

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Virtual, November 5, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Committee Members:

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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.

Harbor Springs-Harbor Light Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – The Executive committee approved a request to allow the use of 7th-grade student-athletes in their athletic programs. Harbor Light Christian High School will have 56 students in grades 9-12 for the 2025-26 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with specific numbers, causes, and rationale about the positive impact of using 7th-graders in their girls basketball program. Support from the Northern Lights Conference was submitted.

Litchfield High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – The Executive committee approved a request to allow the use of 7th-grade student-athletes in their winter and spring sports programs. Litchfield High School has 71 students in grades 9-12 for the 2025-26 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with causes and rationale about the positive impact of using 7th graders at Litchfield in all winter and spring sports, including allowing some teams to have a season. Support from the South Central Athletic Association was submitted.

Sterling Heights-Parkway Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – The Executive committee approved a request to allow the use of 8th-grade student-athletes in their athletic programs. Parkway Christian High School has 106 students in grades 9-12 for the 2025-26 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with specific numbers, causes, and rationale about the positive impact of using 8th-graders at Parkway Christian in their boys and girls basketball programs and with league support.

Walkerville High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – The Executive committee approved a request to allow the use of 7th-grade student-athletes in their athletic programs. Walkerville High School has 62 students in grades 9-12 for the 2025-26 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with specific numbers, causes, and rationale about the positive impact of using 7th-graders at Walkerville in their athletic programs and with league support.

Wolverine High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – The Executive committee approved a request to allow the use of 7th-grade student-athletes in their boys basketball program. Wolverine High School will have 71 students in grades 9-12 for the 2025-26 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with specific numbers, causes, and rationale about the positive impact of using 7th-graders at Wolverine in their boys basketball program. Support from the Northern Lakes Conference was submitted.

Battle Creek-Calhoun Christian and Battle Creek-St Philip Catholic Central High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys volleyball (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment will be 117 students. Calhoun Christian will be the primary school. Support from potential future opponents was submitted.

Burton-Bentley and Burton-Atherton High Schools (Regulation I, section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys volleyball (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment will be 486 students. Bentley will be the primary schools. Support from potential future opponents was submitted.

Clawson and Southfield Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls wrestling (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 544 students will place the team in Division 3, making no change to divisional assignments. Clawson will be the primary school. Support from the Macomb Area Conference was submitted.

Dearborn and Dearborn-Fordson High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls bowling (varsity only) and a one-year waiver of the 1,000-student limit between these schools. The combined enrollment of 3,980 students will place the team in Division 1, removing one team from the division. Dearborn will be the primary school. Support from the Kensington Lakes Activities Association was submitted.

East Lansing, Lansing Catholic, Bath, Lansing-Waverly and Lansing Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of East Lansing to an existing cooperative program in girls lacrosse (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 3,002 students will place the team in Division 1, removing one school from Division 2. East Lansing will be the primary school. Support from the Capital Area Activities Conference was submitted.

Flushing, Ortonville-Brandon, Clarkston-Everest Collegiate and Swartz Creek High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Swartz Creek to existing boys and girls skiing cooperative programs (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 3,011 students will place the team in Division 1, making no changes to divisional assignments. Flushing will be the primary school. Support from the Flint Metro League was submitted.

Grandville and Grandville-Calvin Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys volleyball (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 1,996 students will place the team in Division 1, making no change to divisional assignments. Grandville will be the primary school. Support from the OK Conference was submitted.

McBain-Northern Michigan Christian and LeRoy-Pine River High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls soccer (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 345 students will place the team in Division 4, making no change to divisional assignments. Northern Michigan Christian will be the primary school. Support from the Northern Michigan Soccer League was submitted.

Merrill and Ashley High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive committee approved a cooperative program in girls basketball (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 198 students will place the team in Division 4, removing one team from the Division. Merrill will be the primary school. Support from the Mid-State Activities Conference was submitted.

North Muskegon and Muskegon-Western Michigan Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in softball (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 551 students will place the team in Division 2, removing one team from Division 3. North Muskegon will be the primary school. Support from the West Michigan Conference was submitted.

Royal Oak-Shrine Catholic, Clarkston-Everest Collegiate, Madison Heights-Lamphere, Rochester Hills-Lutheran Northwest and Waterford-Our Lady of the Lakes High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved, pending a completed and approved application, the addition of Lamphere to an already existing cooperative program in boys lacrosse (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 1,463 students will place the team in Division 2, making no change to divisional assignments.

Saginaw-Nouvel Catholic Central, Bay City-All Saints Catholic and Saginaw-Carrollton High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved, pending a completed and approved application, the addition of Carrollton to an already existing cooperative program in girls soccer (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 653 students will place the team in Division 3, removing one team from Division 4. Nouvel Catholic Central will be the primary school.

Shelby Township-Utica and Utica Eisenhower High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E-2]) – The Executive Committee did not approve a request to reconsider the renewal of the boys and girls bowling cooperative agreement between Utica High School and Eisenhower High School, two schools of the same district. The Executive Committee did not approve a waiver of the 1,000-student combined enrollment limit for a cooperative program in boys and girls bowling (varsity and JV) between these schools, which was previously approved on a one-year-only basis during 2024-25. Utica Eisenhower would have been the primary school. The school asked for consideration of the renewal, given the low numbers at Utica High School. The school district asked for an additional one-year renewal of the cooperative program for boys and girls bowling. This request was not approved because there was no demonstrated history of low participation outside of last school year.

St. Joseph-Our Lady of the Lake Catholic and Watervliet-Grace Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in baseball (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 74 students will place the team in Division 4, making no change to divisional assignments. Support from the BCS League was submitted.

St. Joseph-Our Lady of the Lake Catholic and Watervliet-Grace Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls track & field (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 74 students will place the team in Division 4, making no change to divisional assignments. Support from the BCS League was submitted.

Walled Lake Central, Commerce-Walled Lake Northern and Walled Lake Western High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E-2]) – The Executive Committee approved the renewal of a cooperative program in girls lacrosse (varsity only) and a one-year waiver of the 3,500-student limit between these schools. The combined enrollment will be 3,614 students. Walled Lake Central will be the primary school. Support from the Lakes Valley Conference was submitted.

Westland-Lutheran Westland and Westland-Hope Christian Academy High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls soccer (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 219 students will place the team in Division 4, making no changes to divisional assignments. Lutheran Westland will be the primary school. Support from the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference was submitted.

Boyne City High School (Regulation I, Section 2[B]) – A request to waive the age rule was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student (D.O.B. July 2, 2006). The student has gone through personal family challenges that delayed his education. The student has competed for three years for Boyne City High School in wrestling and desires to finish his high school career in wrestling at Boyne City. The school requested eligibility for the student in wrestling in the 2025-26 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Ann Arbor-Skyline High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 9th-grade student at Skyline High School, who previously participated at Eaton Academy in Birmingham, a school to prepare him for traditional high school. While at Eaton, the student participated in three interscholastic basketball games and made significant progress towards his goals. The school requested eligibility after three basketball games.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after three basketball games.

Bad Axe High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) – A request was made to waive Regulation I, Section 9(C), for an 11th-grade student who transferred from Ubly High School to Bad Axe High School to start the 2025-26 school year. The student participated in ice hockey during the 2024-25 school year. Bad Axe and Ubly are in a cooperative agreement in ice hockey, so 9(C) would apply by rule as a request. The school requested eligibility in ice hockey and has provided documentation of written support from Ubly for the student's eligibility in the ice hockey cooperative program.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Bay City-John Glenn High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student. The student attended Frankenmuth High School before the student's father passed. The father was heavily connected to the Frankenmuth wrestling program, and given that background, the family felt a new start away from Frankenmuth was necessary for his well-being. The school requested immediate eligibility in wrestling in 2025-26. Letters from health professionals were provided.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Beverly Hills-Birmingham Groves High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student at Groves High School. The student transferred from Brother Rice High School after his parents went through a divorce. While at Brother Rice, the student participated in seven JV ice hockey games in the 2024-25 school year. The school requested immediate eligibility in ice hockey after seven games.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after seven ice hockey games.

Blanchard-Montabella High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B-1]) – A request to waive the sport-specific transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred to Montabella High School from Chippewa Hills High School. The student attended Chippewa Hills and lived with his father but recently left his father's home to move into a home in Montabella. He is considered a McKinney-Vento unaccompanied homeless youth under that federal law and by Montabella. The student competed in wrestling while at Chippewa Hills and wished to participate at Montabella.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Bloomfield Hills-Brother Rice High School (Regulation I, Section 9[F]) – A request to waive and interpret international student regulations, specifically Regulation I, Section 9F, Interpretation 84f, was made on behalf of an international transfer student from Romania. The student transferred from Cranbrook High School to Brother Rice High School to start the week of November 3rd following his initial acceptance and enrollment at Cranbrook through an F-1 student Visa certified by SEVIS as a boarding student. The student then transferred to Brother Rice as Brother Rice is also a SEVIS-certified school and is an F-1 student. The student did not play high school athletics either in his home country of Romania or at Cranbrook. The school requested immediate varsity eligibility for the student under Interpretation 84b, also referred to as "play one, wait one" regulation.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver under Interpretation 84b. The student is eligible in 2025-26 and will be ineligible in 2026-27.

Cheboygan High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B-1]) – A request was made to waive the sport-specific transfer regulation for a 9th-grade student who transferred from Pellston High School to Cheboygan High School after initially starting the 2025-26 school year at Pellston. While at Pellston, the student participated in six volleyball matches. The school request was for eligibility in volleyball after the student has sat out the same number of matches at Cheboygan in the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after six volleyball dates of competition in 2026-27.

Clawson High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 10th-grade student who attended Lamphere High School for her 9th-grade year and participated in basketball. The student had multiple negative interactions with peers, which started in middle school and carried over into high school. This led to virtual classes being taken by the student to escape the bullying, as well as police reports being filed. The family determined a new start was needed. The school requested eligibility in basketball for the student.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver at the subvarsity level in basketball.

Comstock Park 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 Comstock Park High School from Grand Rapids-Northview High School for the start of the 2025-26 school year. The student has experienced challenges at Northview, including bullying, which led to a decision to start at a new school. In addition, the student has been through challenging medical issues, including a torn ACL, which he is still recovering from. The school requested eligibility in basketball, once the student has fully recovered from the ACL injury.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Coopersville High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Hudsonville-Unity Christian High School as a 9th-grader, where she also participated in freshman girls basketball. The student's family determined that moving all their children to Coopersville Public Schools would be best, and the student started the year at Coopersville High School for the 2025-26 school year. The school requested subvarsity eligibility in girls basketball for the 2025-26 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Detroit-Mumford High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive Exception 8 (move between divorced parents with a signed Educational Transfer Form) for a 12th-grade student who transferred from Romulus-Summit Academy North High School to Detroit-Mumford High School to live with his father instead of his mother. The student attended Summit Academy North for his first three years of high school and lived with his mother. The student began the 2025-26 school year by relocating to his father's house in Detroit and requested the use of the ETF to gain athletic eligibility. Summit Academy North determined that the transfer was motivated by athletics, and the principal returned the ETF unsigned. DPS and Mumford requested a waiver of the requirement that both schools sign the ETF, given the extenuating circumstances surrounding the transfer and the need for immediate athletic eligibility in basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

East Lansing High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B-1]) – A second request to waive the sport-specific transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student, who previously attended Okemos High School in the 2024-25 school year and played basketball, before transferring to East Lansing High School for the 2025-26 school year. While at Okemos, the student struggled with a safe educational environment, and the family desired a new start for the student. The school requested eligibility in basketball for the student. The new information provided included a summary from the parent perspective of the issues.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver at the subvarsity level.

Flat Rock High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an 11th-grade student who attended University of Detroit Jesuit High School for his 9th and 10th-grade years and participated in football and basketball. The student transferred to Flat Rock High School to start the 2025-26 school year after the family experienced hardship following his mother's recent layoff, and they could no longer afford tuition. The school requested immediate eligibility.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Flint-Powers Catholic High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student at Flint-Powers Catholic High School who previously attended and participated in basketball at Flushing High School. The student and family made the decision to transfer to Powers Catholic for a fresh start. The student moved from his mother's to his father's home, but the Educational Transfer Form does not apply, as the parents are separated but not divorced. The family is asking for the separation maintenance agreement to fulfill the divorce requirement and thus be eligible. The school requested immediate eligibility in basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Blanc High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of 10th and 11th-grade siblings. The students transferred from Powers Catholic High School to Grand Blanc High School to start the 2025-26 school year. In the 2023-24 school year, one of the students experienced a traumatic bullying and hazing incident that prompted a police investigation. The family stayed at Powers during the investigation and the 2024-25 school year, but felt a change was needed for their emotional well-being and sense of belonging. The school requested immediate eligibility in the students' winter sports, swimming & diving and girls basketball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grand 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 Grand Haven High School from Fruitport High School, where he participated in wrestling, for the start of the 2025-26 school year. The student's transfer was related to desiring a new start and to live with his grandparents in Grand Haven, whom he previously lived with. The school requested immediate eligibility in wrestling.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-Ottawa Hills 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 Public Schools from Grand Rapids-Northview High School, where he participated in basketball, to start the 2025-26 school year. The student now attends Grand Rapids University Prep High School, a theme-based school in GRPS. While at Northview, the student was subjected to unfounded allegations which impacted his emotional well-being and the student desired a new start. The school requested immediate eligibility in basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids-Wellspring Preparatory High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 10th-grade student who participated in basketball at Grand River Prep High School for two games in the 2024-25 school year. The student transferred to Wellspring Preparatory High School after being expelled and has turned around her academic performance while enrolled at Wellspring Prep. The school requested eligibility in basketball after two games, the same number of contests the student competed in last season.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after two basketball games.

Grosse Ile 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 Riverview-Gabriel Richard High School to Grosse Ile High School in early October. The student participated in football and wrestling for Gabriel Richard for his 9th-grade year and in football for his 10th-grade year. The student's mother has been battling health issues, and the family can no longer afford to send him to Gabriel Richard. The students' parents are divorced, but both live in Grosse Ile, so an Educational Transfer Form would not apply. The student has now transferred to Grosse Ile and would like to wrestle this winter.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grosse Ile High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who transferred from Trenton High School to Grosse Ile High School to start the 2025-26 school year. The student participated in ice hockey for Trenton for his 10th-grade year and in one game for his 11th-grade year before leaving to play non-school hockey. The student suffered a home break-in and was assaulted at the beginning of the 2025-26 school year while attending Trenton, and desired to get away from that environment. The student has now transferred to Grosse Ile and would like to play ice hockey this winter. The school requested eligibility in ice for the 2025-26 school year after one game.

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

Kalamazoo-Hackett Catholic Prep High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation is made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred from Portage Central High School to Hackett Catholic Prep High School at the start of the 2025-26 school year. While at Portage Central, the student participated on the JV girls basketball team. The family sought a new school environment to support the student's academic pursuits. The student struggled to connect with her peers and was hindered by the limited curriculum available for her to pursue her academic goals. The continued school request was for eligibility in basketball for the 2025-26 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Kentwood-East Kentwood High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 10th-grade student who participated in wrestling and track & field the previous year at Clare High School. The student transferred to East Kentwood High School at the start of the 2025-26 school year as he moved between his mother and his stepfather. The student lived in Newaygo with his grandmother, mother, and siblings, and attended Clare. There were challenges in the living situation, and it was determined that the student would move in with his stepfather in Kentwood. The student's father is not in his life, and the student has a strong relationship with his stepfather. The school requested immediate eligibility in wrestling and track & field.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Kentwood-East Kentwood High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 10th-grade student who participated in girls basketball the previous year at West Ottawa High School. The student transferred to East Kentwood High School at the start of the 2025-26 school year as she moved between her mother and her father in the GRPS District. The student experienced a challenging time at West Ottawa, which had a negative impact on the student, and a new start was desired. The student is not eligible at East Kentwood because her father lives in GRPS, but they enrolled at East Kentwood. The school requested immediate eligibility in girls basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Lakeview High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer and previous academic credit record regulations was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who had attended Lakeview High School for part of his 9th-grade school year in 2024-25, before attending multiple other high schools including Montabella, where he also wrestled. The student's mother is living in a shelter in Ionia and has not had stable housing. Due to this, the student did not attend enough second-semester classes to be academically eligible. The student is living at another family's home in the Lakeview School District and is considered homeless under the McKinney-Vento Act. The school requested eligibility in wrestling for the 2025-26 school year, provided the student is enrolled and academically eligible.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Linden-Lake Fenton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 10th-grade student who attended Fenton High School for his 9th-grade year and participated in football and basketball. The student had multiple negative interactions with teammates and fellow peers. The family determined a new start was needed. The school requested eligibility in basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Midland 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 Midland High School from an online school, Michigan International Prep, after living and playing high school hockey in Massachusetts for his 9th-grade year. The student's father was stationed with the US Army in Massachusetts, and the family always had a desire to come back to live in the Midland area after his deployment was over. The family purchased a home in Saginaw Township but the student has strong connections to Midland and desires to play there. Given the family's residency limitations, the school requested eligibility in hockey for the 2025-26 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Midland-HH Dow High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who transferred to Dow High School from Midland High School for the start of the 2025-26 school year. The student had experienced some struggles, including learning and health challenges, at Midland. The family and student desired a fresh start at a new school. The school requested subvarsity eligibility in basketball. New information included a letter from a Dow counselor and an update on the student's success since he transferred to Dow from Midland.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Monroe High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who transferred from Monroe-St. Mary's Catholic Central High School. The student participated in wrestling at St. Mary's Catholic Central and, because of bullying issues at the former school, the student desired a new start. The school requested immediate eligibility in wrestling.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

New Haven-Merritt Academy (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation is made for an 11th-grade student who attended Anchor Bay High School for her 9th and 10th-grade years and competed in basketball. The student transferred to Merritt Academy to start the 2025-26 school year after experiencing personal challenges, including an off-campus assault while enrolled at Anchor Bay. The transfer was needed to help her healing process. The school requested immediate eligibility in basketball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Parma-Western High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Marshall High School to Parma-Western High School at the start of the 2025-26 school year. While at Marshall, the student played basketball. The student transferred because of challenges with the Marshall coaching staff, which resulted in stress and health issues during the winter season at Marshall. The student finished the season and played summer basketball at Marshall but determined a transfer to a new school was important for a new start. The school requested eligibility in girls basketball for the 2025-26 school year. New information included a more detailed description of the events that occurred at Marshall prior to the transfer.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Petoskey High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A third request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student at Petoskey High School. The student attended Harbor Springs High School for his high school career, but a challenging school environment at Harbor Springs has impacted the student. The family determined that a new start, away from Harbor Springs, was necessary for their student's mental and emotional health. The student previously attended Petoskey Public Schools before transferring in 8th grade. The school requested eligibility in basketball for the 2025-26 school year. New information included a letter from the Harbor Springs superintendent and a letter from the family, along with Board of Education support from the former school.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Pontiac High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an 11th-grade student who attended Waterford-Oakside Prep Academy for his 9th and 10th-grade years and participated in basketball. The student had an altercation with his ex-girlfriend, and his parents decided to transfer him from the situation to another school in April of 2025. The student tried to enroll at Pontiac High School but they would not enroll him because of the time of year. The student instead enrolled at Pontiac Academy for Excellence, a charter school, where he did not play any sports. The student then enrolled at Pontiac to start the 2025-26 school year and desires to play basketball. The school requested eligibility in all sports for the student, given the unique circumstances surrounding the move, and with a completed Educational Transfer Form.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Rochester Hills-Rochester High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer rule was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student who transferred from Rochester High School to Georgia to live with an aunt during the winter of the 2024-25 school year, during his 11th-grade year, to escape issues with his father. In September of 2025, just after the school year started, the student came back to Rochester and moved in with his mother in a motel because of a lack of housing. The District has deemed the student McKinney-Vento under the federal statute. The student participated in football and wrestling at Rochester in the 2024-25 school year and desires to again wrestle and also compete in track & field at Rochester for his senior year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Saugatuck High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request was made to waive the transfer regulation for an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred to Saugatuck High School from Holland Calvary Christian High School. Because of family financial struggles, the student could not afford tuition anymore at Calvary Christian and is now a school of choice student at Saugatuck. The school requested immediate eligibility in girls basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Sterling Heights-Utica Ford II High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for a 10th-grade student who transferred to Henry Ford II High School to start the 2025-26 school year. The student previously attended Detroit Country Day High School and participated in JV football and varsity baseball, where he only participated in three games. The student struggled with academic, social, and emotional needs that could not be met by Country Day. The school requested immediate eligibility in baseball after three games.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after three baseball games.

Trenton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request was made to waive the transfer regulation for a 10th-grade student who transferred from Riverview-Gabriel Richard High School to Trenton High School to start the 2025-26 school year. During the 2024-25 school year, the student participated in basketball at Gabriel Richard. The student and family desired a change based upon administrative upheaval, faculty loss, lack of transparency, and changes at Gabriel Richard, which created uncertainty for the student. The school requested subvarsity eligibility in basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Waterford-Kettering High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A third request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who attended Waterford-Our Lady of the Lakes High School and played volleyball, basketball, and soccer in the 2024-25 school year as a 9th-grader. The family determined that a new start was needed after the student was the target of continued social isolation, bullying, and stressful social-emotional abuse by some classmates and peers at Our Lady of the Lakes. The student attended therapy to try to help with the situation, but staying at a small school made matters worse for the student, and the change was made over the summer. Eligibility in soccer after four games, the same number of games she played last season in the Our Lady of the Lakes coop soccer team, was granted at the second August meeting of the Executive Committee. This request specifically asked for eligibility in basketball at Kettering.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

White Cloud High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the sport-specific transfer regulation was made on behalf of an 11th-grade student who transferred to White Cloud High School from Hesperia High School. The student attended Hesperia and lived with her mother but recently left her mother's home to move into her grandmother's home. The student's parents are divorced, and the student has bounced between living with her mother, father, and grandmother. She is considered a McKinney-Vento unaccompanied homeless youth under federal law and by White Cloud. The student competed in volleyball, basketball, and track while at Hesperia and desires to participate at White Cloud.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Flint-Michigan School for the Deaf (Regulation II, Section 6) – A request to waive the travel limitation was made to permit the school's track team to participate in the Berg/Seeger Track & Field Classic in Austin, TX on April 10th and 11th, 2025, 1,363 miles from Michigan School for the Deaf High School. The Berg/Seeger Track Invite is the largest high school track event in the nation for deaf and hard-of-hearing student-athletes and is sanctioned by the NFHS. The list of competing schools will be provided closer to the event. This waiver was granted by the Executive Committee in 2024 and 2025.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Bloomfield Hills-Cranbrook Kingswood High School (Regulation II, Section 11[H]) – Pursuant to Interpretation 240, a request to waive the four-player rule was made on behalf of the Cranbrook Kingswood High School boys assistant swimming & diving coach. The coach is also the lead coach for a non-school club swim team, the Birmingham Blue Dolphins Swim Club, and the Natatorium Director for the Cranbrook pool facility. The program involves students in grades K-12 and is open to the general public, where over 60 students from around the Oakland County area, comprising different school districts such as Troy, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Royal Oak, are involved in the non-school club.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Monroe High School (Regulation II, Section 11[H]) – Pursuant to Interpretation 240, a request to waive the four-player rule was made on behalf of the Monroe High School's boys and girls swim and dive coach. The coach is also the lead coach for a non-school club swim team, the Monroe Swim Club, operated by the Monroe Public Schools Community Education program, and is their only source of income. The program involves students in grades K- 12 and is open to the public, with 21 students from around the Monroe area, comprising different school districts such as Ida, Erie Mason and Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central, are involved in the non-school club.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Jackson-East Jackson and Jackson-da Vinci Middle Schols (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls wrestling (6th, 7th and 8th grades combined). East Jackson will be the primary school.

Middleton-Fulton and Ashley Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls basketball (7th and 8th grades) between these schools. Fulton will be the primary school.

Next Meeting(s) – Thursday, December 4 at 9 a.m. – Virtual.