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To: Federated Council**Date: January 31/Feb 1, 2014****Re: Proposal – CIF Northern Regional and Southern Invitational Badminton Events****Proposal Originated: San Francisco Section****Proposal Reviewed**

October 10, 2013 San Francisco Section

October 2013—New Events Committee

November 7, 2013 San Francisco Section

December 3, 2013 – Executive Committee

January 8/9, 2014--Commissioners Committee Approved 7 yes, 1 no, 2 abstain

January 31, 2014—Federated Council

Proposal Recommendation

Proposal Passed San Francisco Section

Discussed as upcoming new event

Proposal Revisions Passed SF Section

Approved 9-0

Vote: May 2014**Type: Create New Regional Championship Event**

Proposal Summary: The San Francisco Section has forwarded a proposal to add Regional Championships in the sport of Badminton to be implemented in the spring of 2016. This proposal follows the Federated Council approved timeline for adding new events. The proposal is to develop a CIF Northern Regional Championship and a Southern Invitational Championship.

Fiscal Impact: (see attached)

Background: Currently there are no regional CIF championship events in Badminton. It is believed this opportunity will draw from a populace that does not currently receive state championship opportunities. The event will also represent the diversity of our state.

PROPOSAL FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

Name of Event: CIF Northern California Badminton Championship To Begin in School Year 2015-16

Proposed Event Date: The Saturday At The Conclusion Of Week 46 on the NFHS Calendar (This would be May 21, 2016 in the inaugural year of the event).

Entries – Qualifying Procedures. Competition will be held in the following five classifications:

- (A) Girls' Singles
- (B) Boys' Singles
- (C) Girls' Doubles
- (D) Boys' Doubles
- (E) Mixed Doubles

An individual may only be entered in one classification. Doubles teams must consist of participants who attend the same school.

Section entries shall be based on the Section's percentage of overall schools that field teams in the classification multiplied by the number of participants the event management opts to place in the championship bracket. Where a Section has schools that field teams, but does not offer a Section championship, an interscholastic tournament may be designated as the official means of qualifying for the Northern California Badminton Championship.

No Section shall receive more than fifty percent of the entries in a classification.

Bracket:

In 2015-16, this championship shall hold a 16 team bracket in all categories. Sections shall receive the following entries.

Central Coast Section: 6 girls' singles entries, 6 girls' doubles entries, 7 boys' singles entries, 7 boys' doubles entries, and 7 mixed doubles entries.

North Coast Section. 6 girls' singles entries, 6 girls' doubles entries, 7 boys' singles entries, 7 boys' doubles entries, and 7 mixed doubles entries.

Northern Section. 0 entries.

Oakland Section. 0 entries.

Sac Joaquin Section. 2 girls' singles entries, 2 girls' doubles entries, 0 boys' singles entries, 0 boys' doubles entries, and 0 mixed doubles entries.

San Francisco Section. 2 girls' singles entries, 2 girls' doubles entries, 2 boys' singles entries, 2 boys' doubles entries, and 2 mixed doubles entries.

Financial Criteria and Feasibility for New Events Sponsored by CIF:

1. What travel, lodging, and meal reimbursement will be provided to participating schools (please use the CIF Adopted Criteria)?
 - None. The proposed championship is similar to the cross country and track and field championships currently in place. At this time, the reimbursement of expenses are not offered to member schools.
2. Will this event place any CIF Section event at risk financially?
 - This event will not place any CIF Section event at risk financially because it takes place after all section championships have been concluded.
3. Will this event be a burden on any CIF Section budget or the State CIF budget?
 - This event will not place any burden on any CIF Section budget because it takes place after all section finals have been completed. The State CIF will work with interested host communities to keep championship expenses in line with the projections below and use additional marketing opportunities to supplement the budget.
4. Please provide a detailed, specific, feasible cost estimate for the operation of this event.

Below are the budget estimates for this event:

	Revenue	Expense
Programs	0	0
Gate Receipts	\$2,500	
Entry Fees*		
Event Personnel and Facility Expenses		\$1,200
Linespeople **		250
Misc Expense ***		\$408
Awards		800
Security		0
Announcer/s		Included in event personnel
Credentials		\$25
Event Manager		Included in event personnel

5. Please demonstrate using both costs in #4 above and anticipated event revenue how this event may be sustained economically over many years.
 - The financial report in item #4 should adequately address this. The goal will be to obtain sponsorships for the event to offset expenses.
6. Is the current CIF State Office staff capable of managing this event?
 - Yes. In truth, this is not a difficult event to manage. We would need to have a nominal sum to cover a tournament director.
7. Is there capable staff available to support the CIF State Office in the operation of this event?
 - Yes.

Philosophical Criteria for New Events:

1. How does this event contribute to the goals of the CIF (i.e. a new event may enhance gender equity, economic stability and enhance the awareness of values taught through sport)?
 - The philosophy of placing badminton relatively high on the list of new championships is that it draws from a populace that does not commonly receive state championship opportunities.
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Qualifying Participation Criterion for a Regional Championship:

1. Do 50% of all CIF sections participate in the sport in the same season?
 - Yes.

Other Questions:

1. How will this event benefit participating schools and students?
 - This event will give boys and girls the opportunity for post-section championship opportunities not currently available.
2. Do the proposed dates conflict with state mandated testing?
 - This event should be a Saturday event, eliminating any conflicts with State mandated testing.
3. Does the event cause additional loss of instructional time? If so, has any thought been given to mitigating this loss (Saturdays, evenings, vacation time)?
 - This event is planned for a Saturday.
4. If the proposal is for a sport that is played now in more than one season in the state, what dates are selected and why?
 - This sport is only played in the spring.
5. How, specifically, will this event be a demonstration of the values of participation in high school athletics? In choosing teams or individuals for an event, is there any criterion such as demonstration of respect, sportsmanship, citizenship, achievement through effort and cooperation, full compliance to CIF code of ethics, rules, regulations, guidelines, etc.?

- All CIF events are conducted with the above in mind. This event can give CIF member schools another opportunity to demonstrate that competition can be played fairly and with great sportsmanship. It is also an additional avenue for our member schools to promote the best values of educational athletics.
6. Will the proposed event lend itself to a partnership between the State CIF and a CIF Section? If so, the nature of the partnership must be detailed. What are the duties and responsibilities of the State and Section entities? If there is to be a risk/profit sharing, what are the proposed financial details? If resources, other than financial, are to be used as part of a partnership, what are the anticipated resources?
 - Any proposal that considers a Section/State partnership should consider whether or not an event should be rotated, upon request, among Sections. The state office will assume financial responsibility of profit and/or loss of the event.
 7. Will there be any ancillary activities associated with the event to make it more attractive and reflective of the goals and mission of CIF (i.e. training for coaches, sportsmanship activities for schools)?

Ancillary activities will be considered on a year-by-year basis.

PROPOSAL FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL BADMINTON INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Name of Event: CIF Southern California Regional Badminton Invitational Tournament To Begin in School Year 2015-16

Proposed Event Date: The Saturday At The Conclusion Of Week 46 on the NFHS Calendar (This would be May 21, 2016 in the inaugural year of the event).

Entries – Qualifying Procedures. Competition will be held in the following five classifications:

- (A) Girls' Singles
- (B) Boys' Singles
- (C) Girls' Doubles
- (D) Boys' Doubles
- (E) Mixed Doubles

An individual may only be entered in one classification. Doubles teams must consist of participants who attend the same school.

Section entries shall be based on the Section's percentage of overall schools that field teams in the classification multiplied by the number of participants the tournament management opts to place in the championship bracket based. Where a Section has schools that field teams, but does not offer a Section championship, an interscholastic tournament may be designated as the official means of qualifying for the Southern California Badminton Invitational Tournament.

No Section shall receive more than fifty percent of the entries in a classification.

Brackets:

In 2015-16, this championship shall hold a 16 team bracket in all categories. Sections shall receive the following entries.

Central Section: 4 girls' singles entries, 4 girls' doubles entries, 0 boys' singles entries, 0 boys' doubles entries, and 0 mixed doubles entries.

San Diego Section: 4 girls' singles entries, 4 girls' doubles entries, 8 boys' singles entries, 8 boys' doubles entries, and 8 mixed doubles entries.

Southern Section: 8 girls' singles entries, 8 girls' doubles entries, 8 boys' singles entries, 8 boys' doubles entries, and 8 mixed doubles entries.

Financial Criteria and Feasibility for New Events Sponsored by CIF:

8. What travel, lodging, and meal reimbursement will be provided to participating schools (please use the CIF Adopted Criteria)?
- None. The proposed invitational is similar to the cross country and track and field championships currently in place. At this time, the reimbursement of expenses are not offered to member schools.
9. Will this event place any CIF Section event at risk financially?
- This event will not place any CIF Section event at risk financially because it takes place after all section championships have been concluded.
10. Will this event be a burden on any CIF Section budget or the State CIF budget?
- This event will not place any burden on any CIF Section budget because it takes place after all section finals have been completed. The State CIF will work with interested host communities to keep championship expenses in line with the projections below and use additional marketing opportunities to supplement the budget.
11. Please provide a detailed, specific, feasible cost estimate for the operation of this event. Below are the budget estimates for this event based on CIF NCS income statements with additional projections for other CIF events held throughout the state:

	Revenue	Expense
Programs	0	0
Gate Receipts	\$2,500	
Entry Fees*		
Event Personnel and Facility Expenses		\$1,200
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12. Please demonstrate using both costs in #4 above and anticipated event revenue how this event may be sustained economically over many years.

- The financial report in item #4 should adequately address this. The goal will be to obtain sponsorships for the event to offset expenses.

13. Is the current CIF State Office staff capable of managing this event?

- Yes. In truth, this is not a difficult event to manage. We would need to have a nominal sum to cover a tournament director.

14. Is there capable staff available to support the CIF State Office in the operation of this event?

- Yes.
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Philosophical Criteria for New Events:

2. How does this event contribute to the goals of the CIF (i.e. a new event may enhance gender equity, economic stability and enhance the awareness of values taught through sport)?

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- Yes.

Other Questions:

8. How will this event benefit participating schools and students?

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- This event is planned for a Saturday.

11. If the proposal is for a sport that is played now in more than one season in the state, what dates are selected and why?

- This sport is only played in the spring.

12. How, specifically, will this event be a demonstration of the values of participation in high school athletics? In choosing teams or individuals for an event, is there any criterion such as demonstration of respect, sportsmanship, citizenship, achievement through effort and cooperation, full compliance to CIF code of ethics, rules, regulations, guidelines, etc.?

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To: Federated Council

Date: January 28, 2014

Re: Proposal – First Reading Articles 30 (300 Series) & 50 (500 Series)

Proposal Originated: Commissioners Committee

Proposal Reviewed

10/02/2013 Commissioners Committee
12/03/2013 Executive Committee
01/08/2014 Commissioners Committee
01/30/2014 Executive Committee

Proposal Recommendation

Discussion Only
Discussion Only
Approved

Type: Bylaw Editorial Restructure

Next: Federated Council 1st Reading - January 31, 2014
Federated Council Action – May 2, 2014

Proposal Summary: This proposal makes NO substantive change to any current bylaw but it restructures the current Article 30 School Regulations and Article 50 General Regulations in a better chronological order so that it is easier for member schools.

Fiscal Impact: None

Background: During the continuous evolution of the Constitution and Bylaws, new bylaws have been added and assigned numbers that upon further reflection may chronologically fit better in another area. This proposal for your consideration attempts to move all of the school site administrative oversight duties and responsibilities into Article 50 (500) series and leave all of the General Rules under Article 30 (300) Series.

Under this proposal, Article 30 will contain the following Bylaws:

- 300 – General Provisions
- 301 – Home Study, Home Schooling (was 305)
- 302 – Independent Study Programs (was 306)
- 303 – Multi School CIF Membership
- 304 – Special Schools

Old #	Article 30 – 300 Series Current BYLAW TITLE	New Location	NEW BYLAW TITLE
300	General Provisions	Same	General Provisions
301	Eligibility Information	503.A	Administrative Oversight
302	Principals Responsibilities	503	Administrative Oversight
303	Multi-School CIF Membership	Same	Multi-School CIF Membership
304	Special Schools	Same	Special Schools
305	Home Study, Home School	301	Home Study, Home School
306	Independent Study	302	Independent Study
307	Grade Level Participation	503.C	Administrative Oversight
308	Physical Exams	503.G	Administrative Oversight
309	Supervisions Requirements	503.E	Administrative Oversight
310	Sunday Restriction	504	Season of Sport
311	Donated Equipment	508	Donated Equipment
312	Official National Federation Mark	509	Official National Federation Mark
313	Concussion Protocol	503.H	Administrative Oversight

Under this Proposal, Article 50, will contain the following Bylaws:

- 500 – Authorized Participation (Same)
- 501 – Contests Subject to CIF Eligibility Rules (Same)
- 502 – Non-CIF Member School Teams (playing against – 503,504,505)
- 503 – Administrative Oversight
(Specific Duties and Responsibilities – 301,302,306,307,308,309,503,506,507,508,509)
- 504 – Season of Sport (511, 513,514, 517, 310)
- 505 – Equity (515, 518, 519, 520, 521)
- 506 – Practice/Competition Allowance (if approved)
- 507 – League Realignment Cycles (512 & 516)
- 508 – Donated Equipment (from 311)
- 509 – Official NFHS Authentication Mark (from 312)
- 510 – Undue Influence
- 511 – Suspended Schools (503)

Old #	Article 50 – 500 Series Current BYLAW TITLE	New Location	NEW BYLAW TITLE
500	Authorized Participation	Same	
501	Contests Subject to CIF Eligibility Rules	Same	
502	Outside Teams	Same	Non-CIF Member School Teams
503	Suspended Schools	511	Suspended Schools
504	Non-CIF Competition	502.C	Non-CIF Member School Teams
505	Outside Team Age Requirement	502.D	Non-CIF Member School Teams
506	Who May Coach	503.F	Administrative Oversight
507	Coaching Compensation	503.F	Administrative Oversight
508	Penalty for Improper Coaching Compen.	503.F	Administrative Oversight
509	Out-of-State Coaching Certification	Removed	No longer applies
510	Undue Influence	Same	Undue Influence
511	Season of Sport Definition	504.A	Season of Sport
512	League Realignment Cycle	507.A	League Realignment Cycle
513	Maximum Number of Contest	504.K	Season of Sport
514	One Season of Sport	504.L	Season of Sport
515	Equal Opportunity	505	Equal Opportunity
516	Supplemental Cross-Leaguings	507.B	League Realignment Cycle
517	Seasons of Sport	504	Season of Sport
518	Equal Representation in State Champ.	505.B	Equal Opportunity
519	Number of Allowable Contest	505.C	Equal Opportunity
520	Equal Assignment of Playoff Facilities	505.E	Equal Opportunity
521	Equal Assignment of Officials	505.D	Equal Opportunity
522	Equity	505	Equal Opportunity
523	Steroid Prohibition	503.I	Administrative Oversight

Q: Can a student involved in independent study participate in interscholastic athletics?

A: Yes, however that participation is subject to certain conditions. In order to be considered Independent Study, the program must exhibit the following characteristics:

1. The program must be subject to the administration at that school for which the student participates;
 2. The local school governing body must approve/adopt the curriculum provided to the student;
 3. The curriculum must meet CDE minimum standards for graduation;
 4. A member of that school's teaching staff must perform teaching/administering the curriculum¹;
 5. A member of that school's teaching staff must perform testing and grading of the student's progress;
 6. The student's grades and performance are recorded on the school's transcripts;
 7. The student must be enrolled in a minimum of 20 semester credits of work;
- All of the above characteristics must be present for the student to have eligibility to participate in a CIF member school.

¹A member of the staff is considered a paid staff member employed by that school or school district and subject to the standards set forth by that governing body.

Q: Why can't home-schooled students participate in CIF interscholastic competition?

A: All students participating in CIF interscholastic competition are certified by the principal of the school to be eligible under all applicable standards. Students must meet minimum standards of academic eligibility, minimum credits per semester and must be making adequate progress towards graduation. Programs outside the purview of a school governing board and local school administration are unable to provide the necessary certification to ensure that all students met minimal academic requirements.

Q: What is meant by "home-schooled?"

A: Any program or instruction administered by a person other than a member of a school staff that is not approved and/or adopted by a local governing body. Any such program that has an *affiliation* with a school, but is not administered by members of that school's staff (meaning paid teaching staff) is considered a home-school program; students in home-school programs are not eligible for CIF interscholastic competition under Bylaw 303.

Characteristics of Each:

Meets Bylaw 303 for Eligibility	Does Not Meet Eligibility Requirements for Bylaw 303
Independent Study Program	Home-Schooled Program
Teacher(s) are under the local administrative control of the school principal/district administration	Teachers are parents or other non-school staff
Curriculum is adopted by the school's local governing board	Curriculum is chosen by the parents and is not specifically adopted by a local governing board
Grading and recording is performed by members of the school staff	Grading is done by a parent or other non-certified staff member
Student meets regularly with a staff member for assignment of work and grading	There is no regular meeting schedule with school staff members
Student is enrolled in a minimum of 20 semester credits of work	Student is not required to be enrolled in a specified number of credits
Student's enrollment is recorded as part of that school's ADA and is counted in CBEDs reporting	Student's attendance is not reported
Curriculum meets minimum CDE requirements for graduation	Curriculum may not meet CDE minimum standards for graduation

303. MULTI-SCHOOL CIF MEMBERSHIP

- A. CIF member schools may allow only students currently enrolled **as full time students**, in grades 9-12, in their school, to participate in any CIF competition (See Bylaw 201).
- B. **CIF member schools may apply for a change in membership status under the provision of this bylaw.** Any CIF member school that wishes to allow participation on its team(s) **by all** the students, who are currently enrolled in **any** non-CIF member schools or programs which do not offer any interscholastic athletic programs, such programs or schools would include, but not be limited to, alternative schools (as defined in Education Code Section 58500 et seq. **in compliance with the condition set forth in Bylaw 303**), junior high schools (**9th graders only**), necessary small schools and charter schools], may request approval to do so under the following conditions:
 - (1) Any such application submitted by a CIF member schools must be with a non-CIF member school that has a current California County-District-School Code (CDS Code) as a prerequisite to applying for multi-school status.

- (2) The administrative responsibility for all students involved in athletics shall rest with the principal of the CIF member school for which the student(s) is competing. Such responsibility shall include:
 - a. Verification that residential eligibility of the student(s) is limited to the public school in whose attendance area his/her parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver reside; or where the student most recently established his/her residential eligibility or a private school; AND
 - b. Verification that students participating in the athletic program meet all the CIF member school scholastic eligibility requirements; AND
 - c. The regular grading period of the CIF member school shall be used to determine the scholastic eligibility of all students; AND
 - d. Determination that students participating in the athletic program meet all other eligibility requirements of the CIF, its Section, its league and the CIF member school; AND
 - e. Determination that private schools and charter schools entering a multi-school agreement with a public school or public school district meet the additional requirements set forth in E.-F. below.
 - (3) For the purposes of determining dues, legal and liability assessments, realignment issues and State CIF and Section divisional placement, the enrollment figures for non-CIF member school/program students residing in the CIF member school's attendance area must be included in the CIF member school's enrollment using the CBEDS enrollment figures.
 - (4) The application process must start with the principal of the CIF member school. Written certification that all the conditions listed above will be met, as well as approval, must be obtained from the following:
 - a. *CIF member school principal; AND*
 - b. *CIF member school governing board(s); AND*
 - c. *Non-CIF member school or program administrator in charge; AND*
 - d. *Non-CIF member school governing board (if applicable)*
 - (5) Additional approvals must be obtained, in the following order, from:
 - a. The CIF member school's League; AND
 - b. The CIF member school's Section; AND
 - c. The State CIF Executive Committee
 - (6) New and Renewal applications for multi-school teams under this bylaw must be filed annually.
 - a. NEW applications:
 - i. All new applications must be received in the State Office prior to May 31 of the current school year for approval for the following school year.
 - ii. All fees must accompany the application and be received prior to May 31. The request will not be considered until the fees are submitted.
 - iii. Students are not eligible to participate or compete with the CIF member school until confirmation from the CIF State Office that the application is approved.
 - b. RENEWAL applications
 - i. All renewal applications must be submitted to the State Office by May 31 of the current school year to continue multi-school status for the following year.
 - ii. All fees for multi-school dues will be reflected on the invoice sent from the CIF State Office for the school's annual school dues and legal assessment.
 - iii. Any late applications will be assessed a late fee of \$200; the fee must be attached or the application will not be considered. If an application for renewal is not received by September 1 of the current school year, it will not be considered.
 - iv. Students are not eligible to participate or compete with the CIF member school until confirmation has been received from the CIF State Office that the application is approved.
 - (7) Appeals Procedure [Applies only to (4) above]
 - a. If the CIF member school is unable to obtain written approval from the appropriate league, then it may appeal for approval, in writing, to its Section, but only after exhausting any and all appeals procedures established by the respective league.
 - b. If the CIF member school and its league are unable to obtain written approval from the appropriate Section, they may appeal for approval, in writing, to the Executive Committee, but only after exhausting any and all appeals procedures established by the respective Section.
- C. **Small Learning Communities, Small Schools, Alternative Schools, and Charter Schools Housed on a Member School's Campus**
- (1) Small learning communities, small schools, alternative schools and charter schools housed on an existing member school's campus are subject to Bylaws 303(B) and (C). However, a small learning community, small school, alternative school or charter school housed on an existing member school's campus may apply for an exclusive multi-school relationship with the member school on whose campus they are housed. Where a small learning community, small school, alternative school or charter school housed on an existing member school's campus and the member school on whose campus they are housed apply for an exclusive multi-school relationship, the students at the small learning community, small school, alternative school or charter school will not be eligible to participate for any CIF member school other than the member school on whose campus the small

learning community, small school, alternative school or charter school is housed. If a small learning community, small school, alternative school or charter school and the member school on whose campus they are housed are applying for an exclusive multi-school relationship, they shall notify the CIF State Office when they submit their multi-school application.

- (2) Students transferring into small learning communities, small schools, alternative schools or charter schools housed on an existing member school's campus after their initial enrollment in the 9th grade are subject to Bylaw 207.
- (3) Sections are empowered to waive the transfer rule upon request by a school district establishing a new magnet program, small learning community, small school, alternative school or charter school housed on a member school's campus for the first year only; thereafter, all transfer rules apply.

(Revised May 2012 Federated Council)

D. Private and Charter Schools Partnering With CIF Member Public Schools Housed On a Separate Campus

Where a private school or a charter school enters into a multi-school agreement with a public school that is housed on a separate campus or with a public school district, only those students who live within the boundaries of the public school district may participate in athletics at the member school or at a member school within the district. A student attending such a private school or charter school must participate for the member school in whose attendance area his/her parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver reside or the school in the district where the student most recently established residential eligibility prior to attending the private or charter school entering the multi-school agreement.

E. CIF Member School with Multiple Campuses

- i. Teams representing a high school must be composed of students under the direct supervision of one principal and attending class on one campus. Where one school has multiple campuses, a student must participate for the team on whose campus he/she is housed unless the school petitions to be allowed to participate as a single school with multiple campuses under the supervision of one principal. All new applications must be received in the State Office prior to May 31 of the current school year for approval for the following school year **and meet all provisions of CIF Bylaw 303 listed above.**

DEFINITIONS

School Within a School

This type of school (often times referred to as Academies with a particular academic focus) operating under the umbrella of a comprehensive high school, but has no autonomy in terms of academic accountability.

Small Learning Communities

These schools have their own complete accountability in terms of having their own CDS code, API scores and their own CAHSEE pass rate.

F. Continuation Schools

Continuation schools may not apply for multi-school team status as provided for under this provision. For continuation school eligibility, refer to Bylaw 211.

(Revised May 2009 Federated Council)

304. SPECIAL SCHOOLS (CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF)

A. Students attending special schools (as defined in Education Code Sections 59000 et seq. and 59100 et seq.) may be permitted to compete as representatives of the CIF member schools provided:

- (1) Student is eligible under all other rules of the CIF; AND
- (2) It is agreed that the administrative responsibility for the student involved in athletics shall rest with the principal of the school for which student is competing; AND
- (3) Permission is secured from the appropriate Board of Education; AND
- (4) Permission is secured from the Section.

B. A student with a qualifying disability in accordance with IDEA and State law who is attending a State-certified non-public school (as defined in Education Code Section 56365 et seq.) pursuant to placement by a public school Individualized Education Program (IEP) team may be permitted to compete as a representative of his/her CIF member school of residence (or school in which eligibility was most recently established) provided:

- (1) The student is eligible under all other rules of the CIF; AND
- (2) The State-certified non-public school is not a CIF member school; AND
- (3) The CIF member school district has determined that the State-certified non-public school placement is necessary; AND
- (4) The administrative responsibility for the student involved in athletics shall rest with the principal of the school for which the student is competing; AND
- (5) Approval is received from the appropriate Governing Board or designee; AND
- (6) Approval is received from the Section.

(Revised May 2006 Federated Council)

ARTICLE 50
GENERAL RULES

500. AUTHORIZED PARTICIPATION

- A. All CIF eligibility rules apply in all games including practice games.
- B. All athletic activities in sports approved by the CIF involving two or more member schools must be held under rules and regulations of the participating school's respective league, Section and the CIF.
- C. Ineligible students shall not compete as representatives of the school in any competition involving CIF member schools.
- D. In any CIF competition, an attached eligible athlete (representing a CIF member school in compliance with all CIF, Section and league eligibility requirements) may be permitted to participate.

501. CONTESTS SUBJECT TO CIF ELIGIBILITY RULES

- A. All CIF eligibility rules apply in all games including practice games.
- B. With Section approval, each school year a school may engage in one interschool play day activity per CIF-approved sport with any students not involved in that sport's interscholastic athletic program, as long as the schools involved agree in writing to indemnify and hold harmless Sections and the State CIF and willingly accept full and complete responsibility for the health and safety of their students involved in the aforementioned activity.
- C. **Definition of a Playday**
An organized recreational activity involving teams from two or more high schools wherein the participants are not currently participating or have not been participating as a member of their school interscholastic team in that sport during the previous 12 calendar months preceding the date of the play day.
- D. **Exhibition competition** (such as, but not limited to, fifth quarter, open lane, open mat and open court competition) involving CIF member schools may be allowed as an adjunct to regular CIF competition under the following provisions. Team sports for the purposes of this bylaw include baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, lacrosse, soccer, volleyball, water polo and wrestling. Individual sports for the purposes of this bylaw include: badminton, cross country, golf, gymnastics, swimming and diving, tennis, track and field and skiing.
 - (1) **Team Sports:**
 - a. Duly-appointed coaches (as specified in Bylaw 506) and contest officials are present and supervising the activity. If officials require any additional fees for officiating exhibition competition, it shall be negotiated with the host school and their officials associations in compliance with and Section rules and regulations; AND
 - b. Such contests count toward the competing individual's allowable maximum number of contests; AND
 - c. A team score is not kept or recorded; AND
 - d. Such team competition is not conducted concurrently with the regulation CIF competition; AND
 - e. Such team competition is held at the same site, immediately preceding or following the regulation competition; AND
 - f. Such team competition is shorter in duration than the regulation competition in that sport; AND
 - g. Participants in such competition shall not compete in any regulation CIF competition I the same sport during the same day or event; AND
 - h. Participants in such competition represent their own school enrollment (i.e., competition on a rainbow team and/or a team made up of students representing two or more school is prohibited); AND
 - i. Written permission is granted for such competition by the principals of all schools involved; AND
 - j. Participants in such competition meet all eligibility requirements of the State CIF, CIF Section and league.
 - (2) **Individual Sports:**
 - a. Duly-appointed coaches (as specified in Bylaw 506) are present and supervising the activity; AND
 - b. Such contests count toward the competing individual's allowable maximum number of contests; AND
 - c. A team score is not kept or recorded nor are individual finishes or records kept of recorded; AND
 - d. Individual events may be conducted concurrently with the regulation CIF competition events (i.e. open lane, open court, open apparatus); AND
 - e. The primary CIF team and/or individual competition is held at the same site, and the individual exhibition competitions occurs during or immediately preceding or following that regulation CIF competition; AND

- f. Participants in such competition shall not compete in any regulation CIF competition in the same sport during the same day or event; AND
- g. Participants in such individual event competition represent their own school enrollment (i.e., competition on a rainbow relay team and/or a relay team made up of students representing two or more schools is prohibited); AND
- h. Written permission is granted for such competition by the principals of all schools involved; AND
- i. Participants in such competition meet all eligibility requirements of the State CIF, CIF Section and league.

(500.D. Revised May 2013 Federated Council)

- E. During the school year, all athletic activities in CIF-approved sports involving CIF member schools must be held under the rules and regulations of the participating school's respective league, CIF Section and the State CIF during the established school year (district, section, league).
- F. During the summer period, CIF Bylaws pertaining to transfer eligibility, undue influence, pre-enrollment contact and athletically motivated transfers apply (Bylaws 206, 207 and 510).
- G. During the summer period, no physical conditioning or practice sessions prior to the opening of authorized practice may be conducted by a high school unless specifically authorized by the school principal/designee. CIF Sections may establish sport specific rules and/or policies.

(Revised May 2010 Federated Council)

502. **NON-CIF MEMBER SCHOOL/CLUB TEAMS**

- A. No school belonging to the CIF shall compete, scrimmage or practice with any team outside the jurisdiction of the CIF without the consent of the CIF Section involved. A school disregarding this rule may be suspended from participation in that sport as determined by their respective CIF Section. (See Bylaw 511)
- B. Sections may establish a policy, procedure and requirements for review of applications of CIF member schools wishing to compete with a Non-CIF member.
- C. If a CIF high school team is approved by their section to compete against a non-CIF team in any competition, the activity shall be played under the high school rules for that sport.
- D. High school students or teams shall not compete or practice against other individuals or teams in football or wrestling unless the players or such teams meet the age requirements of the CIF. High school students or teams shall not compete or practice against other individuals or outside/club teams unless the individual players and the individuals on the outside/club team meet the age requirements of the CIF.
- E. In order to grant athletic opportunities to students who attend schools that for a limited amount of time cannot afford to offer a sport, an outside team consisting of students from these schools may be formed and may scrimmage or practice against a CIF member school provided the following:
 - (1) A district board or private school governance board states that a program is not affordable for a limited time to be designated by the district board or the private school board;
 - (2) A district board or private school governance board requests participation for its students;
 - (3) The league against which these teams plan to compete grants approval prior to Section approval;
 - (4) Approval of the Section is granted;
 - (5) Officials of the requesting school(s) must understand this request is granted for up to a two-year term. An additional term may be granted if all provisions are met;
 - (6) That schools and districts recognize that such outside teams are not granted status as league members nor do they qualify for league, Section or State playoffs or championships;
 - (7) An administrator of one of the requesting schools agrees to accept responsibility and supervision of the team and agrees that students will meet eligibility requirements expected of students in CIF member schools.

503. **ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT**

The principal of each school shall be held responsible for the amateur standing and eligibility of the school's teams and team members under CIF, Section, and league rules.

- A. Schools shall be responsible to confirm the eligibility status for all students participating in interscholastic athletics at their schools as required by the State CIF Federated Council, local Section, and leagues.
- B. **INELIGIBLE ATHLETES**: Ineligible students shall not compete as representatives of the school in any CIF contest.
- C. **GRADE LEVEL RESTRICTIONS**: Only 9th through 12th grade students may practice with or compete on a high school team. Ninth grade students of a junior high school which is located on the same campus and is under the supervision of the same principal as the senior high school may practice with and compete on the high school team. For a multi-school situation, see Bylaw 303.
- D. **UNATTACHED/UNOFFICIAL PARTICIPANTS**: In CIF competition, no person shall be permitted to participate as an unattached athlete or an unofficial entrant. (See Bylaw 501).
- E. **SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT**: No CIF team shall participate in interscholastic or approved competition with any other team unless the CIF team is under supervision as required by the California Education Code 49032. (See also Bylaw 506).

F. COACHING

Principals are responsible to insure that All coaches of the CIF member school for all individual or team(s) meet the requirements of the California Education Code 49032, 35179.1 and Bylaw 22.B.(9)

(Revised February 2009 Federated Council)

1. COACHING COMPENSATION

A coach shall not be reimbursed for coaching services from any source other than the school funds without the approval of the school's governing board, nor be subject to any bonus arrangement dependent upon the success of the school's team.

2. PENALTY FOR IMPROPER COACHING COMPENSATION

Any team, coached by any person receiving any part of the salary for coaching from other than school funds without the approval of the school's governing board, is ineligible.

(Revised February 2009 Federated Council)

- G. **PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:** As a condition of membership, schools will require that a student receive an annual physical examination conducted by a medical practitioner certifying that the student is physically fit to participate in athletics. The report of the examination will be on a school board-approved form that includes a health history. The physical examination must be completed before a student may try out, practice or participate in interscholastic athletic competition. A student will be excused from this physical examination provided there is compliance with the Education Code provisions concerning Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Caregiver's Refusal to Consent. The CIF Health and Safety Committee strongly recommends schools use the Pre-Participation Physical Examination form that is endorsed by five major medical societies; American Academy of Family Physicians, American Academy of Pediatrics, American Medical Society for Sports Medicine, American Orthopedic Sports Medicine and the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine. All CIF schools must have school board-approved forms. (Revised March 2004 Executive Committee)

- H. **CONCUSSION PROTOCOL:** A student-athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury in a practice or game shall be removed from competition at that time for the remainder of the day. A student-athlete who has been removed from play may not return to play until the athlete is evaluated by a licensed health care provider trained in education and management of concussion and receives written clearance to return to play from that health care provider. On a yearly basis, a concussion and head injury information sheet shall be signed and returned by all athletes and the athlete's parent or guardian before the athlete's initiating practice or competition. (Revised May 2012 Federated Council)

Q: What is meant by "licensed health care provider?"

A: The "scope of practice" for licensed health care providers and medical professionals is defined by California state statutes. This scope of practice will limit the evaluation to a medical doctor (MD) or doctor of osteopathy (DO).

I. STEROID PROHIBITION

As a condition of membership, all schools shall adopt policies prohibiting the use and abuse of androgenic/anabolic steroids. All member schools shall have participating students and their parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver agree that the athlete will not use steroids without the written prescription of a fully licensed physician (as recognized by the AMA) to treat a medical condition.

NOTE: Article 1-12.A.(14) (Revised May 2005 Federated Council)

504 SEASON OF SPORT

All CIF member school interscholastic activities must be conducted in accordance with the following season of sport bylaws.

- A. **Definition of School and Individual Student Athlete Season of Sport.**
The season of sport for a school is that period of time which elapses between the first interscholastic contest and the final contest for that particular sport. The season of a sport for any individual student is that period of time which elapses between the student's first participation in an interscholastic contest and the student's **final participation in a contest for that particular sport in that season.**
- B. The "season of sport" shall be established for each sport by the highest CIF component level in which championship competition is conducted (i.e., State, Section or league) in that sport. **To participate in state-level competition for any particular sport, a Section must comply with the CIF adopted "season of sport."**
- C. **PLAYOFFS:** State and Sections shall conduct playoffs in such a manner that teams in like sports, and in baseball and softball, during the same season are afforded equitable opportunity to participate in evening and weekend competition.
- D. **EQUITY:** Sections and/or leagues shall set seasons of sport so that they provide equal opportunity for all students to participate, including intersectional competition and State championships in like sports, and softball and baseball.
- E. The basic sports seasons are:
Fall - August through November
Winter - November through February
Spring - February through June
Exact dates may vary from year-to-year and between Sections within the above specified basic seasons.
Championship competition may extend beyond these limits.
- F. Section and/or leagues are encouraged to conduct all sports during the State-approved season.
- G. Member schools, through their league or Section, shall either:
(1) Schedule identical sports, and baseball and softball, with seasons of the same number of weeks regardless of the season of the year in which the sport is played; OR
(2) Schedule all sports in a particular season of the year to be an equal number of weeks.

- H. Sections have the responsibility to work toward equity relative to length of season, number of contests, and number of opportunities for participation by students. The "seasons of sport" for State championships are:
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| Fall - Volleyball (girls) | Winter - Wrestling (boys and girls) |
| Fall - Cross Country (boys and girls) | Winter - Soccer (boys and girls - SoCal Regionals only) |
| Fall - Football (boys) | Spring - Track (boys and girls) |
| Fall - Golf (girls) | Spring - Golf (boys) |
| Fall - Tennis (girls Regionals only) | Spring - Tennis (boys Regionals only) |
| Winter - Basketball (boys and girls) | Spring - Volleyball (boys Regionals only) |
- I. The season of sport for championship teams from the San Francisco and Oakland Sections may be extended to allow them to compete against each other in a postseason "Transbay" competition in those sports that do not culminate in a CIF Regional/State Championship. (Revised May 2011 Federated Council)
- J. **Last Contest Date**
- Each section shall determine the last contest date for regular season competition.
 - For sports culminating in Regional or State championships, Section playoff competition must be completed by the Saturday prior to Regional or State competition.
 - Each Section that participates in State championships in a sport shall conduct Section playoffs, if any, during the season immediately preceding such State championships.
- K. **MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SEASONS**
A student shall not participate in more than four seasons of sanctioned CIF competition in any given sport in a four-year high school or three seasons of sanctioned CIF competition in any given sport in a three-year high school. Activities in the summer are exempt.
- L. **ONE SEASON OF SPORT**
Each student shall be limited to one season of a particular sport for each school year. (See also 504.A.)
- M. **SUNDAYS:** In order to provide at least one day of respite from involvement in interscholastic athletics each week, no interscholastic games or practices of any kind are to be held on Sunday.
Exception: Those schools founded upon religious tenets that observe the Sabbath from Friday sundown until Saturday sundown may practice or play on Sundays. Schools must register each year by August 1 for the following year with their Section office and indicate either Friday or Saturday as their alternate day of respite.
NOTE: Declaration of Alternate Day of Respite form is available through your local Section Office.
- Violation of Bylaw **504. M.** will result in the following sanctions:
 - Practice: For every practice conducted on a declared day of respite, the violating school will be prohibited from conducting twice as many regularly scheduled practices (2 for 1);
 - Game: A game played on a declared day of respite will result in forfeiture of the game.
 - In addition to the above sanctions, the Section may impose any of the following additional sanctions:
 - The final season record will be reduced by at least one win at the conclusion of the season;
 - The school will be placed on probation;
 - The team/individual will be ineligible to advance to or in Section, Regional or State Championships;
 - Reduction of maximum number of contests allowed for the following year in that sport;
 - Repeated violation may result in suspension of membership in the CIF.
- (Revised May 2004 Federated Council)

505. EQUITY

Any question or concern involving practices or procedures that affect perceived bias on the basis of gender will be reported in writing to the State CIF Office within 10 working days. A form will be sent to the individual, which must be returned to register the inquiry and resolution (if any). Any registered complaints or inquiries will be investigated and reported to the Federated Council and State Board of Education with copies to the person who filed the original concern. If the problem is not resolved to the satisfaction of the individual, the appeals procedure of CIF shall be consulted and implemented at the discretion of the complainant.

NOTE: See Equity Complaint and Appeal Procedure Section Following the Constitution and Bylaws.

- A. Each Section shall adopt policies and/or establish procedures that will promote, within its jurisdiction, equal opportunity for all students regardless of race, religion, sex, national origin or physical disability.
- B. **EQUAL REPRESENTATION IN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**
Sections shall participate in an equal number of sports for boys and girls in State championships, with a minimum of one entry per Section. All Sections shall have representation in all playoffs.
- C. **NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE CONTESTS**
Each Section and/or league that establishes a maximum and/or minimum number of allowable contests for member schools shall establish the same number of allowable contests for teams in identical sports, and in baseball and softball.
- D. **ASSIGNMENT OF OFFICIALS**
- Officials for all interscholastic contests shall be assigned and compensated on a gender-neutral basis
 - When practical and sufficient interest exists, the number of events offered in a contest in identical sports for boys and girls shall be equal except where the rules are written by a recognized rules writing body that provides for a different number of events.

E. EQUAL ASSIGNMENT OF PLAYOFF FACILITIES

Assignment of facilities for competition in State and Section playoffs shall be based on gender-neutral factors for all teams in identical sports, and in baseball and softball.

506. PRACTICE TIME ALLOWANCE (if approved)

507. SECTION ALIGNMENT OF LEAGUES

Sections that use a two-year cycle of alignment shall realign on even years only. Sections that realign every year or “upon demand” are not to be affected by this rule. Each Section shall allow the formation of cross leagues for schools in which a sport or sports are not available through its immediate league.

508. DONATED EQUIPMENT

Schools, teams and/or individuals associated with interscholastic athletics which are under the control of school governing boards are prohibited from accepting a donation of any and all athletic equipment of any description or any and all apparel of any description which is associated with interscholastic athletics except as provided for by Education Code Section 41032(a) et seq. In the case of private schools, such donations must be accepted by resolution of the governing authority of such private school.

509. OFFICIAL NATIONAL FEDERATION AUTHENTICATION MARK

Only balls with the National Federation authentication mark shall be used in the sports of baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, lacrosse, soccer, softball, volleyball and water polo.

(Approved February 1999 Federated Council; Revised to include lacrosse November 2000 Federated Council)

510. UNDUE INFLUENCE, PRE-ENROLLMENT CONTACT, DISCLOSING PRE-ENROLLMENT CONTACT, ATHLETICALLY MOTIVATED TRANSFERS

A. The use of undue influence by any person(s) to secure or retain a student or their parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver as residents may cause the student to be ineligible for high school athletics for a period of one year and shall jeopardize the standing of that high school in the CIF.

Undue influence is any act, gesture or communication (including accepting material or financial inducement to attend a CIF member school for the purpose of engaging in CIF competition regardless of the source) which is performed personally, or through another, which may be objectively seen as an inducement, or part of a process of inducing a student, or his or her parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, by or on behalf of, a member school, to enroll in transfer to, or remain in, a particular school for athletic purposes.

B. A student shall become ineligible for CIF competition and shall be penalized according to Bylaw 212 for accepting material or financial inducement to attend a CIF member school for the purpose of engaging in CIF competition, regardless of the source.

C. Pre-enrollment contact or an athletically motivated transfer may be considered prima facie evidence (“sufficient evidence”) that the student enrolled in that school in whole or in part for athletic reasons (See Bylaw 200 and 206.C.) and cause the student to be ineligible for participation those sports in which the student participated at the former school.

Athletically motivated pre-enrollment contact of any kind by anyone from, or associated* with, a school or its athletic programs to which a student may transfer or move into the attendance area is not permitted. When a prima facie case (sufficient evidence) of undue influencing/recruiting exists, the student shall be ineligible to represent the new school in interscholastic athletic competition for a period of one calendar year from the date of the student’s enrollment in the new school in all sports in which the student participated at any school in the last 12 months and/or the sport with which the coaches referenced herein is associated, unless sufficient proof is presented to the satisfaction of the Section Commissioner that rebuts or disproves the evidence of undue influence/recruiting for athletic reasons.

D. **Pre-Enrollment Contact**

Pre-enrollment contact may include, but is not limited to: any communication of any kind, directly or indirectly, with the student, parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, relatives, or friends of the student about the athletic programs at a school; orientation/information programs, shadowing programs; attendance at outside athletic or similar events by anyone associated*with the school to observe the student; participation by the student in programs supervised by the school or its associates before enrollment in the school.

(1) **Requirement to Disclose Pre-Enrollment Contact**

All Transfer students shall submit a completed CIF Pre-Enrollment Contract Affidavit (CIF Form 510) with appropriate transfer application(s) as required by their respective Section under Bylaw 207. Any and all pre-enrollment contact of any kind whatsoever that a student or anyone associated with the student, has had with a person associated with the new school must be disclosed by the student, parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver and the new school to the Section office on a complete CIF Pre-Enrollment Contact Affidavit (CIF Form 510).

NOTE: CIF Form 510 is available through the local Section Office.

(2) **Definition of being “Associated” with a school:**

*Persons “associated” with a school include, but are not limited to: current or former coaches, current or former athletes, parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver of current or former student/athletes, booster club members, alumni, spouses or relatives of coaches, teachers and other employees, coaches who become employed, active applicants for coaching positions, and persons who are

employed by companies or organizations that have donated athletic supplies, equipment or apparel to that school.

E. **Athletically Motivated Transfers**

The CIF, as the governing body of high school athletics, affirms that athletic competition is an important part of the high school experience and that participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege. The privilege of participation in interscholastic athletics is available to students in public or private schools who meet the democratically established standards of qualification as set forth by the CIF Federated Council. As stated in CIF Bylaw 200.A.(6) the CIF Bylaws shall serve as a deterrent to students who transfer or change schools for athletic reasons and to individuals who attempt to recruit (unduly influence) student-athletes or their parents to enroll in a school because of athletics.

As stated in CIF Bylaw 200.A.(2) the CIF Bylaws reinforce the principle that students attend school to receive an education first; athletic participation is secondary. CIF Bylaws provide for individual Section Offices to limit eligibility for a student when there is evidence the transfer, or move is made to acquire athletic participation at their new school (School B).

Students may be determined by their respective CIF/Section Office or the CIF to have made an athletically motivated transfer or change in schools if one or more of the following circumstances are determined to have contributed in any way to the transfer or change in schools:

- (1) Evidence of parental or student dissatisfaction with a coach or a coaching decision at the former school. Evidence of this may include, but is not limited to:
 - a. The student or the parents/guardians/caregivers have had a verbal disagreement that is documented, with any member of the former school's coaching staff, anyone associated with the athletic department or any School Administrator in the 12 months prior to the student's change in schools regarding the team or any aspect of the team, including but not limited to any aspect of practice, schedules, off season conditioning, club participation, playing time, family conflicts with team activity schedules, coaching decisions about any aspect of the team strategies, player selection, playing time, organizational issues, communication issues; AND/OR
 - b. The student or the student's parents/guardians/caregivers have had a written exchange of any kind (Including, but not limited to: email, regular postal mail, written, hand-delivered statements etc.) with the coach or any member of the former school's coaching staff, anyone associated with the athletic department or any school administrator in the 12 months prior to the student's change in schools regarding the team or any aspect of the team, including but not limited to any aspect of practice, schedules, offseason conditioning, club participation playing time, family conflicts with team activity schedules, coaching decisions about any aspect of the team strategies player selection, playing time, organizational issues, communication issues; AND/OR
- (2) **Transferring to a School after Participating on a Non-School Athletic Team, Camp or Clinic Associated with the School**

The student transfers from his or her current school of attendance, with or without a corresponding change of residence, to any high school where the student participates or participated, during the 24 months immediately prior to the transfer, on a non-school athletic team, (i.e. AAU, American Legion, club team, etc.). camp or clinic that is associated* with (See definition in C.(2).) the new school in the sports previously participated in. A team associated with a school is one that is organized by and/or coached by any member of the coaching staff at, or any other person associated* with (See definition in C.(2).), that school; and/or, on which the majority of the members of the team (Participants in practice and/or competition are students who attend that school. AND/OR
- (3) **Transferring to a School Where a Former High School Coach has Relocated**

The student at any grade level transfers to a new school within one calendar year of the relocation of his/her school or club coach to the student's new school of enrollment with or without a corresponding change in residence; AND/OR
- (4) Other factors that may be considered in support of evidence of athletic motivation:
 - a. Evidence the student's transfer or change of schools would result in the assurance the student would gain varsity participation at the new school or result in more playing time; AND/OR
 - b. Evidence the student's transfer or change of schools is believed (objectively or subjectively) to be more competitive or athletically "visible;" AND/OR
 - c. Evidence the student's transfer or change of schools is because of the student's previous association with an outside agency that uses the facilities or personnel of the student's new school (School B); AND/OR
 - d. The student or the student's parents/guardians/caregivers are quoted in published material, including but not limited to blogs, tweets, social media sites, sports media sites, chat rooms, newspapers, magazines, etc., stating that they are changing schools because of better athletic opportunities at the new school or criticizing the former school's athletic program when discussing the reasons for the transfer; AND/OR
 - e. Evidence that multiple students have transferred or changed schools to participate in a particular sports program at one school. (Revised February 2013 Federated Council)

511. Suspended Schools

When a school in any Section is suspended from participating in any sport, that school is not to play with any other school in the Federation in that sport during the period of suspension. Any team competing with the offending school shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Federated Council. **Any CIF member school that competes against a suspended program, the competing CIF member school shall be subject to disciplinary action by their section and the CIF.**

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Proposal Summary:

Make minor revision for better clarification in several areas of the Bylaw and add wording to help promote gender equity and ensure participatory comparability for female athletes with respect to the Sit-Out-Period in the sports of golf and tennis.

Fiscal Impact: None

Background: The Federated Council, at the October 2013 meeting, as per Bylaw 1108.B, approved the actions of the Executive Committee taken on September 22, 2013 to allow sections to adjust their fall SOP dates promote gender equity and ensure participatory comparability for female athletes with respect to the Sit-Out-Period in the sports of golf and tennis for the fall of 2013. This proposal will make those changes permanent. Additionally the proposal includes several other minor edits to help clarify the intent and the interpretation of the Bylaw.

207. TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY

A. Determination of Transfer Student Status-Standards of Enrollment - See also 201.A. (3)

- (1) A student shall be considered to be a transfer student when:
 - a. the student has been on the attendance roll of their former school (School A) for 15 days or more for classes occurring at School A, whether or not they have been in attendance during those 15 days;
AND/OR
 - b. the student has played in an athletic contest for their former school; AND/OR
 - c. the student has tried out for or practiced with a team prior to the beginning of the school year for 5 days or more; AND
 - d. that student withdraws from School A or has completed the courses in which they were enrolled in at School A, so that student is no longer enrolled in any way at School A; AND
 - e. that student enrolls as a full-time student in a new school (School B).
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that student shall be determined to be enrolled in and having transferred to School B if all conditions of 201.A. (1) are met.
- (2) Students may not practice with or participate in an interscholastic athletic contest for the new school prior to establishing enrollment in the new school meeting these enrollment standards except if they are transferring at the beginning of the school year and practice for that season of sport begins prior to the first day that school and classes begin. These conditions must be met even if prior to this such a student has registered for classes and/or paid a non-refundable registration fee to the new school.
 - a. For eligibility purposes, students cannot have dual enrollment in two different schools at the same time. During the time a student is intending to transfer schools, has registered for classes at the new school and/or paid a non-refundable registration fee at the new school, but still remains enrolled in the former school, the student will be considered to be enrolled in the former school. Only at such time as the student has withdrawn from or has completed the courses in which they were enrolled at the former school, and is no longer enrolled in any way at the former school, shall that student be considered as having "transferred" to the new school. This applies to 8th graders matriculating the following school year to 9th grade in a CIF member school.
- (3) No one associated with the athletic program at the new school may perpetrate any violation of Bylaw 510 or have inappropriate pre-enrollment contact as outlined in Bylaw 207.B or 510 prior to their enrollment in the new school as defined above. [See also Bylaw 201.A (4)]

Q: What is meant by an athletically motivated move or transfer?

A: Based on the CIF philosophy that the "student attend school to receive an education first; athletic participation is secondary" [Bylaw 200 A. (2)], individual Section Offices may limit eligibility for a student when there is evidence the transfer, or move is made to acquire athletic participation at School B. Such evidence of an athletically motivated move may be, but is not limited to:

- Evidence of parental or student dissatisfaction with a coach or a coaching decision at the former school.
- Evidence the student's move would result in the assurance the student would gain varsity participation at the new school or result in more playing time.
- A move to a school by the student that is believed (objectively or subjectively) to be more competitive or athletically "visible".
- A demonstrated move or transfer that is prompted by association with club programs or outside agencies that use the facilities of the new school.
- A demonstrated move or transfer to a school with which the student has had an athletic association.
- A move or transfer to a school by a student who is associated with outside agencies that use the facilities or personnel at the new school of attendance.
- The preponderance of credible evidence the move was not made in good faith to secure greater educational advantage for the student.

The standard applied to the evidence of "athletic motivation" is that which is associated with a student move or transfer proffered to a hearing officer or Section Commissioner is that which a responsible person acting in a thoughtful manner would judge be with "athletic motivation."

B. CIF Transfer Rule

All students transferring at any time during their enrollment in high school, to a CIF member school after their initial enrollment in the 9th grade in any school (referred to as Former School or School A) shall have their eligibility determination made in compliance with the following 207.B. Bylaws except:

- Those making a valid change of residence (Bylaw 206); OR
- Those transferring to or from a CIF member school under the auspices of a CIF-approved foreign exchange program (Bylaw 208); OR
- Those transferring as a result of discipline (Bylaw 209).

NOTES:

Emancipated Minors: This bylaw also applies to students 18 years of age or older and emancipated minors. AND

No Child Left Behind Act: Students transferring to another school under any provision of the federal legislation “No Child Left Behind Act” are not residentially eligible at their new school. However, a student may become eligible under the provisions of the appropriate Section and State CIF Constitution and Bylaws.

Boarding School: A high school student who transfers to or from the status of a full time resident at a 24-hour boarding school shall be subject to all provisions of Bylaw 207

(1) **Mandatory Applications for Eligibility Determination**

All such transfer students addressed in 207 must complete the respective CIF Section-required 207/510 Application form. This form must be submitted to the CIF Section for an eligibility determination. No transfer student is eligible to compete for their new school of enrollment until a determination has been made by their respective CIF Section. (See also Bylaws 501, 510 and 700.)

(2) **Pre-Enrollment Disclosure Requirements**

[Please see also Bylaws 201.A. (1) & (4) and 510]

Any and all pre-enrollment contact of any kind whatsoever with a student must be disclosed by the student, parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, and the schools involved to their respective CIF Section office on a completed CIF Pre-Enrollment Contact Affidavit (CIF Form 510). Pre-enrollment contact may include, but is not limited to: any communication of any kind, directly or indirectly, with the student, parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, relatives, or friends of the student about the athletic programs at a school; orientation/ information programs, shadowing programs; attendance at outside athletic or similar events by anyone associated with the school to observe the student; participation by the student in programs supervised by the school or its associates before enrollment in the school per Bylaws 201.A.(1) & (4).

(3) **Transfers to a CIF Member School (described as New School or School B) From Schools (described as Former School or School A) Located in the United States, a U.S. Territory, Canada or a U.S. Military Base (referred herein as Domestic Transfers)**

Such transfer students who meet all other requirements for eligibility outlined in bylaws, will be granted unlimited residential eligibility in all sports at all levels at the new school EXCEPT

- a. in any sport(s) in which the transfer student has competed at any level at the former school(s), in the twelve calendar months immediately preceding their transfer to the new school, the student will be limited to sub-varsity (limited) eligibility in those sports;
- b. no student shall be eligible to participate in the same sport at two different schools in the same school year.
- c. if the transfer is determined to be athletically motivated. Athletically motivated transfers may be considered prima facie evidence that the student enrolled in that school in whole or in part for athletic reasons and cause the student to be ineligible for participation in those sports in which the student participated at the former school as outlined in Bylaws 510 and 207.C. (3) & (4). (See also Bylaw 510);
- d. **the transfer is not determined to be based upon a disciplinary situation (See CIF Bylaw 209);**
- e. **the student meets all other provisions of all CIF Bylaws.**

The student shall have unlimited residential eligibility for all sports at all levels under Bylaw 207 after having been enrolled for 12 calendar months from the date of transfer to the new school.

NOTE: Refer to (5) below for applications for transfer eligibility limitations determinations and exceptions.

(4) **Foreign Transfers Not in a CIF-Approved Foreign Exchange Program (referred herein as Foreign Transfers)**

Students who transfer to a CIF Member school (described as New School or School B) from:

- any school (described as Former School or School A) which is located outside of the United States, a U.S. Territory, U. S. Military Base or Canada; AND
 - who are not enrolled in the CIF member school under the auspices of a CIF-approved foreign exchange program; AND
- a. who meet all other requirements for eligibility in Bylaws, may be granted unlimited residential eligibility in all sports at all levels at the new school EXCEPT:
in any sport(s) in which the transfer student has competed at any level for a club or school team, in the twelve calendar months immediately preceding their transfer to the new school. The student will be limited to sub-varsity (limited) eligibility in those sports. For the purpose of this bylaw, any and all organized sports programs (e.g. youth teams, community teams, club teams, national teams at any level or individualized instruction for competition in development schools or programs) in which the international student competed on, or participated within the last 12 months, will be considered by the CIF in determining whether the student participated in the equivalent of interscholastic competition; AND
 - b. no student who has participated with a club or school team as described in a., shall be eligible to participate in the same sport at the CIF member school within the same 12 month period; AND
 - c. if the transfer is determined to be athletically motivated. Athletically motivated transfers may be considered prima facie evidence that the student enrolled in that school in whole or in part for athletic reasons and cause the student to be ineligible for participation in those sports in which the student participated at the former school. (See also Bylaw 510)

The student may be granted unlimited residential eligibility for all sports at all levels under Bylaw 207 after having been enrolled for 12 calendar months from the date of transfer to the new school.

In Addition, Such Foreign Transfers Must:

- d. Possess a valid visa, allowing them to attend school, issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service or be a U.S. citizen who has been attending the equivalent of a United States high school secondary educational program outside of the United States; AND
Provide to the principal of the school he/she attends an official un-translated transcript and a transcript that is translated into English, by an agency acceptable to the Section from the National Association of Credential Evaluation Service (NACES) membership, which indicates work taken in all grades in which the student was enrolled; the grade level equivalent in the United States as if the international student had completed all courses attempted satisfactorily; and the California grade-point average equivalent; AND
If required, the foreign transfer student must pay tuition to the school/school district he/she attends as prescribed in Education Code Section 48052 et seq.; AND
- e. Be subject to the maximum of eight consecutive semesters bylaw (204); AND
- f. Be subject to the age requirement bylaw (203); AND
- g. Not have graduated from high school. If they should have graduated, or have completed the equivalent coursework for graduation from high school/secondary school, the student is ineligible to participate in CIF competition; AND
- h. Not have the school's coaching staff, paid or voluntary, serve as the resident family for the foreign transfer student.

NOTE: CIF Sections may require individual students to have their school records/transcripts from the school from which they are transferring evaluated by an outside agency at the students or school expense.

(5) Applications for Transfer Eligibility Limitations, Determinations and Exceptions

The CIF recognizes that, in certain circumstances, students may transfer from one school to another due to a compelling hardship need or situation that is beyond a student's or their family's control. In response to such cases, the CIF allows for the CIF Section to make an exception to the limited eligibility status whenever they transfer and the case meets one of the hardship circumstances outlined in Bylaw 207.B. (5) c. (vii). The first time a student transfers in high school, they may utilize the Sit Out Period exception covered in Bylaw 207.B. (5) b. below if they meet all of the conditions required. Any student whose transfer circumstances do not meet the conditions required by these two options, will have their residential eligibility determined in compliance with 207.B. (5) a. as long as they meet the conditions required in that bylaw.

NOTE: Foreign Transfers as described in 207.A. (4) above are subject to all provisions of 207.A. (5) that follows except that whenever there is a reference to "sports in which the student has participated at their previous school" foreign students shall read "sports in which the student has participated at their previous school OR ON ANY CLUB TEAM."

a. Limited Eligibility Applications

Any student who submits a limited eligibility application to their respective CIF Section may be made eligible to play at the sub-varsity level in any sports in which they have participated at any previous school in the twelve months prior to this transfer under the following conditions:

- (i) The student was academically eligible at the time of transfer from the former school. Students who are academically ineligible at their previous school will not be eligible to compete at their new school until the requirements in Bylaw 205 are met and the new school has completed a grading period to verify that the student has met the CIF and school district academic eligibility requirements. A student cannot be placed on probation at the new school to fulfill this requirement; AND
- (ii) The principal of the former school attests in writing that the move was not made in violation of Bylaw 510; AND
- (iii) The student is not transferring either voluntarily or because their former school has determined they must withdraw, because of a disciplinary infraction at the former school as defined in Bylaw 209.C. (1); AND
- (iv) The student is not found by the CIF Section to have transferred to a school where their former high school coach has relocated or where a club coach, with whom they have been associated, is coaching per Bylaw 207.C. (3) or (4); AND
- (v) No student shall be eligible to participate in the same sport at two different schools in the same school year; AND
- (vi) A completed 207/510 Limited Transfer Application is received by the respective CIF Section office and has been processed and approved; AND
- (vii) The student who is approved by their respective CIF Section office and competes in a contest at the sub-varsity level following such approval and before the Sit Out Period (SOP) dates described in B. (5) b. (viii) below, is ineligible for and may not compete at the varsity level in that sport for the remainder of that school year. This applies through the end of any Section, Regional or State championship finals in that sport; AND
- (viii) The student has not been determined by their respective CIF/Section Office or the CIF to have made a transfer or change in schools in violation of Bylaw 510.**

b. **Varsity Eligibility Applications (Non-Hardship Sit Out Period)**

Any student who transfers for the first time since their initial enrollment in the 9th grade in any school, **or if the first transfer of schools for this student was granted due to an approved CIF hardship (see 207.B.(5).c), or a valid change of residence** and whose circumstances causing the transfer do not meet any of the Hardship Exceptions outlined in c. (vii) below, may become eligible for varsity competition for the sport(s) in which they competed in the last twelve months at the former school or any other school, upon submission, review and approval by their respective CIF Section under the following provisions:

- (i) This is the **student's** first transfer since they first enrolled anywhere in the 9th **grade or had their first transfer determined to be a CIF hardship circumstance-207.B.(5).c.); or a valid change of residence** AND
- (ii) The student was academically eligible at the time of transfer from the former school; AND
- (iii) The principal of the former school attests in writing that the move was not made in violation of Bylaw 510; AND
- (iv) The student is not transferring either voluntarily or because their former school has determined they must withdraw, because of a disciplinary infraction at the former school as defined in Bylaw 209.C. (1); AND
- (v) The student is not found by the CIF Section to have transferred to a school where their former high school coach has relocated or where a club coach with whom they have been associated is coaching, per Bylaw 207.C. (3) or (4); AND
- (vi) The student has not been determined by their respective CIF/Section Office or the CIF to have made a transfer or change in schools (See also 510); AND
- (vii) No student shall be eligible to participate in the same sport at two different schools in the same school year; AND
- (viii) The student has not competed at the new school at the sub-varsity level in that sport following the transfer during the current school year; AND
- (ix) The student shall remain out of any competition at any level in each sport in which they competed in the last 12 months at the former school or any other school in accordance with the following Sit Out Periods (SOP):

- Fall Sports: The Monday of the NFHS week 14

~~2013: October 7~~

2014: October 6

2015: October 5

Note - In order to promote gender equity and ensure participatory comparability for female athletes with respect to the Sit-Out-Period in the sports of golf and tennis, the CIF Sections shall adjust their Sit-Out-Period eligibility dates in the sports of girls' golf and girls' tennis, if needed.

- Winter Sports: The Monday of the NFHS week 27

~~2014: January 6~~

2015: January 5

2016: January 4

- Spring Sports: The Monday of the NFHS week 40

2014: April 7

2015: April 6

2016: April 4

- The student who transfers to a school after school B's first game will have a SOP equivalent in calendar days to the SOP of all other students who transferred before the season started. The respective CIF Section Office will provide the actual date once the proper forms are received, reviewed and approved.

c. **Unlimited Eligibility Applications**

Exceptions to the determination of limited eligibility under 207.B. (application for unlimited residential eligibility in all sports) may be applied for by the new school (CIF Form 207/510) on behalf of the student. Consideration for unlimited residential eligibility will be given by the respective CIF Section upon review of the application ONLY under the following provisions.

- (i) The student was scholastically eligible at the time of transfer from the former school. Students who are scholastically ineligible at their previous school will not be eligible to compete at their new school until the requirements in Bylaw 205 are met and the new school has completed a grading period to verify that the student has met the CIF and school district scholastic eligibility requirements. A student cannot be placed on probation at the new school to fulfill this requirement; AND
- (ii) The student is NOT transferring, either voluntarily or because their former school has determined they must withdraw, because of a disciplinary infraction at the former school as defined in Bylaw 209.C. (1); AND
- (iii) The student is not found by the CIF Section to have transferred to a school where their former high school coach has relocated or where a club coach, with whom they have been associated, is coaching per Bylaw 207.C. (3) or (4) & 510.E; AND

- (iv) **The student has not been determined by their respective CIF/Section Office or the CIF to have made a transfer or change in schools in violation of Bylaw 510 AND**
- (v) The student has not competed at the new school at the sub-varsity level in that sport at any time following the transfer to the new school; [students who chose to play at the sub-varsity level under the provisions outlined in (5) a. (LIMITED ELIGIBILITY APPLICATIONS) above may not subsequently be granted unlimited eligibility for that same sport during the same season at the new school; AND
- (vi) No student shall be eligible to participate in the same sport at two different schools in the same school year; AND
- (vii) A completed 207 Unlimited Transfer Application and documentation required by the CIF Section is received by the respective CIF Section office and has been processed, reviewed and approved; AND
- (viii) One of the following hardship circumstances is documented to the satisfaction of the respective CIF Section:
 - (a) **Court Ordered Transfers**
Unlimited eligibility may be granted by the CIF Section in which the student's new school is located in cases where a student is residentially placed from one school attendance area to the attendance area of the new school by a court order or a child protection order and all provisions listed above in c.(i-vi) are met. The student may be determined to have unlimited residential eligibility upon receipt of the 207/510 application and sufficient documentation (including but not limited to a copy of the court order) to satisfy that CIF Section Commissioner that the circumstances meet this criteria. The student will become eligible for varsity competition upon notification to the new school of the approval of such an application by the CIF Section.
 - (b) **Children of Divorced Parents**
Unlimited eligibility may be granted by the CIF Section in which the student's new school is located when a student changes residence from one parent's domicile to the other parent's domicile as a result of a court-ordered custody change, or court ordered or approved joint custody agreements and all provisions listed above in c.(i-vi) are met. The student may be determined to have unlimited residential eligibility upon receipt of the 207/510 application and sufficient documentation (including but not limited to a copy of the divorce papers and custody agreements) to satisfy that CIF Section Commissioner that the circumstances meet this criteria. The student will become eligible for varsity competition upon notification to the new school of the approval of such an application by the CIF Section.
 - (c) **Individual Student Safety Incidents**
Unlimited eligibility may be granted by the CIF Section in which the student's new school is located when a student is transferring as a result of a specific, documented safety incident in which the student was involved and all provisions listed above in c.(i-vi) are met. The student may be determined to have unlimited residential eligibility upon receipt of the 207/510 application and sufficient documentation is submitted to satisfy that CIF Section Commissioner that the circumstances meet this criteria. Required documentation may include, but is not limited to, administrative records and documentation from the former school about the specific safety incident that occurred at the former school and/or police records (if any). The student will become eligible for varsity competition upon notification to the new school of the approval of such an application by the CIF Section.
 - (d) **Discontinued Program**
When the former school, in which a student has been enrolled, discontinues a particular program in which the student had previously been enrolled or participated, and that student transfers to another school because of these circumstances, the student shall be determined to be residentially eligible for unlimited participation in the new school provided that new school offers a continuation of that same program and the student can show documentation that they were enrolled in or participated in that program at the former school and are currently enrolled or participating in that same program at the new school.
 - (e) **Return to Previous School**
When a student eligible in School A transfers to School B and is residentially not eligible, the student may return to School A and shall be determined to be residentially eligible for unlimited participation in interscholastic sports provided the student did not participate in an interscholastic athletic contest while at School B and provided the student's parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver still reside in School A's attendance area.
 - (f) **Foster Children**
A student under the court ordered supervision of the California Foster Care System who has changed residences pursuant to a court order and as a result, has transferred schools, shall be determined to be residentially eligible for unlimited participation in

interscholastic athletics provided all other CIF rules and regulations are met. A change of residence ordered by a social worker of the California Foster Care System shall be acceptable, provided all other CIF rules and regulations are met.

(g) **Military Service**

A student shall be determined to be residentially eligible for unlimited participation interscholastic athletics when returning from military service provided:

- The student was eligible when the student entered into the Armed Forces; AND
- The student enrolls in the same school which the student attended before leaving for the service, or enrolls in the school in the district in which the student's parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver reside; AND
- The student enrolls in the school no later than the succeeding semester after being discharged; AND
- Provided student did not receive a dishonorable discharge; AND
- The student is fully eligible under all other rules of the CIF.

(h) **Married Status**

A student who marries and lives with the student's spouse shall be determined to be residentially eligible for unlimited participation in interscholastic athletics in the school in the attendance area in which the student and their spouse resides.

(i) **Board of Education Ruling**

A student, or group of students, who transfer as a direct result of a ruling by the Board of Education of a school district that has two or more high schools and which mandates a change of school attendance boundaries shall be determined to be residentially eligible for unlimited participation in interscholastic athletics in the school in the attendance area in which the student(s) are required to attend, provided the Board of Education Ruling is not a result of a disciplinary situation.

(j) **Low Achieving Schools**

A student at any grade level may transfer from a low achieving school, as defined by the State Department of Education and on the annual published list, without limitation upon receipt of a valid 207 Form. Any student transferring under the provisions of this bylaw must meet all other applicable eligibility guidelines [see Bylaws 203, 204, 205, 207.B (1), 210]. Students may not receive unlimited eligibility if there is evidence that the transfer is athletically motivated, or there is undue influence or pre-enrollment contact (see Bylaw 207.C). All requests for athletic transfer eligibility (Bylaw 207) must be accompanied by a copy of their district-approved transfer documentation/form under the applicable district guidelines. Students transferring under the provisions of Bylaw 207.B (3) may transfer to a public school, including a charter school (that is or is not on the list of low achieving schools) as long as the school to which a student transfers has a higher API than the student's current school. The school to which the student transfers must be to either the geographically closest public school or the geographically closest charter school to the residence of the student and to the parent(s)/guardians(s)/caregiver(s) with whom the student was living when the student established residential eligibility at the low achieving school. To obtain athletic eligibility at a school other than the closest public or charter school, a student must apply for, and be granted, a hardship waiver pursuant to other CIF eligibility rules.

Q: Why are charter schools included?

A: Charter schools are considered public schools and are included on the list of Low Performing Schools and are subject to this bylaw.

Q: Does this bylaw apply to private schools?

A: No. Private schools do not have an API score and therefore there is no score to measure where they stand.

Q: My school is on the low achieving school list. I want to go to a school that is not the geographically closest higher performing school. Am I eligible?

A: No. This bylaw indicates you are eligible at the next geographically closest higher performing school.

Q: What if the next geographically closest school is impacted and closed to new students?

A: You would be eligible at the next geographically closest school as long as that school is a higher performing school.

d. **Appeals**

All eligibility determinations made by the respective CIF Section office under the provisions of 207.B.(5)c. are final as all of these hardship circumstances are factual in nature and can be documented. Students whose eligibility determinations are made because they do not meet one of the criteria outlined below in 207.C. or in 510 may appeal that portion of their eligibility determination in accordance with Bylaw 1100. Students may appeal a determination by their respective CIF Section if they have been found to not meet the following criteria:

- (i) 207.B.(5)a.(ii) or b.(iii)-Conflict with Coach at former school
- (ii) 207.B.(5)a.(iv) or b.(v) or c.(iii)-Following Coach

C. Pre-Enrollment Communication or Contact (Domestic & Foreign Transfers)

A student who transfers from School A to School B, as described in Bylaws 207.A. and 207.B. above, shall not be eligible for interscholastic athletics at School B until application, under the appropriate CIF Section procedures, is completed, including the following:

(1) Mandatory Parent/Student Certification

[Please see also Bylaws 201.A.(1) & (4). 207.B.(2) and 510]

Any and all pre-enrollment contact of any kind whatsoever with a student must be disclosed by the student, parent(s)/ guardian(s)/caregiver, and the schools involved to their respective CIF Section office on a completed CIF Pre-Enrollment Contact Affidavit (CIF Form 510). Pre-enrollment contact may include, but is not limited to: any communication of any kind, directly or indirectly, with the student, parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, relatives, or friends of the student about the athletic programs at a school; orientation/ information programs, shadowing programs; attendance at outside athletic or similar events by anyone associated with the school to observe the student; participation by the student in programs supervised by the school or its associates before enrollment in the school per Bylaws 201.A.(1) & (4).

(2) Mandatory Former School Certification

The principal and athletic director of School A shall attest that to the best of their knowledge they have no credible evidence* of any person: who is connected with the athletic department of School B; who is part of the booster club of School B; or who is acting on their behalf, having communication, directly or indirectly, through intermediaries or otherwise, with the transfer student, student's parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, or anyone acting on behalf of the student, prior to the completion of the enrollment process.

Definition of Credible Evidence

*Credible evidence is considered as evidence which proceeds from a trustworthy source; evidence which is so natural, reasonable and probable as to make it easy to believe; information which is obtained from authentic sources or from the statements of persons who are not only trustworthy, but also informed as to the particular matter; that which is not mere speculation, or rumor.

(3) Mandatory New School Certification

The principal, athletic director and head coach of School B shall certify that to the best of their knowledge, no person: who is connected with the athletic department of School B; who is part of the booster club of School B; or who is acting on their behalf, has had communication, directly or indirectly, through intermediaries or otherwise, with the transfer student, student's parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, or anyone acting on behalf of the student, prior to the completion of the enrollment process.

(4) Club Coach Association with new School (student transfers to a new school which a coach from the student's non-CIF sports participation experience is associated)

The transfer of a student from his or her current school of attendance with or without a valid change of residence (Bylaw 206) to any CIF member high school where the student participated or participated, during the previous 24 months, on a non-school athletic team, (i.e. AAU, American Legion, club team, etc.) that is associated with the new school in the sports previously participated in shall be considered prima facie evidence (sufficient evidence) of undue influence/recruiting by the school to which the student transfers. Such transfer may be considered prima facie evidence (sufficient evidence) that the student enrolled in that school in whole or part for athletic reasons. A team associated with the school is one that is organized by and/or coached by any member of the coaching staff at, or any other person associated** with, that school and/or on which the majority of the members of the team (Participants in practice and/or competition) are students who attend that school. When a prima facie case (sufficient evidence) of undue influencing/recruiting exists, the student shall be ineligible to represent the new school in interscholastic athletic competition for a period of one calendar year from the date of the student's enrollment in the new school in all sports in which the student participated at any school in the last twelve months and/or the sport with which the coach referenced herein is associated, unless sufficient proof is presented to the satisfaction of the Section Commissioner that rebuts or disproves the evidence of undue influence/recruiting for athletic reasons.

Definition of Persons Associated With School

**Defined as: Persons associated with a school include, but are not limited to; current or former coaches, current or former athletes, parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver of current or former student/athletes, booster club members, alumni, spouses or relatives of coaches, teachers and other employees, coaches who become employed, active applicants for coaching positions, and persons who are employed by companies or organizations that have donated athletic supplies, equipment or apparel to that school.

(5) Relocation of Former High School Coach (Domestic and Foreign Transfers)

A student at any grade level who transfers to a new school within one calendar year of the relocation of his/her former high school coach to that school with or without a corresponding valid change in residence shall be considered prima facie evidence (sufficient evidence) of undue influence/recruiting by the school to which the student transfers or may be considered prima facie evidence (sufficient evidence) that the student enrolled in that school in whole or in part for athletic reasons (See Bylaw 510). When a prima facie case (sufficient evidence) of undue influence/recruiting exists, the student shall be ineligible to represent the new school in interscholastic athletic competition for a period of one calendar year from the date of the student's enrollment in the new school in all sports in which the student participated at any school in the last twelve months and/or the sport with which the coach referenced herein is associated, unless sufficient proof is presented to

the satisfaction of the Section Commissioner that rebuts or disproves the evidence of undue influence/recruiting for athletic reasons.

(6) Athletically Motivated Transfers (Copied from Bylaw 510.E.)

The CIF, as the governing body of high school athletics, affirms that athletic competition is an important part of the high school experience and that participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege. The privilege of participation in interscholastic athletics is available to students in public or private schools who meet the democratically established standards of qualification as set forth by the CIF Federated Council. As stated in CIF Bylaw 200.A.(6) the CIF Bylaws shall serve as a deterrent to students who transfer or change schools for athletic reasons and to individuals who attempt to recruit (unduly influence) student-athletes or their parents to enroll in a school because of athletics. As stated in CIF Bylaw 200.A.(2) the CIF Bylaws reinforce the principle that students attend school to receive an education first; athletic participation is secondary. CIF Bylaws provide for individual Section Offices to limit eligibility for a student when there is evidence the transfer, or move is made to acquire athletic participation at their new school (School B). Students may be determined by their respective CIF/Section Office or the CIF to have made an athletically motivated transfer or change in schools under any of the basis listed in CIF Bylaw 510.E(1)-(4)..

(7) Disclosure

Any pre-enrollment communication as described above must be disclosed in full, and in writing, to the appropriate Section. The Section Commissioner shall determine if the pre-enrollment communication is a violation of Bylaw 510.

(8) Clearance of Pre-Enrollment Contact

A student with whom contact or communication has occurred, as described in C.(1) above, and who meets all other CIF Section transfer waiver requirements, may become eligible upon determination that:

- The communication was completely unrelated to any aspect of School B; AND
- Was of a type that, from the objective point of view of a reasonable person disinterested in the win/loss record of School B, does not have an effect upon the integrity of interscholastic athletics at School A or School B.

(9) Penalties

Failure to disclose pre-enrollment communication with School B persons, identified in C. (2) above, to disclose any pre-enrollment contact, or communicate in writing to the appropriate Section as described in C.(3) above may result in:

- a. A forfeiture of all games in which the student participated; AND/OR
- b. Disqualification from playoff and championship competition for all seasons in which the student is a member of the school's team. (A student shall be considered a member of the school's team if he or she participated in any aspect of an interscholastic contest, no matter how brief such participation may have been; AND/OR
- c. Divestment from the school of all trophies, banners and other indicia of athletic success obtained while the student was a member of the school's team.

(10) Appeals

Students whose eligibility determination is made by the Section Commissioner that the prima facie evidence has not been successfully rebutted by sufficient proof to satisfy said Commissioner under the provisions of 207.C. (4), (5), or (6) and/or 510 may appeal that portion of their eligibility determination in accordance with Bylaw 1100.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Immediate Family — Includes parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver, stepparents and minor siblings with whom the student resided when "Initial Residential Eligibility" was established.

Initial Residential Eligibility — Under CIF rules and regulations, students establish their "Initial Residential Eligibility" at their school of choice entering the 9th grade or the 10th grade of a 3-year high school.

Limited Eligibility — Students granted limited eligibility are limited for one year (from the date of transfer) to non-varsity competition in the CIF sports they participated in during the previous 12 calendar months but may participate in varsity competition in all other CIF sports.

Prima Facie — A legal term that means at first sight; on the first appearance; on the face of it; a fact presumed to be true unless disproved by some evidence to the contrary. A prima facie case is one in which the evidence presented is sufficient proof for the plaintiff (Section) to win its case of undue influence. In such a case, the defendant (school) must successfully refute the evidence for the student to gain eligibility.

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