

Herget Division

**Braintree
Milton
Needham
Walpole
Weymouth**



Carey Division

**Brookline
Framingham
Natick
Newton North
Wellesley**

The Bay State Conference is exploring the possibility of expansion for the 2024-25 school year. In the Fall of 2023, The Bay State Conference consists of the following 10 schools (MIAA Member School Enrollment Data 2023 - 2025 Alignments) – Braintree (1635), Brookline (2065), Framingham (2485), Milton (1107), Natick (1549), Needham (1678), Newton North (2068), Walpole (1039), Wellesley (1398) and Weymouth (1751). The 10 schools are divided into two divisions (Carey Division and Herget Division) based on geography, for championship play and for seasonal play at the junior varsity and freshman levels. The mission of the Bay State Conference is to promote the best interests of secondary education; to nurture cooperation, professional growth and good fellowship among its members and to secure uniform regulation and control of inter school participation in activities throughout the association to the end that these activities shall be an integral part of the educational program.

The purpose of expansion is to create equity in competition relative to school size/population and the MIAA Power Ranking System. Additional factors to be considered when reviewing applications include: educational mission, location, facilities and sport offerings for scheduling purposes. Ideally, expansion would consist of welcoming two schools.

Schools that meet the criteria listed above are welcome to provide a letter of interest to The Bay State Conference for review. Within the letter of interest, please provide data and facts as to why your academic institution would be compatible to the existing Bay State Conference member schools.

Information should include the following:

I. School and Athletic Department Overview

- a. Enrollment
- b. Athletic Department Offerings
- c. 2022 - 2023 Varsity Team Records
- d. Facility Locations per Sport Offering
- e. Proximity to each Bay State Conference School

Letters of interest should be sent to Wellesley High School, c/o John Brown, Director of Athletics, 50 Rice St, Wellesley, MA 02481 and via email to brownj@wellesleyps.org. All letters of interest should be received by September 1, 2023.

Upon review, selected applicants will be notified and meet with Bay State Conference Administrators and Athletic Directors for an interview.