, travel, stipends, meet expenses, etc.).
- Potential increase in revenue for NMAA due to sponsorships/gate receipts from the inclusion of a State Championship event.

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Attachments: N/A

New Mexico Activities Association

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WRESTLING: BOYS' WEIGHT CLASS REALIGNMENT

☒ Action Item ☒ Referenda Item
☐ Discussion Item ☐ Non-Referenda Item

Presenter:

Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director

Proposal: Reduce and realign boys' wrestling weight class beginning with the 2022-2023 wrestling season.

Current: 7.24.1.F.4 – Boys' Weight Classes
There will be fourteen (14) weight classes utilized for boys' wrestling:

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 106 | 120 | 132 | 145 | 160 | 182 | 220 |
| 113 | 126 | 138 | 152 | 170 | 195 | 285 |

Proposed 7.24.1.F.4 – Boys' Weight Classes
There will be thirteen (13) weight classes utilized for boys' wrestling:

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 107 | 121 | 133 | 145 | 160 | 189 | 285 |
| 114 | 127 | 139 | 152 | 172 | 215 | |

Rationale: NMAA member schools have consistently shown an inability to field full squads leading to a high rate of dual meet forfeits and limited entries in individual tournaments both of which are detrimental to the growth and promotion of wrestling. Data collected by the National Wrestling Coaches Association through the annual weight assessment process, shows New Mexico ranks near the top of the nation in number of dual meet forfeits. Additionally, less than 25% of all New Mexico schools were able to field full squads for the state qualifying tournament during the pre-pandemic 2019-2020 school year.

Budget Impact: Minimal budget gain for some schools with one less weight class to field/fund. Minimal budget loss for NMAA due to potential loss of state spectators.

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Wrestling Sport Specific Committee: Approve

Attachments:

NWCA National Forfeit Data
NWCA NM Forfeit Data
2019-2020 District Entry Numbers
2021-2022 Sample Tournament Entry Numbers
NMAA Weight Class Survey

NWCA NATIONAL FORFEIT DATA

Comparison Forfeit Data By State

| State | 2010-% | 2011-% | 2012-% | 2013-% | 2014-% | 2015-% | 2016 -% | 2017% | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------|------|------|------|
| AL | NA | NA | NA | 38% | 40% | 31 | 34% | 34% | 30% | 33% | 30% |
| AZ | 27% | 31% | 31% | 37% | 37% | 38% | 37% | 40% | 40% | 41% | 42% |
| CO | NA | NA | NA | 34% | 33% | 32 | 32% | 34% | 34% | 34% | 35% |
| FL | NA | NA | NA | 25% | 26% | NA | 27% | 27% | 33% | 25% | 25% |
| DE | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 20% | 20% | 26% | 28% | 28% | 27% |
| GA | NA | NA | NA | 19% | 19% | 20 | 21% | 21% | 19% | 18% | 20% |
| IA | 23% | 28% | 29% | 30% | 30% | 25% | 27% | 28% | 30% | 28% | 30% |
| ID | NA | NA | NA | 31% | 37% | 29 | 29% | 27% | 28% | 30% | 29% |
| KY | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 41% | 41% | 43% | 38% | 36% | 39% |
| LA | 25% | 30% | 33% | 41% | 42% | 42% | 41% | 38% | 35% | 32% | 34% |
| MN | | | | | | | | | | | 22% |
| MO | NA | 28% | 28% | 32% | 35% | 34% | 33% | 34% | 34% | 35% | 35% |
| NC | 26% | 28% | 28% | 30% | 31% | 29% | 30% | 31% | 31% | 34% | 34% |
| ND | 21% | 23% | 21% | 27% | 35% | 27% | 26% | 26% | 27% | 27% | 26% |
| NE | NA | NA | NA | 36% | 33% | 28% | 31% | 32% | 33% | 33% | 32% |
| NJ | 18% | 18% | 18% | 20% | 19% | 16% | 19% | 19% | 22% | 20% | 20% |
| NM | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 35% | 35% | 37% | 37% | 40% | 37% |
| NV | 22% | 29% | 31% | 33% | NA | 23% | 30% | 35% | 34% | 33% | 38% |
| NY | 24% | 26% | 27% | 29% | 31% | 29% | 28% | 30% | 29% | 30% | 28% |
| OR | NA | NA | NA | 24% | 26% | 30% | 28% | 25% | 31% | 29% | 31% |
| PA | 21% | 22% | 23% | 25% | 25% | 24% | 25% | 27% | 27% | 28% | 26% |
| TN | 26% | 27% | 29% | 32% | 31% | 32% | 31% | 35% | 33% | 33% | 32% |
| WI | NA | NA | NA | 29% | 29% | 28% | 29% | 29% | 28% | 28% | 29% |
| RI | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 27% | 28% | 34% |

NWCA FORFEIT DATA FOR NM

| Weight | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 |
|--------|------|------|------|
| 106 | 46% | 43% | 43% |
| 113 | 43% | 46% | 41% |
| 120 | 34% | 37% | 30% |
| 126 | 33% | 31% | 26% |
| 132 | 32% | 31% | 35% |
| 138 | 31% | 37% | 34% |
| 145 | 35% | 33% | 30% |
| 152 | 32% | 38% | 31% |
| 160 | 27% | 41% | 32% |
| 170 | 34% | 38% | 39% |
| 182 | 44% | 44% | 40% |
| 195 | 51% | 51% | 40% |
| 220 | 42% | 45% | 48% |
| 285 | 41% | 49% | 47% |

2019-2020 DISTRICT WRESTLING TOURNAMENT ENTRIES

| <u>5A</u> | | <u>A-4A</u> | |
|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| Albuquerque | 11 | Academy | 14 |
| Alamogordo | 8 | Artesia | - |
| Atrisco Heritage | 13 | Aztec | 14 |
| Capital | 11 | Belen | 14 |
| Carlsbad | 13 | Bernalillo | 8 |
| Centennial | 12 | Bloomfield | 11 |
| Cibola | 10 | Chaparral | 2 |
| Cleveland | 14 | Cobre | 14 |
| Clovis | - | Del Norte | 10 |
| Eldorado | 13 | Deming | 13 |
| Farmington | 13 | Española Valley | 11 |
| Gadsden | 10 | Gallup | 7 |
| Hobbs | 14 | Goddard | 10 |
| La Cueva | 12 | Grants | 12 |
| Las Cruces | 14 | Highland | 10 |
| Los Lunas | 14 | Kirtland Central | 14 |
| Manzano | 12 | Los Alamos | 14 |
| Mayfield | 6 | Miyamura | 13 |
| Organ Mountain | 9 | Moriarty | 11 |
| Piedra Vista | 14 | Newcomb | 9 |
| Rio Grande | 9 | Northwest | - |
| Rio Rancho | 14 | Pecos | 5 |
| Roswell | 12 | Pojoaque | 3 |
| Sandia | 12 | Robertson | 13 |
| Santa Fe | 9 | Ruidoso | 10 |
| Volcano Vista | 14 | Santa Teresa | 9 |
| West Mesa | 9 | Shiprock | 2 |
| | | Silver | 14 |
| | | Socorro | 11 |
| | | St. Michael's | 10 |
| | | St. Pius | 8 |
| | | Taos | 8 |
| | | Tierra Encantada | 4 |
| | | Tucumcari | 11 |
| | | Valencia | 10 |
| | | Valley | 8 |
| | | West Las Vegas | 14 |
| | | Wingate | 13 |

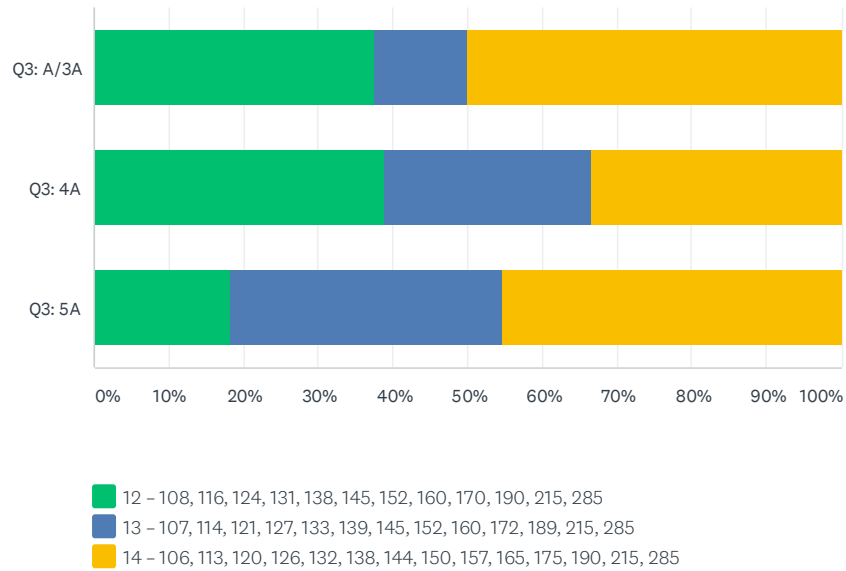
2021-2022 REGULAR SEASON WRESTLING ENTRIES

| <u>LAS CRUCES (12/10-12/11)</u> | | <u>CLEVELAND (1/7-1/8)</u> | | <u>VIVIAN (1/14-1/15)</u> | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Albuquerque | 13 | Atrisco Heritage | 14 | Academy | 10 |
| Artesia | 5 | Belen | 14 | Albuquerque | 9 |
| Atrisco Heritage | 11 | Capital | 7 | Atrisco Heritage | 12 |
| Carlsbad | 11 | Carlsbad | 10 | Belen | 14 |
| Centennial | 13 | Centennial | 12 | Capital | 6 |
| Chaparral | 11 | Cleveland | 14 | Carlsbad | 11 |
| Cleveland | 14 | Coronado (TX) | 11 | Centennial | 7 |
| Cobre | 9 | Deming | 10 | Cibola | 10 |
| Deming | 8 | Farmington | 12 | Del Norte | 7 |
| El Paso, TX | 12 | Franklin (TX) | 13 | Eldorado | 6 |
| Americas, TX | 10 | Goddard | 11 | Farmington | 12 |
| Austin, TX | 6 | Grants | 12 | Hobbs | 9 |
| Bel Air, TX | 11 | Hobbs | 13 | La Cueva | 13 |
| Eastwood, TX | 13 | La Cueva | 13 | Las Cruces | 14 |
| Franklin, TX | 13 | Las Cruces | 13 | Los Lunas | 14 |
| Hanks, TX | 11 | Los Alamos | 11 | Manzano | 3 |
| Jefferson, TX | 5 | Los Lunas | 14 | Rio Grande | 5 |
| Gadsden | 8 | Mayfield | 7 | Sandia | 6 |
| Goddard | 12 | Miyamura | 11 | Santa Fe | 10 |
| Las Cruces | 14 | Organ Mountain | 12 | St. Pius X | 7 |
| Manzano | 4 | Piedra Vista | 10 | Valley | 10 |
| Mayfield | 7 | Roswell | 6 | Volcano Vista | 12 |
| Organ Mountain | 10 | Ruidoso | 11 | West Mesa | 11 |
| Rio Grande | 5 | Santa Fe | 11 | | |
| Rio Rancho | 14 | Volcano Vista | 14 | | |
| Roswell | 9 | | | | |
| Ruidoso | 12 | | | | |
| Sahuarita, AZ | 12 | | | | |
| Silver | 11 | | | | |

*Schools in **bold** entered 14 entries or more but only filled the number of weight classes listed

Q5 Which set of weight classes would you prefer for boys' wrestling?

Answered: 48 Skipped: 0



| | 12 – 108, 116, 124, 131, 138, 145, 152, 160, 170, 190, 215, 285 | 13 – 107, 114, 121, 127, 133, 139, 145, 152, 160, 172, 189, 215, 285 | 14 – 106, 113, 120, 126, 132, 138, 144, 150, 157, 165, 175, 190, 215, 285 | TOTAL |
|-------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
| Q3: A/3A | 37.50% 3 | 12.50% 1 | 50.00% 4 | 16.67% 8 |
| Q3: 4A | 38.89% 7 | 27.78% 5 | 33.33% 6 | 37.50% 18 |
| Q3: 5A | 18.18% 4 | 36.36% 8 | 45.45% 10 | 45.83% 22 |
| Total Respondents | 14 | 14 | 20 | 48 |
| | 29.17% | 29.17% | 41.67% | |

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WRESTLING: REGIONAL STATE QUALIFYING

☒ Action Item ☐ Referenda Item
☐ Discussion Item ☒ Non-Referenda Item

Presenter:

Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director

Proposal: Use regional format for state qualifying instead of the district format. Teams would continue to compete in team duals within their standard district alignment but would qualify individually to state through a regional qualifier.

7.24.5 State Tournament

A. Date – *The State Tournament is held during week #34.*

B. State Tournament Qualifying – *Qualifying shall be determined by placement in the regional district tournament OR by the wild card procedure.*

1. Automatic Qualifying – *The number of automatic qualifiers in each region district and classification are as follows:*

Class 5A (27 Schools) 1-5A (7), 2-5A (7)

Class A/4A (38 Schools) 1-A/4A (7), 2-A/4A (7)

Rationale: A regional format has been used in girls' wrestling since it was initially sanctioned. Since its inception a number of coaches have expressed interest in pursuing a similar qualifying format in boys' wrestling. Benefits of a regional qualifier for boys would include:

- Increased significance and interest in the state qualifying meet
- Better ensures the most qualified wrestlers have the opportunity to qualify to state
- Increased opportunity to earn state seeding criteria due to larger pool of wrestlers (more head to head, common opponent opportunities)
- Wrestlers won't have to compete for state qualification against the same teams/individuals they've already competed against in the district duals

Budget Impact: The regional format would cut down statewide boys' qualifying events from 10 to 4 requiring fewer schools/districts to host a qualifier and reducing NMAA costs for event software. However, due to the expanded size of each qualifier, additional travel expenses may be incurred (travel distance, lodging, etc.).

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Wrestling Sport Specific Committee: Approve

Attachments:

2022-2024 Boys/Girls District Alignments
Proposed 2022-2024 Boys Regional Alignment
Survey Results

WRESTLING (BOYS): 2 CLASSES

2022-2024 DISTRICT ALIGNMENT

5A 27 SCHOOLS

A-4A 38 SCHOOLS

TOTAL: 65 SCHOOLS

5A WRESTLING – 27 SCHOOLS – 5 DISTRICTS

| District 1 | District 2 | District 3 | District 4 | District 5 |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|-------------|
| Atrisco Heritage* | Eldorado | Alamogordo | Carlsbad | ABQ High* |
| Cibola | Farmington | Centennial | Clovis | Capital |
| Cleveland | La Cueva | Gadsden | Hobbs | Los Lunas* |
| Rio Rancho | Sandia | Las Cruces | Roswell | Manzano |
| Volcano Vista | Piedra Vista | Mayfield | | Rio Grande* |
| | West Mesa | Organ Mountain | | Santa Fe |

4A WRESTLING – 38 SCHOOLS – 5 DISTRICTS

| District 1 | District 2 | District 3/4 | District 5 | District 6 |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| Aztec | Española Valley | Artesia | Belen | ABQ Academy |
| Bloomfield | Los Alamos | Chaparral | Grants* | Bernalillo* |
| Gallup | Moriarty | Cobre | Highland | Del Norte |
| Kirtland Central | Pojoaque | Deming | Pecos | Ruidoso |
| Miyamura | Robertson | Goddard | St. Pius | Tucumcari |
| Newcomb | St. Michael's | Santa Teresa | Tierra Encantada | Valley |
| Northwest | Taos | Silver | Valencia | |
| Shiprock | West Las Vegas | Socorro | | |
| Wingate | | | | |

WRESTLING (GIRLS): 1 CLASS

2022-2024 DISTRICT ALIGNMENT

TOTAL (A-5A): 65 SCHOOLS

ALL CLASSES – 65 SCHOOLS – 2 DISTRICTS

| District 1 | District 2 |
|------------------|------------------|
| Aztec | ABQ Academy |
| Bernalillo | ABQ High |
| Bloomfield | Alamogordo |
| Capital | Artesia |
| Cibola | Atrisco Heritage |
| Cleveland | Belen |
| Eldorado | Carlsbad |
| Española Valley | Centennial |
| Farmington | Chaparral |
| Gallup | Clovis |
| Grants | Cobre |
| Kirtland Central | Del Norte |
| La Cueva | Deming |
| Los Alamos | Gadsden |
| Manzano | Goddard |
| Miyamura | Highland |
| Moriarty | Hobbs |
| Newcomb | Las Cruces |
| Northwest | Los Lunas |
| Piedra Vista | Mayfield |
| Pojoaque | Organ Mountain |
| Rio Rancho | Pecos |
| Robertson | Rio Grande |
| Sandia | Roswell |
| Santa Fe | Ruidoso |
| Shiprock | Santa Teresa |
| St. Michael's | Silver |
| Taos | Socorro |
| Volcano Vista | St. Pius |
| West Las Vegas | Tierra Encantada |
| West Mesa | Tucumcari |
| Wingate | Valencia |
| | Valley |

WRESTLING (BOYS): 2 CLASSES

PROPOSED 2022-2024 REGIONAL ALIGNMENT

5A **27 SCHOOLS**
A-4A **38 SCHOOLS**

TOTAL: 65 SCHOOLS

5A WRESTLING – 27 SCHOOLS – 2 REGIONS

| Region 1 | Region 2 |
|---------------|-------------------|
| Capital | ABQ High* |
| Cibola | Alamogordo |
| Cleveland | Atrisco Heritage* |
| Eldorado | Carlsbad |
| Farmington | Centennial |
| La Cueva | Clovis |
| Manzano | Gadsden |
| Piedra Vista | Hobbs |
| Rio Rancho | Las Cruces |
| Sandia | Los Lunas* |
| Santa Fe | Mayfield |
| Volcano Vista | Organ Mountain |
| West Mesa | Rio Grande* |
| | Roswell |

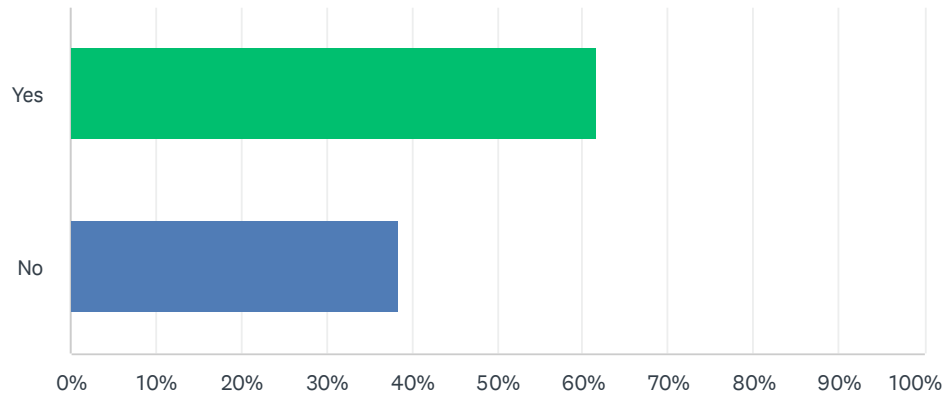
A-4A WRESTLING – 38 SCHOOLS – 2 REGIONS

| Region 1 | Region 2 |
|------------------|------------------|
| Aztec | ABQ Academy |
| Bernalillo* | Artesia |
| Bloomfield | Belen |
| Española Valley | Chaparral |
| Gallup | Cobre |
| Grants* | Del Norte |
| Kirtland Central | Deming |
| Los Alamos | Goddard |
| Miyamura | Highland |
| Moriarty | Pecos |
| Newcomb | Ruidoso |
| Northwest | Santa Teresa |
| Pojoaque | Silver |
| Robertson | Socorro |
| Shiprock | St. Pius |
| St. Michael's | Tierra Encantada |
| Taos | Tucumcari |
| West Las Vegas | Valencia |
| Wingate | Valley |

**Aligned separately from district alignment*

Q5 Instead of qualifying to the State Championships through a district tournament, would you be in favor of using a two-region format within each class to qualify to State?

Answered: 78 Skipped: 0



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES | |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| Yes | 61.54% | 48 |
| No | 38.46% | 30 |
| TOTAL | | 78 |

WRESTLING REGIONAL SURVEY

Instead of qualifying to the State Championships through a district tournament, would you be in favor of using a two-region format within each class to qualify to State?

COACH

| <u>Classification</u> | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Do Not Favor</u> | <u>% Favor</u> | <u>% Do Not Favor</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 3A | 2 | 7 | 22.22% | 77.78% |
| 4A | 13 | 4 | 76.47% | 23.53% |
| 5A | 14 | 9 | 60.87% | 39.13% |
| 4A/5A | 27 | 13 | 67.50% | 32.50% |
| All | 29 | 20 | 59.18% | 40.82% |

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| <u>Classification</u> | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Do Not Favor</u> | <u>% Favor</u> | <u>% Do Not Favor</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 3A | 3 | 0 | 100.00% | 0.00% |
| 4A | 7 | 5 | 58.33% | 41.67% |
| 5A | 9 | 5 | 64.29% | 35.71% |
| 4A/5A | 16 | 10 | 61.54% | 38.46% |
| All | 19 | 10 | 65.52% | 34.48% |
| TOTAL | 48 | 30 | 61.54% | 38.46% |

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FOOTBALL: 6-MAN CALENDAR

☒ Action Item ☐ Referenda Item
☐ Discussion Item ☒ Non-Referenda Item

Presenter:

Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director

Proposal: Consider amending the calendar (Bylaw 7.15.6 – Playoff Weeks) for Class 6-Man Football so that brackets for the state tournament are released on the Saturday of Week #17 (one week later). This would add one week to the regular season and push back all rounds of the playoffs one week. Finals would take place on the Saturday of Week #20. Game limitations would be left at 9 but would provide one open/bye week for schools.

Current State Playoff Dates

6-Man: Brackets Released – October 15 (Week 16 of NMAA Calendar)
 Quarterfinals – October 21-22
 Semifinals – October 28-29
 Finals – November 5 (Week 19 of NMAA Calendar)

Proposed State Playoff Dates

6-Man: Brackets Released – October 22 (Week 17 of NMAA Calendar)
 Quarterfinals – October 28-29
 Semifinals – November 4-5
 Finals – November 12 (Week 20 of NMAA Calendar)

Rationale:

Several 6-Man Football Coaches and Athletic Directors approached the NMAA after the conclusion of the 2021 season with this request. The belief is that having a 10-week regular season will make it easier to schedule a full 9-game slate. It can be difficult to do so with only 9-weeks because districts are uneven in size and also due to the fact that schools frequently add/drop programs each year. Although this will mean the season ends one week later, the Finals would still take place prior to the start of the basketball season so this would not have a significant impact on multi-sport athletes.

Budgetary Impact: None

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

NMAA Football Sports Specific Committee: Approve

6-Man Football Coaches: Approve (no votes against this proposal at January scheduling meeting)

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ESPORTS: BYLAW AMENDMENTS

☒ Action Item ☐ Referenda Item
☐ Discussion Item ☐ Non-Referenda Item

Presenter:

Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director

Proposal: Consider amendments to Section 8.3 (Esports Bylaws) of the NMAA Handbook which reflect the current process/procedures utilized by the New Mexico Activities Association in conjunction with its Esports provider.

Rationale:

As an activity in only its fourth year of existence, many adjustments have been made to the calendar, games offered, and overall format of the activity. These amendments will ensure the success of both the regular season and state playoffs while generalizing the bylaws so that changes do not have to be made on a yearly basis.

Budgetary Impact: None

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Attachments: Updated Section 8.3 of NMAA Handbook (Esports Bylaws)

8.3.1 Sportsmanship / Compete with Class

“Compete with Class” is a New Mexico sportsmanship program designed to help better understand the true value of interscholastic athletics and activities – to educate and prepare our youth for the future.

The NMAA defines sportsmanship as, “the act of treating others in a respectful manner; taking personal accountability for one’s actions and responding with integrity while engaged in competition” and is rooted in three core values: Respect, Integrity and Responsibility.

Esports players and coaches will be held to these high standards, in addition to the codes of conduct and rules as set by game publishers and the NMAA’s Esports provider.

Violations to any of these policies shall result in sanctions as determined by the NMAA Executive Director. Sanctions may include, but are not limited to, warnings, probation, suspensions, forfeitures, and/or fines.

A. Examples of Unsportsmanlike Actions

1. **Smurf Account:** Slang term used in online video games, wherein a fake account or profile is created by an experienced player to pose as an inexperienced one in order to gain an advantage. All players must use their highest level account when registering with PlayVS and when playing in any NMAA sanctioned Esports match. Potential violations should be reported to the NMAA.
2. **Playing Under Another Student’s Account:** Player A is listed as a starter or substitute for a given match. Another individual then plays the match under this account. This is a form of deception and potential violations should be reported to the NMAA.

8.3.2 Scholastic Eligibility

All Esport Students must adhere to the same scholastic requirements set forth by the NMAA in Sections 6.2 and 8.1.1.

8.3.3 General Rules/Policies

- A. Approved Games** – The NMAA has sole authority to select which games will be offered and can amend this list at any time. No restricted categories, as defined as “ESRB M (Mature)” or above shall be used, marketed, and/or promoted by the NMAA nor its member schools.

**Note – For a complete list of approved games, see Section 8.3.5*

- B. Esports Management Platform** – The NMAA has sole authority to determine the entity that will serve as the official Esports provider/platform for its official championship season and any other sanctioned events.

Q1: *Can schools play on platforms outside of the NMAA’s official Esports provider?*

A1: *Yes, but these matches/events would not be sanctioned and thus not under the NMAA Esports umbrella.*

C. Participation and Fees

1. **School Teams** – Member schools may have one varsity team for each multiplayer game. They may also have an unlimited number of sub-varsity teams that can participate in regular season matches but are not eligible for the state playoffs. One versus one games may have multiple varsity participants from the same school, but a maximum of two will be eligible for the state playoffs.

2. Declaration Date – In order to be eligible to participate in the NMAA's championship season (Spring semester), schools must declare their intentions prior to the start of the regular season on a date agreed upon by the NMAA and its Esports provider.

3. Rosters – School rosters for varsity teams will be dependent on the game and will allow for starters and substitutes. Students can be moved from varsity and sub-varsity teams throughout each season but rosters for varsity matches must be set in accordance with platform provider guidelines.

4. Students / Multiple Games – Although it is strongly encouraged that schools limit each student to participation in one game, a student may participate in multiple games if this helps fill a team due to limited numbers within a school's program.

5. Fees – The NMAA's Esports provider may charge fees to schools/students to access the platform utilized for the official season.

D. NMAA Coach/Sponsor Clinic – The head coach/sponsor from each Esports school must complete the NMAA Rules Clinic. This will be offered online prior to the start of each championship season. Failure to comply shall result in a \$100 fine to the school.

E. Classifications – Classifications will be determined by the NMAA staff based on school participation. This applies to both the overall Esports standings and each individual game title. (i.e. there could be three overall classifications, but only one combined class for a specific game title based on participation numbers).

F. Official Season – Although a Fall exhibition season may be offered by the NMAA, the official championship season will take place during the Spring semester.

1. Start Date – Practice and scrimmages may begin the Monday of Week #29. The season ends when a school is eliminated from or does not qualify for the postseason.

2. Schedule / Matches – Each school will play a minimum of 10 matches at the Varsity level, beginning in Week #31. One match will be played each week during the regular season (unless reschedules require more than more than to be played during a week). Sub-varsity programs will play a similar scheduled based on participation numbers. The NMAA will work with its Esports provider to create a full schedule prior to the season. Matches will be scheduled at random with priority set for schools to compete within their own classification (if total school participants allow for this).

The NMAA's Esports provider will determine the format for each match, based on the game title being played (i.e. single game, three games within each match, five games within each match, etc.).

3. Reschedules / Forfeits – Schools will follow the rescheduling and forfeit policies established by the NMAA's Esports provider. During extraordinary circumstances, the NMAA will work with its Esports provider and impacted schools to determine final rulings.

8.3.4 State Championship Information

A. Dates: Week #42 and #43

B. Format

1. Classifications – Determined by number of participating schools.

2. Varsity Competition – Schools may have only one team designated as its Varsity program within each multiplayer game title. Only the declared Varsity program is eligible for the postseason. One versus one games may have multiple varsity participants from the same school, but a maximum of two will be eligible for the state playoffs.

3. **Determination of Champions by Class** – There will Esports state champions in each classification. The champion will be determined by participation and success in each game title offered by the NMAA. Points will be awarded based on participation, regular season finish, and state tournament finish within each game title. Point distribution will be determined based on the number of participants in each game title/classification and set at the start of each season.
4. **Brackets** – Each game title will have a separate state tournament bracket for all classifications. Qualifiers will be determined by the NMAA’s Esports provider and will be based on final regular season standings. Qualifying numbers will be determined by the NMAA and dependent on the number of classifications and teams for each game title.
5. **Single Elimination** – The state tournament will be single elimination. Exact game format will be determined by the NMAA’s Esports provider based on each game title. This format may be different than that used during the regular season.
6. **Trophies / Medals** – The NMAA will award State Championship trophies to the top three (3) teams in each classification (State Champion, State Runner-Up, State Third Place). The state champions will also receive team medals.

Participants from the top four (4) schools in each game title will receive individual medals, which reflect their school’s finish during the state tournament.

8.3.5 Game Titles / Other Rules

A. Only the following games have been approved by the NMAA as sanctioned Esports titles:

1. League of Legends
2. Rocket League
3. SMITE
4. Madden NFL 22
5. Super Smash Bros. Ultimate
6. Mario Kart 8 Deluxe

**NOTE – Although all of the above games have been approved, the NMAA will only offer each of these titles if school interest/enrollment justifies a viable league/season.*

B. Game Specific Information

Complete rules/regulations for gameplay will be determined by the NMAA’s Esports provider, in conjunction with the game publisher for each title. These will be made available through the NMAA website.

**NOTE – Additional rules/policies adopted by the NMAA will supersede those set by the Esports provider and/or game publisher.*

8.3.6 Other Resources

The NMAA and its Esports provider will provide additional information/rules documents on the Esports page of the NMAA website. This will include but is not limited to the following

- A. Coach Code of Conduct
- B. Player Code of Conduct
- C. Forfeiture and Rescheduling Guides
- D. Substitution Rule
- E. Match-Day Instructions
- F. Specific Game Title Rule Books