



NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

March 2009

The following items were approved at the January 30-31, 2009 meeting of the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee:

HANDBOOK COMMITTEE (approved)

Overtime: Sections will have the authority to decide if overtime sessions will be played in a particular sport. If approved, the overtime procedure included in the sport specific rule book must be followed. Any approved waiver or modification of the overtime procedures are noted in the Sport Standards section of the NYSPHSAA Handbook (pages 110-117).

Exceeding The Maximum Number Of Contests: Under Penalties add to page 99, letter "c". NOTE: The level in which the student athlete participated as an ineligible competitor will be effected.

SPORT COMMITTEES (approved)

Baseball – Tied and Suspended Game.

Tennis – Coaching on the court.

Boys Volleyball – Adoption of NCAA rules for fall of 2009 with the same rule modifications as girls volleyball.

Boys and Girls Golf – Policies on range finders, practice rounds and rulings.

Softball - Super Regional Doubleheader: In Classes B and C in Sections 1-8-9-11 the winners of the 1@9 and 8@11 will play each other at Section 8, with that winner advancing to the State Semi-Finals.

CLASSIFICATION of SCHOOLS (approved)

The official enrollments numbers for the 2009-2010 classification of schools.

MODIFIED PROGRAMS (approved)

Baseball & Softball - With sectional/league approval, a 'mercy rule' experiment in modified baseball and softball will be permitted, allowing a game to end after a team at the short end of the 15 run rule has completed their fifth at bat.

SAFETY COMMITTEE (approved)

Will collect and analyze data pertaining to injuries in Girls Lacrosse.

FRIEND & NEIGHBOR STATUS - Defeated the elimination of Friends & Neighbors at the HS level.

CALENDAR

MARCH 2009

- 3rd Section 9
- 5th Section 10
- 10th Section 11
Boys & Girls Volleyball
- 17th Section 1
- 19th Sportsmanship 3:30 PM
Saratoga Hotel
- 25th Sections 4,6, and 8
- 26th Section 3
- 30th Football Committee
- 31st Boys & Girls Swimming
and Diving

CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 6 - 7
Boys Swimming & Diving
Nassau Aquatics Center (8)
Indoor Track @ Cornell (4)

March 7
Boys Volleyball (2)

March 7-8
Bowling @ Gates Bowl (5)

March 14-15
Ice Hockey @ Utica Aud (3)

March 20-22
Basketball (2)
Girls - Hudson Valley CC
Boys - Glens Falls

March 27-29
Federation Basketball
Glens Falls (2)

COACHING CLINICS

March 6th
Field Hockey
Field of Dreams Utica

March 27 & 28th
Cross Country - Track & Field
Syracuse Holiday Inn
Carrier Circle

Scholar Athlete Team Award Deadline—March 6th

NFHS STUDENT LEADERSHIP Conference

The NYSPHSAA is now accepting applications for those students interested in attending the NFHS Student Leadership Conference in Indianapolis. Six students will be selected to represent the NYSPHSAA at the NFHS Conference.

Applications can be found on the Association website at www.nysphsaa.org The four day conference is scheduled for July 16-19, 2009.

SPORTSMANSHIP PROMOTION PROGRAM

NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Promotion Program Assessments are due on April 6, 2009. All athletic directors are encouraged to fill out assessments. The assessments are designed to have schools share what they do to **PROMOTE** good sportsmanship. The assessment targets policies, procedures, and programs that schools implement in their district. Every school that fills out the assessments will receive a certificate of recognition from the Sportsmanship Promotion Program sponsored by Pupil Benefits Inc. The Section Sportsmanship Committee will select 3 or 4 school districts to receive a plaque in recognition of their efforts to promote good sportsmanship. The Sportsmanship Committee will accept nominations from the sections for schools to be considered for the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Promotion Program Award.