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TO: Superintendents, Principals, Athletic Directors, and Football Coaches  
FROM: Kris Welch, Assistant Executive Director  
SUBJECT: OSAA Football Ad Hoc Advisory Committee Update – January 10 Meeting

The Football Ad Hoc Advisory conducted its first public meeting of this school year in a hybrid model with most Committee members in-person at the OSAA Offices and several attendees via ZOOM. The goal of the Committee is to have a finalized recommendation for the OSAA Executive Board's February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

OSAA staff provided a summary of 18 pieces of correspondence received after the group's December work session. During the meeting the Committee received testimony from 21 individuals either in-person or online representing thirteen different schools. At the completion of the testimony, the Committee convened into a work session to discuss a variety of topics, review testimony, and develop a draft of special districts for the 2024 season. Topics discussed include:

### **DRAFT 2024 Special Districts**

The group spent considerable time determining placement of teams in classifications and special districts following written and oral testimony received from member schools (see attached). This includes recommended expansion of the number of special districts at the 3A and 2A classification in recognition of changes made by the OSAA Executive Board at their December meeting. This draft also recommends five special districts at the 5A classification based on the addition of four schools overall. This draft alignment will be revisited at the group's January 24 meeting based on input received and a subsequent recommendation will be sent out following that meeting.

### **8-Player and 6-Player 1A Football**

The Committee spent time discussing 1A football enrollment cutoffs and the impact those numbers have on programs. After reviewing testimony received and potential placement of schools in each level (1A-8 and 1A-6), the group supported moving the cutoff back to 60-74 for 1A-8 for next year. They believe the proposed leagues allow for a viable regular season and state championship playoffs for each level. The group heard strong testimony during the meeting from a few 1A schools to pause the process and allow 1A schools to convene at the OADA Conference in April to finalize a plan. The Committee believes it has a responsibility to provide a workable football plan for the Executive Board on February 5 and understands that any decision to pause to provide more time would be at the Board's discretion.

### **Aligning Classification and Districting Petition to Play Down criteria for moving a team back up with the Football Ad Hoc Committee criteria**

The group is recommending that the Executive Board align the Classification and Districting Committee's Petition to Play Down criteria for moving a team back up with the Football Ad Hoc Committee criteria for consistency in football. Currently, a school that met the requirements for a school-wide Petition to Play Down for all sports is subject to that policy's Dominant Team Sport Activity based on state championship success when determining if one of their teams should be moved back up to its original classification. The Football Ad Hoc Committee wants the Placement in a Different Classification – Football Only policy for moving schools back up that includes an in-class winning percentage of 67% or higher and/or advancing beyond Round 1 of any state championship to apply across the board.

### **Bracket Structure/Allocations**

The Committee discussed bracket structure and is recommending the same overall bracket structure for 1A-6, 1A-8, 2A, 3A, 4A, and 5A as used in Fall 2023. The committee reviewed survey results from schools that had competed in the 6A Columbia Cup during either (or both) of the past two years. The group is looking for input on the 6A playoff structure and has asked the OSAA staff to send out a survey to all 6A schools prior to the next meeting. Draft playoff allocations are as follows:

Classification	Bracket Type	Allocations
1A – 6	12-team	SD-1 (3), SD-2 (3), SD-3(3), then three (3) at-large via Rankings
1A – 8	12-team	SD-1 (3), SD-2 (3), SD-3(3), then three (3) at-large via Rankings
2A	16-team	Each Special District receives 2 automatic berths, then four (4) at-large via Rankings
3A	16-team	Each Special District receives 2 automatic berths, then four (4) at-large via Rankings
4A	16-team	Each Special District receives 3 automatic berths, then the one (1) at-large spot is determined between the highest ranked team amongst the 4 <sup>th</sup> place teams of SD-1, SD-3, and SD-4
5A	16-team	SD-1 (2), SD-2 (2), SD-3 (3), SD-4 (2), SD-5 (2) then then (5) at-large via Rankings
6A	Seeking input on current format	Seeking input on current format

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 <https://www.osaa.org/governance/committees>.

Written suggestions and proposals should be emailed to the OSAA at [krisw@osaa.org](mailto:krisw@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 Football Ad Hoc Advisory Committee is Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 10:00am.**

The meeting will be conducted at the OSAA Offices in Wilsonville, and a Zoom option will also be available. The general format for the meeting will be for the Committee to receive public testimony followed by a closed work session. The goal is to have a recommendation ready for the February 6<sup>th</sup> Executive Board Meeting. The Committee appreciates your support and encourages your participation in this process.

Please contact Kris Welch ([krisw@osaa.org](mailto:krisw@osaa.org)) at the OSAA if you have any questions.

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<b>6A</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>5A</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>4A</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>1005+</b>		<b>1004-608</b>		<b>607-311</b>	
<b>6A-1 - Portland Interscholastic League</b>		<b>5A-1 - Special District 1</b>		<b>4A-1 - Special District 1</b>	
Cleveland Warriors	1161	Aloha Warriors	1202	Astoria Fishermen	427
Franklin Lightning	1387	Centennial Eagles	1009	Milwaukie / Arts Academy Mustangs	786
Grant Generals	1567	Forest Grove Vikings	1181	Scappoose Indians	477
Ida B. Wells Guardians	1150	Glencoe Crimson Tide	1047	Seaside Seagulls	319
Jefferson Democrats	387	Hillsboro Spartans	826	St. Helens Lions	602
Lincoln Cardinals	1095	Hood River Valley Eagles	851	Tillamook Cheesemakers	473
McDaniel Mountain Lions	831	La Salle Prep Falcons	478		
Roosevelt Roughriders	841	Putnam Kingsmen	828	<b>4A-2 - Special District 2</b>	<b>5</b>
				Estacada Rangers	378
<b>6A-2 - Metro League</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5A-2 - Special District 2</b>	<b>6</b>	Gladstone / Riverdale	564
Beaverton Beavers	1022	Canby Cougars	888	Molalla Indians	526
Jesuit Crusaders	966	Central Panthers	667	Parkrose Broncos	552
Mountainside Mavericks	1439	McKay Scots	1275	The Dalles Riverhawks	535
Southridge Skyhawks	1155	Silverton Foxes	878		
Sunset Apollos	1587	Wilsonville Wildcats	923	<b>4A-3 - Special District 3</b>	<b>6</b>
Westview Wildcats	1911	Woodburn Bulldogs	951	Cascade Cougars	553
				Junction City Tigers	368
<b>6A-3 - Pacific Conference</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5A-3 - Special District 3</b>	<b>9</b>	Marist Catholic Spartans	282
Century Jaguars	1076	Churchill Lancers	736	Philomath Warriors	340
Liberty Falcons	1018	Crater Comets	947	Stayton Eagles	514
McMinnville Grizzlies	1496	Eagle Point Eagles	717	Sweet Home Huskies	417
Newberg Tigers	972	North Eugene Highlanders	670		
Sherwood Bowmen	1230	Roseburg Indians	1179	<b>4A-4 - Special District 4</b>	<b>6</b>
		South Eugene Axe	1077	Ashland Grizzlies	631
<b>6A-4 - Mt. Hood Conference</b>	<b>8</b>	Springfield Millers	881	Henley Hornets	514
Barlow Bruins	1393	Thurston Colts	963	Hidden Valley Mustangs	379
Central Catholic Rams	640	Willamette Wolverines	1083	Marshfield Pirates	541
Clackamas Cavaliers	1244			Mazama Vikings	473
David Douglas Scots	1523	<b>5A-4 - Special District 4</b>	<b>6</b>	North Bend Bulldogs	513
Gresham Gophers	1197	Corvallis Spartans	800		
Nelson Hawks	1027	Crescent Valley Raiders	626	<b>4A-5 - Special District 5</b>	<b>5</b>
Reynolds Raiders	1553	Dallas Dragons	617	Baker Bulldogs	386
Sandy Pioneers	1002	Lebanon Warriors	819	Crook County Cowboys	622
		South Albany Red Hawks	975	La Grande Tigers	408
<b>6A-5 - Three Rivers League</b>	<b>6</b>	West Albany Bulldogs	924	Ontario Tigers	346
Lake Oswego Lakers	928			Pendleton Buckaroos	601
Lakeridge Pacers	906	<b>5A-5 - Intermountain Conference</b>	<b>6</b>		
Oregon City Pioneers	1561	Bend Lava Bears	914		
Tigard Tigers	1359	Caldera Wolfpack	902		
Tualatin Timberwolves	1321	Mountain View Cougars	760		
West Linn Lions	1407	Redmond Panthers	765		
		Ridgeview Ravens	720		
<b>6A-6 - Special District 1</b>	<b>9</b>	Summit Storm	1059		
McNary Celtics	1386				
North Salem Vikings	1216				
South Salem Saxons	1586				
Sprague Olympians	1318				
West Salem Titans	1248				
Grants Pass Cavemen	1110				
North Medford Black Tornado	1191				
Sheldon Irish	1079				
South Medford Panthers	1205				

3A	40	2A	38	1A - 8	24	1A - 6	26
310-146		145-75		74-60		59-	
<b>3A-1 - Special District 1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2A-1 - Special District 1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1A-[8] - Special District 1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1A-[6] - Special District 1</b>	<b>11</b>
Banks Braves	240	Clatskanie Tigers	117	Camas Valley Hornets	41	Dayville / Monument / Long Creek	30
Kennedy Trojans	126	Corbett Cardinals	235	Chiloquin Panthers	59	Echo Cougars	59
North Marion Huskies	377	Gaston Greyhounds	115	Crosspoint Christian Warriors	53	Harper Hornets	44
Rainier Columbians	162	Knappa Loggers	101	Crow / City First Christian	61	Huntington Locomotives	20
Valley Catholic Valiants	273	Neah-Kah-Nie Pirates	177	Mohawk Mustangs	70	Jordan Valley Mustangs	10
Warrenton Warriors	191	Nestucca Bobcats	90	North Douglas Warriors	77	Joseph Eagles	57
Yamhill-Carlton Tigers	194	Vernonia / Jewell	140	Oakridge Warriors	79	Pine Eagle Spartans	33
				Prospect / Butte Falls	62	Prairie City / Burnt River	49
				Riddle Irish	61	South Wasco County Redsides	39
<b>3A-2 - Special District 2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2A-2 - Special District 2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1A-[8] - Special District 2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1A-[6] - Special District 2 - North</b>	<b>8</b>
Amity Warriors	177	Chemawa Braves JV	89	Adrian Antelopes	52	Alea Wolverines	46
Blanchet Catholic Cavaliers	153	Colton Vikings	118	Cove Leopards	73	C. S. Lewis Watchmen	33
Dayton Pirates	202	Gervais Cougars	177	Crane Mustangs	60	Country Christian Cougars	51
Newport Cubs	378	Sheridan Spartans	133	Elgin Huskies	65	Eddyville Charter Eagles	36
Santiam Christian Eagles	170	Regis Rams	79	Imbler Panthers	67	Mapleton Sailors	19
Scio Loggers	166	Salem Academy Crusaders	124	Powder Valley Badgers	53	McKenzie Eagles	25
Taft Tigers	305	Santiam Wolverines	120	Union Bobcats	74	Siletz Valley Warriors	31
Willamina Bulldogs	159					Triangle Lake Lakers	53
		<b>2A-3 - Special District 3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1A-[8] - Special District 3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1A-[6] - Special District 2 - South</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>3A-3 - Special District 3</b>	<b>7</b>	Central Linn Cobras	132	Arlington / Ione	69	Days Creek Wolves	49
Creswell Bulldogs	252	Jefferson Lions	159	Dufur Rangers	55	Elkton Elks	59
Elmira Falcons	310	Monroe Dragons	83	Falls City / King Charter	60	Gilchrist Grizzlies	32
Harrisburg Eagles	151	Toledo Boomers	121	Lyle / Wishram / Klickat / Glenwood	77	Glendale Pirates	57
La Pine Hawks	260	Waldport Irish	116	Bandon Tigers	64	North Lake Cowboys	43
Madras White Buffaloes	451			Perrydale Pirates	66	Powers Cruisers	19
Pleasant Hill Billies	233	<b>2A-4 - Special District 4</b>	<b>6</b>	Pilot Rock / Ukiah	77	Yoncalla Eagles	51
Sisters Outlaws	281	Illinois Valley Cougars	167	Sherman / Condon	77		
		Myrtle Point Bobcats	76	St. Paul Buckaroos	73		
<b>3A-4 - Special District 4</b>	<b>6</b>	Oakland Oakers	138				
Coquille Red Devils	185	Reedsport Brave	91				
Cottage Grove Lions	542						
Douglas Trojans	270	<b>2A-5 - Special District 5</b>	<b>6</b>				
Siuslaw Vikings	249	Bonanza Antlers	82				
South Umpqua Lancers	265	Culver Bulldogs	123				
Sutherlin Bulldogs	264	Glide Wildcats	145				
		Lost River Raiders	84				
<b>3A-5 - Special District 5</b>	<b>7</b>	Lowell Devils	87				
Brookings-Harbor Bruins	308	Rogue River Chieftains	156				
Cascade Christian Challengers	157						
Klamath Union Pelicans	471	<b>2A-6 - Special District 6</b>	<b>7</b>				
Lakeview Honkers	162	Enterprise Outlaws	97				
North Valley Knights	315	Grant Union Prospectors	98				
Phoenix Pirates	407	Heppner Mustangs	68				
St. Mary's Crusaders	238	Irrigon Knights	145				
		Riverside Pirates	180				
<b>3A-6 - Special District 6</b>	<b>5</b>	Stanfield Tigers	108				
Burns Hillanders	164	Weston-McEwen / Griswold	160				
McLoughlin Pioneers	276						
Nyssa Bulldogs	163						
Umatilla Vikings	228						
Vale Vikings	154						