



DECEMBER 2010 NYSPHSAA OFFICE REPORT

CALENDAR

December 1
Section 2
Girls Lacrosse - 9:00 AM

December 2
Safety Committee 9:00 AM

December 8
Section 5 - 10:00 AM

December 8
Section 8 - 8:00 AM

December 16
Section 7 - 9:30 AM

December 21
Central Committee - 10:30

2011

January 6
Section 3 - 9:00 AM
Section 10 - 9:00 AM
Boys Soccer - 10:00 AM

January 7
Field Hockey - 9:30 AM

January 8
Boys Lacrosse - 10:00AM

2011 CLINICS

January 14
Lacrosse @ SUNY Cortland

January 28
Softball - TBA

March 4
Baseball - Hall of Fame

March 5
Sports Medicine

March 26
Volleyball - TBA

March 26-27
Track & Field @ Utica
Radisson

May 13
Cheerleading - Rochester

June 3
Soccer @ Utica
Field of Dreams

**SCHOLAR ATHLETE
DEADLINE**
Friday, December 3rd

SOME ITEMS PRESENTED FOR POSSIBLE ACTION AT THE NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Fiscal Concerns: Motions will be developed for consideration by the Central Committee meeting scheduled for December 21, 2010.

Fact Finding and Arbitration Process: New Fact Finding and Arbitration Process Guidelines.

Girls Basketball: Recommends the use of the NFHS Concussion Rule.

Wrestling: A wrestler who receives a forfeit will not have to wait 45 minutes before their next match.

Softball: Moving the pitching distance to 43 ft for all high school programs in spring of 2011. Continue to prohibit the use of metal cleats for all levels of play.

Modified Committee: For action at the December NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting: With Section/League approval, a 'mercy rule' in modified baseball & softball will be permitted.

Sportsmanship Committee: To have the "**Be Loud, Be Proud, Be Positive**" statement read at the beginning of all NYSPHSAA Championship events.

Transfer Committee - Change in language for Academic Hardship waivers.

FUTURE DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

Safety Committee: December 2nd meeting

- Starting with the 2012 Girl's Lacrosse season, all players will be mandated to wear a hard shell helmet with a facemask that meets all of the NOCSAE requirements for the sport of lacrosse.
- Recommend that if the fiscal concern recommendations are continued the Safety Mandate be required every two years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and REMINDERS

Preventing Skin Infections - NYSPHSAA hosted seven webinars in the months of October & November. Over 600 individuals participated in these webinars, which included coaches, athletic directors, school nurses, physicians, athletic trainers, and other health related personnel. A copy of the power point presentation is available on the NYSPHSAA website as well as other useful resources for school districts to use to educate coaches, parents, and athletes on skin infections. Please visit www.nysphsaa.org and click on safety and research for these resources.

Wrestling - Of the six permitted tournaments, a maximum of 2 two-day dual meet tournaments will be allowed. Also, a wrestler cannot wrestle at their certified weight due to weight allowances caused by back to back competition, inclement weather, etc. prior to December 25th. The December 25th growth allowance is the only way this can occur.

Send Us Your Campus News - If you would like to share news and features about what's happening on your school's campus, please email altieri@nysphsaa.org so we can consider publishing it in *Scholastic Athletics*—the Association's quarterly newsletter. Winter deadline is Wednesday, December 8th and spring deadline is Monday, May 2nd.

Tickets Go On Sale for the Wrestling Tournament - Tickets for the 2011 Wrestling State Championships at the Times Union Center in Albany will go on sale December 16th. Tickets can be purchased at the Times Union Center Box Office, select Price Chopper outlets, by phone at 1-800-30-EVENT, or at www.timesunion.com.

The NFHS has delayed the implementation of the SOCCER UNIFORM RULE requiring SOLID WHITE UNIFORM TOPS from 2012 to until the 2013 Fall season.

**COMPOSITE BATS
FOR A LIST OF APPROVED BATS FOR THE
2011 SEASON VISIT
WWW.NFHS.ORG Keyword BAT**