

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Virtual, August 19, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Committee Members:

John Thompson, Brighton
Sean Jacques, Calumet
Chris Adams, Camden
Jay Alexander, Detroit
Jason Malloy, Westland

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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.

Brighton-Livingston Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – A request was made to allow the use of 7th-grade student-athletes in their girls basketball and girls soccer programs. Livingston Christian High School will have 58 students in grades 9-12 for the 2026-27 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with specific numbers, causes, and a rationale for the positive impact of using 7th graders at Livingston Christian in their athletic programs and with league support.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Byron Center-Zion Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – A request was made to allow the use of 8th-grade student-athletes in their athletic programs. Zion Christian High School will have 110 students in grades 9-12 for the 2026-27 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with numbers, the cause, and the rationale for the positive impact of using 8th graders at Zion Christian. The request was to allow 8th-grade students to participate in all sports so that Zion Christian can field full 9th, JV, and varsity teams. Support from the conference was also received.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Frankfort High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – A request was made to allow the use of 8th-grade student-athletes in their athletic programs. Frankfort High School has 124 students in grades 9-12 for the 2026-27 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with rationale about the positive impact of using 8th graders in the Frankfort athletic programs for the 2026-27 school year. League support was also received.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Lansing Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – A request was made to allow the use of 8th-grade student-athletes in their athletic programs. Lansing Christian High School will have approximately 89 students in grades 9-12 for the 2026-27 school year, but its enrollment for MHSAA classification purposes was 184. The request was to allow 8th graders to participate in all athletic programs so that Lansing Christian can field viable high school teams, given the loss of nearly 100 students from their enrollment since the classification count.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Muskegon Catholic Central High School (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – A request was made to allow the use of 8th-grade student-athletes in their athletic programs. Muskegon Catholic will have 100 students in grades 9-12 for the 2026-27 school year. The request came to the Executive Committee with numbers, the cause, and the rationale for the positive impact of using 8th graders at Muskegon Catholic. The request was to allow 8th-grade students to participate in all sports so that Muskegon Catholic can field JV teams. Support from the conference was also received.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Battle Creek-St. Philip Catholic Central, Athens and Battle Creek-Calhoun Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved an emergency cooperative application and the addition of Athens to an already existing cooperative program in 8-player football (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 238 students exceeds the enrollment limit for postseason tournament entry, and the schools have acknowledged this fact. St. Philip will be the primary school. Support from the Southern Central Athletic Conference was submitted.

Boyne Falls and Alba High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative program in softball (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 63 will place the team in Division 4. Boyne Falls will be the primary school. Support from the Northern Lakes Conference was submitted.

Burt Lake-Northern Michigan Christian and Petoskey-St. Michael 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 70 students will place the team in Division 4. Northern Michigan Christian will be the primary school. Support from the Northern Lakes Conference was submitted.

Burt Lake-Northern Michigan Christian and Petoskey-St. Michael High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls volleyball (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 70 students will place the team in Division 4, removing one team from the division. Northern Michigan Christian will be the primary school. Support from the Northern Lakes Conference was submitted.

Caro, Cass City, Unionville-Sebewaing and Kingston High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Kingston to already existing cooperative programs in boys and girls swimming & diving (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 1,077 students will place the team in Division 2. Caro will be the primary school. Support from the Independent Swim Conference was submitted.

Carson City-Crystal and Vestaburg High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls wrestling (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 369 students will place the team in Division 3, removing one team from Division 4. Carson City-Crystal will be the primary school. Support from the Mid-State Activities Conference was submitted.

Detroit-U of D Jesuit and Riverview-Gabriel Richard High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved an emergency cooperative program in football (varsity, JV and Freshman) and a one-year waiver of the enrollment limit between these schools. The combined enrollment of 1,202 students will place the team in Division 2, removing one team from both Divisions 3 and 8. U of D Jesuit will be the primary school. Support from the Catholic High School League was submitted.

Fenton, Linden, Linden-Lake Fenton, Corunna and New Lothrop High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-2]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in ice hockey (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 3,039 students will place the team in Division 2. Fenton will be the primary school. Support from the Lakes Valley Conference was submitted.

Grand Blanc, Lapeer, Holly and Ortonville-Brandon High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-2]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Ortonville-Brandon to an already existing cooperative program in ice hockey (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 5,215 students will place the team in Division 1. Grand Blanc will be the primary school. Support from the Saginaw Valley League was submitted.

Grand Rapids-Forest Hills Northern and Ada-Forest Hills Eastern High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E-2]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls wrestling (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 1,804 students will place the team in Division 1, removing one team from Division 2. Forest Hills Northern will be the primary school. Support from the OK Conference was submitted.

Lawrence, Covert and Bangor High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved an emergency cooperative program in 8-player football (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 520 students exceeds the enrollment limit for postseason tournament entry and the schools have acknowledged that fact. Lawrence will be the primary school. Support from potential future opponents was submitted.

Middleton-Fulton and Ashley High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls cross country (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 198 students will place the team in Division 4, removing one team from the division. Fulton will be the primary school. Support from the Mid-State Activities Conference was submitted.

Parchment and Richland-Gull Lake High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved an emergency cooperative program in football (varsity only) and a one-year waiver of the enrollment limit between these schools which exceeds the enrollment cap under Regulation I, Section 1[E]. The combined enrollment of 1,346 students will place the team in Division 2, removing one team from both Divisions 3 and 6. Parchment will be the primary school. Support from the Southwestern Athletic Conference was submitted.

Plainwell, Middleville-Thornapple Kellogg and Otsego High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Otsego to existing cooperative agreements in boys and girls skiing (varsity and JV) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 2,352 students will place the team in Division 1, removing one team from Division 2. Plainwell will be the primary school. Support from the Southwest Michigan Ski Conference was submitted.

Richland-Gull Lake, Plainwell, Paw Paw, Kalamazoo Christian, Vicksburg, Otsego, Battle Creek-Lakeview, Lawton and Gobles High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-2]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Gobles and Lawton to an existing cooperative agreement in ice hockey (varsity only) and a one-year waiver of the 5,500-student limit between these schools. The combined enrollment of 5,693 students will place the team in Division 1. Gull Lake will be the primary school. Support from the South Central high School Hockey League was submitted.

Riverview-Gabriel Richard and Monroe-St. Mary Catholic Central High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in ice hockey (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 459 students will place the team in Division 3. Gabriel Richard will be the primary school. Support from the Catholic High School League was submitted.

Traverse City-St. Francis, Traverse City Christian, Elk Rapids, Kingsley, Kalkaska, Grayling, Grand Traverse Academy and Traverse City-Greenspire High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-2]) – The Executive Committee approved the addition of Grand Traverse Academy and Greenspire to an already existing cooperative program in ice hockey (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 2,321 students will place the team in Division 3. St. Francis will be the primary school. Support from potential future opponents was submitted.

Troy and Troy-Athens High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys lacrosse (varsity and JV) and a one-year waiver of the 3,500-student limit between these schools. The combined enrollment of 3,936 will place the team in Division 1, removing one team from the same division. Troy will be the primary school. Support from the Oakland Activities Association was submitted.

Waterford-Our Lady of the Lakes, Royal Oak-Shrine Catholic, Madison Heights-Bishop Foley Catholic, Pontiac-Notre Dame Preparatory, Southfield Christian and Auburn Hills-Oakland Christian High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[F-1]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in ice hockey (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 2,157 students will place the team in Division 3. Our Lady of the Lakes will be the primary school. Support from the Catholic High School League was submitted.

Whitmore Lake and Whitmore Lake-Livingston Classical Academy High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls basketball (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 252 students will place the teams in Division 2, removing one team from Division 3. Whitmore Lake will be the primary school. Support from the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference was submitted.

Wyoming-Lee and Grand Rapids-Wellspring Preparatory High Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[E]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls basketball (varsity only) between these schools. The combined enrollment of 711 students will place the team in Division 2, removing one team from Division 4. Lee will be the primary school. Support from the Alliance League was submitted.

Troy High School (Regulation I, Section 2) – A second request to waive the age rule was made on behalf of a 12th-grade student by Troy High School as a previous request was made by Cranbrook Kingswood High School in June 2026. The student struggled with medical challenges, which required him to miss his entire 10th-grade school year. This caused the student to be overage for high school athletics. The former school presented documentation of the student's past challenges, which forced the academic withdrawal. The student and family have now made a full residential move to Troy, and the student will attend Troy for the 2026-27 school year. Troy requested eligibility for the student in soccer in the 2026-27 school year, the same sport he has played for the past two seasons at Cranbrook Kingswood after his transfer from New Trier High School in Illinois.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Addison 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 from East Jackson High School to start the 2026-27 school year. The student played football, competed in wrestling, and played basketball during the 2025-26 school year at East Jackson. The student moved with his mother into the North Adams-Jerome attendance area due to instability in the family's living situation. The student's brother and mother left for Addison High School, while the student decided to stay at East Jackson. Addison requested immediate eligibility in football, wrestling, and basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Armada High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Algonac High School to Armada High School at the beginning of the 2026-27 school year. The student attended Algonac since kindergarten but faced challenging circumstances surrounding his personal safety, well-being, and health. Armada requested immediate eligibility in wrestling.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Bark River-Harris High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who competed in volleyball, basketball, and softball at Calumet High School before transferring to Lake Linden-Hubbell High School on March 31st. The student transferred from Calumet to start anew and improve her health and well-being and was granted a waiver to participate at Lake Linden-Hubbell. Soon thereafter, her father accepted a new job in Bark River. The entire family left the area and moved to Gladstone, where they bought a new home as the family could not find a suitable home within the Bark River-Harris attendance area. The family would like to keep everyone together, given the challenging times. Bark River-Harris requested immediate eligibility in volleyball, basketball, and softball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Bark River-Harris High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who competed in football at Bark River-Harris High School before transferring to Florence High School in February of 2026. The student transferred from Bark River-Harris to start anew and improve his health and well-being, and to live with his birth mother, but quickly missed Bark River and living with his siblings and cousins there. The student moved back to Bark River to continue to live with his older sister and family. The student is adopted and has been through many challenges. The student also only played in two football games at Bark River-Harris in 2025-26 before being injured in an ATV accident. Bark River-Harris requested immediate subvarsity eligibility, and if that could not be granted, then eligibility after two games in football.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver for immediate eligibility at the subvarsity level, only.

Bark River-Harris High School (Regulation I, Section 9[C]) – A request was made to waive Regulation I, Section 9(C) for an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from Hannahville-Nah Tah Wahsh High School to Bark River-Harris High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. During the 2025-26 school year, the student participated in soccer. Bark River-Harris and Nah Tah Wahsh have a cooperative agreement in football, so 9(C) would apply by rule as a request. Hannahville-Nah Tah Wahsh has provided email documentation showing written support for this student's eligibility in soccer at Bark River-Harris during the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Battle Creek-Calhoun Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student from Kalamazoo Christian High School. The student attended Kalamazoo Christian during his 10th-grade year, where he played soccer. The student did not play any sports when he transferred to Calhoun Christian High School in December of 2025. The family had a challenging situation with the school administration forcing them to move their students to another Christian school. The son needed a fresh start. Calhoun Christian requested eligibility in soccer due to these circumstances.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Battle Creek-Harper Creek High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf two 10th-grade brothers who have transferred to Harper Creek from Athens. While attending Athens, the students lived with their mother and stepfather but had to move out. The students have moved in with their father, who also lives in the Athens attendance area, but chose to enroll the students in Harper Creek, given the challenges in the former community. Harper Creek requested immediate eligibility in all sports for these students with an otherwise completed Educational Transfer Form.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver with an otherwise completed and approved Educational Transfer Form.

Beverly Hills-Birmingham Groves High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request was made to waive the transfer regulation on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student at Groves High School. The student is transferring to Groves at the start of the 2026-27 school year. He is returning to Birmingham Public Schools after previously attending throughout his elementary and middle school years. The family felt returning to his home district would best support his well-being. New information included a letter of support from the U of D Jesuit administration that supports subvarsity eligibility at Groves. Groves requested immediate subvarsity eligibility in football, basketball, and track & field for the 2026-27 school year.

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

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 is transferring from Marian High School at the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student is returning to Birmingham Public Schools after previously attending throughout his elementary and middle school years. The student needed the previous connections to her friend and peer group and desired to return home to Groves. Groves requested immediate subvarsity eligibility in volleyball for the 2026-27 school year.

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

Beverly Hills-Birmingham Groves High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student at Groves High School. The student transferred from Seaholm High School to Groves after facing challenges with staff and peers, which led the family to determine that a new environment was needed for her well-being. While at Seaholm, the student competed in volleyball and track & field during the 2025-26 school year, as confirmed by the previous school. The former school has written letters of support for the student and her immediate eligibility based on the situation. Groves requested immediate eligibility in volleyball and track & field.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Britton Deerfield 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 from Adrian-Lenawee Christian High School to Britton Deerfield High School. The student and family determined that transferring to Britton Deerfield would be in the student's best interest for a variety of reasons. Britton Deerfield requested immediate subvarsity eligibility in football.

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

Burton-Genesee Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a student who transferred from Davison High School to Genesee Christian High School because of difficulty establishing relationships with peers. The student's family needed a fresh start and chose Genesee Christian to support the student. The student also participated in track & field at Davison, but Genesee Christian does not have a track team. Genesee Christian requested eligibility in cross country for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Byron Center-Zion Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for incoming sisters who competed in volleyball, basketball, and soccer the previous school year at Hudsonville-Libertas Christian High School. The students transferred from Libertas Christian at the start of the 2026-27 school year due to family challenges. Zion Christian requested immediate subvarsity eligibility in all sports.

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

Canton-Salem High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Canton Preparatory High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student transferred to Salem High School, the public school closest to his residence, after attending Canton Prep, where he played varsity soccer during his 9th- and 10th-grade years. The family was unable to continue providing transportation to Canton Prep. Salem provides school transportation, and that is the main reason for the transfer. Salem requested immediate eligibility in boys soccer based on the circumstances.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Comstock Park 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 Coopersville High School to Comstock Park High School to start the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student experienced challenges at the former school, which impacted his health. The family feels that attending a new school where he has established friends will help ease the challenges he has faced. Documentation of the issues that occurred at the former school was provided, including a letter from the former school. New information included a summary of the issues and challenges the student faced. Comstock Park continues to request eligibility for the 2026-27 football season.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Dansville High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Dansville High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated in JV volleyball and varsity girls soccer. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New and additional information included a letter from Lansing Christian indicating that they do not believe the transfer was made for athletic reasons. Dansville requested eligibility for the 2026-27 school year, and if that could not be granted, then subvarsity eligibility only in those same sports.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Detroit-U of D Jesuit High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of two incoming 10th-grade students who transferred to U of D Jesuit High School after spending their 9th-grade year attending Seaholm High School. The students experienced health issues related to their time at Seaholm that the school could not address, which resulted in homebound services being provided by the school system. The students participated in junior varsity soccer and baseball during their 9th-grade year at Seaholm. The students' parents determined that a new school option would best serve the students. The family and school seek subvarsity eligibility in soccer and baseball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

East Lansing High School (Regulation I, Section 9[B-1]) – A request to waive the sport-specific transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who previously attended Lansing-Everett High School in the 2025-26 school year and played football and basketball. The student has experienced instability and adversity at a young age. To start his high school career, the student moved in with an uncle and attended Everett. His uncle could not care for him, and the student moved in with longtime family friends in East Lansing. Their children also attended East Lansing schools, and it made sense for the student to attend starting this school year. The student played subvarsity football and basketball at Everett for his 9th-grade year. East Lansing requested eligibility in football and basketball for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

East Lansing High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who is transferring to East Lansing High School from Pontiac Arts and Technology Academy for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student has experienced living and housing challenges, including the loss of his mother, and was living with his grandmother for his middle school years while attending East Lansing Public Schools with great success. His grandmother had surgery, and the recovery forced him to move to his father's home in Pontiac. The student and family now wish for him to return to East Lansing and live with his grandmother again, where he previously had a positive experience. East Lansing requested eligibility in football.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Eastpointe High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A third request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who attended Parkway Christian High School, where he played football. The student transferred to De La Salle High School at the start of the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student's legal guardian is his godmother's mother, who resides in Eastpointe. The student's father passed away and his mother has not been in his life for several years. The student felt that, due to hardships, a new start was needed. De La Salle requested immediate eligibility in football twice, but the Executive Committee denied both requests. New information included that the student is enrolled at Eastpointe instead of De La Salle, and that his living situation remains unclear, with his mother no longer part of his life. The former schools supported the request for eligibility. Eastpointe requested immediate eligibility in football.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Farmington Hills-North Farmington High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Southfield Christian High School to North Farmington High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student experienced negative interactions from peers while at Southfield Christian and felt a new start was needed. The student, who played volleyball at Southfield Christian for the past two years, made the change for her personal health. North Farmington requested immediate eligibility in volleyball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Fife Lake-Forest Area High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student. The student changed his education from traditional education at Forest Area High School to an unaffiliated online program during the 2025-26 school year. The student competed in football for Forest Area in the fall of 2025. The student and family determined that online education had met the student's academic needs and now desire to return to traditional education at Forest Area starting in the fall of 2026. Forest Area requested immediate eligibility in football.

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 an incoming 10th-grade student who has transferred to Carlson High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student faced a challenging situation while at Trenton High School. The family felt a new start was needed. The former school supports the student's transfer and immediate eligibility. Carlson requested eligibility in tennis and wrestling for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Goodrich 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 to Goodrich High School at the start of the second semester of the 2025-26 school year after previously attending Lapeer High School, where he played football. The student made a full residential move to his father's residence in Davison and was accepted at Goodrich as a school-of-choice student in the second semester. The student also could not enroll at Davison High School due to a legal matter involving his family. Goodrich was selected because the student was accepted as a school of choice student, the student's father attended Goodrich, and the student's grandparents still live there, providing a key connection and family support. Extensive documentation of the issues surrounding the transfer was submitted. New information included a summary of the situation. Goodrich requested immediate eligibility in football.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grand Ledge 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 from Lansing Christian High School to Grand Ledge High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated in soccer and track & field. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. Grand Ledge requested immediate eligibility in soccer and track & field for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Ledge High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Grand Ledge High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated in soccer, basketball, and golf. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian HS. Grand Ledge requested immediate eligibility in soccer, basketball, and golf for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Ledge High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Grand Ledge High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated in tennis. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. Grand Ledge requested immediate eligibility in tennis for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grand Rapids Catholic Central High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation, and specifically Interpretation #62 (closest non-public school), was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who made a full and complete residential change from Grandville High School and Wyoming, MI, where they initially lived when they moved to Michigan to take care of family members. The student played tennis at Grandville during his 9th-grade year. The new residence in Grand Rapids is closer to Grand Rapids Christian High School. Grand Rapids Catholic Central High School is the closest Catholic high school. The student and his parents are Catholic and have strong ties to Grand Rapids Catholic Central and parishes. Grand Rapids Catholic Central requested eligibility in tennis.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grandville-Calvin Christian High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from West Michigan Lutheran High School to Grandville-Calvin Christian High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student desires to play basketball, and West Michigan Lutheran will not field a boys basketball team this winter. The student wishes to continue to play basketball at Calvin Christian. Calvin Christian requested immediate eligibility in basketball for the 2026-27 season.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Grosse Ile High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A third request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Riverview-Gabriel Richard High School to Grosse Ile High School in early October of 2025. The student competed in football and wrestling at Gabriel Richard during his 9th-grade year and in football during his 10th-grade year. The student's mother has faced medical challenges. The students' parents are divorced, but both live in Grosse Ile, so an Educational Transfer Form would not apply. The student successfully attended Grosse Ile for the remainder of the 2025-26 school year, where he did not compete in athletics. An otherwise completed ETF accompanies the request. Grosse Ile requested a waiver of eligibility in football after the student sits out four games in the 2026-27 school year, the same number of football games the student played at Gabriel Richard in 2025-26.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after four football games and an otherwise completed and approved Educational Transfer Form.

Grosse Pointe North High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A third request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from University Liggett High School to Grosse Pointe North High School at the start of the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student's transfer was initiated due to his need for academic accommodations that could not be met at University Liggett. Information supplied included comprehensive letters from both school administration teams, counselors, social workers, and psychiatrists, which document the student's health challenges and his treatment. New information included a letter from the student's doctor indicating the student's medical condition necessitated the change of schools. Grosse Pointe North requested immediate eligibility in both lacrosse and tennis for the 2026-27 school year, and if that could not be granted, then subvarsity eligibility.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Harrison Township-L'Anse Creuse High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who has made residential moves because of family challenges over the past two school years. The student relocated to Michigan in the summer of 2025 and enrolled at L'Anse Creuse High School for his 11th-grade year. The family felt that a more stable home environment living with his grandparents would help the student remove himself from circumstances in Georgia that were not of his doing. The student's grandfather passed away during the football season in the fall of 2025. His grandmother required medical care, and the student moved out to live with his aunt in the Chippewa Valley High School attendance area. While there in the spring of 2026, the student competed in track & field. The student's father has now relocated to Michigan and lives in Harrison Township. The student's mother still resides in Georgia. The student has moved from his aunt's home to his father's home and will now attend L'Anse Creuse again. L'Anse Creuse requested eligibility in football and track & field.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity boys soccer team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian indicating that the former school does not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. Haslett requested eligibility in boys soccer for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity boys basketball team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. There is also additional context provided by the family regarding the rationale for the transfer. Haslett requested eligibility in basketball for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity tennis team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Haslett requested eligibility in tennis the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity girls volleyball team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Haslett requested eligibility in volleyball for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity girls volleyball team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Haslett requested eligibility in volleyball for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity tennis team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Haslett requested eligibility in tennis for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity girls volleyball team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Haslett requested eligibility in volleyball for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Haslett High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the girls volleyball team. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Haslett requested full volleyball eligibility for the 2026-27 school year, and if that could not be granted, then subvarsity eligibility.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Haslett High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who previously attended Laingsburg High School and competed in football, basketball, and baseball. The student transferred to Haslett High School at the start of the 2025-26 school year after his family moved to Haslett to care for his grandmother following his grandfather's passing. The family has not met the full and complete residential move exception, as their middle son, 18, still attends Laingsburg, where he is a senior. Additionally, the family's former residence is still being used as a business. Haslett requested immediate eligibility in all three sports.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Holland-West Ottawa High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 11th-grade student who competed in football the previous year at Holland Christian High School. The student transferred to West Ottawa High School for the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. The student's transfer was driven by educational and academic considerations. The family submitted documentation regarding the student's progress at both the former and the new schools. New information included a letter from the former school athletic director, evidence of the student's academic performance, and letters of support regarding the student's character. West Ottawa requested immediate eligibility in football for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Jackson-Vandercook Lake High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred to Vandercook Lake High School from Parma-Western High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student wrestled at Western for the 2025-26 school year. The student attended Vandercook Lake as a middle school student prior to transferring to Western, where he attended an established cognitive impairment classroom. Western has ended that program, and Vandercook Lake now has a CI program. The student desires to attend Vandercook Lake again, return to his base school, and be immediately eligible. The former school supports the transfer. Vandercook Lake requested immediate eligibility for wrestling.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Kalamazoo-Hackett Catholic Prep High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation, specifically Interpretation #62 (closest non-public school), was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who attended Vicksburg High School before transferring to Hackett Catholic Prep High School to start the 2026-27 school year. The student moved between divorced parents, from dad in Vicksburg to mom, who lives in the Three Rivers attendance area. The family has a long connection to Hackett, and the student was baptized Catholic. Because the mother does not live in the area where Hackett Catholic Prep is the closest non-public school, under the rules the Educational Transfer Form does not apply but has been submitted. Hackett Catholic Prep requested immediate eligibility in volleyball and softball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver with an otherwise completed and approved Educational Transfer Form.

Kalamazoo-Hackett Catholic Prep High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation, specifically Interpretation #62 (closest non-public school), was made for an incoming 11th-grade student who attended Portage Northern High School before transferring to Hackett Catholic Prep High School to start the 2026-27 school year. The student moved between never-married parents, from mom in Kalamazoo to dad, who also lives in Kalamazoo. The student needed to move between her parents' homes because changes at her mother's home involved other family members. The student determined that the best decision would be to go to Hackett. Because the mother and father both live in Kalamazoo, and Hackett is not the closest non-public school to the father's residence, the Educational Transfer Form does not apply under the rules, but a completed ETF was also submitted. Hackett Catholic requested immediate eligibility for girls basketball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver with an otherwise completed and approved Educational Transfer Form.

Kalkaska High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student. The student changed her educational path from traditional education at Kalkaska High School to an unaffiliated online program during the 2025-26 school year after struggling with her health. The student competed in volleyball for Kalkaska in the fall of 2025. The student and family determined that online education had met the student's academic needs and now desire to return to traditional education at Kalkaska starting in the fall of 2026. Kalkaska requested immediate eligibility in football.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Kingsley 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 from Mesick High School to Kingsley High School. The student competed on the JV 8-player football team at Mesick before transferring to Kingsley at the start of the second semester of the 2025-26 school year. While at the former school, the student experienced negative interactions resulting in health issues. The new start has helped in this process. Kingsley requested immediate eligibility in football this fall.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Lansing Catholic 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 from Lansing Christian High School to Lansing Catholic High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated on the varsity soccer team. The family sought a new school environment after the changes at the former school resulted in the student's parents being told that they could not attend the student's athletic events. The family felt they could no longer be part of Lansing Christian given the policy change that affected this student and family every day. Lansing Catholic requested eligibility in soccer for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Lansing Catholic High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who competed in 12 volleyball days of competition at Williamston High School the previous year before transferring to Lansing Catholic High School during the 2025-26 school year. The student struggled with relationships at Williamston. These negative interactions left the family no choice but to change schools for the student. Lansing Catholic requested immediate eligibility in volleyball for the 2026-27 school year, and if that could not be granted, then eligibility after 12 days of competition, the same number of matches she played at Williamston.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver after 12 days of competition.

Lansing Christian 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 from DeWitt High School to Lansing Christian High School to start the 2026-27 school year. The student experienced social and personal struggles at DeWitt and the family felt a new start, in a smaller school environment, would be beneficial. The student played 9th-grade volleyball, basketball, and JV lacrosse at DeWitt. Lansing Christian requested immediate eligibility in all three sports.

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

Lansing-Eastern High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of a 10th-grade student who has transferred from James Madison High School in Houston, TX, to Lansing-Eastern High School. Before he moved to Texas, the student attended Lansing-Everett High School. The student left for his safety and well-being. His mother sent him to live with his father in Texas for six months before returning to the Lansing area to live with his mother. The mother chose Eastern because the student has an uncle who works there, and his younger sister, a 9th grader, will also attend there. The student competed in football and track & field as a 9th grader at Everett. Documents were provided for context. Eastern requested immediate eligibility in football and track & field.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Lansing-Eastern High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who has transferred from Lansing-Everett High School to Lansing-Eastern High School. The student left for his well-being after playing only three football games at Everett, before an incident led him to transfer to Eastern, where his older brother attends school. The mother chose Eastern because the student's brother is there. Since he started attending Eastern, the student has thrived. The student competed in three football games at Everett as a 9th grader. Documents were provided for context. Eastern requested immediate eligibility in football after three games.

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

Linden-Lake Fenton High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 12th-grade student who transferred from Grand Blanc High School to Lake Fenton High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student participated in soccer at Grand Blanc. The student has struggled at Grand Blanc, and given its size, the family felt a new start at a smaller school would be important. The student's mother and brother have recently passed. Lake Fenton requested immediate eligibility in soccer for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Lowell High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grader who previously attended West Michigan Academy of Environmental Sciences High School in Grand Rapids since middle school and participated in cross country. The student and family are making the change to Lowell High School for better academic and educational support. Lowell requested eligibility in cross country for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Madison Heights-Lamphere High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who transferred from Caravel Academy in Delaware to Lamphere High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student and family have enrolled at Lamphere and are currently living in a hotel while they look for affordable housing. The student is considered McKinney-Vento and homeless under the federal law by Lamphere. Lamphere requested immediate eligibility in football based upon the circumstances surrounding the move.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Mancelona High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student. The student changed her educational path from traditional education at Mancelona High School to Michigan Virtual Charter Academy during the 2025-26 school year after struggling with academic progress at Mancelona. The student competed in volleyball and basketball for Mancelona in 2025-26. The student and family determined that online education had met the student's academic and social needs and now desire to return to traditional education at Mancelona starting in the fall of 2026. Mancelona requested immediate eligibility for the student in volleyball and basketball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Monroe 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 from Carleton-Airport High School. The student competed in volleyball at Airport as a 9th grader. Because of her mother's health issues, the student needed to move closer to her home to help with her mother's care. Monroe requested eligibility in volleyball.

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

Muskegon-Oakridge High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 10th-grade student who competed in football and basketball in the previous school year at both Oakridge High School and Fruitport High School. The student suffered season-ending injuries in both sports, football after one game and basketball after 12 games. The student moved from Oakridge to Fruitport to Muskegon Heights with his mother, and now back to Oakridge, where he will live with a family friend and is considered homeless under the McKinney-Vento Federal Act. There is hope that being back in a school system where he had success at the middle school level will help the student with stability and support. Oakridge requested immediate eligibility in football for the 2026-27 school year, and, if that could not be granted, eligibility after one football game.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver for immediate eligibility.

Muskegon-Orchard View High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 11th-grade student who competed in soccer in the previous year at Muskegon-Oakridge High School. The student will start the 2026-27 school year at Muskegon-Orchard View High School due to struggles with peers and teammates, and with fitting in at the previous school. This change of schools has provided him with the stability he needs. Orchard View requested immediate eligibility in soccer for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

New Baltimore-Anchor Bay High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student. The student changed her educational path from traditional education at Anchor Bay High School to an online program during the 2025-26 school year after struggling with issues that forced her to miss many days of school. The student competed in volleyball for Anchor Bay in 2025-26. The student and family determined that online education had met the student's needs and now desire to return to traditional education at Anchor Bay starting in the fall of 2026. Anchor Bay requested immediate eligibility for the student in volleyball.

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 incoming 11th-grade student who transferred to New Haven High School from De La Salle High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student competed in football at De La Salle before transferring to New Haven. The student's transfer is related to concerns about the climate and challenges that the student experienced at De La Salle. Supporting documentation included emails and evidence that the family worked with the school on these issues. The incidents forced the family to find another school for the student's fresh start. New Haven requested immediate eligibility in football.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

North Muskegon High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student at North Muskegon High School, who previously participated in football and basketball at Muskegon High School. The student is re-enrolling at North Muskegon, where he attended from kindergarten through 8th grade. The student and his family desire to return to his original school for his well-being after being away from his friends, peers, and family. North Muskegon requested immediate eligibility in football and basketball.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Petoskey High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was submitted on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from Harbor Light Christian High School to Petoskey High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. The student experienced negative interactions while at Harbor Light Christian and, despite working to try to solve these issues, a new start was needed. The student who played subvarsity volleyball at Harbor Light Christian made the change for her personal and health. The former school supports the request for immediate eligibility. Petoskey requested immediate eligibility for subvarsity volleyball.

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

Pickford High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation, specifically interpretation #62 (closest public school), was made for an incoming 12th-grade student who competed in football, bowling, and baseball at Clintondale High School during the 2025-26 season. The student and family needed to move to the Pickford area to care for his grandmother at her home, which is in the Sault Area Public School attendance area and has a previous family connection to Pickford. Pickford requested eligibility in football and baseball for the 2026-27 season.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Plainwell High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who attended Richland-Gull Lake High School for 9th-grade, during which he played football and competed in track & field. This summer an incident prompted the family to seek a new school for the student. They now desire to go to Plainwell High School as a fresh start for the student. Plainwell requested eligibility for football and track & field.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Rapid River High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred to Rapid River High School during the second semester of the 2025-26 school year after participating in cross country and girls basketball at Big Bay de Noc High School. The student's transfer to Rapid River is due to challenges she experienced at Big Bay de Noc. The student and family determined a new start was needed. New documentation included letters of support and more context about the transfer. Rapid River requested immediate eligibility in cross country, girls basketball, and track & field for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Rochester-Adams 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 from Brother Rice High School to Adams High School to start the 2026-27 school year. The student attended Brother Rice as a 9th grader and competed in football and baseball. The student and family determined that a new start for the student was necessary at his home public high school district given the challenges. Adams requested eligibility in subvarsity football and baseball for the 2026-27 school year.

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

Sault Area High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of 11th- and 12th-grade brothers, who competed in football in Ohio in the fall of 2025 before transferring to Brimley-Ojibway Charter School, where one brother competed in basketball and track & field. The students then transferred to Sault Area High School to start the 2026-27 school year and desire to play football. Sault Area requested immediate eligibility in football for the fall of 2026.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Southgate Anderson High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 10th-grade student recently enrolled at Southgate Anderson High School. The student transferred from Riverview-Gabriel Richard High School to Southgate Anderson in the 2026-27 school year. The student faced hardship based upon a documented threat while at Gabriel Richard. The student competed in volleyball at Gabriel Richard in the fall of 2026. The student no longer felt comfortable and determined that enrolling at Southgate Anderson was in her best interest. Southgate Anderson requested immediate eligibility in volleyball.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Southgate Anderson 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 from Riverview Gabriel Richard High School. The student competed in football at Gabriel Richard and because of issues at the former school, the student desires a new start. The student played in four football games in 2025-26 before transferring to Southgate Anderson, his home district. Southgate Anderson requested immediate eligibility in football after the student sits out four football games.

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

Traverse City-St. Francis High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 11th-grade student who attended Traverse City Christian High School until transferring to St. Francis High School. The family determined that a new start in a different school environment was necessary. While at Traverse City Christian, the student was a member of the cooperative boys soccer team that has existed for the past 20 years between the two schools. In December of 2026, Traverse City Christian decided to end the cooperative agreement for boys soccer. Traverse City Christian provided support for the transfer. St. Francis requested immediate eligibility in boys soccer at Traverse City Christian based upon Regulation I, Section 9(C).

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Warren-De La Salle Collegiate High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who attended Cheboygan High School during the 2025-26 school year and played JV football before sustaining a major injury. The student left Cheboygan to start the school year at De La Salle Collegiate High School in 2026-27. De La Salle requested eligibility in football for the 2026-27 school year, after the student sits out the first game of the season.

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

Whitehall High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation was made for an incoming 12th-grade student who attended Goodrich High School for her academic and athletic career before transferring to Whitehall High School to start the 2026-27 school year. The student and his family lived in Goodrich in a residence they rented when the landlord passed away, and the home was sold. The family owns livestock, including cows, horses, and chickens, and searched the state for a suitable new home, which they found in Walkerville. The family made a full residential move across the state from Goodrich to Walkerville. The family decided to enroll the student at Whitehall. The former school supports athletic eligibility, and several others provided letters in support of the student and family in this circumstance and move. Whitehall, the family, and student request immediate eligibility in bowling, given the circumstances beyond the student's control.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Williamston 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 Lansing Christian High School to Williamston High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated in soccer. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Williamston requested immediate eligibility in soccer for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Williamston High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation, specifically Interpretation #62 (closest public school), was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Williamston High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated in soccer. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Williamston requested immediate eligibility in soccer for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

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The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Williamston High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A second request to waive the transfer regulation was made on behalf of an incoming 10th-grade student who transferred from Lansing Christian High School to Williamston High School for the start of the 2026-27 school year. While at Lansing Christian, the student participated in basketball and golf. The family sought a new school environment after the previous school went through educational uncertainty, losing over 75% of its staff and nearly 50% of its student body. The student and family desired a change, given the instability at the school and the cultural shift that occurred at Lansing Christian. New information included a letter from Lansing Christian stating that they do not believe the transfer is for athletic reasons. The family has also provided additional context regarding the rationale for the transfer. Williamston requested immediate eligibility in basketball and golf for the 2026-27 school year.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Ypsilanti-Lincoln 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 from Ann Arbor-Huron High School to Lincoln High School to start the 2026-27 school year. The student participated in volleyball at Huron during the 2025-26 school year. The student transferred back to as it was a safe and comfortable place to attend school. The student had previously attended Lincoln Schools, and the student and family felt going back to her original school was important for her growth and returning to friends and peers. Lincoln requested subvarsity eligibility in volleyball for the fall of 2026.

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

Zeeland West High School (Regulation I, Section 9) – A request to waive the transfer regulation, specifically Interpretation #62 (closest public school), was made on behalf of incoming 10th-grade twin sisters who transferred to Zeeland West High School from Minnesota after their father started a new job in West Michigan. The family desired to attend Zeeland West and worked to find housing in the district, to no avail. Ultimately, the family found a rental property one-half mile outside of the district in the West Ottawa District, but four miles closer to Zeeland West. The family has connections to Zeeland West, where family members are employees, and believes this will help the girls transition to Michigan. The students played subvarsity basketball in Minnesota. Zeeland West requested subvarsity eligibility in basketball.

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

Grandville 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 Grandville High School assistant boys and girls swim and dive coach, who is also employed by Grandville Public Schools as its full-time aquatic's director. The coach, as part of her role as aquatic director, coaches age groups and USA Club swim teams. It is a job requirement with the job to coach the club teams. The club has seven different school districts represented on the team, including Grandville, Byron Center, Caledonia, Wyoming, Kentwood, Grand Rapids, and Hudsonville.

The Executive Committee approved the request for waiver.

Grosse Pointe South High School (Regulation II, Section 11[H]) – Pursuant to Interpretation 240, specifically the staffing limitations in this regulation, a request to waive the four-player rule was made on behalf of the Grosse Pointe South assistant field hockey coach, also employed by Great Lakes Regional Field Hockey. It is a requirement of this full job with the GLRFH to supervise all competitive programs and advance field hockey in the State of Michigan through "play days" and field hockey clinics that may have more than four players from Grosse Pointe Public Schools. The fact that field hockey is among the newest sport offerings and that field hockey coaches are scarce is another reason why the request is being made. The request was for the 2026-27 school year only and will need to be reevaluated annually. The Executive Committee previously granted this request in the 2025-26 school year.

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

Birmingham-Derby and Bloomfield Hills-Birmingham Covington Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in football (6th-, 7th- and 8th-grades combined) and wrestling (6th-, 7th- and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Derby will be the primary school.

Lawrence, Covert and Bangor Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in 8-player football (7th- and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Lawrence will be the primary school.

Middleton-Fulton and Ashley Middle Schools (Regulation I, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved cooperative programs in boys and girls cross country (6th-, 7th- and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Fulton will be the primary school.

Saginaw-Nouvel Catholic Central and Bay City-All Saints Catholic Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in football (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Nouvel Catholic Central will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in baseball (6th- and 7th-grades combined and 8th-grade) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

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

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in competitive cheer (6th-grade and 7th- and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls cross country (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in football (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls soccer (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in softball (6th- and 7th-grades combined and 8th-grade) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls track & field (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in girls volleyball (7th-grade and 8th-grade) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls wrestling (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Southgate-Davidson, Southgate-Creative Montessori and Southgate-Davidson Middle Academy Middle Schools (Regulation III, Section 1[D]) – The Executive Committee approved a cooperative program in boys and girls swimming & diving (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades combined) between these schools. Southgate-Davidson will be the primary school.

Lansing Christian High School (Boys Basketball Classification) – A request was made to move the boys basketball program from Division 3 to Division 4, based on the loss of almost 100 students from its enrollment. The February student count was 184, while the current estimated enrollment is approximately 89. These extraordinary circumstances have created a competitive imbalance for the school and an undue hardship for its' boys basketball program.

The Executive Committee did not approve the request for waiver.

Orchard Lake-St. Mary's Preparatory High School – A request was made for a one-year waiver of Interpretation 94 regarding the required minimum number of boarding school students. The school requested a waiver of the requirement that at least 25 students, or 10 percent of the full student enrollment, be housed in the boarding school (dorm). The school's rationale is based on the addition of girls to its on-campus boarding program. The school reported that it currently has 93 male students and 0 female students but expects to add 10-15 residential female students by January 1, 2027. The Executive Committee previously approved this request for the 2025-26 school year.

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

New Member School(s) – Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution adopted by member schools and according to procedures for MHSAA membership adopted by the Representative Council on March 27, 1997, the Executive Committee approved membership for the following school(s):

Interlochen Arts Academy is an independent arts academy high school boarding school that has been in existence for over 100 years. The school offers seven arts tracks that are integrated into a full academic program. The boarding school has students from around the world, from at least 47 different countries, and is consistently recognized as one of the top arts schools in the nation. The school has approximately 575 enrolled students. The school has previously been an MHSAA member in limited sports in the 1990's and as recently as 2010. The school has a strong recreation and wellness program, and competitive athletics is a natural offshoot of that program. It operates on its own sprawling 1,200-acre campus in the woods on a lakeside in Interlochen, just outside Traverse City. The campus also houses a gym with very limited seating and a recreation building for students and staff, featuring a weight room and climbing walls. The school's recreational and wellness director coordinates several clubs, including volleyball and basketball, in which the school has competed against various local MHSAA and non-MHSAA schools over the past several years. The school will continue to have these club teams and may not seek MHSAA tournament inclusion immediately. MHSAA staff conducted an on-site visit on August 10, 2026. An Athletic Department Code of Conduct and Handbook was submitted. A signed 2026-27 Membership Resolution and Preliminary Classification Form was received. The school will be eligible for MHSAA tournaments for the 2027-28 school year.

Kalamazoo Heritage Christian Academy is a faith-based private school that began as a Baptist school but now serves students from several denominations. The school's curriculum is based on Christian teachings, and while the school is independent, they operate within the Association of Christian Schools. The school campus and facility stand near Kalamazoo College in a stand-alone building and serve elementary through high school students. The school has previously been a member of the MHSAA but decided not to join the MHSAA in 2025-26 based upon numerous factors. The school offers athletics in basketball, volleyball, and soccer for both genders. The school has 57 students in grades 9-12. They are investigating adding cooperative sports with another new MHSAA member school, Kalamazoo-Heritage Reformed Christian School. MHSAA staff conducted an on-site visit on August 11, 2026. An Athletic Department Code of Conduct and Handbook was submitted. A signed 2026-27 Membership Resolution and Preliminary Classification Form was also received. The school is requesting MHSAA membership starting in the 2026-27 school year and will be eligible to compete in MHSAA tournaments in 2027-28. The Athletic Director will attend the new AD Inservice at the MHSAA in the future.

Washtenaw Christian Academy is a faith-based, independent private school and part of Christian Schools International. The school campus and facility are newly updated and located in Saline with newly renovated athletic and academic facilities. The school operates in a stand-alone building and serves students from elementary through high school. The school has been in operation since 1976 and was originally founded as Saline Christian. The school was previously an MHSAA member school as recently as 2014-15 and has 99 students in grades 9-12. The school offers basketball, volleyball and soccer for both genders and has had good success against MHSAA member schools in recent years. The school is also exploring joining the Tri-Valley Athletic Conference. MHSAA staff conducted an on-site visit on August 10, 2026. An Athletic Department Code of Conduct and Handbook was submitted. A signed 2026-27 Membership Resolution and Preliminary Classification Form was also received. The school is requesting MHSAA membership starting in the 2026-27 school year and will be eligible to compete in MHSAA tournaments in 2027-28. The Athletic Director will attend the new AD Inservice at the MHSAA in the future.

Next Meeting(s) – 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 (Representative Council meets the next day); Wednesday, January 13, 2027 at 9 a.m. – Virtual; Thursday, February 4, 2027 at 9 a.m. – Virtual (Audit & Finance Committee follows).