

**MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Virtual, March 19, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Committee Members:

John Thompson, Brighton
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Jay Alexander, Detroit
Fred Bryant, Cadillac

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Executive Committee Authority and Responsibility – The Executive Committee reviewed its authority under Article VII of the MHSAA Constitution and specifically its responsibility to consider each application for waiver of an eligibility requirement on its individual merits, determining if the regulation serves the purpose for which it was intended in each case or if the regulation works an undue hardship on any student who is the subject of a request for waiver. (These underlying criteria may not be restated for every subject of these minutes.)

The MHSAA is a private, nonprofit corporation, made up of voluntary membership; it is neither a state agency nor a court of law, and is not bound by any particular legal standard of review or burden of proof when applying its Regulations or while administering an internal appeal. The *MHSAA Handbook* may identify which party bears the burden of proof, depending on the particular situation or if a particular Regulation is at issue. The MHSAA staff, its Executive Committee, or its Representative Council, where appropriate, shall determine whether the circumstances in each situation, as presented to the MHSAA, warrant application or waiver of a particular Regulation or Interpretation. To make that determination, the MHSAA considers what a reasonable person given the same information would decide.

The Executive Committee was reminded that it was the responsibility of each member school involved to provide sufficient information about the specific request for the Executive Committee to reach a decision without further investigation. If information is incomplete, contradictory or otherwise unclear or has been received too late to be studied completely, the Executive Committee may deny the request for waiver or delay action. Such requests may be resubmitted to the Executive Committee with additional information at a subsequent meeting or appealed to the full Representative Council.

It is possible that some of the information presented as facts to the Executive Committee by school personnel and others may be inaccurate. However, to avoid constant repetition in this report of phrases such as “it was alleged” or “it was reported,” no attempt was made in the introduction of each waiver request to distinguish between truth, allegation, hearsay, opinion, summary or conclusion. If any information provided to the Executive Committee is inaccurate, any decision of the Executive Committee to grant waiver of a regulation shall be vacated.

The Executive Committee is not authorized to approve waiver based on alleged or actual differences between schools based on “environment,” demographics, curriculum or extracurricular offerings nor to change schools for athletics, discipline, or family finances. A determination of undue hardship is a matter addressed to the discretion of the Executive Committee within the educational philosophy and secondary role of voluntary extracurricular competitive athletics in the academic environment. The Executive Committee will avoid making exceptions that would create precedent that effectively changes a rule without Representative Council action or local board of education adoption, which would exceed Executive Committee authority. The agreement the MHSAA has with member schools obligates the MHSAA to not change rules during the school year.

Students for whom waiver of a particular regulation is approved must be eligible in all other respects under all sections and interpretations of the regulations prior to their participation.

Adoption of these regulations, as well as policies, procedures and schedules of MHSAA tournaments, is a choice schools make locally when they consider their option of MHSAA membership. Consistent with rulings of the Attorney General and Michigan Supreme Court, schools are not bound by the decisions of the Executive Committee, but the association may limit participation in the postseason tournaments it sponsors to those schools which choose to apply rules and penalties as promulgated by the MHSAA and adopted by each member school's board of education. The MHSAA exercises no independent authority over schools or students.

Hudsonville Christian Middle School (Regulation I, Section 1[C]) – A request was made to waive Interpretation #11 – 8th-graders competing with and against 9th-12th-graders for a student who is an 8th-grade adaptive athlete in track & field at Hudsonville Christian Middle School. The request was to allow the student to compete in high school adaptive track & field meets against other adaptive and wheelchair athletes. The student-athlete does not have anyone to compete with, but the approval to compete in the relatively new adaptive category of high school track & field would give her opportunities to compete with and against other similar student-athletes in adaptive track & field. This request was been previously granted for other adaptive athletes.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Battle Creek-Calhoun Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – A request was made to allow the use of an 8th-grade student-athlete in their boys volleyball program for the 2025-26 school year. Calhoun Christian High School and Battle Creek-St. Phillip have a combined 114 students in grades 9-12 for the 2025-26 school year and are in a boys volleyball cooperative agreement. The request came to the Executive Committee with specific numbers and a rationale about the positive impact of using 8th-graders on the Calhoun Christian boys volleyball team. The school is not in a league, but future opponents' support was included.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Wyoming-Tri-Unity Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – A request was made to allow the use of an 8th-grade student-athletes in their baseball and track & field programs for the 2025-26 school year. Tri-Unity Christian High School has 116 students in grades 9-12 for the 2025-26 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with specific numbers and a rationale about the positive impact of using 8th-graders on Tri-Unity Christian's athletic teams in these two sports. The Executive Committee previously granted 8th-grade eligibility to Tri-Unity Christian, and it was supported by the league.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grandville-Calvin Christian and Wyoming-Tri-Unity Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in baseball (JV only) beginning spring 2026 between these schools. The combined enrollment of 386 students will place the team in Division 3, removing one team from Division 4. Calvin Christian will be the primary school. Support from the OK Conference was submitted.

Lansing-Waverly and Lansing-New Covenant Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys soccer (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined current enrollment of 989 students is expected to place the team in Division 2. Waverly will be the primary school. Support from the Capital Area Activities Conference was submitted.

Linden-Lake Fenton and Linden High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls tennis (varsity only) beginning spring 2026 between these schools. The combined enrollment of 1,405 students will place the team in Division 1, adding one team to the division. Lake Fenton will be the primary school. Support from the Flint Metro League was submitted.

Marshall Academy (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – A request was made to allow eligibility for a 12th-grade student who has participated in a cooperative agreement in baseball between Tekonsha High School and Marshall Academy. The two schools decided to end their long-standing cooperative agreement in 2025-26 due to a lack of student participation, which would not allow them to field a team without adding 8th-graders. Since the schools' combined enrollment is 134, they exceed the 125 required for a waiver of this regulation. The decision displaced one 12th-grade Marshall Academy student who has participated on the cooperative baseball team for the past three seasons. The school requested for the student to remain eligible for the 2025-26 spring baseball season at Tekonsha. No new students from Marshall Academy would be allowed to join the cooperative program.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Muskegon Catholic Central and Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in 11-player football (varsity only) between these schools. The combined current enrollment of 356 students is expected to place the team in Division 6. Muskegon Catholic Central will be the primary school. Support from potential opponents was submitted.

North Muskegon, Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian and Muskegon Catholic Central High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Muskegon Catholic Central High School to an existing cooperative program in softball (varsity only) between North Muskegon and Western Michigan Christian High Schools. The combined enrollment of 663 students will place the team in Division 2, making no change to divisional assignments. North Muskegon will be the primary school. Support from the Western Michigan Conference was submitted.

Pellston and Alanson High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in baseball (varsity and JV) and softball (varsity and JV) beginning spring 2026 between these schools. The combined enrollment of 203 students will place the team in Division 4, removing one team from the division. Pellston will be the primary school. Support from the Ski Valley Conference was submitted.

Suttons Bay and Northport High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls cross country (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 153 students will place the team in Division 4. Suttons Bay will be the primary school. Support from the Northwest Conference was submitted.

Troy-Athens, Troy, and Berkley High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – A request to reconsider the already given one-year renewal of the boys and girls ski cooperative agreement between these three schools. The Executive Committee previously approved a one-year cooperative ski program for the 2025-26 school year. The three schools are now requesting a continuation of that ski program, based on their good-faith efforts to investigate other schools without success and on their lack of ski numbers across all schools involved. The schools request approval of the boys and girls cooperative ski program for one more year, which would be the second year of the program.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver for the 2026-27 school year, only.

Kent City High School (Regulation I, Section 7) – A request to waive the previous academic credit record was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who dealt with challenges outside of the school setting, including travel issues from her home country of Mexico that impacted her attendance and academic performance. The student was not enrolled at any school in the first semester of the 2025-26 school year due to custody and immigration issues. She enrolled at Kent City on February 17, 2026, where she now lives. Given these circumstances and a strong plan of school and counselor support, the school requested immediate eligibility in girls soccer, waiving the 60-day ineligibility period.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Benzonia-Benzie Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation, specifically Interpretation #62 (closest public school to the new residence), was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who attended Benzie County Schools before transferring to Bay City John Glenn for his 9th-grade year in the 2025-26 school year. The student was living with his father in Bay City and is now moving in with his mother, who resides in the Traverse City attendance area. The student previously attended Benzie County Schools as an elementary and middle school student. The school requested immediate eligibility in baseball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver with the completion of the Educational Transfer Form.

Birmingham-Seaholm High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred to Seaholm High School from Birmingham-Brother Rice High School to start the 2025-26 school year. The student participated in 9th-grade baseball at Brother Rice during the spring of the 2025-26 school year. The student transferred to Seaholm for better academic support. The school requested eligibility in baseball for the spring of 2026.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Canton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Dearborn-Divine Child High School in January 2026. The student transferred to Canton High School, the public school closest to his residence, after attending Divine Child for his 9th-grade year and the start of his 10th-grade year, during which he played football in the fall of the 2025-26 school year. The student experienced a health crisis just before Christmas this school year. Medical professionals recommended a change of school to help his recovery and documentation of the situation was included. The school requested eligibility in football based on the circumstances.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Clinton Township-Chippewa Valley High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who transferred to Chippewa Valley High School from Marine City-Cardinal Mooney High School at the start of the 2025-26 school year, where she had attended since 9th grade. The student played tennis at Cardinal Mooney, but struggled to feel connected, and it impacted her health. The family desired a fresh start in a school with a stronger sense of belonging. Information included letters from Cardinal Mooney as well as a letter from a therapist. The school requested immediate eligibility in tennis for the student for her senior season this spring.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Comstock Park High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Coopersville High School to Comstock Park High School to start the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student experienced challenges with the coaching staff and teammates. The family felt that going to a new school, where he has established friends, would help ease the challenges the student faced. Documentation of the issues that occurred at the former school was provided. The school requested eligibility for the 2026-27 football season.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Custer-Mason County Eastern High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Mason County Eastern High School in October of 2025 to Michigan Virtual Charter Academy. While at Mason County Eastern, the student played in one baseball game. The student transferred back on March 10th because of challenges stemming from a lack of social interaction. The school requested eligibility after one baseball game for the 2025-26 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after one baseball game.

Custer-Mason County Eastern High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Mason County Eastern High School to an online program in the first semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student struggled with health challenges. While at Mason County Eastern, the student participated in track & field. The student transferred back to live with his mother, but the student was displaced and is living out of district with another family, where he is considered homeless under the McKinney-Vento Federal statute. The school requested immediate eligibility in track & field for 2025-26.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Ellsworth High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) – A third request to waive the transfer regulation, specifically Section 9(C), transferring between schools involved in a cooperative program and Interpretation #84 e. It was made for a 12th-grade student who ran cross country and track at Central Lake High School in 2024-25 under a cooperative agreement with Ellsworth. Originally on a J-1 Visa, the student is seeking political asylum and Special Juvenile Status due to unsafe conditions in Somalia, where he faces war and forced military conscription. His mother is deceased, and his father is absent. The student sat out the cross country season and now desires to compete in track & field during the 2025-26 season. Information included an update on the student's legal status, including the status of his visa, adoption, and asylum applications in the legal system. The school requested eligibility in track & field.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Fenton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred from Lakeland High School to Fenton High School to start the 2025-26 school year. The student experienced harassment while at Lakeland, which included school involvement, and despite working to try to solve these issues, a new start was needed. The student, who played baseball at Lakeland, made the change for his personal health. The school requested immediate eligibility in baseball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Flat Rock High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an 11th-grade student who attended Romulus-Summit Academy North High School and competed in softball. The student transferred to Flat Rock High School to start the 2025-26 school year for several reasons, none of them athletic, but for a better educational climate and culture. The school requested immediate eligibility in softball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Flint-Kearsley High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Walled Lake Western High School to Kearsley High School on January 8, 2026. The student began as a 9th-grader at Kearsley, playing basketball and competing in track & field. The student needed to move to Walled Lake to live with her father because her mother was incarcerated from October 2025 until she was released in early January 2026. Given the situation, the student was forced to move to Walled Lake and desired to return to her original home with her mother. The school requested immediate eligibility in basketball and track & field.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Gibraltar-Carlson High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred to Carlson High School at the end of the third quarter of school from Monroe-St. Mary Catholic Central High School. The student moved from her mother's residence in Monroe to her father's home in Newport. This blended family created logistical challenges for the student and her move to the father's home. An otherwise completed and approved ETF was included in the request. The school requested eligibility for the 2025-26 school year and basketball for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver with the completion of the Educational Transfer Form.

Grand Rapids-Catholic Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred to Grand Rapids-Catholic Central High School for the start of the 2025-26 school year. The student competed in football and lacrosse at Jenison High School. The student's transfer to Catholic Central is due to being harassed by classmates at Jenison and issues became so severe that the student attended counseling. The student and family decided on a new start, and, given their Catholic faith, chose Catholic Central as their best option for the student. The student sat out the football season and desires to play lacrosse. Documentation included letters of support from the former school's coaching staff and confirmations of visits to therapists. The school requested immediate eligibility in lacrosse.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-Catholic Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive exception #8 (move between divorced parents with a signed Educational Transfer Form) for a student who transferred from Comstock Park High School to Grand Rapids-Catholic Central High School to live with his father instead of his mother. The 10th-grade student attended Comstock Park for his first year and a half of high school and lived with his mother. The student began the second semester of the 2025-26 school year by relocating to his father's house in Grand Rapids and requested the use of the ETF to gain athletic eligibility. Comstock Park determined that it could not fully determine whether the transfer was motivated by academics or athletics, and because of discrepancies in addresses, the principal returned the ETF unsigned. Grand Rapids Catholic Central requested a waiver of the requirement that both schools sign the ETF, given the extended timeframe this has taken and the good-faith communication they have attempted. The school requested immediate athletic eligibility in all sports.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred to Forest Hills Central High School for the start of the 2025-26 school year. The student competed in tennis and soccer at Coopersville High School as a 9th-grader. The student's transfer to Forest Hills Central was related to the student being selected via random lottery for the Forest Hills Public Schools school of choice program. While the student was at Coopersville, she played tennis, but due to late-season injuries, the AD and coach sought extra players. The student played limited minutes for Coopersville in four matches. The student desires to play at Forest Hills Central in girls soccer. The school requested eligibility in girls soccer after four contests.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after four soccer matches.

Grand Rapids-South Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who competed the previous school year in football and golf at Byron Center High School. The student transferred from Byron Center at the start of the 2025-26 school year because he was no longer allowed to attend Byron Center due to an out-of-school incident that resulted in suspension. The student transferred to South Christian High School, the closest school to his home and in the same community. The student has not played any sports this school year. The former school supported the student's transfer. Information included the agreement of discipline and withdrawal from Byron Center, and a letter from the student's psychologist. The school requested immediate eligibility in golf this spring.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-West Michigan Aviation Academy (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred to West Michigan Aviation Academy from Forest Hills Northern High School, where he attended for his 9th and 10th-grade years before transferring to WMAA for the 2025-26 school year. The student competed as a 9th and 10th-grader on the JV golf team at Forest Hills Northern. While the student attended Forest Hills Northern, the student desired to attend WMAA where admission is by random lottery and the student was placed on a waitlist. Late in the summer of 2025, he was notified and admitted to WMAA. The school requested immediate eligibility for boys golf for the student, given that WMAA was his original school of choice, but he was not selected.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grosse Pointe North High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 10th-grade student who transferred from Grosse Pointe University Liggett High School to Grosse Pointe North High School for the start of the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student's transfer was initiated by the student's need for accommodations that could not be met at University Liggett. The school requested immediate eligibility in lacrosse.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Houghton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Warroad High School in Minnesota through the first semester of the 2025-26 school year before transferring to Houghton High School. While at Warroad, the student participated in eight partial JV Hockey games as a goaltender. The student moved to Dollar Bay, where they compete in a cooperative hockey program with Jeffers High School, but the student and family desire to attend Houghton, where his older sister graduated, and his mother owns a business. The school requested immediate eligibility for the 2026-27 school year, as the student did not compete in hockey during the second semester at Houghton. If that couldn't be granted, then eligibility after the 8th varsity hockey contest next school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Kalamazoo Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was submitted for an 11th-grade student who competed in soccer and golf the previous school year at Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic Central High School. The student transferred to Kalamazoo Christian High School in search of a fresh start and sat out the soccer season because of the transfer. While at Hackett, the student also competed in one golf match during the 2024-25 school year and then was severely injured and did not play again. The school requested immediate eligibility in golf, after sitting out one match.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after one golf match.

Linden High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was submitted on behalf of a 9th-grade student who transferred from Fenton High School to Linden High School to start the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student experienced academic struggles at Fenton High School, and the family felt a new start in his home district would be the best for the student's emotional and academic success. The student played junior varsity football at Fenton. The school requested immediate eligibility for subvarsity football.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Manton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred back to Manton High School. The student attended Manton through the start of his 9th-grade year, until November of 2024. He then transferred to Cadillac High School and competed in basketball, track & field. He enrolled at Cadillac after harassment from a family member, resulting in a personal protection order. The family continues to live in Manton, and the student desired to return to Manton, where the family no longer considered it a threat. The family also believed that returning to Manton was in the student's best interest, as it allowed him to be back with his peers and friends. The student desires to compete in track & field and basketball at Manton. The school requested immediate eligibility in both sports.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Merrill High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who attended St. Charles High School, where he competed in track & field, and transferred to Merrill High School to start the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student desired to attend Merrill because of challenges at St. Charles that impacted the student's health. The school requested immediate eligibility in track & field.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

New Boston-Huron High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A third request to waive the transfer regulation was submitted for an 11th-grade student who competed in football, basketball and baseball during the previous school year at Trenton High School. The student transferred from Trenton to get a fresh start after experiencing challenges with his health and well-being. This poor environment for the student led the family to decide to go to Huron High School for a fresh start, the home district where the family had lived. Information included statements from the parents, student, and others that more specifically spell out the incidents that occurred at Trenton that led to the family's decision to change schools. Information included an update from the student and how he has adjusted to Huron. The school requested immediate eligibility in baseball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

New Haven High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred to New Haven High School from Chippewa Valley High School for the start of the 2025-26 school year. The student competed in softball at Chippewa Valley before transferring to New Haven. The student's transfer is related to health issues which stemmed from a poor social environment that the student experienced at Chippewa Valley. In addition, a long commute and a new job by her parents have increased this anxiety, and the student is more comfortable being closer to home, in her home district. The school requested immediate eligibility in softball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

North Branch High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Flint-Powers Catholic High School to North Branch High School to start the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student lives in North Branch but attended Powers starting with his 9th-grade year. The student experienced challenges with staff and teammates, which impacted his health. The family felt that returning to his original school would help ease the challenges the student had faced. Documentation was provided of the issues that occurred at the former school. The school requested eligibility for the 2026-27 football season.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Olivet High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Triton Jr/Sr High School in Indiana for her 9th-grade year and the first semester of her 10th-grade year before transferring to Olivet High School to start the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The family is living in temporary housing in Augusta while they look for a home closer to Olivet. The family has struggled to find a permanent home in Olivet and has now purchased a new home in Charlotte that will be built this summer. The student played softball in Indiana and desired to do the same at Olivet. The school requested immediate eligibility in softball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Peck High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request was made to waive the transfer regulation for an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from Marine City-Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School to Peck High School. The student and family desired a smaller school district and moved to Peck because of educational and health preferences. While at Cardinal Mooney, the student was harassed and tried to resolve the issue with the coaching staff, with little success. The former school's coach has also written a letter, stating that a solution could not be reached, and that Cardinal Mooney fully supports the student's athletic eligibility. The school requested eligibility in football for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Petoskey High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student at Petoskey High School. The student attended Harbor Springs High School for her high school career, but a dysfunctional school environment there affected her. The family determined that a new start away from Harbor Springs was necessary for their student's health. The student has already sat out the basketball season after the transfer. The Harbor Springs superintendent has also submitted a letter in support of the transfer. The school requested immediate eligibility in track & field for the 2025-26 school year.

The Executive Committee tabled the request for waiver pending further information.

Plainwell High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who attended Wyoming-Tri-Unity Christian High School for the 9th-grade year and the first semester of his 10th-grade year, during which he played football, basketball, and baseball. This year, Tri-Unity Christian did not have a football team, and this spring will not have a baseball team. The student and family desired to participate in athletics. They decided to transfer to Plainwell, where they live, and participate in athletics, including football, basketball, and baseball. The school requested immediate subvarsity eligibility in baseball this spring.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Richland-Gull Lake High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred back to Gull Lake High School from Portage Northern High School. The student previously attended Gull Lake from kindergarten until the fall of 2025, when he moved to Portage due to housing issues. The student competed in track & field at Gull Lake in the spring of 2025. While at Portage Northern, the student did not participate in athletics. The student's family found housing back in the Gull Lake attendance area, and the student transferred back to Gull Lake in December of 2025. The school requested immediate eligibility in track & field.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

River Rouge High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Detroit Renaissance High School in 2024-25. The student has had a hard time dealing with her father's death, who passed five years ago, and it led to a decline in her overall health and school experience. The family felt a new start was needed at River Rouge High School, away from some stressors at the former school. The student competed in track & field while at Renaissance as a 9th-grader. The school requested immediate eligibility in track & field.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Riverview High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred back to Riverview High School from Clare High School on February 16th after moving to his father's home on January 19, 2026. The student attended Riverview as a 9th-grader to start his 10th-grade year and moved to live with his father, with an approved ETF based on a custody change from his mother in Riverview. The student played two basketball games at Clare. The school requested immediate eligibility in baseball for the 2025-26 school year, and for basketball eligibility after two games in the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver in baseball and after two basketball games in 2026-27. No further transfer regulation exceptions or waivers can be used by this student.

Rochester-Adams High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who transferred from Oakland Christian High School to Adams High School to start the 2025-26 school year. The student attended Oakland Christian as a 9th – 11th-grader and competed in cross country and track & field. The student and family determined that a new start was necessary in her home public high school district. New information included letters from counselors at both the former and new schools. The school requested eligibility in track & field for the 2025-26 school year on behalf of the student.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

St. Clair High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was submitted on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred to St. Clair High School from Austin Catholic High School at the start of the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student participated in one scrimmage and one match for the Austin Catholic bowling team and a full season of both cross country and track & field. She experienced health challenges, and the family determined that a new start was needed. The school requested immediate eligibility for the student in track & field for the 2025-26 school year, cross country in 2026-27, and bowling after one scrimmage and one contest for the 2026-27 season.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

St. Joseph-Michigan Lutheran High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an 11th-grade student who enrolled at Michigan Lutheran High School. The student transferred from Lakeshore High School for the start of the 2025-26 school year. The student participated in one outdoor track meet at Lakeshore during the 2024-25 school year. The student transferred to Michigan Lutheran after experiencing challenges with classmates at their previous school. The school requested immediate eligibility in track & field after one meet in the 2026 spring season.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after one track meet.

St. Joseph-Our Lady of the Lake Catholic High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was submitted on behalf of a 9th-grade student who attended Watervliet High School and played volleyball during the 2025-26 school year. The family determined that a new start was needed after the student's brother died the previous summer. The student worked to recover from this but ultimately decided that a fresh start at a Catholic faith-based school would be best for her recovery. The student has attended therapy and has successfully transitioned to Our Lady of the Lake High School. The school requested eligibility in volleyball to start the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Traverse City Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 12th-grade student who enrolled at Traverse City Central High School on March 2, 2026, after attending Sarasota High School in Florida. The student competed in baseball in Florida. The student transferred to Traverse City Central to live with his godparents while his father works on a permanent relocation to Traverse City. The student needed to leave Florida because of safety, emotional recovery after experiencing family hardships, including the passing of his sister and his parents' divorce. The school requested immediate eligibility in baseball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Traverse City Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred from Morris High School in Illinois to start the 2025-26 school year. The student moved between divorced parents to live with his father in Traverse City. The father was mistakenly told by the Traverse City Central High School counseling office that the student would be immediately eligible at TCC, even though the student lived with his father in the Traverse City West High School attendance area. The school requested eligibility in golf based on a move between divorced parents, with an otherwise completed and approved ETF.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver with the completion of the Educational Transfer Form.

Walled Lake-Western High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who enrolled at Walled Lake Central High School during the 2024-25 school year as a 9th-grader, during which she competed on the varsity softball team. The student transferred to Walled Lake Western High School to start the 2025-26 school year to better support her physical and emotional health and well-being after challenges that occurred with the Walled Lake Central softball coaching staff. Letters of support from a sport psychologist, former coaches, and family members were included as documentation in this request. The school requested immediate eligibility in softball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Warren-Regina High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred to Regina High School from Rochester Adams High School in January of 2026. The student participated in JV softball at Adams last spring. The student desired a new educational experience, personal development, and a smaller school environment. The school requested immediate eligibility for softball this spring, and if that couldn't be granted, then subvarsity eligibility.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

White Lake-Lakeland High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who competed in four games of freshman football at Orchard Lake-St. Mary's Preparatory High School during the 2025-26 school year before transferring to Lakeland High School on October 13, 2025. The student struggled at the new school after attending Huron Valley Public Schools for his entire academic career and determined that returning to Lakeland would be best. The school requested immediate eligibility in football for the 2026-27 school year, after four games.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after four football games.

Ypsilanti-Lincoln High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred from Milan High School to Lincoln High School to start the 2025-26 school year. The student participated in softball at Milan during the spring of the 2024-25 school year. The student transferred to Lincoln after the family felt the student could no longer attend Milan due to an incident involving the student's older sister, who was involved in an altercation with a former coach last year. The student and family no longer felt comfortable because of this incident and the school's follow-up. The school requested immediate eligibility in softball for the spring of 2026.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after six softball games.

Linden High School (Regulation II, Section 11[H]) – Pursuant to Regulation II, Section 11, Interpretation 240, a request to waive the four-player rule was made on behalf of the head girls gymnastics coach, who is also employed by the lead Gym Stars gymnastics program at the Linden High School multipurpose facility as the lead instructor. It also provides much of the coach's income. The multipurpose facility and Gym Stars program are open to the public. The program includes students in grades K-12 at Linden Public Schools. This request has been previously granted for this school and coach.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Jackson-Lumen Christi High School (Football Classification) – The Executive Committee approved, for 2026-27 and 2027-28, a request to retain opt-up status in football from Division 7 to Division 6. Lumen Christi High School desired to remain in Division 6, which helps with their scheduling in both the CHSL and their non-conference schedule, including playoff points. Under the opt-up policy for football, this request comes to the Executive Committee for approval and would be for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years.

Next Meeting(s) – Wednesday, April 8 at 9 a.m. – Virtual (Audit & Finance Committee follows); Friday, May 1 at 9 a.m.; Thursday, June 11 at 9 a.m. – Virtual; Monday, August 3 at 9 a.m. – Virtual; Wednesday, August 19 at 9 a.m. – Virtual; Wednesday, September 9 at 9 a.m. – Virtual; Thursday, October 1 at 9 a.m. – Virtual; Wednesday, November 4 at 9 a.m. – Virtual; Thursday, December 3 at 9 a.m. – Virtual.