



Executive Director's Update

Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association

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An Update from Executive Director Robert Baldwin

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State Spring Tournament Schedule

Baseball - June 13 & 14 - Polar Park

Golf - June 4 - Sandy Burr Country Club

Lacrosse Boys - June 14

Lacrosse Girls - June 12 & 13 - Babson College

Outdoor Track - June 5 & 7 - Fitchburg State

Rugby - June 14 - Curry College

Softball - June 13 & 14 - Worcester State & UMASS Amherst

Volleyball - June 12 & 13 - Billerica HS & Worcester North

Unified Track - May 28 - Natick HS

MIAA Institutional Dues

The 2025-2026 Institutional Registration form will be available early next week. Please keep an eye on your email for detailed registration instructions.

2024-2025 Participation Survey

Reminder: The 2024-2025 NFHS Participation Survey was emailed to member school principals and athletic directors on Wednesday, May 7th. Member schools are required to submit one per school. [Click here](#) to access the survey. Submission Deadline: Friday, May 23, 2025

Spring Tournament Seeding Process

Here is the schedule for each of the Spring 2025 power ranked sports, as published in the tournament formats and MIAA handbook:

	CUTOFF DATE	WORKING DAY	BRACKET RELEASE
BOYS TENNIS	Wednesday, May 21	Thursday, May 22	Fri, May 23... 12 pm
GIRLS TENNIS	Wednesday, May 21	Thursday, May 22	Fri, May 23... 12 pm
VOLLEYBALL	Friday, May 23	Saturday, May 24	Tues, May 27... 11 am
BOYS RUGBY	Monday, May 26	none	Tues, May 27... 11 am
GIRLS RUGBY	Monday, May 26	none	Tues, May 27... 11 am
BASEBALL	Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27	Wed, May 28... 11 am
SOFTBALL	Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27	Wed, May 28... 11 am
BOYS LACROSSE	Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27	Wed, May 28... 2 pm
GIRLS LACROSSE	Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27	Wed, May 28... 2 pm

Tournament Entry - Opt-in vs Opt-out

Schools no longer are required to submit a tournament entry. Schools will be required to submit communication if choosing to opt out of tournament play. This new process is only for sports that utilize the MIAA power ranking system. Hybrid sports will continue to require a tournament entry process. [Click here](#) to complete the "Opt-Out" Form (located in the Members Only area of the MIAA website).

Forfeit / No Contest Determination

Member Schools with any unplayed Spring 2025 contests must submit the TMC Determination Request Form at the link below to request a determination of "Forfeit" or "No Contest". Complete all sections of the form thoroughly. This information will be reviewed by a Seasonal Seeding Committee consisting of the chair or designee from each in-season sport and TMC representatives. Tournament Directors and Executive Liaisons may be present but are non-voting members. All decisions made by the Seasonal Seeding Committee are final. Once a determination is made, it will be shared with the schools included on this form. Every attempt should be made to reschedule the contest on the next available date.

NOTE: This [form](#) does not need to be filed in the case of forfeits due to a canceled season (Rule 18), over scheduling (Rule 34.6), or ineligible player (Rule 86). (Password can be found on your School Admin Dashboard in the Members Only area of the MIAA website.)

Outdoor Track

Reminder - Tournament entry deadline is May 24 - Pentathlon and May 26 - all other entries.

At the most recent Cross Country and Track Committee meeting, it was recommended that schools take this opportunity to inspect their horizontal jump pits, ensuring they contain a sufficient amount of sand and that the surface is level to help prevent potential injuries for future events and seasons.

Student and Coach Contest Disqualification Forms

Please make sure to use the most up-to-date version of the MIAA Student and Coach Contest Disqualification Forms. The forms are available in the ["Officials" section](#) of the MIAA website. When a student or coach is disqualified from a contest, the required form **must be completed by the game official and submitted to the athletic director in charge of the contest before leaving the site**. Below are links to each form:

[Student Contest Disqualification Form](#)

[Coach Contest Disqualification Form](#)

Please note - All fields within the form are required to be completed by the game official with a description of the disqualification **including the violation called**.



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"Extra Week" - Fall 2025 Football

Although most fall football schedules are probably completed, please accept this as a reminder of the football "extra week" in the Fall of 2025. Labor Day is early, 9/1/25 and Thanksgiving is late, 11/27/25 (this is the second year in a row of this occurrence). As has been the case in the past, this creates an extra weekend in the qualifying period before the beginning of the state tournament. The extra week is labeled "1A". Schools can schedule a maximum of 8 games in the 9-week period between Labor Day and the cutoff date of Saturday, 11/1/25. More detailed information can be found at this [link](#).

Call for Nominations: 2025 MIAA Distinguished Service Awards

The Distinguished Service Award is one of the most important awards given by the Association. The Distinguished Service Award Committee is looking for recommendations for this prestigious award. When considering nominees, please weigh longevity, contributions, and distinguished service as important factors. [Click here](#) to nominate. Nominations are due by Monday, June 30th.

MIAA Committee Meeting Highlights

In adhering to committee protocols, it is stated that the secretary of each committee shall keep the records of the meeting and shall send copies of these records to the Executive Director. [Click here](#) to view the records of the meetings that were received by the Executive Director.

Calendar

May 12 – Sports Medicine Committee
May 13 – Game Officials Committee
May 14 – MIAA Board of Directors Meeting
May 20 – [Girls and Women in Sports Day](#)
May 21 – Basketball Committee
May 21 – TMC
May 22 – Unified Sports Advisory Committee - Virtual
May 22 – Volleyball Committee
June 10 – Sportsmanship Committee
June 11 – Golf Committee
June 12 – TMC - Virtual

Thanks for your continued support!

Robert Baldwin
Executive Director