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2019-2020 BEDS

School	2019-2020	School	2019-2020
Shenendehowa	2436	Corinth	280
Schenectady	2271	Greenwich	271
Albany	2040	Hoosick Falls	270
Saratoga Springs	1584	Voorheesville	264
Shaker	1458	Academy of Holy Names	260
Bethlehem	1176	Stillwater	252
Guilderland	1174	Granville	243
Colonie	1099	Rensselaer	232
Niskayuna	1057	Hoosic Valley	231
Ballston Spa	993	Chatham	228
Columbia	979	Lake George	222
Troy	913	Berlin	216
Queensbury	865	Cambridge	210
Amsterdam	829	Maple Hill	210
Burnt Hills/Ballston Lake	789	Canajoharie	198
South Glens Falls	732	Galway	192
Mohonasen	681	Mayfield	187
Averill Park	675	Schoharie	181
Green Tech	672	Berne-Knox-Westerlo	180
Gloversville	643	Waterford-Halfmoon	174
Scotia-Glenville	601	Hadley-Luzerne	159
Albany Leadership	596	Warrensburg	157
CBA	536	Duanesburg	156
Lansingburgh	526	Fort Plain	156
Emma Willard	524	Salem	156
Hudson Falls	508	Catholic Central	154
Glens Falls	490	Middleburgh	154
Schalmont	468	Whitehall	147
Cohoes	466	Germantown	142
Broadalbin-Perth	432	NOTRE DAME-BISHOP GIBBONS	136
Cobleskill-Richmondville	432	Argyle	118
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk	424	North Warren	118
Hudson	409	OESJ	117
Ichabod Crane	403	New Lebanon	115
Johnstown	396	Fort Ann	111
Schuylerville	366	Fort Edward	109
LaSalle	350	Northville	106
Watervliet	336	Saratoga Central Catholic	103
Mechanicville	331	Doane Stuart	90
Catskill	327	Hartford	85
Taconic Hills	324	Bishop Maginn	79
ALBANY ACADEMIES (THE)	321	Heatly	79
Tamarac	321	Mekeel Christian	79
Coxsackie-Athens	309	Johnsburg	70
Fonda-Fultonville	301	Loudonville Christian	66
Greenville	283	Bolton	45
Cairo-Durham	280	Hawthorne Valley	39

NYSPHSAA, INC. MEMBERSHIP

	Members (Sr. HS)	Members (Jr. HS)	Members Schools	
Section 1 (Dutchess Putman, Rockland, Westchester)	83		83	168
Section 2 (Capital District)		95	101	194
Section 3 (Central New York)	104		114	218
Section 4 (Southern Tier)	72		79	151
Section 5 (Genesee Valley)	119		115	238
Section 6 (Western New York)	94		81	175
Section 7 (Champlain Area)	25		23	48
Section 8 (Nassau)	57		56	113
Section 9 (Orange, Sullivan, Ulster)	44		45	89
Section 10 (St. Lawrence Area)	24		25	49
Section 11 (Suffolk)	<u>61</u>		<u>80</u>	<u>141</u>
	778		802	1584

2019-2020 STATE CLASSIFICATION

TEAM SPORTS

3 CLASS

- Class A – 800 & Up
- Class B – 400-799
- Class C – 1-399

5 CLASS

- Class AA – 965 & Up
- Class A – 500-964
- Class B – 270-499
- Class C – 150-269
- Class D – 1-149

INDIVIDUAL SPORTS

2 CLASS

- Div. I – 600 & Up
- Div. II – 0-599

CLASSIFICATION VARIATIONS

(as approved by the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee)

Cross Country

- Class A – 830 & up
- Class B – 446-829
- Class C – 240-445
- Class D – 239 & below

Field Hockey

- Class A – 915 & up
- Class B – 450 - 914
- Class C – 449 & below

Football

- Class AA - 1025 & up
- Class A – 585-1024
- Class B – 355-584
- Class C – 230-354
- Class D - 229 & below

Ice Hockey

- Div. I – 1000 & up
- Div. II – 0-999

Boys Lacrosse

- Class A - 1060 & up
- Class B – 765-1059
- Class C – 430-764
- Class D – 429 & below

Girls Lacrosse

- Class A – 1060 & up
- Class B – 750-1059
- Class C – 465-774
- Class D – 464 & below

Girls Volleyball

- Class AA – 950 & up
- Class A – 598-949
- Class B – 368-597
- Class C – 221-367
- Class D – 220 & below

Boys Volleyball

- Fall: Div. I – 950 & up
- Div. II – 0-949
- Winter: Class B – 340 & up
- Class C – 0-339

SECTIONAL VARIATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL SPORTS

Bowling

- Class A – 600 & up
- Class B – 275-599
- Class C – 274 & below

Cheerleading

- Div. I- 750 & up
- Div. II – 0-749
- Co-Ed

Golf

- Class A
- Class B
- Class C/D

Indoor Track

- Div. I – 1100 & up
- Div. II – 701-1099
- Div. III – 376-700
- Div. IV – 0-375

Swimming

- Large School – 900 & up
- Small School – 0-899

Tennis

- Class AA – 965 & up
- Class A – 500-964
- Class B – 270-499
- Class C/D – 0-269

Outdoor Track

- Group 1- 840 & up
- Group 2- 455-839
- Group 3- 310-454
- Group 4- 225-309
- Group 5- 224 & below

Wrestling

- Group I; Class 1
- Group I; Class 2
- Group II; Class 1
- Group II; Class 2
- Group II; Class 3

For 2019-2020 school classification purposes, enrollment figures were taken from the October 2017 State Education Department BEDS (Bureau of Education Data Systems) report using the formula and will be in effect for one (1) year only.

2018-2019

2018-2019

2018-2019 EDS	School	Baseball	Basketball (Boys)	Basketball (Girls)	Bowling	X- Country (Boys)	X- Country (Girls)	Field Hockey	Football	Golf	Ice Hockey	Indoor Track (Boys)	Indoor Track (Girls)	Lacrosse (Boys)	Lacrosse (Girls)	Outdoor Track (Boys)	Outdoor Track (Girls)	Skiing	Soccer (Boys)	Soccer (Girls)	Softball	Swimming (Boys)	Swimming (Girls)	Tennis (Boys)	Tennis (Girls)	Volleyball (Boys) Winter	Volleyball (Girls)	Wrestling			
266	Academy of Holy Names			A		B	B																								
325	The Albany Academies	A	AA	B		B	CC		B	A		D-3	D-3		B	G-2	G-3		A	B	B	D-2		AA	A						
594	Albany Leadership			A									D-3			G-2	G-2			A	A										
81	Bishop Maginn	D	A	B	B	D	D		B			D-2	D-2			G-3	G-3		D	D	D			C							
170	Catholic Central	B	A	AA	C	C	D		C*	C	D-3	D-3		D	G-3	G-3			C	B	A			A							
273 x 2=546	CBA	AA	AA	A	A	B			AA	A	D-1	D-1		A	G-2	G-2			AA	D	A			B							
94	Doane Stuart	D	D	D		C*	C*					D-4*	D-4*		G-3	G-4			C*	D	D			C/D*							
524	Emma Willard	-		A		B	B					D-2	D-2		-	G-2			A	A	A			AA							
300 x 2=600	Green Tech	A	AA						A			D-2	D-2		G-2	G-2															
42	Hawthorne Valley	D	D	D		D	D								G-1	G-1			AA		D					C/D					
194 x 2=388	LaSalle	AA	AA	B	B	C			A	A	D-1	D-2		C					AA			D-2			A						
65	Loudonville Christian	D	D	D						C/D									D	D	D										
84	Mekeel Academy	D	A	B		D	D								G-5	G-5			C	D	D										
125	Noire Dams/Bishop Gibbon	C	B	D	B	B	B		C*	C	D-4	D-4			G-3	G-3			C	B	B										
97	Saratoga Catholic	B	C	C	C	D	D			C/D					G-5	G-5			C	D	C										
170*38=208									C*																						

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217*29=246

*Doane Stuart/Member

Revised: 9.2018

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Ichabod Crane	444	Argyle	136
Glens Falls	443	Fort Plain	135
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk	411	OESJ	134
Broadalbin/Perth	410	North Warren	109
Cobleskill-Richmondville	409	Northville	109
Schuylerville	404	New Lebanon	108
Johnstown	403	Germanatown	107
Cohoes	401	Fort Edward	106
Hudson	386	Fort Ann	105
Taconic Hills	324	Hartford	95
Catskill	312	Heatly	64
Coxsackie-Athens	312	Johnsburg	61
Tamarac	304	Bolton	49
Fonda-Fultonville	300		
Voorheesville	300		
Mechanicville	283		
Watervliet	281		

FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS; JR. HIGH MEMBERS & K-8 SCHOOLS

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GENERAL PROCEDURES FOR SECTIONAL CONTESTS

1. All schools in Section 2 are expected to make their facilities available for Sectional play if so requested by the Section 2 sport coordinators. It is impossible to run sectional tournaments without the cooperation of the member schools. In any case when a sectional coordinator is not given permission to use a school's facilities for sectional play, the sectional coordinator should register this information with the Section 2 President.
2. It is the responsibility of the Section 2 sport coordinator in each sport to provide the site chairmen for his or her particular sectional activity with the information, forms, etc. that he will need to conduct the sectional event.
3. The **Section will pay approved** expenses, which result from sectional activities. In order for any expense to be paid from Section 2 funds, an original Section 2 claim form must accompany the invoice, bill or statement for the expense. If the section claim form is not completed, the bill will not be paid!!!!
4. At the end of each sectional event, it is the responsibility of the site chairman to complete the Section 2 Financial Report for the event and submit it with a check for admission fees (gate) to the Executive Director.
5. It is the responsibility of the sport coordinator to provide the section patches and plaques for the winning teams and individuals. These are ordered through a designated member of the Executive Committee of the section.
6. It is the responsibility of the site chairman to charge and collect an admission fee for ALL spectator sports, which are played at the sectional level. The site chairman will also provide custodial services, supervision, ticket sellers, ticket takers, etc. The section will pay these people after completing a section expense claim voucher per the approved rate of pay.
7. It is the responsibility of the section sport coordinator to provide officials for the contest (referees, umpires, etc.) this responsibility may be delegated to the site chairman if so desired.
8. All sectional contests will be conducted according to the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Handbook.
9. It is the responsibility of the site chairman to delegate a committee to handle appeals or protests at sectional contests.
10. Any questions regarding the management of sectional events should be directed to the sectional coordinator of the sport. When in doubt, ask!!
11. All leagues are represented on the Section 2 Committees for each sport. Your representative is your voice in sectional play – USE IT! BE REPRESENTED!
12. **SEND ALL VOUCHERS AND RECEIPTS & 2 PAGE FINANCIAL REPORT TO SECTION 2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.**

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HEAT INDEX PROCEDURES

Administration of Heat Index Procedures:

- Heat index will be checked 1 hour before the contest/practice by a certified athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee when the air temperature is 80 degrees (Fahrenheit) or higher.
- The athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee will use the accuweather.com website to determine the heat index for the area of the contest/practice. The accuweather.com website can be reached through the NYSPHSAA website. Once a person is on the accuweather.com website, they will put in the zip code for the location of the contest/practice and the website will give them the air temperature as well as the RealFeel temperature (heat index).
- If the RealFeel temperature (heat index) is 90 degrees or above, the athletic trainer, athletic director, or school designee must re-check the RealFeel (heat index) at halftime or midway point of the contest. If the RealFeel (heat index) temperature is 96 degrees (Fahrenheit) or more, the contest will be suspended.

Please refer to the following chart to take the appropriate actions:

	RealFeel (Heat Index) under 79 degrees	Full activity. No restrictions
R E C O M M E N D E D	Heat Index Caution: RealFeel (Heat Index) 80 degrees to 85 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session.
	Heat Index Watch: RealFeel (Heat Index) 86 degrees to 90 degrees	Provide ample water and multiple water breaks. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when ReelFeel temp is lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time).
	Heat Index Warning: RealFeel (Heat Index) 91 degrees to 95 degrees	Provide ample water and water breaks every 15 minutes. Monitor athletes for heat illness. Consider postponing practice to a time when ReelFeel temp is much lower. Consider reducing the amount of time for the practice session. 1 hour of recovery time for every hour of practice (ex. 2hr practice = 2hr recovery time). Light weight and loose fitting clothes should be worn. For Practices only Football Helmets should be worn. No other protective equipment should be worn.
REQUIRED	Heat Index Alert: RealFeel (Heat Index) 96 degrees or greater	No outside activity, practice or contest, should be held. Inside activity should only be held if air conditioned

Approved May 1, 2010

A. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS AND RELATED PERSONNEL

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Maximum Number</u>
Football.....	55
Field Hockey.....	27
Cross Country (G).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Cross Country (B).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Soccer (B/G).....	30
Volleyball.....	21
Girls Tennis (Individual Section Team).....	12
Girls Swimming (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Basketball (B/G).....	21
Bowling (B/G) (8 Team+6 Ind. Girls+6 Ind. Boys Section Team).....	37
Ice Hockey.....	30
Wrestling (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes
Skiing (B/G) (Individual Section Team).....	28(ratio of coaches to athletes 1 to 10)
Boys Swimming (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Boys Indoor Track (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Girls Indoor Track (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Girls Gymnastics (Individual Section Team).....	18 participants
Baseball.....	23
Softball.....	20
Lacrosse (B).....	37
Lacrosse (G).....	32
Boys Tennis (Individual Section Team).....	12
Golf (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Boys Track and Field (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.
Girls Track and Field (Individual Section Team).....	Qualifiers, plus max. of 1 coach per 10 athletes.

NYSPHSAA
THUNDER & LIGHTNING POLICY

(Effective 10/25/04)
(Revised October 20, 2008)

Applies to regular season through NYSPHSAA Finals:

1) Thunder and lightning necessitates that contests be suspended. The occurrence of thunder and/or lightning is not subject to interpretation or discussion - thunder is thunder, lightning is lightning.

a) With your site administrator, set up a plan for shelter prior to the start of any contest.

2) When thunder is heard and/or when lightning is seen, the following procedures should be adhered to:

a) Suspend play and direct participants to go to shelter, a building normally occupied by the public or if a building is unavailable, participants should go inside a vehicle with a solid metal top (e.g. bus, van, car).

b) Do not permit people to stand under or near a tree; and have all stay away from poles, antennas, towers and underground watering systems.

c) After thunder and/or lightning have left the area, wait 30 minutes after the last boom is heard or strike is seen before resuming play or competition.

Athletic Trainer Policy

Section 2 Certified Athletic Trainers (ATC) are representing Section 2 as the neutral, unbiased, medical designee responsible for making any and all return to play decisions for an athlete; following an injury sustained in a Section 2 sanctioned post season contest or event. Unless a member school provides their own ATC and/or contracted school physician at the host venue, the Section 2 designated ATC will make those decisions. A physician or medical provider, unaffiliated with the participating schools, CANNOT AND SHOULD NOT, be involved in any capacity with regards to making any return to play decisions.

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2. It is the responsibility of the Section 2 sport coordinator in each sport to provide the site chairmen for his or her particular sectional activity with the information, forms, etc. that he will need to conduct the sectional event.
3. The **Section will pay approved** expenses, which result from sectional activities. In order for any expense to be paid from Section 2 funds, an original Section 2 claim form must accompany the invoice, bill or statement for the expense. If the section claim form is not completed, the bill will not be paid!!!!
4. At the end of each sectional event, it is the responsibility of the site chairman to complete the Section 2 Financial Report for the event and submit it with a check for admission fees (**gate**) to the Executive Director.
5. It is the responsibility of the sport coordinator to provide the section patches and plaques for the winning teams and individuals. These are ordered through a designated member of the Executive Committee of the section.
6. It is the responsibility of the site chairman to charge and collect an admission fee for **ALL** spectator sports, which are played at the sectional level. The site chairman will also provide custodial services, supervision, ticket sellers, ticket takers, etc. The section will pay these people after completing a section expense claim voucher per the approved rate of pay.
7. It is the responsibility of the section sport coordinator to provide officials for the contest (referees, umpires, etc.) this responsibility may be delegated to the site chairman if so desired.
8. All sectional contests will be conducted according to the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Handbook.
9. It is the responsibility of the site chairman to delegate a committee to handle appeals or protests at sectional contests.
10. Any questions regarding the management of sectional events should be directed to the sectional coordinator of the sport. When in doubt, ask!!
11. All leagues are represented on the Section 2 Committees for each sport. Your representative is your voice in sectional play – USE IT! BE REPRESENTED!
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Section I.

Section 2 Sportsmanship Policy

In order to promote the fundamentals of good sportsmanship, the member schools of Section 2 of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association have adopted the following policy:

- A. Each School shall educate its athletes, coaches, parents and student body as to the accepted standards of good sportsmanship as defined herein. See Section 2 of this regulation.
- B. Each school shall prominently display the Code of Behavior for Spectators outlined in Section 2I.
- C. Each school shall send a designated chaperone with teams playing at neutral or away site for sectional, regional, or state competition, in the sports of football, boys and girl's basketball, and boys and girls soccer. This person, who shall be responsible for crowd control, shall report to the site chairperson upon arrival.

In other sports, the coach and staff must assume some of the responsibility for control of his or her spectators.

- D. Each school shall provide adequate chaperone coverage at home contests.
- E. For boys and girls' soccer, field hockey, and lacrosse, it is mandated that the players' benches be placed on the opposite side of the field as the spectators, if site conditions permit. (Exception – stadium with fixed bleachers and a protective barrier.)
- F. Players and coaches who are disqualified from a contest for unsportsmanlike behavior are prohibited from playing or coaching in the next regularly scheduled contest. See Sections IV and V.
- G. Players or coaches who strike or otherwise physically assault an official will be subject to suspension for a greater period of time. See Section VI.
- H. Official's organizations shall be made aware of this policy and their assistance solicited in its enforcement.
- I. This policy has been revised and updated in accordance with the newly adopted NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Standard.

Section 2 Section 2 Sportsmanship Policy For Coaches

All coaches and staff must be made aware of the following sportsmanship policy. It should be included in any athletic department handbook or coach's handbook.

1. Greet and be courteous to opponent's coaches and players.
2. Know the rules of your sports and teach them to your team. Respect officials and their decisions. Demand that your athletes abide by an official's decision without emotional display.
3. Display concern for the physical well being of your opponent's players as well as your own.
4. Win with humility; lose with grace; do both with dignity.
5. Encourage your team to interact with the opponent. A pre-game or post-game handshake for every Section 2 contest is strongly recommended.
6. Offer your assistance, and that of your staff and players, to the opponent and officials.
7. Do not accept unruly behavior from your players, staff, or spectators. Set standards of conduct.
8. Maintain self-control at all times. Players and spectators tend to follow the coach's example.

Section 2 Section 2 Sportsmanship Policy For Athletes

Players at each level of competition shall be made aware of these sportsmanship guidelines. This policy should be incorporated in all student handbooks and codes of conduct for athletes.

1. Learn and understand the rules of your sport. Play hard, play to win, but play fairly within these rules.
2. Do not allow your temper to distract you from the fundamentals of good sportsmanship. Maintain self-control.
3. Respect your opponent. Never taunt. Congratulate him or her at game's end. Acknowledge good play.
4. Respect the integrity and judgment of officials. Never question the decision of an official.
5. Be an example for your school, teammates, and opponents.

Definitions

The following terms included in this regulation are defined and/or clarified:

1. **Unsportsmanship behavior** is an act of misconduct by a player or coach which violates the principles of Good sportsmanship. Fighting, responding physically to an altercation, use of profanity, throwing of a helmet, bat, and excessive taunting of an opponent are examples of this kind of behavior. It is imperative that officials be vigilant and consistent in disqualifying players and coaches for these abuses.

It is also implicit that athletes or coaches who exhibit such behavior but are not disqualified by an official or in a sport where no official is employed, such as golf or tennis, would receive the same penalty as an athlete or coach who was indeed ejected from a contest.

Unsportsmanship behavior does not include disqualification for a technicality such as, but not limited to, running out of lane in a track meet, unless such action was a deliberate attempt to impede an opponent. Ejection for failure to slide at home plate in a baseball game must be evaluated very carefully. This could indeed be an expression of unsportsmanship behavior or simply an act of misjudgment or ignorance on the part of a player.

2. **Next regularly scheduled contest:** This is the same as the next contest which originally was in the schedule. NO attempt should be made to insert a non-league contest into a sports schedule after a key player has been disqualified so that that player would not participate in a meaningless game. This totally violates the intent of this rule and is not permitted. The ejected player or coach must not participate in the next previously scheduled contest.

Section IV. Player Ejection Policy

Any player on a varsity, junior varsity, freshman, or modified team in Section 2 shall be suspended for the next **previously scheduled** contest if he/she is ejected from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct including taunting by an official. The next contest is defined as the next contest in which the disqualified athlete is eligible to play, in that sport season. **Disqualification from one sports season will carry over to the next season of participation (as per state regulation)**. A player who is disqualified from the final regular season game would sit out the first sectional contest, if applicable. A player who might be injured (for example, during a fight for which he was ejected) would be ineligible for the first contest for which he/she is medically cleared. Sectional, regional, or state tournament games are **not** exempt from this rule.

The school's athletic director, coach, and/or principal in accordance with the school's discipline code shall appropriately discipline a senior athlete disqualified from his/her last contest of participation within two weeks of the incident. The athletic director shall report in writing to the chairperson of the Section 2 Sportsmanship Committee as to what disciplinary procedures were followed.

Any member of a squad who strikes, shoves, kicks, or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass or intimidate an official shall be expelled from the contest immediately and banned from further participation in all sports for a period of time to be determined by the Section not to exceed one year form the date of the offense.

Note: Member of the squad includes player, manager, scorekeeper, timer, or statistician.

If player is disqualified from a game, the coach of the player must fill out a disqualification form after the contest. Comments from each coach and the official should be solicited. Completed form should be given to athletic director of offending school.

Copies of these forms must be submitted to the **Section 2 Sportsmanship Chairperson** as soon as possible. The chairperson shall compile and distribute a summary of disqualification by sport and level seasonally and shall submit a copy to the NYSPHSAA office.

Enforcement of this rule is incumbent on the athletic directors and school administrators. If a disqualified player plays illegally in a contest, that would constitute the use of an ineligible player, and would be subject to the state regulations regarding same. Schools who repeatedly violate this policy are subject to further sanctions by the sportsmanship committee.

Section V. Coach Ejection Policy

Any coach or assistant coach of a Section 2 team at any level shall be suspended from coaching the next scheduled contest if he/she is ejected from a contest for unsportsmanlike behavior including taunting by an official. The contest is defined in the section on player ejection.

A coach who strikes, shoves, kicks, or makes other physical contact with the intent to annoy, harass, or intimidate another person (e.g. official, another coach, player, fan) shall be expelled immediately and banned from further participation or coaching in all sports for a period to be determined by the Section not to exceed 1 year.

Responsibility for Enforcement

The athletic director of the offending school is responsible for enforcement of this regulation. If a coach is disqualified from a game, the athletic director shall file a report with the Section 2 Sportsmanship Committee.

Enforcement of this rule is incumbent on the athletic directors and school administrators. If a disqualified person coaches illegally in a contest, that contest is subject to forfeiture pending decision of the Sportsmanship Committee.

SPECIAL NOTE: A DISQUALIFIED COACH MAY NOT BE PRESENT IN THE LOCKER ROOM, ON THE SIDELINES, IN THE STANDS OR SITE AREA BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER THE CONTEST.

Section VI

Physical Confrontation with Official

In no case shall a player or coach strike, bump, or otherwise physically intimidate an official, including before, during, and after a contest. A written report of any such incident must be sent, by the official or the official's representative, within forty-eight (48) hours, to the chairman of the Section 2 Sportsmanship Committee. The official shall also send a copy of this report to the director of athletics of the offending school.

The offending school shall file a written report with the Section 2 Sportsmanship Committee within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of the official's notification.

The Sportsmanship Committee shall conduct a hearing as soon as possible with all parties, or representatives present. Decisions of the Sportsmanship Committee shall be final.

Each case will be reviewed separately and the following penalties may be assessed:

1. Multiple game suspension.
2. Season suspension.
3. Suspension from playing or coaching any sport for one calendar year.

The official would retain the right to initiate legal action against the offending player or coach.

Section VII

Appeal Procedure

If, upon consultation with the coach, the athletic director feels that the athlete or coach was ejected unfairly or that there were extenuating circumstances, then the principal of the offending school may initiate the appeal procedure. The disqualification report shall be sent to the Chairperson of the Sportsmanship Committee within forty-eight (48) hours of the incident involving the player or coach ejection from a contest. Telephone contact may initiate the appeal followed by the written report. Comments from the officials, the opposing coach, etc. shall be included on the disqualification report. Only appeals from the principal of the involved school will be heard.

A decision by the Sportsmanship Committee will be made within forty-eight (48) hours of the appeal if at all possible. The offending player or coach may continue to play or coach during the appeal process. Decision of the Sportsmanship Committee is final, subject to the rules of the N. Y. S. P. H. S. A. A.

The intent of the rule is to penalize acts of unsportsmanship. We, as educators, should not be looking for ways to circumvent the ideals of this rule. Therefore, appeals of disqualifications for unsportsmanship behavior will not be considered unless there are extreme extenuating circumstances. "The other kid punched, our kid first" shall **NOT** be considered as a basis for appeal.

**For further information on the Section 2 Sportsmanship Policy,
refer to the Section 2 Constitution – Rules & Regulations #10**



Permission for Special Accommodations

Every situation requesting permission for special accommodations (including religious apparel) is evaluated on an individual basis.

The procedure is as follows:

SPECIAL DEVICES AND PROSTHESIS

1. Written approval by the school physician to participate in a specific sport while wearing the device.
2. Review of the NYSPHSAA approved sport specific rules to determine if there is a prohibition.
3. The member school requests, in writing from the Athletic Director on school stationery, a review and evaluation by the Assistant Director responsible for safety. All requests are to be accompanied by photos of the device being worn by the student taken from several different angles. Additionally, documentation of school physician approval is to be sent.
4. NYSPHSAA review consists of reviewing the game rules, evaluating if the student would be safe participating while wearing the device, evaluating if teammates and opponents are placed at risk, and possible consultation with our medical advisors.

RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATIONS

1. Review of the NYSPHSAA approved sport specific rules to determine if there is a prohibition.
2. For a special accommodation the member school requests, in writing, a review and evaluation by the Assistant Director responsible for safety.
3. Written explanation of the special accommodation needed from the student's religious leader.
4. NYSPHSAA review consists of reviewing the game rules, evaluating if the student would be safe participating while wearing the device, evaluating if teammates and opponents are placed at risk, and possible consultation with our medical advisors.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION

1. Review of the NYSPHSAA approved sport specific rules to determine if there is a prohibition.
2. The member school requests, in writing, a review and evaluation by Assistant Director responsible for safety.
3. Written documentation from school physician outlining the student's physical limitations and need for a special accommodation.
4. NYSPHSAA review consists of reviewing the game rules, evaluating if the student would be safe participating while wearing the device, evaluating if teammates and opponents are placed at risk, and possible consultation with our medical advisors.

The NYSPHSAA will provide written notice of approval or denial to the school district in a timely manner.