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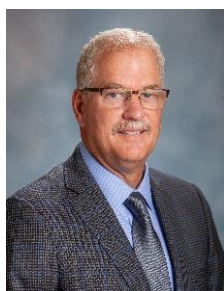
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Executive Director's Notebook

Jay Bellar, NSAA Executive Director



Summer Bylaw Proposal

What started out as a request from District 1 to have a committee formed to review the NSAA summer bylaws turned into a proposal that relaxes some of our current bylaws, which all six districts are very much in favor of. The NSAA formed a committee that was composed of schools from each class size and from each district in

the state. We wanted to make sure the entire state of Nebraska was represented. The following people graciously served on the committee: Kathi Wieskamp – LPS, Pat Gatzemeyer – LPS, Andy Wane – Westside, Mark Fritch – Nebraska City, Brad Hoelsing – Wausa, Mark Lenihan – Wayne, Scott Jorgenson – Paxton, Jordan Cudney – North Platte, Bob Drews – Holdredge, Dustin Kronhofman – Arapahoe, Dave Hoxworth – Scottsbluff, and Blake Dahlberg – Thedford. I am very thankful for the time and effort this group put into this committee work.

The committee reviewed current Summer Bylaws and looked at summer regulations of other states. Committee members shared perspectives, their questions, and concerns regarding the NSAA Summer Bylaws. School administrators and coaches were concerned that they were losing players because of the lack of opportunities they were able to afford their athletes because of our rules/regulations during the summertime.

The committee decided to focus on the following: (1) Clarify current bylaws; (2) Prioritize high school coach/player contact; (3) Look at liability implications; and (4) Provide opportunity for all kids.

An updated version of the bylaws was developed based on the discussions and follow up. The committee recommendation was brought up before the membership as a legislative proposal for review and vote. It passed in all six districts in January.

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Below are some of the discussion points that were part of the Summer Bylaw changes proposed:

- Easier to read and understand in our constitution, clearer and more concise
- Easier to enforce and oversee from a school's standpoint
- Allows coaches more access to athletes to teach and develop them
- Allows coaches to use their facilities without having to pay for use (adhering to local school policy)
- Allows the athletes to use their practice jerseys, pants, scrimmage shirts
- Allows the coaches to use and utilize school equipment
- Provides development opportunities for all athletes, not only those who have the ability to join the elite clubs
- 10-day summer camp adjustment provides more flexibility, not limited to complete within 21-day window
- School building/grounds use will increase in the summertime impacting building supervision and upkeep on facilities demands
- Potential budget increase – coaches and ADs may request additional pay for working more during the summer months, as well as increased custodial on-duty time
- Additional wear and tear on equipment as well as potential lost/misplaced balls, practice jerseys, etc. that may need to be replaced
- Liability and exposure increased. Insurance coverage – Likely not much change, but it could with more people in the building regularly (check with your local provider)
- NSAA catastrophic insurance ONLY covers sanctioned activities during the school year. This will not change our catastrophic insurance. **(important)**
- School districts will be responsible to oversee and coordinate summer programming and determine policy and operations within their district.

If you would like to view what the new summer guidelines would look like compared to this years, the red-lined version is found on pages 17-19 of the [Summer Bylaw Proposal](#). Please remember this process is not complete as it must go through representative assembly in April, if it passes representative assembly, it is the NSAA Board of Directors intent to implement the new summer bylaws this summer. If you have any questions or would like more clarity, please feel to reach out to me or any committee member.

The NSAA would like to thank our corporate partners for their continued support of the NSAA and NSAA activities!



The NFHS Voice: Regarding Sportsmanship, It's Time For Wake-up Call in High School Sports



Dr. Karissa Niehoff, NFHS Executive Director

From time to time, everyone needs a wake-up call to get back on course, to regain focus and to “get with the program.” That time is at hand in high school sports as it relates to unsportsmanlike conduct.

In the 103-year history of the NFHS and organized sports in the United States, good sportsmanship has been one of the most important outcomes of these programs. When appropriate behavior occurs, competitive play is more enjoyable for everyone.

And for some individuals recently, the games have not been enjoyable. In the past few months, following are some of the unfortunate incidents that have occurred at the high school level:

- The mayor of a city was ejected from his daughter's high school basketball game after threatening a referee.
- A volleyball official was followed off the court by a coach who was shouting obscenities.
- A referee was assaulted and knocked unconscious during a basketball tournament.
- A student from the opposing school in the stands shouted racist comments at a high school basketball player on the court.
- At another game in another state, inappropriate chants were made against the opposing team's players on the court.
- While it was at a lower level, continued poor parent behavior in the stands led a Central New York youth basketball league to end the season early.

Unfortunately, the list could go on and on. When hearing accounts like these and many others that regularly occur, the primary reason for the current officials' shortage becomes painfully obvious – unacceptable behavior on the part of coaches, parents and other spectators.

While all of these displays of unacceptable behavior must stop, the recent occurrences of students and other spectators using hurtful, demeaning and hateful language at individuals on the opposing team is heartbreaking.

High school sports and other activities exist to lift people up, not demean or tear people down. The goal is to treat everyone equally and treat each other with respect. Any speech or harassment that is insulting, demeaning or hurtful will not be tolerated.

High schools must establish a culture that values the worth of every single person – both players on the school's team and players on the opposing team. There must be a no-tolerance policy regarding behavior that shows disrespect for another individual.

Likewise, the accounts of violent attacks against officials are incomprehensible and must be stopped. As Dana Pappas, NFHS director of officiating services, said, “Do you really think that these individuals who are volunteers are going to take a half-day off of work, get paid less than they're probably making at their real job to go and be unfair in a game? It doesn't make sense. They are there to give back. They are there to be community servants.”

NFHS playing rules are written to encourage sportsmanship. Participation in these programs should promote respect, integrity and sportsmanship. However, for these ideals to occur, everyone involved must do their part.

[Click here](#) for the full article on the NFHS website.

March U.S. Bank® Believers & Achievers



Kaden Hughes
Omaha North



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Wisner-Pilger

Winter Championship Reimbursement Reminder

Winter Championship reimbursement deadlines are listed below. The reimbursement forms are on the AD Login Page and must be completed by 11:59 p.m. CT the night of the due date. If you have any questions, please contact Megan Huber, Business Manager, mhuber@nsaahome.org.

Individual Wrestling – March 7th, 2022

Girls Basketball – March 28th, 2022

Boys Basketball – March 28th, 2022

There is no reimbursement for Dual Wrestling, Swimming & Diving, or Speech.

Important NSAA Links

[Calendar](#) – [Catastrophic Insurance](#) – [Coaching Steps to Certification](#) – [Constitution & Bylaws](#)

[Contests, Officials, & Equipment Requests](#) – [Media Information](#)

[NCPA Academic All-State Award Information](#) – [NSAA Cup Information](#) – [Publications & Order Forms](#)

February NSAA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

The February NSAA Board of Directors meeting was held at the NSAA office in Lincoln on Wednesday, February 16th, 2022. The meeting minutes can be found on the NSAA website [here](#).

Class Caucus Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Results and minutes from the February 1st, 2022 Zoom Class Caucus Review Committee meeting can be found [here](#).

Legislative Commission Meeting Minutes

The Legislative Commission meeting was held at the NSAA office on February 16th, 2022. The results and minutes can be found on the NSAA website [here](#).

2022 Winter Championship Results

Click the links to view the results of the completed Winter Championships listed below.

[DUAL WRESTLING](#)
[BOWLING](#)
[WRESTLING](#)
[SWIMMING & DIVING](#)

2022-2023 NSAA Student Advisory Committee Application

The Student Advisory Committee is a diverse group of students who participate in interscholastic athletics/activities and are focused on providing education and leadership through open and honest communication with all member schools and their students, administrators and coaches. The committee serves as a liaison between students, administrators, the NSAA Staff and Board of Directors. The Student Advisory Committee helps to promote the mission of the NSAA, including leadership, sportsmanship and integrity.

Candidates should: (1) Show a history of leadership on activity/athletic teams as well as with other extra-curricular activities, community service projects or in the workplace; (2) have an understanding of the role of school activities/athletics; and (3) have ideas for promoting a proper perspective for educational activities/athletics.

HOW TO APPLY

Athletic Director needs to login with their AD passcode on nsasahome.org

CLICK ON: [+] OTHER FORMS:

- SELECT "STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION"
- UPLOADS MUST BE IN "PDF" FORMAT

Applications are due by March 1st at 4 p.m. CT.

Candidates will be notified by April 1st, 2022 of their selection. Questions may be directed to NSAA Assistant Director Ron Higdon at rhigdon@nsaahome.org.

NSAA Cup Standings

NSAA Cup Standings have been updated through the 2021 Fall Championships and are available on the [NSAA website](#).

Class A

[All-School](#) | [Girls](#) | [Boys](#) | [Points Breakdown](#)

Class B

[All-School](#) | [Girls](#) | [Boys](#) | [Points Breakdown](#)

Class C

[All-School](#) | [Girls](#) | [Boys](#) | [Points Breakdown](#)

Class D

[All-School](#) | [Girls](#) | [Boys](#) | [Points Breakdown](#)

State Basketball Clear Bag Policies

State Girls & Boys Basketball
[Husker Athletics](#)

[Pinnacle Bank Arena](#)

NSAA Membership Spotlight

District 1: Shickley

Location: Shickley

9-12 Enrollment: 165

School Mascot: Shickley Longhorns / BDS Eagles (co-op)

Twitter Handle: [@Shickley_Public](#)

NSAA Participation

Play Production

Speech

Music

Co-op with Bruning-Davenport

Football

Volleyball

Boys & Girls Basketball

Boys & Girls Track & Field



Shickley NSAA State Championships: 15

BDS NSAA State Championships: 5

What's Happening at Shickley:

"Students in grades K-12 build long lasting relationships with each other due to our buddy up programs. Each senior goes to an elementary classroom during AR time to read with younger students," said Athletic/Activities Director Scott Shipley. "They celebrate reaching their goals together and celebrate birthdays. When the high school student has a big competition coming up, the younger students become the biggest cheerleaders. The hallways are filled with high fives, smiles, and hugs as younger students pass by the older students."



District 3: Riverside

Location: Cedar Rapids

K-12 Enrollment: 222

School Mascot: Chargers

Twitter Handle: [@RSChargers](https://twitter.com/RSChargers)

NSAA Participation

Boys & Girls Cross Country

Volleyball

Football

Play Production

Wrestling

Boy & Girls Basketball

Speech

Music

Boys & Girls Track & Field

Boys Golf



What's Happening at Riverside:

"As far as school districts go, Riverside is fairly new. Riverside encompasses four communities and includes land in four counties," said Activities Director Dan Wolken. "While consolidations and mergers are happening all across rural Nebraska, the transition from 2 previous school districts to Riverside Public School has been something special. We are so proud of the students, staff, parents, and patrons for leaving past identities in the past, welcoming change, and truly embracing and cultivating our culture as the Riverside Chargers!"



District 4: McPherson County**Location:** Tryon**K-12 Enrollment:** 56**School Mascot:** Longhorns**Twitter Handle:** N/A**NSAA Participation**

Play Production

Speech

Music

Co-op with Stapleton (Sandhills Valley)

Boys & Girls Cross Country

Volleyball

Football

Boys & Girls Wrestling

Boys & Girls Basketball

Boys & Girls Track & Field

Boys Golf

**NSAA State Championships: 1****What's Happening at McPherson County:**

"Even though we are one of the smallest districts in the state of Nebraska, our students have many unique opportunities to expand and grow with all of the enrichment activities we provide for our students," said 7-12 Principal Kami Florea. "We have 100% of our students in grades 9-12 involved with an activity or organization in our school."



District 5: McCook**Location:** McCook**9-12 Enrollment:** 470**School Mascot:** Bison**Twitter Handle:** [@McCookSchools](https://twitter.com/McCookSchools)**NSAA Participation**

Girls Golf

Boys Tennis

Softball

Boys & Girls Cross Country

Volleyball

Football

Unified Bowling

Play Production

Boys & Girls Wrestling

Boys & Girls Swimming & Diving

Boys & Girls Basketball

Speech

Music

Girls Tennis

Boys & Girls Track & Field

Boys Golf

**NSAA State Championships:** 28**What's Happening at McCook:**

"MPS is starting the process of doing major upgrade of our facilities, specifically we are hoping to bring a bond to the community in the next several years which will significantly improve the learning environment for our junior high," said Activities Director/Assistant Principal Darin Nichols. "We also have increased opportunities for our students with unified bowling and girls wrestling in the last few years."



District 6: Mullen

Location: Mullen

K-12 Enrollment: 178

School Mascot: Storm

Twitter Handle: [@MullenSchools](https://twitter.com/MullenSchools)

NSAA Participation

Girls Golf

Boys & Girls Cross Country

Volleyball

Football

Play Production

Wrestling

Boys & Girls Basketball

Speech

Journalism

Boys & Girls Track & Field

Boys Golf



NSAA State Championships: 17

What's Happening at Mullen:

"Prior to all Mullen Contests, a Mullen Athlete addresses the players, the coaches, and the spectators. Each contest, a different student reads a statement to the crowd urging everyone to respect the officials, the players and the coaches and reminding them that failure to do so could result in dismissal from the event," said Activities Director Phil Hoyt. "In conjunction our girls basketball team picks up trash left on the bleachers at home and away games. Many of our student athletes help with our youth organizations by coaching, officiating, or volunteering to help in other ways."



Student Advisory Committee Spotlight

Creyton Line, Sumner-Eddyville-Miller High School



My name is Creyton Line and I am a junior at Sumner-Eddyville-Miller Public Schools. Being from a small school, I am involved in many activities such as football, basketball, track, FFA, FCA, National Honor Society and many more. The NSAA student advisory committee was first introduced to me by our school's Athletic Director. I jumped on the opportunity to apply, hoping to bring new ideas to the group from my small school perspective.

One of the first things I was challenged to do with this group was to set a goal for myself for this school year. The main focus of my goal is inclusion. I want to get more people involved in activities and create a more welcoming environment for students in our school. This started out with a lot of conversations with people just asking if they had any interest in joining a particular sport or club. While not every answer was a yes, I got more interest than I would have guessed. I've been able to persuade a handful of new players, student managers, and club members to participate. I am excited to see where this goal can take me and our school.

Another great experience I have had through the Student Advisory Committee was helping host one of the Nebraska Sportsmanship Summits. I got the chance to lead activities and give instructions from the stage. I have gone to plenty of similar events, but to be one of the people who helped put it on was a great experience. I learned so much about what it means to be a great teammate and got some insight on the need for more officiating crews statewide for athletic contests.

All in all, I am super thankful for the opportunity to be on this committee. I am glad my school pushed me to apply and supported me through the process. This committee has already provided me with great opportunities across our state and I cannot wait to see what the future holds for our group.

RESPECT THE REF



**Cheer loud and proud
for your team but
please be respectful
and let the officials do
their job.**

Using #NSAARespectTheRef, tweet
@nsaahome how your school is
respecting the referees.

Interested in becoming an NSAA official? Head
over to nsaahome.org for more information.

NSATA Training Table

Nicole Lee, ATC



Why Should We Warm Up and Cool Down?

Exercising and sports are something that people enjoy to do year round. It is important to make sure you take the proper measures to ensure that you keep your athletes and yourself healthy. An easy way to help keep your athletes healthy is to make sure they are warming up and cooling down properly before and after a workout.

We are all told to warm up before a work out, but doing it correctly has many benefits. One of these benefits is that warming up properly increases the blood flow to your muscles. These light movements that help create blood flow to the muscles can help prevent skeletal and connective tissue injuries. It is found that cold and stiff muscles do not absorb shock well, so there is an added stress on tendons and ligaments making them more susceptible to injury. A simple warm up to increase your blood flow will allow for greater flexibility and elasticity of your muscles. The most common form of a warm up is a dynamic warm up. Dynamic warm up mean to simple stretch during a movement such as high knees and butt-kicks.

Another benefit of a proper warm up is that it will get your blood pumping at a faster rate. This prepares your cardiovascular system for a more strenuous activity. This is important because your lungs need time to adjust to the heavier breathing, blood vessels need to adjust to the increase in blood pressure and the heart needs time to gradually work up to pumping faster. Allowing time for you or your athletes to warm up provides your body with a continuous and easy transition from rest to stress. This to helps prevent injury and allows your body to become prepared for the strenuous activity. A better workout will take place with a proper warm up.

It is not as common for athletes to take time to do a proper cool down. A cool down is just as important as a warm up and should actually be twice as long as the warm up. A cool down will include less intense activity and static stretching. Unlike dynamic stretching, static stretching is down while standing still. This would be like touching your toes for a hamstring stretch or pulling your heal up for a quadriceps stretch. Performing a cool down after an intense workout will help allow your body temperature, blood pressure, and heart rate to return to normal levels. Stretching muscles while they are still warm can reduce lactic acid buildup, which will then help reduce muscle cramps and stiffness.

These are just a few reasons why it is important to take time out of your practice to allow your athletes to warm up properly and cool down properly. Not only will it cause everyone to benefit with a better work out, but it will also help everyone prevent injuries.

Have you followed the NSAA social media channels?

The 2022 Winter Championships are in full swing! Be sure to follow all of the NSAA social media channels to stay updated on the latest NSAA happenings.



Update Your School Membership Directory

The NSAA utilizes your School Directory to send communication to the administration and coaches listed. Please make sure that this information is correct and updated **at all times**. To do so, login to your AD login page and under OTHER FORMS select your school's School Directory Page, which will then take you to your School Directory Information page where you can make changes, as necessary. This is also where you will go to see if your coaches have completed their online rules meetings. Please contact Cindy Callaway at ccallaway@nsaahome.org with questions.

[-] OTHER FORMS:

[NCPA Academic All-State Nominations](#)
[NSAA Activities Registration Form](#)
[NSAA Cooperative Sponsorship Agreement Forms](#)
[NSAA Sportsmanship Manual](#)
[Olympic Development Waiver Request Form \(Word .doc\)](#)
[Reimbursement Forms for State Championships](#)
[2021 NSAA School Directory \(Printable Version\)](#)
[Lincoln Southeast School Directory Page](#)
[Viewable Online School Directory](#)
[Schools' Emergency Contact Number Report](#)
[State Participation Certificates](#)
[Believers & Achievers Nomination Form](#)
[Nebraska State Colleges Multi-Activity Student Award](#)
[Student Advisory Committee Application](#)



Update Your School Eligibility List

The NSAA utilizes your school eligibility list not only for awards programs but for participation numbers as well. Please make sure that this information is correct and updated **at all times**. To do so, login to your AD login page and select Eligibility.

[-] ELIGIBILITY:

- Manage your Eligibility Lists:

[Eligibility List Advanced Search](#)

-OR-

[Eligibility List Workaround](#)

-OR-

Select an Activity or "All Activities" and click "Go"

All Activities

Required Courses for ALL Coaches & Activities Sponsors

All coaches and activities sponsors are required to take the three NFHS courses at least once every three years. The bylaw now states:

All coaches and volunteers and activity sponsors are required to complete the NFHS Concussion in Sports, Heat Illness Prevention and Sudden Cardiac Arrest Training courses at least once every three years. First year coaches and sponsors are required to complete all three courses prior to the start of the activity season which they are to coach.

Medical Personnel at Regular Season Contests

Severe injuries, sudden illnesses and other critical incidents do not often occur during school activities, but it is important for every school to have an emergency action plan (EAP) for administrators, faculty, coaches, and staff members to follow should emergencies occur. Due to lack of universal availability of medical coverage and other logistical reasons, NSAA does not require that schools have a physician, trainer or ambulance on-site at regular season activities; however, each school should have a plan in place should there be an emergency involving students, coaches, officials or spectators requiring medical attention.

A Reminder to Compete with Respect

Concerns have been expressed regarding the lack of respect being afforded to students, coaches, officials, spectators, and host staff. Schools should understand the seriousness of their responsibility to everyone and the privilege of representing their school and community. As educators, we must recommit ourselves to the preservation of respect. Unfair acts prohibited by the spirit and intent of the rules include the use of disconcerting acts or words.

Deliberately disrespecting the rules and fellow participants in the hope or expectation of gaining an advantage is deplorable and indefensible. It is imperative that administrators, coaches, officials, and students make an extra effort to model the type of behavior that illustrates the educational values of activity participation. Conduct that berates, intimidates, or threatens anyone, based on gender, ethnicity, or sexual preference is unacceptable.

Statement of Principle on Conduct Synopsis

Adopted by the NDE, NSAA, NCSA, NASB, NSEA, NRCSA, NCA and NSIAAA

Recently, students in our schools have been experiencing negative, harassing, and bullying conduct during the school day, and at school activities by the spectators attending those events or, and at times by opponents in an activity, that is directed at the school's participants and spectators, often with a racial component. Such conduct is unacceptable and does not reflect the foregoing basic tenants of our society.

It is the responsibility of our organizations to promote and respect the liberty interests of all persons who may participate in or attend any educational endeavor sponsored by our organizations which includes ensuring that common courtesy is shown for all persons, insuring tranquility for all, and being responsible that no one person abuses their liberties to the detriment of other persons.

As the educational leaders of Nebraska's school system, we firmly support Nebraska schools and communities in proactively involving teachers, administrators, students, parents, and community members in developing and maintaining a positive school and community culture that supports learning opportunities for all persons, and ensures that respect and courtesy are shown to all persons.

Conduct by any person that does not show respect for and courtesy of other persons in Nebraska schools and any school activity is prohibited and shall not be tolerated – period.

Requirements for Ejected Coaches & Players

Enforcement of the "sit-out rule" for ejections from high school contests for unsportsmanlike conduct is a responsibility of the member school. Failure to properly enforce this rule could result in other sanctions by the NSAA.

Administrators will be expected to promptly file a report with the NSAA whenever a participant or coach from their school has been ejected from any high school contest. Such filing must be done online under the AD login section of the NSAA website. Enforcement of the "sit-out rule" is expected to begin immediately, regardless whether it is regular-season or tournament play.

Any athlete ejected from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be ineligible for the next athletic contest at that level of competition and any other athletic contest at any level during the interim. Any athlete ejected for a second time during a season from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be ineligible for the next two contests at that level of competition and all other athletic contests at any level during the interim. Any athlete ejected for a third time during a season from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be ineligible for the next three contests at that level of competition and all other athletic contests at any level during the interim, in addition to other penalties the NSAA or school may assess. During the time of their "sit-out" suspension, athletes who are ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct may not suit up or participate, but it is the school's discretion whether such athlete is able to travel with the team or sit on the team bench. (The athlete is permitted to practice per school's discretion.)

Coaches who are ejected for the first time will be required to sit-out the next contest at that level, plus all other contests at any level during the interim. Coaches may not be present at the contest site during the time of their "sit-out" suspension. The coach will also be required to successfully complete the NFHS online course "TEACHING AND MODELING BEHAVIOR" within 10 days of the ejection.

Coaches who are ejected a second time in a season will be required to sit-out the next two contests at that level, plus all other contests at any level during the interim. Coaches may not be present at the contest site during the time of their "sit-out" suspension. The coach will also be required to successfully complete the NFHS online course "FUNDAMENTALS OF COACHING" within 10 days of the ejection.

Coach & Sponsor Certification

NSAA Bylaw 2.12 stipulates, *“In order to serve as a head or assistant coach or sponsor of any activity sponsored by the NSAA, the individual must possess a valid Nebraska Teaching Certificate or Nebraska Administrative and Supervisory Certificate and have a written contract of employment as a coach or sponsor with the schools in which he/she is to perform these duties.”* Yes, this does include coaches/directors/sponsors/advisers in the non-athletic activities as well: Play Production, Music, Speech and Journalism.

Individuals that do not possess either of the certificates listed above, may serve as a head or assistant as long as they successfully complete the requirements for a Special Services Coaching Permit (NSAA Bylaw 2.12.2). This information can be found on the NSAA webpage under the Coaches tab. It is important to remember that certification is not complete until the individual has applied and received their certificate from the Nebraska Department of Education Certification Office. Schools should request a copy of the certificate and have it on file at the school.

Non-certified personnel may be contracted by the school, but such personnel shall be Coaches Aides. (NSAA Bylaw 2.12.3). There are restrictions and limitations for Coaches Aides. Refer to the respective Bylaw for a complete listing in regard to Coaches Aides.

If you should have questions in regard to coaching requirements, contact NSAA Associate Director Jennifer Schwartz at jschwartz@nsaahome.org.

Are your officials on the NSAA Officials Roster?

3.12.2 Officials for Varsity Contests.

Only those officials who are registered with the Association may be used by member high schools to officiate varsity competition in football, baseball, basketball, wrestling, soccer, softball and volleyball competition, and start track & field meets.

Athletic Directors are expected to confirm that all officials hired to officiate varsity contests have been classified by the NSAA. The NSAA Officials Roster is available on your AD login page under **NSAA OFFICIALS & JUDGES**.

***“NSAA activities...
the other half of education.”***

CONCERT SEASON IS COMING

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- IN-CLASSROOM PERFORMANCE IN-PERSON CONCERT
- IN-PERSON CONCERT
- IN-PERSON CONCERT (STREAMED LIVE)
- IN-PERSON CONCERT (RECORDED FOR CLASSROOM REVIEW)
- IN-PERSON CONCERT (RECORDED AND STREAMED LATER)
- VIRTUAL ENSEMBLE
- AUDIO RECORDING OF IN-PERSON CONCERT (ARCHIVAL PURPOSE)
- AUDIO RECORDING OF IN-PERSON CONCERT (DISTRIBUTE TO PARENTS)
- OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

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