Independent Status Petition

Excerpt OSAA Handbook, Executive Board Policies, Independent Status in a Sport (December 2016)

A. OSAA member schools shall participate in the league adopted schedule for each sport they sponsor unless an “Independent Status Petition” has been granted by the OSAA Executive Board. A school granted independent status in a sport by the Board is not eligible to participate for District or State honors in that sport, regardless of win/loss record.

B. A member school submitting an “Independent Status Petition” shall provide the following information for consideration by the Board:
   1) League record in the sport for the previous three years.
   2) Overall record in the sport for the previous three years.
   3) Yearly participation numbers in the sport for the previous three years.
   4) Coaching history for the previous three years.
   5) A letter of league support or non-support for the proposed independent status.

C. A member school seeking independent status in a sport shall be required to complete and submit an “Independent Status Petition” to the OSAA according to the timelines listed below. A member school seeking independent status is also responsible for notifying all league members in writing of the “Independent Status Petition” according to these same timelines:
   1) Fall Sports. Prior to the December Executive Board Meeting.
   2) Winter Sports. Prior to the February Executive Board Meeting.
   3) Spring Sports. Prior to the May Executive Board Meeting.

D. An “Independent Status Petition” in a sport shall be granted by the Executive Board for a minimum of two years.

E. League playoff allocations to OSAA State Championships in a sport may be impacted if a school in a league is granted independent status by the Executive Board.


School: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Administrator’s Signature: ___________________________

School year in which your school wishes to start independent status: ________________

NOTE: Mark only those activities in which your school is seeking independent status:

☐ Baseball ☐ Football (11-player) ☐ Swim - Girls
☐ Basketball - Boys ☐ Golf - Boys ☐ Tennis - Boys
☐ Basketball - Girls ☐ Golf - Girls ☐ Tennis - Girls
☐ Cross Country - Boys ☐ Soccer - Boys ☐ Track & Field - Boys
☐ Cross Country - Girls ☐ Soccer - Girls ☐ Track & Field - Girls
☐ Football (6-player) ☐ Softball ☐ Volleyball
☐ Football (8-player) ☐ Swim - Boys ☐ Wrestling

NOTE: Please submit this form with all other required materials to the OSAA Office.

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☐ Board Agenda  Board Approval Date: ___________________________ ☐ Updated on Website   ☐ Email Sent