

2021 Wrestling Advisory Committee
March 29, 2021

1. Recommend changing Boys Wrestling Contest Limits at the High School level to the following:
 - 20 competition dates with no restrictions on the tournament competition dates.

- *** 2. Recommend to add a 2nd Class of Girls Wrestling beginning with the 2021-22 Wrestling season.

Amended: Recommend to add a 2nd Class of Girls Wrestling beginning with the 2022-2023 Wrestling season due to potential need for changing bylaw 3.29.3a to redefine the length of season for girls wrestling "if" the girls state championships are able to be held one week earlier than the boys state championships based on venue/facility availability.

- *** 3. Recommend classification break procedure for Girls Wrestling to be as follows:

- 60% of girls wrestling schools in Class 1 and 40% of girls wrestling schools in Class 2
- If a school enrollment tie occurs at the break between classes, the tie moves down to Class 1
- Due to only two classes in girls wrestling, permit an exception the current differential method outlined by board policy.

Amended: Recommend that, as the starting point for the classification break for Girls Wrestling, the largest 76 registered schools be placed into Girls Class 2, and the remainder be placed in Girls Class 1. This number of schools roughly equates to a 60%/40% split between Class 1 and Class 2, respectively. This number could be altered up or down as necessary annually in order to meet the 2.0 enrollment differential requirement for Class 2. This procedure will be placed in the Wrestling Manual, and as per Board Policy 11, the Advisory Committee will be able to make further recommendations as they deem necessary in the future.

- ** 4. Recommend separating the Girls Wrestling Championships to a separate weekend from the Boys Wrestling Championships, dependent on facility availability.
5. Recommend using 12 bracket rotations, rather than 3, to randomly draw state tournament brackets for each of the 14 weight classes for boys and girls wrestling. All 12 bracket rotations will be used a minimum of one time while two other bracket rotations will be used a second time.
6. Recommend changing district seeding criteria in Appendix B of the MSHSAA Manual for the 2022 postseason as follows:
 - h. (#8 Criteria) A returning (MSHSAA) **sectional champion (2021)**, at the same or adjacent weight class; from any classification.
 - i. (#9 Criteria) A returning (MSHSAA) state qualifier, or 4th place finisher from sectional (2021) at the same or adjacent weight class; from any classification.

* Denied

** Tabled for further study

*** Approved as amended

**** No Action

All others approved