Upon direction of the Board of Directors, the New Mexico Activities Association is asking member schools within Class A and 2A (as per classification & alignment for the 2018/2019-2019/2020 block) 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.

Bylaw 7.6.26 – School Co-op Participation

This proposal would adjust co-op rules so that schools within Class A & 2A could also form tri-ops. Co-ops would consist of two schools; tri-ops would consist of three schools.

NEW VERBIAGE FOR BYLAW 7.6.26:

Class A and/or AA schools can petition the Director to co-op/tri-op in the sports of football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball, and/or softball. At least one school in a co-op and two schools in a tri-op must show proof that they do not have enough willing participants to field their own team. The co-op/tri-op team must play in the classification in which their combined grades 9-12 enrollment would place them, but in no case higher than Class AA.

The schools must apply jointly, via letters signed by their superintendents and/or school boards, and agree to share in all areas including costs, liability, discipline, insurance, etc. The schools must agree to remain in the co-op/tri-op for a minimum of a two-year block.

Rationale: This change will provide more opportunities for students within small schools to participate.

19 Favor
4 Do Not Favor

This box must be completed by all member schools.

Print Name of Official Voter ________________________________  Signature of Official Voter ________________________________
Print Name of Superintendent/Head of School ________________________________  Signature of Superintendent/Head of School ________________________________
School ________________________________  District/Classification ________________________________

Due date is August 10, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

This ballot, with both signatures affixed, must be received in the NMAA office by 4:00 p.m. Please fax completed referenda to Mindy Ioane at (505) 923-3114. Please note that if either signature above is missing, the ballot will not be counted. Contact Dusty Young (dusty@nmaact.org) if you have any questions regarding this referendum.