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6.9.3 Petition Process

This proposal would add "A student must be academically eligible prior to submission of the petition (regular or hardship)" to bylaw 6.9.3.

Rationale:

Scholastic eligibility is the fundamental requirement for a student to be allowed to participate in interscholastic activities. It precedes all other eligibility requirements.

The NMAA receives many petitions for student-athletes who are not scholastically eligible. Schools are asking to move through the Appeals/Hardship process with these students. This can be time consuming and costly for a student that is not even eligible.

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**Football Competition Period**

This proposal would modify bylaw 7.15.1.C regarding the amount of time a student can compete in the sport of football in a 5 day period (Monday thru Saturday) as follows:

**Competition Period:** A student shall not accumulate more than 8 football experiences within a 5-day period. A football experience is defined as follows:

- Participating in more than one play on offense during a quarter  
- Participating in more than one play on defense during a quarter

*NOTE – Special Teams plays do not count towards participation limits / football experiences

Per these definitions, a student could accumulate a total of 8 football experiences during any one game.

**Example:** Student A is on both the Junior Varsity and Varsity Football Teams. The student participates in the JV and Varsity games as follows:

**Tuesday, Junior Varsity**
- 1st Quarter – 2 plays on offense (1 football experience), 12 plays on defense (1 football experience)
- 2nd Quarter – 15 plays on defense (1 football experience)
- 3rd Quarter – 12 plays on defense (1 football experience)
- 4th Quarter – 1 play on offense (NOT a football experience), 11 plays on defense (1 football experience),

**TOTAL FOOTBALL EXPERIENCES = 5**

**Friday, Varsity**
- 1st Quarter – 10 plays on offense (1 football experience)
- 2nd Quarter – 15 plays on offense (1 football experience)
- 3rd Quarter – 14 plays on offense (1 football experience)
- 4th Quarter – Did not play

**TOTAL FOOTBALL EXPERIENCES = 3**

**TOTAL FOOTBALL EXPERIENCES FOR THE 5-DAY PERIOD = 8**
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