

Whistle - September 2021

I hope everyone is doing well and had a fun, safe holiday weekend. Sorry for this month's being late but things have been very busy for me lately.

OHSAA Permit Renewal

Just a reminder to the BAOA basketball officials who have not renewed their OHSAA permits yet, your timetable is listed below under Winter Sports. During your renewal process they will ask you to update your contact information, if necessary. Also, your concussion certificate will be reviewed as to being up to date. Concussion certificate expire every 3 years and you cannot renew your permit without an up-to-date certificate so some of you may need to complete the concussion certificate prior to your permit renewal. Please review.

Season	Deadline to Renew Without a Late Fee	Deadline to Renew WITH \$50 Late Fee
Fall Sports	June 30	July 15
Winter Sports	September 30	October 31
Spring Sports	December 31	January 31

BAOA 2021-22 Local Rules Meetings

The remaining football dates and the dates for our basketball local rules meetings this coming year are listed below. Just so basketball officials are aware, we have only scheduled 5 local meetings as OHSAA will have 2 online meetings which to receive educational credits. The dates for the OHSAA online meetings are not available at this time. The location for are meetings will go back to Perkins High School Room 301. This is the same location we used for our 2019-20 football and basketball meetings. All BAOA local rules meetings are scheduled for Monday evenings from 7:00 pm until 8:15 pm.

Football - remaining

9/22/21 (Chet & Matt's Pizza meeting) - **NOTE - this is a Wednesday due to C&M hours of operation**

Basketball

10/18/21, 10/25/21, 11/8/21, 11/15/21, 12/13/21 (Chet & Matt's Pizza meeting) (this may have to change as well)

Upgrades both Football and Basketball

Anyone interested in upgrading this year needs to make themselves familiar with the process. You have to complete the application and have 2 Class 1 officials observe you. I no longer have to sig the application and submit to OHSAA, you now do that yourself. If anyone has any questions, please let me know.

Educational Credits

Each member is responsible for making sure you are receiving the proper credit for all of your educational credit requirements, wither it be an SRI meeting, a local rule meeting or a clinic you attended. Check your profiles periodically and make sure you are receiving proper credit. If you see something wrong contact the responsible person to get it addressed ASAP. DO NOT wait until you receive your suspension letter to address the situation, it is much easier to get it corrected during the season rather than 2 months later.

BAOA BASKETBALL CLASS

I don't have any specific information on a basketball class this year but I'm sure Ryan Bowers and Kurt Leber are considering a class. Therefore, if you know of anyone interested in becoming a certified OHSAA basketball official please forward their contact information to either Ryan or Kurt so they may determine the need. Remember we all need to try to recruit new people for this hobby, the kids depend on it.

Football Association Vote

I will start the process for our football association vote for 2022 playoff games next month. Here are a few things to understand about our association vote.

- First, if you are not eligible for 2022 playoff games and are a class 1 official you must remove yourself from the ballot if you choose. If this is the case please do so, it doesn't make sense for the association to vote for officials who are ineligible. I will send out a "**PRELIMINARY BALLOT**" for everyone to review and can let me know what you choose to do.
- Second, **EVERY BAOA OFFICIAL** can and **SHOULD** vote, class 1, class 2 or 3, new or old, doesn't matter everyone should participate.
- The vote will be completed using Survey Monkey once again so expect an email from Survey Monkey sometime toward the end of next month hopefully by 10/18. Please check your spam for your invite to vote.
- Reminder emails will be sent out on Friday 10/22 and 10/29 with the voting closing on 11/12. This timetable may change depending on deadline information from OHSAA.
- As written in our By-laws, those who do not participate in the vote and earn points will loose those points and everyone who participates will move up a slot. No exceptions.
- We have 46 football officials in the association $X 30\% = 14$, so when you vote you can vote for a max of 14 officials and I would encourage you to vote for as many of your fellow BAOA officials as possible. This is also subject to change based on information from OHSAA.

Association News

As always if anyone has any questions, concerns or information concerning the association please contact myself or a member of the Executive Committee. Also, just an FYI, our website; bayareaofficials.com has a year of past Whistle's posted so if

anyone needs to look something up which was posted a few months ago, you now have that ability. Pictures of BAOA officials in action are always welcome as well to update the website.

Thanks,

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