

FOOTBALL SCHEDULING TIMELINE 2018 AND 2019 (CLASSES A-B-C1-C2-D1-D2-D6)

The classification period and schedules will be for two years – the **2018** and **2019** football seasons for Classes A-B-C1-C2-D1-D2-D6. Football is the only NSAA activity that has a two-year classification period. Pending board action, there is the potential that only the first year of the 8 & 6 man schedules will be released to minimize mid-cycle forfeits.

The scheduling timeline is dependent on receiving the enrollment figures the NSAA member schools report to the Nebraska Department of Education on the School District Membership Report as of the last Friday in September 2017. These figures historically have been available to the NSAA sometime in early December.

The TENTATIVE schedule will be as follows:

1. **November 1, 2017** – Dead line to submit application for a cooperative sponsorship in football for the 2018 and 2019 season. **No cooperative sponsorships in football for the 2018 and 2019 football seasons will be accepted or permitted after November 1, 2017.**
2. **November 9, 2017** – Football coops will be approved for the 2018 and 2019 football seasons at the November NSAA Board of Directors meeting.
3. **November 30, 2017** – The deadline for schools to submit their declaration of participation in 11-man, 8-man or 6-man football.
 - Those schools with a BOY three-grade enrollment (9th-11th grades) in excess of 47 as submitted in September of 2017 are not eligible for the 8-man football playoffs in 2018 and 2019, unless they're within the one-classification waiver period. A school that is ineligible for the playoffs in the 2018 & 2019 cycle can become eligible in the second season (2019) if their BOY enrollment figure is 47 or lower as submitted in September of 2018. (If you have questions please contact the NSAA office.)
 - Those schools with a BOY three-grade enrollment (9th-11th grades) in excess of 27 as submitted in September of 2017 are not eligible for the 6-man football playoffs in 2018 and 2019, unless they're within the one-classification waiver period. A school that is ineligible for the playoffs in the 2018 & 2019 cycle can become eligible in the second season (2019) if their BOY enrollment figure is 27 or lower as submitted in September of 2018. (If you have questions please contact the NSAA office.)
4. **December** – The NSAA staff will release the classification and district assignments for the 2018 and 2019 football seasons. Once these are completed and the schools are notified via the Internet, the schools will be asked to submit a priority list of non-district schools they would like to have on their 2018 and 2019 football schedules – Classes A-B-C1-C2-D1-D2-D6. The NSAA will e-mail schools with more detailed information on this process in December.
5. **January/ February 2018** – The NSAA staff will establish the football schedules for the 2018 and 2019 football seasons for all member schools in Classes A-B-C1-C2-D1-D2-D6.
6. **February 13, 2018** – The schedules along with the home and away designations for Classes A-B-C1-C2-D1-D2-D6 will be released to the member schools at 9:00 AM central standard time and will be posted on the NSAA Internet web site (www.nsaahome.org) at 12:00 P.M. central standard time.