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Section One Executive Committee revisits spectator policy for remainder of winter season

HARRISON, N.Y. — On Tuesday, March 9, 2021, the Executive Committee of Section One, Inc., of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) convened to continue their discussion around possible amendments to the Section One spectator policy.

Today's meeting focused primarily on the sports of basketball, ice hockey and wrestling. As a result of these discussions, the Executive Committee voted to approve allowing two spectators per senior athlete at both home and away contests for the remainder of the winter season. The amended policy goes into effect Wednesday, March 10, 2021. As always, individual school districts and non-school based venues can be more restrictive.

As a membership driven organization, the Section One Executive Committee relies on feedback and input from the 82 member schools, across four counties, to guide their decision making. Today's decision is part of ongoing discussions surrounding spectators at Section One events. As Athletic Directors attend their scheduled Conference meetings this week, members of the Executive Committee will continue gathering their input on potential changes to the spectator policy for future seasons. With this input, along with that of Superintendents throughout the region, the Executive Committee intends to revisit the Section One spectator policy for Fall Season II on Friday, March 12, 2021.

The Center for Interscholastic Athletics, a division of Southern Westchester BOCES, serves 82 high schools in Dutchess, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester counties, providing support with the organization and management of athletic programs. Section One is part of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Inc., a non-profit organization that provides equitable and safe competition for the students of public, private and parochial member schools.

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