

NMAA OFFICIAL BALLOT SENIOR HIGH REFERENDUM

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Due Date: December 15, 2017

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Scholastic Eligibility Bylaw 6.2.1.A - Semester Grades

This proposal would adjust scholastic eligibility so that semester grades would be used to determine eligibility instead of six or nine week grades.

NEW VERBIAGE FOR BYLAW 6.2.1.A: ...either cumulatively or for the semester grades immediately preceding participation. For students not eligible at the semester, the next six or nine week grading period can be used to regain eligibility.

Rationale: It can be very difficult for administrators to obtain grades for classes off campus at the six or nine week marking period. Also, using the semester grades will ensure that students participating are making progress towards graduation.

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Scholastic Eligibility Bylaw 6.2.1.A - No F's

This proposal would adjust scholastic eligibility whereas a student would have to receive no F's in order to be eligible to participate.

NEW VERBIAGE FOR BYLAW 6.2.1.A: A student shall have a 2.0 grade point average with **no F's**, based on a 4.0 grading scale, or its equivalent...

Rationale: This would increase the standards of scholastic eligibility and help to ensure that students are making progress towards graduation. Note that a student with one (1) F would still be able to use the "cumulative provision" to attempt to gain eligibility.

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Scholastic Eligibility Bylaw 6.2.4 – Summer Courses

This proposal would adjust scholastic eligibility bylaws so that a student could make up multiple courses during the summer in an effort to gain eligibility.

NEW VERBIAGE FOR BYLAW 6.2.4: A student may make up **classes** during summer school by earning a passing grade in that exact class from an accredited program. The new grade may be substituted for the original grade in that class providing the local school policy permits.

Rationale: This would give students an opportunity to gain eligibility at the semester by using summer school grades for multiple classes. It also rewards students for earning credits towards graduation during the summer.

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Upon direction of the Board of Directors, the New Mexico Activities Association is asking member schools **that participate in the sport of baseball** to vote on the issue below. Please read through the entire referendum before selecting your response. Thank you for your participation in the governance of your organization and for your support of interscholastic activities.

Baseball Bylaw 7.12.1.D - Pitching Regulations / Consecutive Day Note

This proposal would adjust the consecutive day note within the required days rest section of the baseball bylaws regarding pitching regulations.

NEW Consecutive Day Note: If a player pitches on consecutive days and accumulates more than 60 pitches total during those two days, the cumulative pitch count must be used to calculate the required rest period. If a player pitches on two consecutive days and is eligible to pitch a third consecutive day, the maximum number of pitches allowed on day three will be 60. The pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if they hit this maximum limit during an at bat, but must exit the game after the batter.

Rationale: New pitch count regulations were implemented by the NFHS for the 2017 high school baseball season. Although the policy adopted by the NMAA was fairly well received, one area of concern was common, especially with smaller schools. This dealt with the consecutive day note within the regulations and how that impacted short relievers during tournament play. Coaches asked the sports specific committee to look at ways to change this rule so that a true short reliever could pitch three days in row, while still looking out for the health and safety of the student-athlete.

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