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Executive Committee solidifies Fall II post-season plans and returns traditional Spring Section Championships

HARRISON, N.Y. — On Monday, March 22, 2021, the Executive Committee of Section One, Inc., of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) met and solidified the Fall II culminating event tournament plans. In addition, the Committee approved the return of traditional Sectional tournaments for the spring 2021 season.

As a continuation of their March 12th meeting which included the initial review of tournament plans for the Fall II season, the Executive Committee adopted the tournament calendar and geographical groupings for the Fall II sport offerings.

Competitive Cheerleading

Saturday, April 17th and Sunday, April 18th at regional sites, TBD

Football

Weekend of April 23rd – 25th at higher-seed Opportunity for Championship/Bowl Games in certain classifications

Girls Swimming & Diving

Trials: April 20th, Diving: April 21st, Finals: April 22nd to be held in virtual format at the home pool Qualifying: Top 18 relays and Top 24 individuals

Boys Volleyball

Saturday, April 17th, Division 1 Finalist vs. Division 2 Finalist, location TBD

Girls Volleyball

Week of April 19th – April 24th at higher seed Open tournament format with all teams qualifying, unless otherwise noted Seeding based on winning percentage of overall record, bonus points will not be applied Geographic tournament groupings based on school affiliation with regional BOCES

In addition, the Spring Sport Chairs and the Section One Championship Committee have been vigorously working to plan and prepare for a return to a more traditional Section Tournament



format beginning this spring. As part of on-going discussion, the Executive Committee approved the spring tournament calendar and championship tournament plans.

The team tournaments of Baseball, Softball, and Girls & Boys Lacrosse will be played following the more traditional Section Championship format outlined below:

- Teams will be grouped in accordance with their NYSPHSAA sport classification resulting in a bracketed Section Championship format. The finals are scheduled to be played on Saturday, June 12th at the higher seed.
- For Class A only, Baseball and Softball will pilot an A1 and A2 tournament grouped by the current BEDS classification numbers. A single Class A champion will be crowned on Sunday, June 13th.
- All rounds will be played at the higher seed and all teams will qualify for the open tournament.
- Seeding will be completed based on overall winning percentage. No bonus points will be awarded.

The individual/team Section tournaments of Boys & Girls Golf, Boys & Girls Outdoor Track & Field, and Boys Tennis will be played in accordance with the parameters defined below:

- Due to limited course availability in June, Boys and Girls Golf will be condensed into a one-day tournament.
 - Boys Golf will be played at the Westchester Country Club on June 1st
 - Top 30 golfers will qualify, including ties based on their differential
 - Girls Golf June 1st, location TBD
 - Top 20 golfers will qualify, including ties based on their differential
- The Singles and Doubles Boys Tennis Championships will begin Saturday, June 5th at Harrison High School.
- Details for Boys & Girls Outdoor Track & Field are still being finalized. Planning has been focused on three or four Section Class Meets spread out across multiple days during the week of June 7th at various predetermined venues.

The Section One Executive Committee is scheduled to meet again on Monday, April 12th.

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.