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### **Upcoming Dates**

Mark your calendars (or check your IHSA Calendar because we already did!)

July 12-13 IHSA Officials Conference

August 1

Fall Sports & Activities Coop Team Application Deadline

August 4 End of Summer Contact Period

**August 4-5**Student Advisory Committee Meeting

August 12 Fall Sports Practices May Begin

August 15 Contests May Begin for Boys & Girls Golf

August 22 Contests May Begin for Girls Tennis

August 23
Contests May Begin for Girls Swimming & Diving

August 23-24 A Preseason Football Scrimmage May Be Held

August 26
IHSA Board of Directors Meeting

August 26 Contests May Begin for Boys Soccer, Girls Volleyball, Boys & Girls Cross Country

August 26 Fall Sports State Series Entry Deadline

#### **Summer Operations Hours:**

The IHSA office is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. during the summer months and will be closed on the following dates.

June: 14,19, 21, 28 July: 4, 5, 12, 19, 26 August: 2, 9

### Note from the Executive Director

Congratulations on the successful completion of the 2023-2024 school year! Like you, our office is already preparing for the 2024-2025 school year and the opportunities to impact students' participation in sports and activities. As we conclude this school year and prepare for next school year, recent trends will confirm that we will find students transferring schools for a variety of reasons. Appropriate diligence in monitoring transfer students to your school is very important. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office to receive guidance on this process. Allow me to provide some insight into the past year's transfer and residence eligibility numbers and a look to the future.

During the 2023-2024 school year, the IHSA office reviewed 1,417 transfer or residence eligibility ruling requests. 911 students were ruled eligible while 506 students ruled ineligible or with limited eligibility for some time. The IHSA Board of Directors heard 35 appeal hearings related to transfer/residence eligibility during the school year. Thirty-three of the appeal hearing outcomes resulted in the Board of Directors sustaining the ruling by the Executive Director.

With an average number of nearly four appeal hearings per meeting and the significant number of transfer eligibility ruling requests being made by our office, the Board of Directors along with the IHSA staff will begin reviewing the transfer and eligibility ruling and appeal processes internally.

In addition, we are looking forward to the implementation of the Transfer Management System over the summer months. On-line training links and log-ins/passwords will be sent out to official representatives as they become available. As we transition our rulings to this system over the summer, we will permit transfer and residence eligibility ruling requests to be completed as they have been in the past with the Principals' Concurrence Regarding Transfer form and the Transfer Eligibility form.

We appreciate your support as we navigate the in-flux of transfers and managing the new management system. Have a great summer break!

# **Summer Strength & Conditioning Activities**

As a reminder, summer strength and conditioning activities are not counted as contact days provided that the training sessions do not involve any coaching or instruction in the skills of the sport.

Permitted activities include strength training, speed, agility, and conditioning drills. Strength and conditioning activities are limited to no more than 4 days per week and no more than 90 minutes per session.





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#### **IHSA ALL ACCESS**

### Did you know?

During the 2024-25 academic term, the IHSA will celebrate the 50th anniversaries of both the Football State Series AND the Girls Volleyball State Series!

Get ready to help us celebrate!

### Social Media









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## 2024-2025 Sports Medicine Updates

The IHSA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee has recommended some updates, which were approved by the IHSA Board of Directors for the 2024-2025 school year. Please share this information with all coaches.

Contact Stacey Lambert (slambert@ihsa.org) with any questions.

- 1. Girls Flag Football Acclimatization
- · Each athlete must complete a minimum of 9 practices prior to competition.

#### 2. CPR/AED Training

· All coaches, including volunteers, must be trained in CPR/AED by a recognized provider whose curriculum is like the American Red Cross or American Heart Association.

## By-Law Breakdown – 2.030: **Cooperative Team Sponsorship**

With the fall cooperative team application deadline on August 1st, this month's By-Law Breakdown reviews the conditions for cooperative teams. Formation of cooperative teams in athletics and activities may be approved under the following conditions:

- 1. The schools seeking to form a cooperative team are in the same geographical area.
- 2. In a 2-class sport or activity, the schools involved must be in Class 1A. In a 3 or 4-class system, the schools involved must be in Class 1A or 2A. If one or more of the schools involved is a 3A or 4A public school, the cooperative team must be for a sport other than football, boys basketball, or girls basketball.

- 3. Private schools involved must have nonmultiplied enrollments of 200 or less.
- 4. The combined enrollment of all schools involved is used to determine classification for the cooperative team.
- 5. The governing boards of all schools involved must jointly submit the cooperative team application for approval.

Joint application deadlines are August 1st for fall sports and activities, October 1st for winter sports and activities, and February 1st for spring sports and activities.

Read this by-law & others at: www.ihsa.org/About-the-IHSA/Constitution-By-laws-Policies

## **Individual Miniature Replica State Trophies**

Individual miniature replica state trophies are available for purchase to commemorate the accomplishments of student-athletes and coaches at IHSA State Final events.

Replica trophies are 11" in height with a white-lasered acrylic sport inset and lasered IHSA seal and plate.

Use this A&M Products order form if interested.



