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TO: Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors

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SUBJECT: Update on the Proceedings of the Classification and Districting Committee

The Classification and Districting Committee for the 2026-30 four-year time block held its fourth public meeting at the OSAA Office in Wilsonville on October 27, 2025, to receive testimony and review written correspondence thus far received. The Committee is utilizing a hybrid format for all meetings that allows both committee members and those seeking to provide input the option of participating in-person or via webinar. The public portion of all meetings are streamed live and archived to the OSAA YouTube channel.

After Committee introductions, the group received a brief review of the timeline and an explanation of the meeting and testimony procedure. The reviews were conducted by OSAA Executive Director Peter Weber and Committee Chair Iton Udosenata, Superintendent of Tigard-Tualatin School District.

The Committee received testimony from 16 people in person and four online. The Committee then adjourned to a closed work session to review and discuss the testimony, along with written correspondence received in advance of the meeting. Testimony and/or written correspondence have come from each classification. The Committee has received more than 130 pieces of correspondence to date.

- As stated in the previous update, the Committee felt it was important to narrow their focus to one classification structure coming out of the October 27 meeting. This will enable them to focus on cutoff points, league alignments, and school placements to best meet their charge and the desires of member schools.
- The Committee discussed that while there has been support for a 5-classification approach, they believe that based on the testimony and written correspondence received, along with the feedback from the Delegate Assembly and OADA League Reps, that the majority of the Association's members favor a 6-classification structure. Based on this feedback, committee members voted to unanimously support recommending a 6-classification approach to the Executive Board. They believe this best meets the needs and desires of the overall membership, in addition to the charge of the committee. The group is interested in potential adjustments to a 6-classification system to better address concerns expressed by proponents of a 5-classification approach (i.e., larger leagues, travel concerns in certain regions, etc.).
- The Committee acknowledges that achieving desired outcomes for all 301 schools and their unique circumstances is not possible. They are focused on addressing as many aspects of their charge as possible while knowing that each aspect of the charge is interrelated to the next. The Committee looks forward to continuing to work through the process to review and tweak cutoff points, league alignments, and school placements under a 6-classification structure to best address concerns from the entire membership. Toward that end, the group has added an additional public meeting on **Monday, December 1 at 9am at the OSAA Office in Wilsonville.**
- OSAA Staff received confirmation of Petitions to Play Up from the following schools:
 - o Beaverton (highest classification)
 - o Pendleton (5A in a 6-class system)
 - o Crescent Valley (5A in a 6-class system)
- The Committee spent significant time discussing the concept of hybrid leagues for a couple of regions in the state to address a lack of schools and travel issues. In Draft #7 schools from different classifications are paired in a hybrid league in an attempt to allow for creative scheduling models to reduce travel, loss of instructional time, etc. Schools in these leagues are encouraged, but not required, to play all schools in the hybrid in each sport. There may be

situations in certain sports where this isn't an appropriate matchup due to competitive balance reasons and hybrid schools are able to work together to selectively make those decisions. This can include having a larger classification school's JV team compete against a smaller classification's varsity team as needed. Varsity contests between schools in hybrids would be fully counted in both aspects of the rankings system. At lower classifications, this hybrid approach would likely increase the number of teams in some special districts which could lead to single round robin vs. double round robin scheduling. State playoff spots, as with all leagues, will need to be determined by the State Championships Committee but in past years hybrid leagues received equitable automatic qualifiers, along with access to at-large berths.

- The Committee heard multiple testimonies and received written testimony regarding a 6-classification proposal created by Bart Rothenberger at Junction City. While most feedback was in favor, there were also those that were opposed. OSAA Staff has posted Bart's proposal to the Public Proposals section on the OSAA website so people can review it.
- The Committee has created **Draft #7 – 6 Classification and is seeking feedback on the cutoff points, league alignments and school placement. Please note that this is a draft proposal and is not a final recommendation.** In comparison to Draft #5 – 6 Classifications, the changes include:
 - o 6A – Cutoff was not adjusted. Added Beaverton back to the Metro League based on a confirmed play up request. Combined 6A-Southwest Conference and 5A-Midwestern League into two hybrid leagues in an attempt to better address travel concerns vs. traditional alignments. The Southwest Hybrid includes southern Oregon 6A and 5A schools, while the Midwestern Hybrid combines 6A and 5A schools in the Eugene area.
 - o 6A Alternative – Option #7a eliminates the Pacific Conference in an attempt to increase the size of leagues, one of the concerns expressed by 5-classification proponents.
 - o 5A – Lower end cutoff adjusted from 626 back down to 591 to better address ratio of largest to smallest schools in the classification. Added St. Helens to the Northwest Oregon Conference per cutoff change. Added Crescent Valley back to the Mid-Willamette per a request and cutoff change. Added Pendleton to the Intermountain Conference based on a confirmed request to play up. Combined 6A-Southwest Conference and 5A-Midwestern League into two hybrid leagues in an attempt to better address travel concerns vs. traditional alignments. The Southwest Hybrid includes southern Oregon 6A and 5A schools, while the Midwestern Hybrid combines 6A and 5A schools in the Eugene area.
 - o 4A – Upper end cutoff changed from 625 back down to 591 and lower end cutoff adjusted from 295 to 281 to better address ratio of largest to smallest schools in the classification and help balance number of schools in the classification. Removed St. Helens, Crescent Valley and Pendleton as noted above. Added Taft to Oregon West Conference. Added South Umpqua to Skyline Conference. Combined 4A-Greater Oregon League and 3A-Eastern Oregon League into a hybrid league in an attempt to address the limited number of 4A schools in the region.
 - o 3A – Upper end cutoff was changed from 294 to 280 to better address ratio of largest to smallest schools in the classification. Removed Taft and South Umpqua as noted above. Added Harrisburg to the PacWest Conference and moved Santiam Christian from PacWest Conference to West Valley League to better balance league sizes in the mid-valley. Combined 4A-Greater Oregon League and 3A-Eastern Oregon League into a hybrid league in an attempt to address the limited number of 4A schools in the region.
 - o 2A – Cutoffs were not adjusted. Moved Oakridge from East Cascades Conference to Valley Coast Conference. Moved Rogue River from Sunset Conference to East Cascades Conference.
 - o 1A – Cutoff was not adjusted. Committee members are interested in any feedback from the 1A classification regarding league alignments, especially where multiple co-ops would significantly decrease the number of actual teams competing at the varsity level in volleyball and boys/girls basketball.
- The Committee once again discussed plans to recommend that the OSAA Executive Board convene a task force following the conclusion of this process to explore potential changes to how ADM is calculated moving forward. As described previously, the Committee has received some testimony and written correspondence related to this, including suggestions to eliminate any socioeconomic factor, force private schools to higher classifications, and move to counting all 9-12 students. This is in addition to earlier proposals that reference utilizing school participation figures either instead of or, more likely, in addition to enrollment figures.
- Note that all play up, play down, cooperative sponsorships, and independent status petitions dissolve with every time block (i.e. the end of this school year).

The next public meeting of the Classification and Districting Committee will be at 9am on Monday, November 17, 2025, at the OSAA Office, Wilsonville. The general format for the meeting will be for the committee to receive public testimony followed by a closed work session.

OSAA Staff previously confirmed, based on conversations with the OSAA Executive Board, that the OSAA Football Ad Hoc Committee is again charged with reviewing and providing recommendations related to football classifications, districts and structure during the new time block. The OSAA Football Ad Hoc intends to convene after the conclusion of the regular season to begin deliberations on recommendations to be forwarded to the OSAA Executive Board for review and consideration at their February 2026 meeting.

The Committee will forward its final recommendations to the OSAA Executive Board and Delegate Assembly for action at their December 15, 2025, meetings. (see schedule below)

Written suggestions and proposals on these issues, as well as other classification related subjects should be emailed to the OSAA (kellyf@osaa.org). Any communication received by the OSAA will be shared with all committee members for review and discussion. Public testimony in person or online will be welcome at each upcoming Committee meeting.

Specific classification proposals submitted to the Committee may be posted to the Classification and Districting Committee page on the OSAA website at <http://www.osaa.org/governance/committees#classification-and-districting-committee>. Proposals should address all classifications.

A full list of meeting dates, agendas/updates, Committee roster, charge to the Committee, etc. are available on the OSAA website: <http://www.osaa.org/governance/committees#classification-and-districting-committee>.

The Committee appreciates your support and encourages your participation in this process. Please do not hesitate to contact Kyle Stanfield (kyles@osaa.org), Lauren Brownrigg (lauren@osaa.org), or Kelly Foster (kellyf@osaa.org) at the OSAA if you have any questions.

Classification and Districting Committee Meeting Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Monday, November 17, 2025	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville
Monday, December 1, 2025	9am	OSAA Office, Wilsonville
Monday, December 15, 2025	9am 1pm	Holiday Inn Wilsonville Executive Board Meeting Delegate Assembly Special Meeting

Attached:

Draft #7 – 6 Classification (and #7a – 6A Alternative)

2026-30 Classification and Districting Committee
Draft #7 - 6-Classification Proposal
Posted on 10/29/25

6A	46	5A	37	4A	36	3A	42
1000+		591-999		281-590		141-280	
6A-1 - Portland Interscholastic League	9	5A-1 - East Metro Conference	7	4A-1 - Cowapa League	6	3A-1 - Lewis & Clark League	5
Benson Astros***	575	Centennial Eagles	954	Astoria Fishermen	414	Catlin Gabel Eagles	243
Cleveland Warriors	1057	Hood River Valley Eagles	764	Banks Braves	281	Neah-Kah-Nie Pirates	151
Franklin Lightning	1278	La Salle Prep Falcons***	507	Scappoose Indians	526	Oregon Episcopal Aardvarks	248
Grant Generals	1588	Milwaukie / Arts Academy Mustangs	771	Seaside Seagulls	299	Rainier Columbians	156
Ida B. Wells Guardians	1176	Parkrose Broncos***	544	Tillamook Cheesemakers	462	Warrenton Warriors	200
Jefferson Democrats***	303	Putnam Kingsmen	792	Valley Catholic Valiants	297		
Lincoln Cardinals	1157	Sandy Pioneers	977			3A-2 - Greater Portland Conference	6
McDaniel Mountain Lions	1001			4A-2 - Tri-Valley Conference	6	Corbett Cardinals	238
Roosevelt Roughriders***	843	5A-2 - Northwest Oregon Conference	7	Estacada Rangers	401	De La Salle North Catholic Knights	158
		Aloha Warriors**	1112	Gladstone Gladiators	377	Horizon Christian Hawks (TUAL)	150
6A-2 - Metro League	6	Canby Cougars	877	Madras White Buffaloes	404	Portland Adventist Cougars	143
Beaverton Beavers***	955	Hillsboro Spartans	834	Molalla Indians	533	Riverdale Mavericks	147
Jesuit Crusaders***	966	Liberty Falcons	981	North Marion Huskies	349	Westside Christian Eagles	224
Mountainside Mavericks	1445	St. Helens Lions	620	The Dalles Riverhawks	527		
Southridge Skyhawks	1079	Wilsonville Wildcats	878			3A-3 - PacWest Conference	6
Sunset Apollos	1468	Woodburn Bulldogs	989	4A-3 - Oregon West Conference	6	Blanchet Catholic Cavaliers	165
Westview Wildcats	1931			Cascade Cougars	577	Gervais Cougars	177
6A-3 - Pacific Conference	6	5A-3 - Mid-Willamette Conference	8	Central Panthers	550	Harrisburg Eagles	146
Century Jaguars	1069	Corvallis Spartans	836	Newport Cubs	420	Jefferson Lions	141
Forest Grove Vikings	1180	Crescent Valley Raiders	610	Philomath Warriors	363	Scio Loggers	156
Glencoe Crimson Tide	1047	Dallas Dragons	628	Stayton Eagles	488	Salem Academy Crusaders	168
McMinnville Grizzlies	1348	Lebanon Warriors	685	Taft Tigers	291		
Newberg Tigers***	945	North Salem Vikings**	1130	4A-4 - Sky-Em League	6	3A-4 - West Valley League	5
Sherwood Bowmen	1218	Silverton Foxes	848	Cottage Grove Lions	525	Amity Warriors	185
		South Albany Red Hawks	877	Elmira Falcons	299	Dayton Pirates	164
		West Albany Bulldogs	889	Junction City Tigers	340	Santiam Christian Eagles	187
6A-4 - Mt. Hood Conference	7	5A-4 - Intermountain Conference	8	Marist Catholic Spartans	319	Willamina Bulldogs	153
Barlow Bruins	1324	Bend Lava Bears	865	Marshfield Pirates	550	Yamhill-Carlton Tigers	192
Central Catholic Rams***	655	Caldera Wolfpack	902	North Bend Bulldogs	460		
Clackamas Cavaliers***	968	Crook County Cowboys	658	4A-5 - Skyline Conference	9	3A-5 - Mountain Valley Conference	6
David Douglas Scots	1434	Mountain View Cougars	841	Ashland Grizzlies	586	Creswell Bulldogs	243
Gresham Gophers	1120	Pendleton Buckaroos***	554	Cascade Christian Challengers***	178	La Pine Hawks	245
Nelson Hawks	1131	Redmond Panthers	759	Henley Hornets	564	Pleasant Hill Billies	216
Reynolds Raiders	1291	Ridgeview Ravens	670	Hidden Valley Mustangs	322	Sisters Outlaws	280
		Summit Storm	979	Klamath Union Pelicans	461	Sweet Home Huskies**	401
6A-5 - Three Rivers League	7			Mazama Vikings	459	Trinity Lutheran Saints***	104
Lake Oswego Lakers***	947			North Valley Knights	297		
Lakeridge Pacers***	914			Phoenix Pirates	387	3A-6 - Far West League	8
Oregon City Pioneers	1519			South Umpqua Lancers	290	Brookings-Harbor Bruins	270
St. Mary's Academy Blues***	891					Coquille Red Devils	198
Tigard Tigers	1302					Douglas Trojans	267
Tualatin Timberwolves	1271					Glide Wildcats	145
West Linn Lions	1347					Illinois Valley Cougars	179
6A-6 - Central Valley Conference	5			4A-3A - Greater Oregon Hybrid	9	Siuslaw Vikings	229
McKay Scots	1245			Baker Bulldogs (4A)	377	Sutherlin Bulldogs	264
McNary Celtics	1256			Burns Hilanders (3A)	158	St. Mary's Crusaders	235
South Salem Saxons	1456			La Grande Tigers (4A)	410		
Sprague Olympians	1237			McLoughlin Pioneers (3A)	279		
West Salem Titans	1173			Nysa Bulldogs (3A)	161		
				Ontario Tigers (4A)	318		
				Riverside Pirates (3A)	200		
				Umatilla Vikings (3A)	241		
				Vale Vikings (3A)	169		
6A-5A - Southwest Hybrid	6	6A-5A - Midwestern Hybrid	7				
Crater Comets (5A)	852	Churchill Lancers (5A)	696				
Eagle Point Eagles (5A)	682	North Eugene Highlanders (5A)	641				
Grants Pass Cavemen (6A)	1160	Sheldon Irish (6A)	1039				
North Medford Black Tornado (6A)	1065	South Eugene Axe (6A)	1047				
Roseburg Indians (6A)	1072	Springfield Millers (5A)	808				
South Medford Panthers (6A)	1168	Thurston Colts (5A)	935				
		Willamette Wolverines (5A)	935				

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2A	51	1A	87	1A (cont.)	
66-140		65-		65-	
2A-1 - Northwest League	6	1A-1 - The Valley 10 League	10	1A-5 - Mountain Valley League	11
Clatskanie Tigers	118	Columbia Christian Knights	65	Butte Falls Loggers	18
Faith Bible Falcons	123	Damascus Christian Eagles	53	Cascades Academy Steelhead	42
Gaston Greyhounds	114	Grand View Christian Eagles	60	Central Christian Tigers	51
Knappa Loggers	90	Life Christian Lions	27	Chiloquin Panthers	64
Nestucca Bobcats	92	Open Door Christian Huskies	55	Crosspoint Christian Warriors	49
Vernonia Loggers	122	Portland Waldorf Wolfpack	49	Gilchrist Grizzlies	46
		St. Stephens Academy	48	Harvest Christian Nighthawks	18
2A-2 - Metro East Conference	6	Trinity Academy Thunder	49	North Lake Cowboys	43
Country Christian Cougars	68	Tualatin Valley Academy Eagles	19	Paisley Broncos	13
Mannahouse Acad., Portland Lions	73	Valor Christian Knights	60	Prospect Cougars	44
North Clackamas Christian Saints	72			Rogue Valley Adventist Red Tail Hawks	31
Portland Christian Royals	106	1A-2 - Casco League	9		
Riverside, WLWV Raptors	131	C.S. Lewis Watchmen	53	1A-6 - Big Sky League	16
Southwest Christian Wildcats	74	Chemawa Braves**	74	Arlington Honkers	31
		Falls City Mountaineers	27	Bickleton Pirates	15
2A-3 - Tri-River Conference	8	Jewell Bluejays	14	Condon Blue Devils	32
Colton Vikings	130	Livingstone Adventist Academy Lions	38	Dufur Rangers	57
Delphian School Dragons	94	Oregon School f/t Deaf Panthers	23	Glenwood Eagles	15
Kennedy Trojans	132	Perrydale Pirates	65	Horizon Christian Hawks (HR)	57
Regis Rams	85	Veritas School Vanguard	27	Ione Cardinals	28
Santiam Wolverines	98	Willamette Valley Christian Warriors	45	Klickitat Vandals	17
Sheridan Spartans**	137			Lyle Cougars	33
St. Paul Buckaroos	71	1A-3 - Mountain West League	11	Mitchell Loggers	13
Western Christian Pioneers	94	Alsea Wolverines	29	Sherman Huskies	53
		Crow Cougars	47	South Wasco County Redsides	42
2A-4 - Valley Coast Conference	8	Eddyville Charter Eagles	32	Spray Eagles	20
Central Linn Cobras	118	Eugene Christian Lions	17	Trout Lake Mustangs	51
Crosshill Christian Eagles	103	Kings Valley Charter Eagles	31	Wheeler Falcons	16
East Linn Christian Eagles	86	Mapleton Sailors	22	Wishram Indians	12
Lowell Devils	88	McKenzie Eagles	26		
Monroe Dragons	77	Mohawk Mustangs	61	1A-7 - Old Oregon League	8
Oakridge Warriors	73	Northwest Christian Academy Warriors	15	Echo Cougars	63
Toledo Boomers	116	Siletz Valley Warriors	38	Griswold Grizzlies	39
Waldport Irish	116	Triangle Lake Lakers	51	Joseph Eagles	62
				Nixyaawii Eagles	40
2A-5 - Wapiti League	6	1A-4 - Skyline League	12	Pilot Rock Rockets	65
Cove Leopards	74	Camas Valley Hornets	36	Pine Eagle Spartans	37
Crane Mustangs	67	Days Creek Wolves	39	Powder Valley Badgers	54
Elgin Huskies	67	Elkton Elks	51	Wallowa Cougars	41
Imbler Panthers	76	Glendale Pirates	53		
Harper Charter Hornets	67	Milo Adventist Academy Mustangs	60	1A-8 - High Desert League	10
Union Bobcats	72	New Hope Christian Warriors	51	Adrian Antelopes	50
		Pacific Pirates	37	Burnt River Bulls	18
2A-6 - Blue Mountain Conference	6	Powers Cruisers	20	Dayville Tigers	12
Enterprise Outlaws	98	Riddle Irish	61	Four Rivers Charter Falcons	53
Grant Union Prospectors	93	Rogue Christian Academy Eagles	14	Huntington Locomotives	19
Heppner Mustangs	83	Umpqua Valley Christian Monarchs	57	Jordan Valley Mustangs	11
Irrigon Knights**	139	Yoncalla Eagles	45	Long Creek Mountaineers	5
Stanfield Tigers	94			Monument Tigers	12
Weston-McEwen Tiger Scots	122			Prairie City Panthers	39
				Ukiah Cougars	4
2A-7 - Sunset Conference	6				
Bandon Tigers	122				
Gold Beach Panthers	72				
Myrtle Point Bobcats	88				
North Douglas Warriors	70				
Oakland Oaks	129				
Reedsport Brave	111				
2A-8 - East Cascades Conference	5				
Bonanza Antlers	77				
Culver Bulldogs	131				
Lakeview Honkers	136				
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