

NMAA

Board of Directors' Meeting



Wednesday, December 2, 2021

9:00 AM



NMAA Board of Directors

December 2021



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Note: Initial term lengths are staggered as per approved procedure. Subsequent elected terms will be for three years each.



NEW MEXICO ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING



NMAA - Hall of Pride and Honor
December 2, 2021
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 (September 8, 2021)
Alissa Wesbrook, Asst. to Exec. Dir.
Travis Dempsey, Board Vice President
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- II. Executive Session (Financial, Legal, Personnel)**
- III. NMAA Executive Director's Report**
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
- IV. NMAA Financial Report**
(A) Approval of NMAA 990 for 2020-2021
(D/I) NMAA Finance Report
Shari Kessler-Schwaner, Business Mgr.
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- V. NMAA Activities Report**
Tammy Richards, Assistant Director
- VI. New Mexico Officials Association Report**
Zac Stevenson, Comm. of Officials
- VII. Discussion / Information Items**
(D/I) Test to Stay / Test to Play Information
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Scheduling / Regional Assignors
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Out-of-Season Coaching
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Basketball: Shot Clock
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Spirit: Sport vs. Activity
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) State Championships: Event Locations
Ralph Ramos, Dr. Arsenio Romero
- VIII. Action Items**
(A) Tennis: Universal Tennis Rating
Scott Owen, Assistant Director
(A) Bylaw 6.1.2: Student Transferring to Follow a Coach
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(A) COVID Handbook Addendum #8: Missed Games
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(A) Classification & Alignment: Proposal for 2022-2024
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
- IX. Consider Adjournment**

Next Board of Directors' Meeting – December 9, 2021 (NMAA)

NMAA Board of Directors' Meeting
September 8, 2021
10:30 a.m.
Hall of Pride and Honor

Welcome - Meeting called to order by Mr. Anthony Casados, NMAA Board of Directors President, at 11:04 a.m. Ms. Alissa Wesbrook, NMAA Assistant to the Executive Director, conducted roll call and the following members were present:

Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A - President)
Mr. Daniel Benavidez (Large Area A)
Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Mr. J.R. Null (Large Area B)
Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Dr. Arsenio Romero (Large Area D)
Mr. Scott Elder (Large School District I)
Mr. Ralph Ramos (Large School District II)
Mr. Martin Madrid (At-Large Member)
Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Mr. Terry Martin (New Mexico School Boards Association)

13 members were present representing a quorum.

Approval of the Agenda:

Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. White made the motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Benavidez seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (13-0).

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2021 Board Meeting. Mr. Benavidez made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Dempsey seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (13-0).

Board Member Action:

Mr. Casados stated that due to openings, a new At-Large member has been appointed and Board Elections recently took place for Large Area B and Large Area D. He welcomed the new Board Members - Mr. J.R. Null (Large B), Dr. Arsenio Romero (Large D), and Mr. Martin Madrid (At-Large). Mr. Casados then stated that because the terms for the At-Large and Large Area B members were set to expire in December, he would recommend that the Board extend these terms through December of 2024 so that a new election/appointment would not have to take place next month. Mr. Martin made the motion to approve the recommendation. Mr. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (13-0).

NMAA Executive Director's Report:

Ms. Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, presented the NMAA Director's report. She discussed three (3) items on her report: 1) welcomed Mr. Null, Dr. Romero, and Mr. Madrid to the Board of Directors; 2) introduced Mr. Zac Stevenson as the new NMAA Commissioner of Officials; and 3) provided an update on how current COVID-19 guidelines pertaining to overnight travel may impact state championship events.

NMAA Financial Report:

Annual Audit Report - Ms. Shannon Gilliland, CPA from Taylor-Roth and Company, presented to the Board of Directors the 2020-2021 Audit Report & Financial Statements.

NMAA Finance Report - Ms. Shari Kessler-Schwaner, NMAA Business Manager, presented the finance report. She discussed two (2) items on her report: 1) provided the sport and activity box reports for the 2020-2021 school year; 2) discussed ticket sales for 2020-2021 state championships.

NMAA Activities Report:

Ms. Tammy Richards, NMAA Assistant Director, presented the activities report. She discussed four (4) items on her report: 1) stated that NMAA recently held its Annual Activities Council Meeting; 2) reported that a variety of in-person and virtual competitions took place during 2020-2021, which included an in-person State Bowling Championship; 3) provided information on the NMAA Fall Conference taking place in person at the end of September which State Activities Directors were also invited to attend; and 4) stated that the first Student Leadership meeting of the 2021-2022 school year will take place in person during the Fall Conference.

NMAA Officials Report:

Mr. Zac Stevenson, NMAA Commissioner of Officials, presented the officials report. He discussed six (6) items on his report: 1) stated that the NMOA Annual State Clinic occurred virtually over the summer with over 500 attendees; 2) provided information on several football camps that took place over the past few weeks in Santa Fe, Las Cruces and Albuquerque; 3) reported on the 15th annual Basketball Referee Educational Forum; 4) stated that new football film requirement is going well; 5) announced that the 2020 & 2021 NMOA Distinguished Service winners and Hall of Fame inductees would be recognized at the NMAA's special banquet at the end of September; and 6) provided an update on officials numbers for Fall sports which are currently seeing a significant decrease from two years ago.

Discussion/ Information Items

PED Liaison Update - Ms. Katrina Sandoval, Deputy Director of the New Mexico Public Education Department, introduced herself as the new liaison to the NMAA from the PED and thanked the NMAA for the educational services provided to students across the state through sports and activities.

Participating at Schools other than those Attended - Mr. Steve Dulfer, parent of a student at Santa Fe Waldorf, discussed the importance and benefits of high school athletics and requested that students be allowed to participate at other member schools in a certain sport(s) if the high school in which they attend does not offer that particular sport(s).

Classification & Alignment Update - Ms. Marquez discussed the timeline and process for Classification & Alignment of the 2022-2024 block. She stated that the NMAA is waiting for 40-day enrollment numbers for the current school year, and once those are in, enrollment averages will be available for the last three years and that will allow the NMAA to put together proposals for the Board of Directors to consider in December.

Student Eligibility: Specialized Sports Training - Ms. Marquez reported that there has been an increase in students participating at specialized sports academies all over the country and that NMAA eligibility rules currently allow for these students to take a year off from school sports, and then return to any NMAA school based on "Did Not Participate" exceptions. Feedback included support to change bylaws so that these students would only be eligible to play at the school they attended prior to leaving for the academy.

Student Eligibility: Virtual/Online Schooling - Ms. Marquez discussed the increased availability of online schooling and that some students may be living out of state, participating in club sports, but attending NMAA member schools virtually thus making them eligible to participate at those schools.

Tennis: One vs Two Weekends - Ms. Marquez provided information on the possibility of holding State Tennis over two weekends instead of one. This would place the individual and team events on separate weekends. The NMAA will continue to discuss this with the membership.

Basketball: Shot Clock - Ms. Marquez stated the NFHS, by state association adoption, approved a shot clock in the sport of basketball beginning with the 2022-2023 school year. Feedback included concerns over training individuals to operate it and the costs associated with the equipment needed.

Wrestling: Weight Classes - Mr. Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director, presented information regarding an NFHS allowance to reduce the number of weight classes in the sport of Wrestling. He stated that New Mexico should consider this due to the high number of forfeits that occur each year.

Wrestling: Classifications - Mr. Owen discussed the possibility of combining Class A-3A and 4A in the sport of Wrestling due to the lack of participation in the A-3A classification. This change could help lessen the number of forfeits while also making for a more competitive State Championship event.

Wrestling: Regional Tournaments - Mr. Owen presented information regarding the possibility of using regional tournaments to qualify athletes for the State Championships. He stated that this is the current process used in Girls Wrestling, and this would help to make a more significant qualifier for all athletes.

Mr. Casados adjourned the meeting at 12:41 p.m. for Lunch.

Mr. Casados reconvened the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Action Items

Football: Film Requirement Expansion (*Referenda*) - Mr. Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director, presented a proposal to amend the last sentence of Bylaw 7.15.1.M to read: The NMAA/NMOA HUDL Account will serve as an open library where all varsity game film is stored and can be accessed by coaches, officials and NMAA/NMOA staff. Sanctions for failure to submit game film will be determined by the Executive Director. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Benavidez made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (13-0).

Baseball: Bat Regulations (*Referenda*) - Mr. Young presented a proposal, beginning with the 2022-2023 school year (2023 season), to remove NMAA Bylaw 7.12.6 and edit Bylaw 7.12.1.E to read as follows: Bat Regulations - All legal bats as per NFHS Rules can be used. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Ramos made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (13-0).

Golf: State Qualifying Standards - Mr. Tyler Dunkel, NMAA Assistant Director, presented a proposal to update bylaws in Section 7.16.2 to reflect new qualifying standards for the State Golf Championships. These new standards would include the following: Require that a school must play a minimum of five tournaments as a team and individual golfers must play in a minimum of three tournaments to be eligible to compete in the State Golf Championships. Use of iWanamaker rankings to qualify teams for the State Golf Tournament - other than the District Champion. The District Champion and the next three teams in classifications 4A and 5A and the next two teams in classification A-3A based on iWanamaker rankings will qualify for the State Championships. If a school participates in more than 5 tournaments, only their top 5 events will be used to calculate rankings. The top eight individual golfers in each classification based on iWanamaker rankings that are not already part of a qualifying team will be entered in to the State Championships. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Dr. Romero made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (13-0).

NMHSCA: All-Star Game Format (*Referenda*) - Mr. Buster Mabrey, NMHSCA Executive Director, presented a proposal to edit Bylaw 7.6.22.D to read as follows. Games must be held after the academic completion of the respective school year unless specific games are approved by the NMAA Commission and Board of Directors on a yearly basis. The proposal also included dates for proposed All-Star Games to be held in November, March, and June during 2021-2022. Mr. Casados asked for a

motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Ramos made the motion to approve the proposal. Dr. Romero seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (13-0).

Mr. Elder left the meeting.

Track and Field: Fully Automatic Timing - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal that beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, consider an adjustment to NMAA Track Bylaw 7.22.1.L to read as follows: All schools will be required to use Fully Automatic Timing (FAT) for all state qualifying track and field meets. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Martin made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Madrid seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Track and Field: Hytek Requirement - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal to consider an adjustment to NMAA track Bylaw 7.22.1.K.1 to read: It shall be required that track and field meet personnel submit all state qualifying meet results to the NMAA designated platform (MileSplit) by means of Hytek Software. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Madrid made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Out-of-Season Coaching: Contact on Saturdays (*Referenda*) - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal to amend Bylaw 7.4 Out-of-Season coaching to read: During the off-season, a coaching staff is allowed 7.5 hours of total contact time per week, Monday through Saturday, and only when school is in session, to work with student athletes grades 8-12. Sports Specific and sports specific conditioning classes are to be included within this allowable timeframe. This provision applies to all school coaches, paid and volunteer. This rule prohibits coaching these individuals on any team (school or non-school sponsored) out of season during the school year. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Benavidez made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. (12-0).

Out-of-Season Coaching: Middle/Jr. High Schools (*Referenda*) - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal to amend the out of season coaching rule to provide middle school coaching staffs their own 7.5 hours of contact time. Bylaw 7.4 amended to read: During the off-season, each school's coaching staff is allowed 7.5 hours of total contact time per week, (during days when schools is in session only) to work with student athletes grades 6-12. Sports Specific and sports specific conditioning classes are to be included within this allowable timeframe. This provision applies to all school coaches, paid and volunteer. This rule prohibits coaching these individuals on any team (school or non-school sponsored) out of season during the school year. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Moyer made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Scholastic Eligibility: 8th Grade Clean Slate (*Referenda*) –Ms. Marquez presented a proposal to amend Bylaw 9.4 and reserve the scholastic eligibility clean slate rule only for incoming 9th graders who have not already participated in high school athletics. 9.4 Interscholastic Eligibility Scholarship would read as follows: A. A Student first participating at the sixth or seventh grade level may compete without reference to his/her immediate or previous scholastic record. The end of the first semester establishes the scholarship requirements for this Student. B. An eighth grade Student competing in interscholastic sports at the high school level has made his/her open enrollment choice. The Student's eligibility to participate shall be determined by the semester grading period immediately preceding participation. C. A ninth grade Student who has not previously competed in interscholastic sports at the high school level has his/her open enrollment choice. The Student may compete without reference to his/her immediate or previous scholastic record in eighth grade (last semester). The end of the first semester in 9th grade establishes the beginning of the scholarship requirements for this Student. Mr. Casados asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Moyer made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Ramos seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Executive Session

Mr. Casados asked for a motion to go into Executive Session at 2:22 p.m. to discuss financial, personnel, pending/possible legal matters. Mr. Viramontes made the motion to enter into Executive Session. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Yes/For	No/Against	Board Member Name
Yes		Mr. Anthony Casados, Board President (Small Area A)
Yes		Mr. Daniel Benavidez (Large, Area A)
Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Yes		Mr. J.R. Null, (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Dr. Arsenio Romero (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Ralph Ramos (Large School District II)
Yes		Mr. Martin Madrid (At-Large)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Yes		Mr. Terry Martin (New Mexico School Boards Association)

Mr. Casados asked for a motion to exit out of Executive Session at 3:01 p.m. Mr. Casados stated no action was taken in Executive Session. Mr. Moyer made the motion to exit out of Executive Session. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Yes/For	No/Against	Board Member Name
Yes		Mr. Anthony Casados, Board President (Small Area A)
Yes		Mr. Daniel Benavidez (Large, Area A)
Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Yes		Mr. J.R. Null, (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Dr. Arsenio Romero (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Ralph Ramos (Large School District II)
Yes		Mr. Martin Madrid (At-Large)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Yes		Mr. Terry Martin (New Mexico School Boards Association)

Consider Adjournment:

Mr. Casados asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:02 p.m. Mr. Martin made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Benavidez seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2021

2018-2019 Participation Survey Data					
Boys	25,262		2-Sport Athletes	7,481	
Girls	21,316		3-Sport Athletes	2,432	
TOTAL	46,578		4+-Sport Athletes	254	
			TOTAL	10,167	

Total Unique Athletes	33,471		Class A Unique Athletes	1,617	
Single-Sport Athletes	23,304	70%	Single-Sport	577	36%
Multi-Sport Athletes	10,167	30%	Multi-Sport	1,040	64%
Class 2A Unique Athletes	2,709		Class 3A Unique Athletes	4,383	
Single-Sport	1,561	58%	Single-Sport	2,419	55%
Multi-Sport	1,148	42%	Multi-Sport	1,964	45%
Class 4A Unique Athletes	9,890		Class 5A Unique Athletes	14,872	
Single-Sport	7,117	72%	Single-Sport	11,630	78%
Multi-Sport	2,773	28%	Multi-Sport	3,242	22%

ABQ Metro Unique Athletes	12,197		Rest of NM Unique Athletes	21,274	
Single-Sport	9,331	77%	Single-Sport	13,973	66%
Multi-Sport	2,866	23%	Multi-Sport	7,301	34%

2019-2020 Participation Survey Data					
Boys	27,100		2-Sport Athletes	7,661	
Girls	21,363		3-Sport Athletes	2,808	
TOTAL	48,463		4+-Sport Athletes	284	
			TOTAL	10,753	

Total Unique Athletes	34,334		Class A Unique Athletes	1,675	
Single-Sport Athletes	23,581	69%	Single-Sport	498	30%
Multi-Sport Athletes	10,753	31%	Multi-Sport	1,177	70%
Class 2A Unique Athletes	2,402		Class 3A Unique Athletes	4,499	
Single-Sport	987	41%	Single-Sport	2,560	57%
Multi-Sport	1,415	59%	Multi-Sport	1,939	43%
Class 4A Unique Athletes	9,421		Class 5A Unique Athletes	16,337	
Single-Sport	6,514	70%	Single-Sport	13,022	80%
Multi-Sport	2,907	30%	Multi-Sport	3,315	20%

ABQ Metro Unique Athletes	12,910		Rest of NM Unique Athletes	21,424	
Single-Sport	9,696	75%	Single-Sport	13,885	65%
Multi-Sport	3,214	25%	Multi-Sport	7,539	35%

New Mexico Activities Association

Board of Directors' Meeting – December 2, 2021



TENNIS: UNIVERSAL TENNIS RATING

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

Presenter:

Scott Owen, Assistant Director

Proposal:

Require the use of Universal Tennis Ratings (UTR) by NMAA-member tennis schools during the 2021-2022 SY to study possible seeding/selection application in the future.

Rationale:

Potential tool to assist with seeding/selection in team and individual tennis. Use by NMAA-member tennis schools during the 2021-2022 SY will provide necessary data to evaluate efficacy and possible utilization in the NMAA seeding/selection process in the future. Pilot will be for data collection only and ratings will not be utilized for seeding/selection during the 2021-2022 SY. UTR has partnered with MaxPreps, the NMAA's official score partner, and has also been endorsed by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS).

Budget Impact: N/A

Attachments: UTR FAQ's & Information

Tennis Sport Specific Committee Recommendation: Approve

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

NMAA Commission Recommendation: Approve (15-0)

Coach FAQ



What is the benefit of UTR for high school players? UTR provides an equalizer for all players regardless of age, gender, national ranking or location. It is the gold standard in college recruiting and the official rating of the ITA. When players have a UTR, they know their level, can track progress, find competitive matches closer to home and even get recruited for college.



Can I benefit from playing someone with a lower UTR? Of course. Playing up or down tests different, equally important muscles that are key to developing your game. That said, UTR does not take into account matches from players with a UTR difference greater than 2.0 (unless the lower-rated player wins)



How is the rating calculated? UTR is an objective, results-driven rating based on: 1) Strength of opponent; 2) Games won; 3) History of last 30 matches within 12 months. It does not look at wins or losses.



How does UTR affect players who have never played tennis before? After one match result a player will have a UTR. After 4-5 match results a player's UTR becomes more reliable.



How does UTR work for doubles play? Players have both a singles UTR and a separate doubles UTR.



What is the difference between UTR & Verified UTR? They are two different ratings. UTR measures all play, including practice, challenge matches and self-posted scores. Verified UTR only measures Verified UTR matches, including sanctioned high school tournaments and dual matches, USTA results, and other federations & partner results.

How to: Activate Your School Page, Add Players & Post Scores

- Video on Activation Process: [3-minute video on how UTR High School works!](#)
 - UTR Customer Success Team is here to help you via support.myutr.com any time of day. Search our library of how-tos or connect with a member of our team. Staffed 24/7, you won't wait long for answers.
 - If you need help getting your team page setup, [book 15 minutes here](#) for live Zoom support.
 - You can also contact UTR's High School Program Manager, Jonathan Hicks, at jonathan@universaltennis.com.
1. **Activate High School & Create Free Profile:** <https://app.myutr.com/highschool>
 2. **Add Team Roster**
 - a. **If players already have a claimed UTR profile** - Search for them by choosing "Add Players" on your team page. Type in your player's name in the "Search Existing Players" bar. Choose "Next" when finding your player, "Select Their Graduation Year" and "Add member" to your roster.
 - b. **If players have an unclaimed UTR profile:** The player's name appears when searching for them, but still asks to "Invite New Player." Type in the player's email address to invite them to roster. This means the player has NOT claimed their profile and still needs to do so. The player will not appear on roster until the player has accepted the invite by creating a free UTR profile.
 - c. **If players do not have a UTR profile:** Choose "Add Players" on team page, choose "Invite New Player" and type in the player's email address to invite them to roster. Player will not appear on roster until the player has accepted the invite by creating a free UTR profile.
 3. **Post Challenge Match Scores** - Post scores for practice or challenge matches, choose "Post Scores." Posting scores helps players build their tennis profile and showcase their game.
 4. **Post Dual Match Scores**
 - a. Report to MaxPreps (directions on next page)
 5. **Run Sanctioned & Unofficial High School Tournaments** - You can use UTR's easy-to-use event management system and tournament management system to take registration, create draws and post Verified UTR scores for any official high school tournament, such as a post-season tournament. To create an event, choose "Create Event" and "Tournament".
 - a. *No paid Verified HS events, whether sanctioned or not, can be run through the free UTR High School Product. For an organizer to run a paid Verified event, they must contact UTR directly at contact@utrclubs.com.*

ENTERING DUAL MATCH RESULTS INTO MAXPREPS

Go to MaxPreps.com and sign in. Hover your mouse over the user icon in the upper right corner and click on your school to be taken to your Coach Admin. Follow the steps below to edit your roster, schedule and results.

If you need access to your coach account for the first time please email Josh Taylor at jtaylor@maxpreps.com with the school and sport(s) you need access for.

How to Enter your Tennis Schedule in MaxPreps

Note: Any challenge matches, tournaments or invitationals where athletes from the same school may play each other should be entered on UTR. MaxPreps does not allow entry of results for athletes from the same school.

1. In your coach admin, Go to **Schedule** on the taskbar and select **Games**.
2. Click the green Schedule a Match button, then select Dual and hit continue. For dual matches go to step 3. If so, click 'Add Team' to add your team to the match. If not, scroll to the bottom and select 'Create a New Match' and continue on to step 3.
3. Enter the date, time, location, and opponent(s).
4. Click Save & Exit or Save Meet & Add Another

How to Enter your Roster in MaxPreps

Note: must be done before the season starts and be kept up to date during the season

1. In your coach admin, Select **Roster** on the taskbar
2. Select **Quick Add** to add multiple athletes at once and enter their name and grade. Click Save in the bottom right corner when done.

How to Enter your Results in MaxPreps:

1. In your coach admin, Go to **Schedule** on the taskbar and select **Games**.
2. To **Add/Edit** your score, select **+**, under the **Add/Edit** column.
3. Select the team place from the dropdown under the Place column and enter the team Points for each team in the Points column. Click Save & Next.
4. To begin adding individual results click 'Add Result'. Select the position (1st/2nd/etc. singles/doubles), round and opponent's team. Select each athlete and enter the set scores.



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BYLAW 6.1.2: STUDENT TRANSFERRING TO FOLLOW A COACH

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

Presenter:

Sally Marquez, Executive Director

Proposal:

Clarify that the following-a-coach rule is intended to apply any time a student transfers to a school in which the student has previously participated with one or more acting school coaches in that sport any time after the 6th grade. This would include participation on both non-school teams as well as school-based teams.

6.1.2 / 9.3.R Student Transferring to Follow a Coach

The transfer/residency requirement is implemented as a means to discourage recruitment and reduce the opportunity for undue influence.

Beginning with the summer prior to the 7th grade, if a student participates on with a any ~~non-school~~ team (i.e. Interscholastic, AAU, American Legion, club settings, summer program, etc.) that is affiliated with or coached by a coach associated with that same sport at a school other than the one the Student attends or has attended, and then transfers to that school, regardless of change in bona fide residence, it will be assumed that the Student has been recruited to attend that school or transferred to that school for athletic reasons, and the Student will be ineligible for all high school athletic participation for 180 school days/365 calendar days. If the Student transfers to a school that his/her coach has relocated to, regardless of change in the Student's bona fide residence, it will be assumed that the Student transferred to that school for athletic reasons and he/she will be ineligible there for all high school athletic participation for 180 school days/365 calendar days.

Rationale:

Clarifies the intent and spirit of the rule.

Budget Impact: N/A

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

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COVID HANDBOOK ADDENDUM #8: MISSED GAMES

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

Presenter:

Sally Marquez, Executive Director

Proposal:

Amend the NMAA Covid-19 Handbook Addendum, originally created and adopted for use on an emergency and temporary basis throughout the pandemic, to clarify that only teams/programs shut down by state, county or local health departments are eligible to have missed games counted as no-contests.

8. Missed Games – NMAA Bylaw 7.9 (See also 3.11.4, 5.1.6 & 5.1.7)

- a. Teams / programs shut down by state, county or local health departments relative to Covid-19, will not be penalized a loss or forfeit ~~due to state, county, or local health department determinations relative to Covid-19.~~
- b. Games missed due to Covid-19 8.a will be considered a “no contest” but can be made up if mutually agreed upon.
- c. Teams may work to reschedule with new possible opponents should they have open dates due to scheduled opponents missing games.
- d. District games missed due to Covid-19 8.a must be rescheduled if time permits (see Rule 9 below). Teams may work to reschedule with new possible opponents if the district game(s) cannot be rescheduled.
- e. Once post-season brackets have been drawn, teams or individuals unable to play due to COVID-19 restrictions will be eliminated from the field and the team or individual they are scheduled to play will advance to the next round.
- f. Schools required to cancel games due to state, county, or local health department determinations relative to Covid-19 shall be responsible for any applicable officials' fees.
- g. School / district decisions to forfeit games, for any reason, shall result in a loss / forfeit.
- h. School / district decisions to forfeit district games, for any reason, shall render a school ineligible for post-season play (as per NMAA Bylaw 7.6.6.B).

Rationale:

Clarifies the intent and spirit of the rule.

Budget Impact: N/A

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve