



Placement in a Lower Classification – Football Only

Excerpt OSAA Handbook, Constitution, Article 6, Classification of Schools.

6.2.4. Classification of Schools – Classification Thresholds. During the four-year time block, the following Average Daily Membership (ADM) thresholds will be used by the Executive Board when considering school placement or classification changes:

6A: 1260 or more	4A: 350 to 664	2A: 90 to 205
5A: 665 to 1259	3A: 206 to 349	1A: 10 to 89

EXCEPTION. OSAA member schools shall participate based upon ADM in the classifications defined in this Article unless an exception has been granted by the Executive Board in response to the submission of a Petition to Play Down, **a Petition to Play Up, or Placement in a Lower Classification.**

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- (1) **Deadline.** A member school that meets a criterion to be eligible for placement in a lower classification than its adjusted base number enrollment dictates shall notify the OSAA if it intends to accept that placement per the deadline established by the Executive Board.
- (2) **Sports and Activities Affected.** Any “Placement in a Lower Classification” approved by the Executive Board shall apply to football only.
- (3) **Duration.** Any “Placement in a Lower Classification” approved by the Executive Board shall apply for two years.
- (4) **Placement Range.** A member school shall not be placed more than one classification lower than the classification where it accumulated the data used to meet a criterion.
- (5) **Eligibility.** A member school approved by the Executive Board for “Placement in a Lower Classification” shall be eligible for district or state honors at the lower classification. See **Executive Board Policies, “Football – Placement in a Lower Classification”** for additional information.

See OSAA Handbook, **Constitution, “Article 6, Classification of Schools”** and **Executive Board Policies, “Football – Placement in a Lower Classification”** for additional information.

School: _____

Current Classification: _____ Current District: _____

Desired Classification: _____ Desired District: _____

Administrator’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Please submit this form with any other information supporting your request to the OSAA Office.