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ANNOUNCEMENT

To: MPSSAA Board of Control
From: R. Andrew Warner, MPSSAA Executive Director
Date: November 27, 2019
Subject: Winter Board of Control Meeting

MPSSAA President, Ms. Dana Johnson, has called the winter meeting of the MPSSAA Board of Control for December 12, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the **Turf Valley Resort, 2700 Turf Valley Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042**. Their phone number is 410.465.1500. A light breakfast for meeting attendees will be served at 8:45 a.m. in the Amphitheater (see Attached Map).

Major items on the agenda include: constitutional amendments (attached), nominations for President and President-Elect (attached), approval of tournament plans for the 2020 spring tournaments, reports on the fall and winter tournaments, and the fall financial report.

Please make every effort to be in attendance. If you cannot be present, please contact our office at 410-767-0555.

Thank you.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

2020-2022 President – Mr. Michael Duffy
Supervisor of Athletics – Carroll County Public Schools

2020-2022 President Elect – Mr. Michael Sye
Coordinator of Athletics – Baltimore County Public Schools

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Subtitle 06 SUPPORTING PROGRAMS
13A.06.03 Interscholastic Athletics in the State
Authority: Education Article, SS2-205 and 2-303(j),
Annotated Code of Maryland
.03 Sports Season

The regulations given below are established for all MPSSAA interscholastic sports.

A - text unchanged.

B. Maximum Number of Contests Permitted During a Sports Season.

(1) All school athletic schedules shall be established before the first MPSSAA allowable playdate of each sport's season according to the following instructions:

(a) – (p) – text unchanged

(q) Wrestling

(i) 14 regular season contests including dual meets and a maximum of three tournaments and three tri-meets;

(ii) No more than two contests per week including maximum of one tournament; **Three contests may be scheduled one time during the season on a non-tournament week;**

(iii) Multi-team events may be used to make up postponed contests between teams originally scheduled;

(iv) A city/county/conference tournament required to qualify for the state tournament will not be counted as one of the three allowed tournaments; and

(v) Wrestling tournaments and meets are defined by regulations .04D(3) and (4).

(2) – (3) Text unchanged.

Rationale:

- The regulation proposal is to alleviate some scheduling concerns as it relates to the availability of student transportation, cancellations due to weather, and scheduling conflicts with other sports that utilize the school gymnasium. The regulation does not add to the total number of contests in a season and only provides an additional week of flexibility in scheduling the seasonal allotment of contests.

Wrestling Committee Action: 9 votes in favor of the new language, none opposed, no abstention.

Executive Council Action: 10 votes in favor of the new language, none opposed, no abstention.

Constitution Committee Action: 8 votes in favor of the new language, none opposed, no abstention.

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13A.06.03.04 Operational Guidelines

A – B Text Unchanged.

C. Limits of Participation.

(1) – (4) Text Unchanged

(5) Individual students may participate in ~~two~~ all-star games **and events** ~~per sport~~, upon the completion of their eligibility in the sport in which this participation occurs.

(6) – (9) Text Unchanged

D. – H. Text Unchanged

Rationale:

- The all-star game rule has gone through three amendments over the years. Initially no all-star competitions were allowed. The regulation was amended to allow one all-star contests upon the completion of eligibility in a particular sport. It was further amended to allow two all-star contests.
- The proposal from the MPSSAA Executive Council is to provide opportunities for students to participate in more all-star games following the completion of their eligibility in a particular sport. Today's generation of students have more opportunities and the limitation has had effects on local county and conference all-star contests to honor seniors.

Executive Council Action: 12 votes in favor of the new language, none opposed, no abstention.

Constitution Committee Action: 8 votes in favor of the new language, none opposed, no abstention.

Turf Valley Resort & Conference Center Floor Plan

