Regional Office of Interscholastic Athletics

MHAL Athletic Directors Workshop
Wednesday, August 27, 2014
New Paltz District Office at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes Last Meeting – June 10, 2014

2. NYSPHSAA Report – Mr. James Osborne, Section IX Secretary

3. MHAL President Report – Mrs. Antonia Woody
   Mandated Reporters Legislation
   Mixed Competition Update
   Neutral Sites for Sectional Finals
   School Physician, Concussions, and Physicals
   19th Basketball Game
   Field Hockey By-law Proposal
   Sport By-law Approval

4. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator Report – Mr. Christopher Mayo
   Clerical Services

5. MHAL Coordinator Report – Mr. Dennis Burkett
   Spectator Code of Conduct – 1st Draft
   Modified By-laws – OCIAA/MHAL
   Modified Football Rules Interpretation at Middletown High School Library at 6:30 p.m.
   Ratings
   Scrimmage Fees
   Standings
   Modified Scheduling
   Fall Championships/Elimination of Modified Race at Ogdens Mills
   Faith Christian Academy
   November Meeting Date
   Fall Sport and Squad Status

6. Old Business
7. New Business

8. Next Athletic Directors Workshop
   Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at Ulster County Community College at 9:00 a.m.

9. Next Executive Committee – Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at Ulster County Community College at 10:45 a.m.

10. Next Section IX Meeting – Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at Wallkill High School at 9:30 a.m.
    Followed by the NYSPHSAA Mandatory Workshop

11. Adjourn

Mailing Address: 53 Gibson Road, Goshen, NY 10924-9777 Phone: 845-294-5799 Fax: 845-291-7306
Office Location: C.J. Hooker Middle School, 41 Lincoln Avenue, Goshen, NY 10924-9777
http://roia.oubces.org
Section IX Championships – Neutral Site

Motion:

The Section IX Executive Director, with input from the sport chairperson, will be responsible for determining where the Section IX Tournament Finals will be played in the event of a host team conflict at a designated site. The Executive Director will get involved with neutrality issues only when a particular sport’s championship venue is formally called into question based on a host team’s involvement in the finals.
Spectator Code of Conduct

Section IX Athletics recognizes the importance of behavior and personal character in our student athletes, with that we ask our spectators to:

1. Demonstrate a high degree of sportsmanship.

2. Show team support by making only positive comments.

3. Show respect for the judgment of coaches, officials, and referees.

4. Acknowledge fields, courts and equipment as the player’s domain during contests.

5. Monitor the safety of children in the bleachers and stands.

6. Respect the law that all public schools and Section IX venues are smoke-free, substance-free environment.

7. Athletic contests home, away or at a neutral site are an extension of the classroom. Therefore, all school rules are in effect.

8. Spectators will respect and obey all school officials, supervisors and site personnel at contests.

9. There will be no ringing of bells, sounding of horns, or other noise makers at indoor contests during play. Outdoor use will be at the discretion of the site personnel.

10. The throwing of debris, confetti, or other objects from the stands is prohibited. Offending individuals will be asked to leave the premises.

11. Exceptions to this behavior will lead to ejection from the event.

*** Individual schools may have more stringent policies.
DID YOU KNOW?

- Most concussions occur without loss of consciousness.
- Children who have, at any point in their lives, had a concussion have an increased risk for another concussion.
- Young children and teens are more likely to get a concussion and take longer to recover than adults.

Concussion Information

What is a Concussion?

A concussion is a type of traumatic brain injury, or TBI, caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head that can change the way your brain normally works. Concussions are usually not life-threatening. Even so, their effects can be serious.

Concussions can also occur from a fall or a blow to the body that causes the head and brain to move quickly back and forth. Some of these symptoms may appear right away, while others may not be noticed for days or months after the injury, or until the person starts resuming their everyday life and more demands are placed upon them.

If your child reports one or more of the symptoms on the list below, he/she should be seen by your healthcare provider. They should not return to play until they are cleared by a medical professional. It is very important to inform your child's school nurse of any history of concussion/head injuries or of any recent head injuries that occurred outside of school.

How do I recognize a Concussion?

Signs Observed by Others
- Appears dazed or stunned
- Is confused about assignment or position
- Forgets an instruction
- Is unsure of game, score, or opponent
- Moves clumsily
- Answers questions slowly
- Loses consciousness (even briefly)
- Shows mood, behavior, or personality changes
- Can't recall events prior to hit or fall
- Can't recall events after hit or fall

Symptoms Reported by Child
- Headache or "pressure" in head
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Double or blurry vision
- Sensitivity to light
- Sensitivity to noise
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- Concentration or memory problems
- Confusion
- Just not "feeling right" or "feeling down"
Concussion Danger Signs
Visit the emergency department right away if they received a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body, and:
- One pupil larger than the other
- Is drowsy or cannot be awakened
- A headache that not only does not diminish, but gets worse
- Weakness, numbness, or decreased coordination
- Repeated vomiting or nausea
- Slurred speech
- Convulsions or seizures
- Cannot recognize people or places
- Becomes increasingly confused, restless, or agitated
- Has unusual behavior
- Loses consciousness (even a brief loss of consciousness should be taken seriously)

What Can I do to Help Feel Better After a Concussion?
Although most people recover fully after a concussion, how quickly they improve depends on many factors. These factors include how severe their concussion was, their age, how healthy they were before the concussion, and how they take care of themselves after the injury. Some people who have had a concussion find that at first it is hard to do their daily activities, their job, to get along with everyone at home, or to relax.

Rest (physical & cognitive) is very important after a concussion because it helps the brain to heal. Ignoring your symptoms and trying to "tough it out" often makes symptoms worse. Be patient because healing takes time. Only when your symptoms have reduced significantly, in consultation with your health care professional, should you slowly and gradually return to your daily activities, such as work or school. If your symptoms come back or you get new symptoms as you become more active, this is a sign that you are pushing yourself too hard. Stop these activities and take more time to rest and recover. As the days go by, you can expect to gradually feel better.

What Can I do to Help Prevent Traumatic Brain Injury?
There are many ways to reduce the chances of sustaining a traumatic brain injury, including:
- Buckling your child in the car using a child safety restraint seat, or seat belt (according to the child's height, weight, and age).
- Wearing a seat belt every time you drive or ride in a motor vehicle.
- Never driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Wearing a helmet and making sure your children wear helmets when:
- Riding a bike, motorcycle, snowmobile, scooter, or all-terrain vehicle;
- Playing a contact sport, such as football, ice hockey, or boxing
- Using in-line skates or riding a skateboard
- Batting and running bases in baseball or softball
- Riding a horse
- Skiing or snowboarding.

Making living areas safer for children by:
- Installing window guards to keep young children from falling out of open windows
- Using safety gates at the top and bottom of stairs when young children are around.
- Making sure the surface on your child's playground is made of shock-absorbing material, such as hardwood mulch or sand.
2014-2015
ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
COACHING COURSES
FALL & WINTER

OCIAA Fall Rules Interpretation Meeting: (Modified, JV & Varsity)
Date: Sunday, August 17, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Goshen High School
Sports: Soccer, Volleyball, Cross Country,
Girls Tennis, Girls Swimming, Cheerleading

Modified Football Rules Meeting
Date: Tuesday, September 9, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Middletown High School Library

OCIAA Winter Rules Interpretation Meeting: (Modified, JV & Varsity)
Date: Monday, November 17, 2014
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Goshen High School
Sports: Basketball, Wrestling, Indoor Track,
Boys Swimming, Cheerleading, Alpine Ski

First Aid Update:
Fall Date: Monday, September 8, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School South Cafeteria
Instructor: Mr. Bill Burr
E-mail: William.Burr@ouboces.org

Winter Date: Monday, November 3, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School, North Cafeteria
Instructor: Mr. Bill Burr
E-mail: William.Burr@ouboces.org

First Aid Course:
Fall Dates: September 9, 10, 17, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School, South Cafeteria
Instructor: Mr. Bill Burr
E-mail: William.Burr@ouboces.org

Winter Dates: November 4, 5, 10, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School, South Cafeteria
Instructor: Mr. Bill Burr
E-mail: William.Burr@ouboces.org
HEALTH SCIENCES
Dates: September 9, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 25, 30, October 1, 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Site: Washingtonville High School Room 168
Instructor: Mr. Greg Ransom
E-mail: gransom1@hvc.rr.com
Class Registration Please E-mail: gransom1@hvc.rr.com

CPR/AED Update: (Pre-registration is required by calling 294-5799)
Fall Date: Wednesday, September 3, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School, South Cafeteria
Instructor: Mr. Bill Burr
E-mail: William.Burr@ocboces.org

Winter Date: Monday, October 27, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School, South Cafeteria
Instructor: TBA
E-mail:

CPR/AED Course: (Pre-registration required by calling 294-5799)
Fall Date: Thursday, September 4, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School, South Cafeteria
Instructor: TBA
E-mail:

Winter Date: Monday, October 20, 2014
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Valley Central High School, South Cafeteria
Instructor: TBA
E-mail:

Individuals taking the CPR/AED Update course must have taken an approved course to be eligible for the update.

On-Line Workshops:
www.childabuseworkshop.com
www.violenceworkshop.com
NOTE: Discount for those candidates referred by BOCES, simply give the group code of BOCES60

NYS Education Department – Office of Teaching Initiatives
www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert
(518) 474-3901

DASA Courses are given at Orange-Ulster BOCES. To register, please see next page for detailed course dates and information.
DIVISION OF INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES
DASA REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Division of Instructional Support Services is offering the Dignity for All Students (DASA) 6 Hour Course for Certification on the following dates:

- 8/18/14* - 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm and 8/19 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm and three hours on-line
- 9/12/14
- 10/24/14
- 11/17/14
- 12/17/14
- 1/12/15
- 2/23/15
- 3/9/15
- 4/8/15
- 5/4/15

*The evening workshop is being held at the Arden Hill Regional Education Center, Instructional Support Services Conference Room 141, 4 Harriman Drive, Goshen, NY 10924.

All other dates are full day workshops from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm and are being held at Orange-Ulster BOCES main campus, 53 Gibson Road, Goshen, NY 10924 in the Carl Onken Conference Center (located behind the Career and Technical Building).

Registration is via My Learning Plan.

If you do not have a My Learning Plan account, below are instructions to create one:

1. Go to Orange-Ulster BOCES website which is www.ouboces.org
2. Click on “workshops” on right
3. Third line “To view our workshops catalogs click here” – click
4. Click on the Program offering the workshop, for DASA it is School Improvement
5. They will be in date order
6. Find the workshop you wish to attend and click on the title
7. Click on “enroll now”
8. Follow the prompts
9. Click on either “district pays” or “personal check”
10. If you are paying by check it should be made out to Orange-Ulster BOCES in the amount of $100.00 and sent to Orange-Ulster BOCES, Department of Instructional Support Services, 4 Harriman Drive, Goshen, NY 10924. You will not be able to attend the workshop if payment has not been received.
# MID-HUDSON ATHLETIC LEAGUE
## 2014-2015 CALENDAR – Approved

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- A.P. EXAM DATES
- Section IX Start Dates
  - All Fall Sports - Mon., Aug. 18, 2014
  - Ice Hockey - Mon., Nov. 3, 2014
  - Winter Sports - Mon., Nov. 10, 2014
  - Spring Sports - Mon., March 9, 2015

- SECTION IX MEETING DATES
  - Wallkill High School 9:30 a.m.

- * Tues., Sept 16, 2014
- * Mandated NYSPHSAA Workshop
  - Tues., October 21, 2014 Orange-Ulster BOCES 9:30 a.m.
  - Tues., Nov. 25, 2014 Marlboro High School 9:30 a.m.
  - Tues., Jan. 6, 2015 Orange-Ulster BOCES 9:30 a.m.
  - Tues., March 10, 2015 Marlboro High School 9:30 a.m.
  - Tues., April 21, 2015 Monroe-Woodbury H.S. Auditorium 9:30 a.m.
  - Wed., May 13, 2015 Mt. St. Mary College 9:30 a.m.
  - Thurs., June 11, 2015 TBA
# Meeting Dates

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Sept. 16, 2014
and Mandated NYSFHSAA Workshop
Wallkill High School - 9:30 a.m.

Oct. 21, 2014
Orange-Ulster BOCES - 9:30 am

Nov. 25, 2014
Marlboro High School - 9:30 am

Jan. 6, 2015
Orange-Ulster BOCES - 9:30 am

March 10, 2015
Marlboro High School - 9:30 am

April 21, 2015
Monroe-Woodbury H.S. Aud. - 9:30 am

May 13, 2015
Mt. St. Mary College - 9:30 am

June 11, 2015
TBA - 8:00 am
2014 FALL OFFICIALS FEES

FOOTBALL

VARSITY
J.V.
FRESHMEN
MODIFIED A/B
(four 10 minute quarters)
(five 10 minute quarters)
TIMER OR CHAIN CREW

$105.00 per official
$ 79.00 per official
$ 74.00 per official
$ 69.00 per official
$ 69.00 per official
$ 81.00 per official

BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER

VARSITY
J.V.
MODIFIED (4 periods)
(5 periods)

2 officials
3 officials (1 mid field)
(2 side lines)

$ 98.00 per official
$104.00 per official
$ 74.00 per official
$ 64.00 per official
$ 76.00 per official

GIRLS SWIMMING

REFEREE
STARTER
JUDGE

$ 95.00 per official
$ 90.00 per official
$ 84.00 per official

A SWIM MEET IS TWELVE (12) EVENTS OF ONE (1) HEAT EACH. ADDITIONAL HEATS OR EVENTS WILL REQUIRE A PAYMENT OF $6.00 PER OFFICIAL PER HEAT.

VOLLEYBALL

1ST REFEREE
2ND REFEREE

VARSITY (3/5) J.V. (3/3)
VARSITY ONLY (3/5)
J.V. ONLY (3/5)
MODIFIED(3/3)
MODIFIED - TWO MATCHES (3/3)

$159.
$ 97.
$ 73.
$ 64.
$123.
$159.
$ 97.
$ 73.
$ 64.
$123.

FIELD HOCKEY

VARSITY
J.V.
MODIFIED

$ 92.00 per official
$ 70.00 per official
$ 61.00 per official 4 qtrs. – 12 minutes
$ 73.00 per official 5 qtrs. – 12 minutes
$157.00 per official

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS: REFER TO THE OFFICIALS AGREEMENT FOR SPECIFIC FEES. THESE FEES ARE DIFFERENT FOR EACH SPORT

TRAVEL FEE – ARTICLE IX, PAGE 7 - $ 30.00 PER OFFICIAL
A travel fee is paid when teams and officials(s) arrive and inclement weather, equipment failure or facility problems prevent the contest from being started.

FULL FEE PAYMENT
Refer to Page 5 & 6, Article VI.

OFFICIALS WORKING CONTESTS ALONE – POSSIBLE FEE AND A HALF
Refer to Page 6, Article VII.

DELAYED CONTESTS – A FEE and $ 30. Varsity, $ 25. JV and Freshmen, $ 20. Modified
Refer to Page 7, Article X.

SECTIONAL FEE
The home team is responsible for the payment of officials. Please refer to Article XII, page 8 in reference to the fees paid officials.
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| 3-3-2b(2) | If the referee stops the clock for an apparent injury to a field player or goalkeeper, the field player or goalkeeper will have to leave the field. The field player may be replaced, and the goalkeeper must be replaced. |
| 5-1-2 | The jurisdiction of the officials shall begin on their arrival at the field of play and its immediate surroundings, which shall be no later than 15 minutes prior to the start of the game. |

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| 1.2.4 Situation | A referee inspecting the field prior to the game detects (a) center circle spot 9 inches in diameter; (b) an “X” intersecting the halfway line; (c) no mark other than the halfway line. RULING: (a) legal; (b) legal; (c) illegal. |
| 3.3.2 Situation D-L | Former Situations 3.3.3 D-L changed to 3.3.2 D-L |
| 3.3.2 Situation E | Players A2 and B2 hit heads in attempting to head the ball and both are injured. In the opinion of the referee, player A2 exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion. RULING: Player A2 shall be immediately removed from the contest and shall not return to play until cleared by an appropriate health care professional. |
| 4-1-1(a) | Delete former 4-1-1(a) |
| 4-1-1(a) | The home team shall wear solid white jerseys and solid white socks, and the visiting team shall wear dark jerseys and socks (dark is defined as any color which contrasts with white). Prior to and during the game, jerseys shall be tucked into the shorts, unless manufactured to be worn outside. |
| 4-1-1(b) | Both socks shall be the same color, with the home team wearing solid white socks and the visiting team wearing socks of a single dominant color, but not necessarily the color of the jersey. If tape or a similar material is applied externally to the socks, it must be of a similar color as that part of the sock to which it is applied. |
| 4-1-1(h)1 | All jerseys, including the goalkeeper, shall be numbered on the back with a different Arabic number at least 6 inches in height and on the front (jersey or shorts) with the same number, which shall be at least 4 inches in height. Numbers shall be of contrasting color to the jersey (or shorts) and clearly visible. |
| 4.1.1 Situation C | Player A from the visiting team enters the game wearing (a) two different colored socks; (b) multi-striped socks, where one stripe is the dominant color (not white); (c) tie-dyed socks; (d) predominantly dark blue socks with the top quarter of the socks pale blue. RULING: (a) Illegal; (b) Legal; (c) Illegal; (d) Legal. Both socks shall be the same, single dominant color. Only the visiting team may wear socks a color other than white. |
| 4.1.1 Situation D | Team A, the visiting team, arrives wearing striped jerseys that have large, light blue and thin white alternating stripes. Two members of Team A are wearing visible light red T-shirts beneath their jerseys. RULING: Legal. Striped jerseys are permissible for the visiting team as long as the dominant color is dark (dark is defined as any color which contrasts with white). Jerseys with equal-sized stripes that have both dark and white stripes do not have a dominant dark color and would be illegal. Also, shirts may be worn under the jersey as long as the shirts are the same color and of similar length. |
4-2-7 A tooth and mouth protector (intraoral) which shall:
   a. include an occlusal (protecting and separating the biting surfaces) portion;
   b. include a labial (protecting the teeth and supporting structures) portion;
   c. cover the posterior teeth with adequate thickness;
   d. be made of any readily visible color;
   e. not be completely white; and
   f. not be completely clear.
   **NOTE:** It is recommended that the protector be properly fitted, protecting the anterior (leading) dental arch and:
   1. constructed from a model made from an impression of the individual’s teeth, or
   2. constructed and fitted to the individual by impressing the teeth into the tooth and mouth protector itself.

12-8-2(d) committing serious foul play:
   1. any play in which the player commits one of the offenses punishable with a direct free kick (or penalty kick if the offense takes place by a defender in the penalty area) and uses disproportionate and unnecessary force against an opponent while playing for the ball.
   2. a player (other than a goalkeeper within his/her own penalty area) deliberately handles the ball, attempting to prevent a goal and the goal is not scored;
   3. a player commits a foul, attempting to deny an obvious goalscoring opportunity, and the goal is not scored.

14-1-3 The opposing goalkeeper shall stand on the goal line, facing the kicker, between the goal posts, until the ball is kicked. Lateral movement is allowed, but the goalkeeper is not permitted to come off the line by stepping or lunging forward until the ball is in play.

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