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TO: MSHSAA Member School Administrators and Athletic/Activities Directors

FROM: Dr. Jennifer Rukstad, MSHSAA Executive Director

DATE: January 16, 2025

RE: MSHSAA Current Topics for Area Meetings

The MSHSAA Board of Directors has approved Area Meetings at which current issues facing MSHSAA shall be addressed.

It is very important for superintendents, principals and athletic administrators to participate in these meetings. Issues which are of a critical nature to MSHSAA membership have been identified by your Board of Directors based upon input from member schools. Background information will be handed out at each meeting site.

Informational Topics:

- 1. Registration Fee Increases
- 2. Ad Hoc Committees
 - a. Residence and Transfers
 - b. Championships Factor
- 3. Basketball Sectional and Quarterfinal Hosting
- 4. Student Advisory Committee Nominations
- 5. Student Advisory Focus Area: Sportsmanship
- 6. District Host Site Selection Revision
- 7. Cross Country State Meet Schedule Change



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Discussion Items:

- 1. Girls Flag Football
- 2. Unified Track & Field
- 3. Wrestling Changes
- 4. Girls Soccer Non-School Competition Exception
- Coach and Director Requirements Changes
- 6. Video Appeal Process for Suspensions from Ejections
- 7. District Seeding Point System for Team Sports
- 8. Sanctioning Requirements Revisions

As members of this voluntary association, it is important that our school administrators take part in these area meetings. Your Board of Directors needs to hear from the membership on these issues to know how to proceed with the development of the Questionnaire, the Annual Ballot, and other action by the Board.

The schedule of the annual January Area Meetings has been set. Please mark your calendar with the date and site in your area. The meetings are voluntary and open to any administrator. **No preregistration is required.** Topics of concern will be discussed and feedback received from schools to aid the MSHSAA Board of Directors in drafting the Annual Questionnaire and Annual Ballot. **The link for the meeting schedule is:** 2025 Area Meeting Schedule.