



# Oregon School Activities Association

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TO: Superintendents, Principals, Athletic Directors, and Football Coaches

FROM: Brad Garrett, Assistant Executive Director

SUBJECT: OSAA Football Ad Hoc Committee Update

The Football Ad Hoc Committee conducted its sixth meeting related to Football placements during the 2022 – 2026 time-block on April 14, 2022, via Zoom in a closed work session. Final Committee recommendations will be forwarded to the OSAA State Championship Committee for consideration and inclusion into their final recommendation that will be forwarded to the OSAA Executive Board for review and adoption at their May 2, 2022 meeting.

OSAA staff provided a summary of 4 pieces of correspondence received after the last meeting.

### **Final League/Special District Configurations by Classification**

The Committee reached consensus on a final recommendation of all school placements and alignments for the 2022-2026 time block. Any requests by member schools to change classification or placement will need to be directed to the OSAA Executive Board for consideration at their May 2, 2022 meeting. (see attached)

### **Recommended Bracket Structure/Allocations**

The table below summarizes the Committees final recommendations at all levels.

Classification	Bracket Type	Allocations
*6A	Top 16 + Next 16	PIL (4), Metro (3), Pacific (3), Mt. Hood (4) Three Rivers (3), Central/Southwest (5) + 10 via rankings
5A	16-team	NW Oregon (4), Midwestern (4), Mid-Willamette (4), Intermountain (3) + 1 via rankings
4A	16-team	Cowapa (3), Tri-Valley (3), Oregon West (3), Big Sky (3), Greater Oregon (3) + Highest ranked #4 from Oregon West and Big Sky
3A	16-team	Coastal Range (3), PacWest (3), Mountain Valley (3), Far West (4), Eastern Oregon (2) + 1 via rankings
2A	16-team	Northwest (3), Tri-River (3), Central Valley (3), Southern (3), Blue Mountain (3) + 1 via rankings
1A-8	12-team	SD-1 (4) and SD-2 (4) and (4) at-large via rankings
1A-6	8-team	SD-1 (3) and SD-2 (5)

\* At the 6A classification the 32 qualifying teams would be divided into two brackets using final OSAA rankings.

- Teams ranked #1-#16 and Teams ranked #17-#32 will be placed in separate brackets.
- League champions ranked outside the top 16 will be moved into the 1-16 bracket and will bump the lowest seed possible to the 17-32 bracket.
- Automatic qualifiers ranked outside of the top 32 will be moved into the 17-32 and will bump out the lowest possible seed.

## **6A Classification Bracket Structure/Allocations**

The Committee spent considerable time discussing the caucus results and voting outcomes related to the formatting of the 6A Championships – specifically how those results impact the Committee's current recommendation of an 8 team/24 team model. At issue is that 6A representatives attending the OSAA Delegate Assembly meeting and 6A Athletic Directors attending the OADA Conference, when combined, are nearly unanimous in support to modify the current model into two separate 16-team brackets.

There is sentiment amongst some Committee members that the two separate 16-team brackets do not solve the core issues the Committee was attempting to address although the model does take a step to address the lopsided match-ups occurring in Round 1 by halving the seed differential (1-16 vs 1-32). The group recommends that both brackets are awarded trophies.

There continues to be consensus within the Committee that at a minimum it is necessary to change the current model in some way. While historical data review supports adopting an 8 team/24 team format and is the reason for the original recommendation the obvious lack of support requires consideration of other models. As such the Committee has reached consensus to support implementation of the two separate 16-team brackets at the 6A Classification level with all league champions included in the Top 16 bracket regardless of ranking.

## **2A, 1A Structure/Game Type**

- Recommends that 2A schools (ADM 75 - 145) play the 9-player game.
- Recommends that 1A schools (ADM 74 - 61) play the 8-player game.
- Recommends that 1A schools (ADM 0 - 60) play the 6-player game.

## **6-Player State Championship**

The group supports adoption of the 6-player game and is encouraging the OSAA State Championship Committee to recommend conducting an OSAA State Championship for 6-player teams.

## **Placement Criteria:**

- Schools requesting a lower classification for the first time must have had a 2-year in-class winning percentage below 22%.
- Schools previously playing at a lower classification requesting to remain there must have had a 2-year in-class winning percentage of less than 67% and have not won an OSAA playoff game.
- Any school approved to remain down or has opted to play down that has an in-class winning percentage of 67% or higher and/or advances beyond Round 1 of any OSAA Football State Championship will automatically be moved back up for the following season.

The OSAA staff will provide a committee update, like this one, to all superintendents, principals, athletic directors, and football coaches following each meeting. The Committee roster, charge, and any additional committee information is available at <http://www.osaa.org/governance/committees>.

Written suggestions and proposals should be emailed to the OSAA at [bradg@osaa.org](mailto:bradg@osaa.org). Any communication received by the OSAA will be shared with all committee members for review and discussion.

**The next public meeting of the Ad Hoc Football Committee is TBD.** The general format for the meeting will be for the Committee to receive public testimony followed by a closed work session. The Committee appreciates your support and encourages your participation in this process. Please contact Brad Garrett ([bradg@osaa.org](mailto:bradg@osaa.org)) at the OSAA if you have any questions.

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6A	44	5A	31	4A	32
<b>1005+</b>		<b>1004-608</b>		<b>607-311</b>	
<b>6A-1 - Portland Interscholsatic</b>		<b>5A-1 - Northwest Oregon Conference</b>		<b>4A-1 - Cowapa League</b>	
Cleveland Warriors	1219	Canby Cougars	957	Astoria Fishermen	398
Franklin Lightning	1376	Centennial Eagles	1034	Milwaukie / Arts Academy Mustangs(5A)	796
Grant Generals	1314	Forest Grove Vikings (6A)	1086	Scappoose Indians	501
Jefferson Democrats	444	Hillsboro Spartans	769	Seaside Seagulls	313
Lincoln Cardinals	1190	Hood River Valley Eagles	883	St. Helens Lions	598
McDaniel Mountain Lions	718	Putnam Kingsmen	872	Tillamook Cheesemakers	454
Roosevelt Roughriders	705	Southridge Skyhawks (6A)	1073		
Wells Guardians	1152	Wilsonville Wildcats	906	<b>4A-2 - Tri-Valley Conference</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>6A-2 - Metro League</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5A-2 - Midwestern League</b>	<b>8</b>	Estacada Rangers	362
Aloha Warriors	1235	Churchill Lancers	711	Gladstone Gladiators	440
Beaverton Beavers	1038	Crater Comets	874	La Salle Prep Falcons (5A)	514
Jesuit Crusaders	960	Eagle Point Eagles	704	Molalla Indians	518
Mountainside Mavericks	1422	North Eugene Highlanders	652	Parkrose Broncos (5A)	533
Sunset Apollos	1600	Springfield Millers	874	Woodburn Bulldogs (5A)	870
Westview Wildcats	1848	South Eugene Axe (6A)	1101	<b>4A-3 - Oregon West Conference</b>	<b>7</b>
		Thurston Colts	919	Cascade Cougars	514
<b>6A-3 - Pacific Conference</b>	<b>6</b>	Willamette Wolverines (6A)	1035	Cottage Grove Lions	520
Century Jaguars	1077	<b>5A-3 - Mid-Willamette Conference</b>	<b>9</b>	Junction City Tigers	378
Glencoe Crimson Tide	1026	Central Panthers	660	Marist Catholic Spartans	323
Liberty Falcons	1054	Corvallis Spartans	766	Philomath Warriors	335
McMinnville Grizzlies	1414	Crescent Valley Raiders	619	Stayton Eagles	499
Newberg Tigers	1077	Dallas Dragons	616	Sweet Home Huskies	443
Sherwood Bowmen	1209	Lebanon Warriors	643	<b>4A-5 - Big Sky Conference</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>6A-4 - Mt. Hood Conference</b>	<b>8</b>	McKay Scots	1304	Ashland Grizzlies (5A)	675
Barlow Bruins	1280	Silverton Foxes	910	Henley Hornets	502
Central Catholic Rams	609	South Albany Red Hawks	998	Hidden Valley Mustangs	374
Clackamas Cavaliers	1930	West Albany Bulldogs	910	Klamath Union Pelicans	470
David Douglas Scots	1587	<b>5A-4 - Intermountain Conference</b>	<b>6</b>	Marshfield Pirates	507
Gresham Gophers	992	Bend Lava Bears	814	Mazama Vikings	461
Nelson Hawks	NEW	Caldera Wolfpack	900	North Bend Bulldogs	530
Reynolds Raiders	1612	Mountain View Cougars	890	<b>4A-6 - Greater Oregon League</b>	<b>6</b>
Sandy Pioneers	974	Redmond Panthers	804	Baker Bulldogs	359
<b>6A-5 - Three Rivers League</b>	<b>6</b>	Ridgeview Ravens	753	Crook County Cowboys	603
Lake Oswego Lakers	927	Summit Storm	934	La Grande Tigers	433
Lakeridge Pacers	886			Madras White Buffaloes	418
Oregon City Pioneers	1531			Pendleton Buckaroos	615
Tigard Tigers	1316			The Dalles Riverhawks	511
Tualatin Timberwolves	1408				
West Linn Lions	1406				
<b>6A-6 - Central/Southwest Valley Conference</b>	<b>10</b>				
Grants Pass Cavemen	1105				
McNary Celtics	1413				
North Medford Black Tornado	1242				
North Salem Vikings	1068				
Roseburg Indians	1161				
Sheldon Irish	1013				
South Medford Panthers	1274				
South Salem Saxons	1451				
Sprague Olympians	1287				
West Salem Titans	1238				

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<b>3A</b>	<b>37</b>
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<b>2A - 9 player</b>	<b>37</b>
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<b>1A - 8 player</b>	<b>26</b>
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**310-146**

**145-75**

**74-61**

**3A-1 - Coastal Range League** **7**

**2A9-1 - Northwest League** **7**

**1A8 - Special District 1** **12**

Banks Braves	<b>269</b>
Corbett Cardinals	<b>258</b>
North Marion Huskies (4A)	<b>393</b>
Rainier Columbians	<b>177</b>
Warrenton Warriors	<b>177</b>
Valley Catholic Valiants	<b>275</b>
Yamhill-Carlton Tigers	<b>184</b>

Clatskanie Tigers	<b>141</b>
Gaston Greyhounds	<b>127</b>
Knappa Loggers	<b>92</b>
Neah-Kah-Nie Pirates (3A)	<b>158</b>
Nestucca Bobcats	<b>95</b>
Sheridan Spartans (3A)	<b>148</b>
Vernonia Loggers	<b>117</b>

Alsea Wolverines	<b>64</b>
Bonanza Antlers	<b>67</b>
Camas Valley Hornets	<b>39</b>
Chiloquin Panthers	<b>50</b>
Crosspoint Christian Warriors	<b>66</b>
Falls City Mountaineers / Kings Valley	<b>72</b>
Lost River Raiders	<b>74</b>
Mohawk Mustangs	<b>68</b>
Myrtle Point Bobcats	<b>70</b>
Perrydale Pirates	<b>66</b>
Prospect Cougars / Butte Falls Loggers	<b>67</b>
St. Paul Buckaroos	<b>66</b>

**3A-2 - PacWest Conference** **8**

**2A9-2 - Tri-River Conference** **8**

**1A8 - Special District 2** **14**

Amity Warriors	<b>169</b>
Dayton Pirates	<b>187</b>
Jefferson Lions	<b>151</b>
Kennedy Trojans (2A)	<b>106</b>
Newport Cubs (4A)	<b>354</b>
Salem Academy Crusaders (2A)	<b>114</b>
Santiam Christian Eagles	<b>167</b>
Scio Loggers	<b>165</b>

Blanchet Catholic Cavaliers	<b>140</b>
Chemawa Braves	<b>143</b>
Colton Vikings	<b>129</b>
Culver Bulldogs	<b>120</b>
Gervais Cougars	<b>196</b>
Regis Rams	<b>75</b>
Santiam Wolverines	<b>124</b>
Willamina Bulldogs	<b>139</b>

Adrian Antelopes	<b>59</b>
Cove Leopards	<b>64</b>
Crane Mustangs	<b>53</b>
Dufur Rangers	<b>59</b>
Elgin Huskies	<b>65</b>
Enterprise Outlaws (2A)	<b>101</b>
Imbler Panthers	<b>59</b>
Ione Cardinals / Arlington Honkers	<b>75</b>
Lyle Cougars / Wishram / Klickitat	<b>63</b>
Pilot Rock Rockets	<b>61</b>
Powder Valley Badgers	<b>50</b>
Sherman Huskies / Condon Blue Devils	<b>73</b>
Union Bobcats	<b>71</b>
Wallowa Cougars	<b>39</b>

**3A-3 - Mountain Valley Conference** **7**

**2A9-2 - Cental Valley Conference** **7**

Creswell Bulldogs	<b>240</b>
Elmira Falcons	<b>307</b>
Harrisburg Eagles	<b>160</b>
La Pine Hawks	<b>266</b>
Pleasant Hill Billies	<b>236</b>
Sisters Outlaws	<b>302</b>
Siuslaw Vikings	<b>234</b>

Central Linn Cobras	<b>139</b>
Lowell Devils	<b>76</b>
Monroe Dragons	<b>79</b>
Oakridge Warriors	<b>83</b>
Taft Tigers (3A)	<b>266</b>
Toledo Boomers	<b>116</b>
Waldport Irish	<b>105</b>

**3A-4 - Far West League** **10**

**2A9-2 - Southern Conference** **8**

Brookings-Harbor Bruins	<b>309</b>
Cascade Christian Challengers	<b>153</b>
Coquille Red Devils	<b>188</b>
Douglas Trojans	<b>259</b>
Lakeview Honkers	<b>146</b>
North Valley Knights	<b>290</b>
Phoenix Pirates (4A)	<b>400</b>
South Umpqua Lancers	<b>244</b>
St. Mary's Crusaders	<b>238</b>
Sutherlin Bulldogs	<b>269</b>

Bandon Tigers	<b>122</b>
Glide Wildcats (3A)	<b>148</b>
Gold Beach Panthers	<b>92</b>
Illinois Valley Cougars	<b>155</b>
North Douglas Warriors/Yoncalla Eagles	<b>114</b>
Oakland Oakers	<b>138</b>
Reedsport Brave	<b>106</b>
Rogue River Chieftains (3A)	<b>173</b>

**3A-5 - Eastern Oregon League** **5**

**2A9-5 - Blue Mountain Conference** **7**

Burns Hilanders	<b>164</b>
McLoughlin Pioneers	<b>290</b>
Nyssa Bulldogs / Harper Charter	<b>184</b>
Ontario Tigers (4A)	<b>364</b>
Vale Vikings	<b>169</b>

Grant Union Prospectors	<b>107</b>
Heppner Mustangs	<b>76</b>
Irrigon Knights	<b>141</b>
Riverside Pirates (3A)	<b>158</b>
Stanfield Tigers	<b>89</b>
Umatilla Vikings (3A)	<b>211</b>
Weston-McEwen Tiger Scots	<b>121</b>

**1A - 6 player** **23**

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**1A6 - Special District 1** **9**

Dayville Tigers / Monument Tigers	<b>21</b>
Echo Cougars	<b>51</b>
Harper Hornets	<b>26</b>
Huntington Locomotives	<b>20</b>
Joseph Eagles	<b>49</b>
Mitchell Loggers / Spray / Wheeler	<b>38</b>
Pine Eagle Spartans	<b>39</b>
Prairie City Panthers / Burnt River Bulls	<b>53</b>
South Wasco County Redsides	<b>44</b>

**1A6 - Special District 2** **14**

Crow Cougars	<b>53</b>
Days Creek Wolves	<b>46</b>
Eddyville Charter Eagles	<b>35</b>
Elkton Elks	<b>55</b>
Gilchrist Grizzlies	<b>23</b>
Glendale Pirates	<b>55</b>
Jewell Bluejays	<b>30</b>
Mapleton Sailors	<b>25</b>
McKenzie Eagles	<b>32</b>
North Lake Cowboys	<b>48</b>
Powers Cruisers	<b>11</b>
Riddle Irish	<b>59</b>
Siletz Valley Warriors	<b>35</b>
Triangle Lake Lakers	<b>37</b>