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Onate High School To Forfeit Two Games

ALBUQUERQUE, NM- The New Mexico Activities Association needs to release that Onate High School self reported the use of an ineligible football player today. The ineligible player played during Onate's games against Gadsden and Las Cruces High Schools. The use of an ineligible player results in the forfeiture of the game for which the player played according to NMAA bylaw 6.7.1.

Sanctions are now in place for both Onate High School and Las Cruces High School for using an ineligible player. Both schools have had to forfeit the games in which the ineligible player participated.

As a result of the Onate and Las Cruces forfeitures the district standings in 3-5A are as follows:

Mayfield	District Champion
Alamogordo	District Runner Up
Gadsden	3 rd
Las Cruces and Onate	Tied for 4 th

According to NMAA seeding criteria, in order for either Onate High School or Las Cruces High School to be selected into the 2006 Class 5A football bracket, Gadsden would have to be selected prior to Onate or Las Cruces being selected.

As of 7:00 PM on Wednesday evening the NMAA has not been assigned a State District Court Hearing in Las Cruces regarding the Temporary Restraining Order filed on behalf of 19 Las Cruces high school football parents.

For more information concerning this issue, please contact Robert Zayas, NMAA Director of Communications, at (505) 977-5386.