CONSTITUTION



HOOSIER CROSSROADS CONFERENCE

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HOOSIER CROSSROADS CONFERENCE ATHLETIC CONSTITUTION

Mission Statement

The Hoosier Crossroads Conference recognizes the diversity and varied interests of its member schools and believes positive competitive desire is a basic tenet of a democratic society. The conference strives to present the best in academic, athletic, and artistic programs for all stakeholders while focusing on the development of leadership skills and positive sportsmanship for all participants.

Article I: Name

The name of the organization shall be Hoosier Crossroads Conference, hereinafter referred to as the conference or HCC.

Article II: Objectives

The conference exists for the purpose of assisting students, faculties, and patrons of the member schools in achieving the following objectives:

- to remain conscious of the necessity of compatibility for all members
- to develop good sportsmanship and sound competition
- to allow for program expansion to maintain support desirable for the development and refinement of youth
- to foster a wholesome school and community interest in all athletic events sponsored by this conference
- to determine conference champions in each of the conference-sanctioned sports
- to honor academic achievements of Hoosier Crossroads' senior athletes

Article III: Membership

Section A - Membership

The conference consists of seven (7) schools:

Avon "Orioles" Brownsburg "Bulldogs" Fishers "Tigers" Hamilton Southeastern "Royals" Noblesville "Millers" Westfield "Shamrocks" Zionsville "Eagles" Applications for conference membership shall be made to the Board of Control. Five of the seven member schools must vote in approval regarding acceptance of any new member. <u>Section B – Duties of Member Schools</u>

- 1. Each school shall be committed to the development of a good relationship with all member schools.
- 2. The conference shall support the principles and by-laws of the I.H.S.A.A.
- 3. Member schools shall discuss problems that affect the operation of the conference.
- 4. Each school shall follow the tenets described in the constitution.

Section C - Annual Dues

Annual dues as established by the Board of Control shall be paid by October 1. The board may void annual dues or assess special dues.

Article IV: Organization and Administration

Section A - Officers: Definitions and Duties

Officers of the conference shall assume duties on July 1 of each year. The president and vice president shall serve based upon a rotating system by school. The officers of the conference shall consist of the following:

- 1. President: The president shall preside at all Board of Control meetings and carry out the mandates of the constitution. The position shall be rotated annually among the principals, alphabetically by school. A first-year conference principal shall not hold the position of president. The Board of Control will determine what school will serve as President.
- 2. President-Elect: The president-elect shall preside at all Board of Control meetings in lieu of the President's absence. The position shall be rotated annually among the principals, alphabetically by school. The president-elect shall be the principal of the school next in line to be responsible for the presidency.
- 3. Executive Secretary: The duties of the Executive Secretary shall consist of the following:
 - a. Attend all meetings of the Board of Control of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference
 - b. Attend all meetings of the Athletic Directors of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference
 - c. Maintain and distribute a tourney rotation schedule for future years
 - d. Prepare an agenda for meeting of the Board of Control in conjunction with the President of the Board of Control
 - e. Prepare an agenda for the meeting of the Athletic Directors in conjunction with the President of the Athletic Directors
 - f. Maintain the constitution of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference
 - g. Record and archive the minutes of all meetings and submit copies of said minutes to all members
 - h. Notify all schools of regular and special meetings and any other important business

- i. Prepare and distribute a conference directory each fall
- j. Keep a tally of standings in each sport for the All-Sports Trophy for boys and girls and the overall All-Sports Trophy
- k. Purchase and distribute all conference awards
- l. Maintain records of:
 - 1) The All-Conference selections for each sport
 - 2) The Coach of the Year for each sport.
 - 3) The HCC team champion for each sport
 - 4) The HCC individual champion for those sports that have individual winters
 - 5) State Team Championships for each member school
- m. Maintain HCC records for:
 - 1) Swimming
 - 2) Track
 - 3) Golf
 - 4) Cross country
- n. Collect and publish data for a bi-weekly newsletter for the HCC. This newsletter should be distributed to all member schools and appropriate media, and should include the following:
 - 1) Schedules
 - 2) Rosters
 - 3) Bi-weekly stats
 - 4) Highlights
- o. Prepare and distribute a cumulative summary of team and individual results including items from "l" and "m" at the end of each year. This should be added to the previous year's booklet.
- p. The Executive Secretary will be selected by the Athletic Directors to a two-year term.
- q. The pay for the Executive Secretary will be determined each spring by the Athletic Directors for the following year.
- r. The selection of the Executive Secretary will be done by the past, present, and future athletic director in the rotation for president and the President of the Hoosier Crossroads Conference.
- 4. Treasurer: The treasurer shall be selected by the Athletic Directors and approved by the Board of Control. The duties of the treasurer shall consist of the following:
 - a. receive monies from the hosts of all conference tournament events
 - b. direct tournament hosts to complete financial forms and forward completed forms and monies to the treasurer
 - c. receive and pay all bills as duly authorized by the Board of Control
 - d. oversee the conference financial accounts
 - e. compile and distribute a current financial statement at each regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Control and Athletic Directors' meetings
 - f. Assist the Executive Secretary with the purchase and distribution of all conference awards

- 5. President of the Athletic Directors: The President of the Athletic Directors shall be an Athletic Director of the same school as the President of the Board of Control. The President will:
 - a. Preside over all Athletic Director's meetings
 - b. Inform the President of the Board of Control of any business that the Principals will need to address at the Board of Control
 - c. Be responsible for getting proposed amendments and other Athletic Director proposals to the Board of Control

Section B - Board of Control

The management of the conference shall be vested in a Board of Control. The Board shall be composed of the principal and athletic director(s)/or designee of each member school. It shall be the responsibility of the Board of Control to act on such items of business that may be brought to the board by the principals, athletic directors/or designee. The Board of Control will vote on all changes in the Constitution, Articles I – IX.

Section C - Athletic Directors

Management of the day-to-day business of the conference shall be conducted by the athletic directors.

Section D - Advisory Committees

The head coaches of each sport shall compose the advisory committee of that sport. There shall be separate advisory committees established when a sport is comprised of both genders. The chairperson of each advisory committee shall be selected from the membership of coaches.

Section E - Meetings

Meeting dates shall be as follows:

Day	<u>IHSAA</u> <u>Wk #</u>	Time	Personnel
Monday	18	6:30 p.m.	School Administrators, Athletic Directors, and Fall Head Coaches
Monday	37	6:30 p.m.	School Administrators, Athletic Directors, and Winter Head Coaches
Monday	50	T.B.A.	School Administrators, Athletic Directors, and Spring Head Coaches
Monthly	Monthly	10:00 a.m.	Athletic Directors

Section F - Conducting Business

Conference business shall be conducted on three levels.

1. The Board of Control shall determine conference business items that require constitutional changes. Member school principals or their designees shall vote on all constitutional amendments. A five of seven concurring vote is required to amend the conference Constitution. In absence of a quorum (five of the seven voting members) the president or his/her designee will poll the absent members by written ballot, fax, e-mail, or telephone on items of business which have come before the Board of Control. Each member school shall have one vote to be cast by a member school representative.

- 2. Athletic directors shall follow the constitution in carrying out and determining conference policy. In order to determine athletic director policy or to take a proposed amendment change to the Board of Control, a majority quorum at a regularly scheduled athletic director meeting is required. Each school shall be entitled to one vote. Athletic directors shall submit proposed amendments to each principal in writing at least two weeks prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Control.
- 3. The advisory committee (consisting of all head coaches from each sport) shall have the opportunity to give input on items that pertain specifically to that sport at their respective sport banquet. The advisory committee chairperson may request a constitutional change by the following procedure:
 - a. After obtaining consensus from the members of their advisory committee, a proposed change should be submitted in written form to the President of the athletic directors.
 - b. The President of the athletic directors shall bring the request to the table for discussion at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the athletic directors.
 - c. The athletic directors will take the proposed amendment under consideration. Upon agreement by a majority of the conference athletic directors, the proposal will be submitted for consideration by the BOC at their next scheduled meeting.
 - d. Constitutional changes are permitted in school years beginning with an even number. (i.e. 2014 school year, 2016 school year, etc.)

Article V: General Regulations

Section A - Sports Sponsored by the Conference

The conference sponsors varsity competition in ten sports for boys and nine sports for girls. All are held in seasons corresponding to the I.H.S.A.A. seasons. Athletes shall receive conference awards and recognition. The sports sponsored by the conference at the varsity level are listed below:

Boys	Girls
1. Baseball	1. Basketball
2. Basketball	2. Cross Country
3. Cross Country	3. Golf
4. Football	4. Soccer
5. Golf	5. Softball
6. Swimming	6. Swimming
7. Soccer	7. Tennis
8. Tennis	8. Track
9. Track	9. Volleyball
10. Wrestling	·

Section B - Addition or Removal of a Sport

Adding or removing a sport from conference competition requires a five of seven favorable vote from the Board of Control.

Section C – Usage of Bands at Contests

Visiting school bands, including pep bands, that desire to participate in a pre-game or half-time performance shall give advance notice to, and must receive approval from, the host school athletic director.

Section D - Violations of Conference Standards

A problem or disagreement, not resolvable by the conference schools involved, shall be discussed at the next scheduled Athletic Directors' meeting. If no resolution is reached, the disagreement shall be presented in writing to the President. A Board of Control decision shall be made and shall be binding for all conference schools.

Section E – Conference Champions

Team championships shall be determined per IHSAA guidelines by one of two means.

1. Conference Meets - Team championships will be determined per IHSAA Sectional guidelines.

a. Cross Country	e. Tennis
b. Golf	f. Track
d. Swimming	g. Wrestling

2. Round Robin - Ties for team championships will result in co-champions.

a. Baseball – three game series	d. Soccer
b. Basketball	e. Softball
c. Football	f. Volleyball

Section F – Boys and Girls All-Sports Champions

An All-Sports Championship for both boys and girls shall be determined based upon points earned in all ten sports for boys and nine sports for girls. In order to earn all-sports points, a majority of HCC schools must participate in that sport. Points shall be awarded in each recognized conference sport on the following basis (In case of ties, position points shall be added and equally divided among tied schools.):

1 st place:	8 points	6 th place:	3 points
2 nd place:	7 points	7 th place:	2 points
3rd place:	6 points		
4 th place:	5 points		
5 th place:	4 points		

Section G - Combined All-Sports Champions

A Combined All-Sports Championship school shall be determined based upon total points earned in all ten sports for boys and nine sports for girls. This award shall be called the HCC All-Sports Award.

Article VI: Finances

Section A - Admission to Conference Events

The athletic directors shall recommend to the Board of Control admission prices for all varsity conference tournament events and regular season varsity conference contests. Baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball, swimming, track, volleyball, and wrestling varsity admission cost shall be \$5.00. All junior varsity and freshman conference event admission costs shall be \$4.00. Admission to conference tournaments will be evaluated on an annual basis and determined prior to each conference meet (set at \$6.00 in the fall of 2010).

Article VII: Academic By-Laws

Section A – Philosophy

Conference members believe that academic competition, when conducted in a conference and on a statewide basis, can help create powerful, positive motivation in both the school and the community. It is also believed that properly organized and conducted academic competitions recognize academic achievement and place it in a position of prestige, motivate students to recognize the value of academic achievements, support and enrich the curricula, provide a variety of opportunities for students, and provide participants with opportunities for interaction with individuals from other schools.

Section B - Organizational Structure

The HCC recognizes the principal and the academic coach from the host school as the academic coordinators for all HCC academic competitions and events.

Section C - Academic Competitions and Championships

- 1. The HCC recognizes Quiz Bowl and Speech as events leading to conference champions.
- 2. Quiz Bowl and Speech shall determine conference champions with a tournament.
- 3. The rules for Quiz Bowl shall be those used in White River Academic League (WRAL) competitions.
- 4. The Speech competition shall be conducted according to Indiana High School Forensic Association (IHSFA) rules.
- 5. The host school of the conference academic event shall be responsible for obtaining officials, questions, words, equipment, ribbons, trophies, supervision, help, and management of the event. The host school may require participating member schools to provide personnel to assist in the conduct of the competition. Ribbons and trophies shall be consistent with those awarded to HCC athletic champions and will thus be purchased through HCC suppliers.
- 6. A new event may be added to conference competition if: A majority vote of member school principals is obtained. To delete a tournament or event from conference competition, the same criteria shall be used.

Section D - Amending the Academic Bylaws

Academic bylaws may be amended by a three-fourths majority vote of the conference principals. All proposed amendments or changes in amendments shall be submitted to each member school at least 30 days prior to the date of the vote.

Article VIII: - Non-Athletic Event Responsib	ility
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	Presidency*	<u>Speech</u>	<u>Quiz</u> <u>Bowl</u>	<u>Jazz</u> <u>Band</u>	<u>Student</u> <u>Leadership</u> <u>Exchange*</u>	<u>Dept. Chair</u> <u>Banquet*</u>	<u>Asst. Principal</u> <u>Meetings*</u>
Avon	2018-2019				2014-2015	2018-2019	2017-2018
Brownsburg	2019-2020				2015-2016	2019-2020	2018-2019
Fishers	2020-2021	Host			2016-2017	2020-2021	2019-2020
Hamilton Southeastern	2014-2015		Host		2017-2018	2014-2015	2020-2021
Noblesville	2015-2016			Host	2018-2019	2015-2016	2014-2015
Westfield	2016-2017				2019-2020	2016-2017	2015-2016
Zionsville	2017-2018				2020-2021	2017-2018	2016-2017

* On a rotational schedule

Non-athletic HCC event dates shall be as follows:

<u>Day</u>	<u>IHSAA</u> <u>Wk #</u>	<u>Time</u>	Event
T.B.A.	8	T.B.A.	Student Leadership Exchange
T.B.A.	9	T.B.A.	Quiz Bowl
T.B.A.	11	T.B.A.	Depart Chair Banquet
T.B.A.	18	T.B.A.	Assistant Principal Meeting
T.B.A.	20	T.B.A.	Jazz Band
Sat.	29	8:00 a.m.	Speech

HOOSIER CROSSROADS CONFERENCE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (Athletic Directors)

Article I: General Regulations

Section A – Postponed Varsity Contests

All postponed varsity contests must be rescheduled as per Constitution rules when so noted. If not specifically referenced, the earliest mutual open date following a postponement shall be used.

Section B - Conference Tournament/Meet Host

The athletic director serving as host of a tournament shall be responsible for scheduling any needed pretourney meeting, distribution of information, tourney management, compiling of results, sending results ASAP to the Executive Secretary, and management of finances.

Following are parameters to be used in determining host schools:

- 1. Attempt to schedule at schools with suitable facilities
- 2. Rotate host schools among all schools that have suitable facilities and a desire to host
- 3. Share hosting responsibilities

Section C - All-Conference Selections

Selections for all team sports determined by the same process:

This process would be as follows:

- 1. Each coach shall submit a list of candidates from his/her school for a vote of approval by the other conference coaches of that sport.
- 2. This list of candidates shall be a number up to the total number of All-Conference selections and Honorable Mention nominations listed for that conference placing.
- 3. The coach will prioritize his/her list and submit it for a vote approval by the other conference coaches.
- 4. The number of All-Conference and Honorable Mention for each sport will be as outlined in the chart below.
- 5. Ties if two or more teams tie for a position all schools shall get the larger number of All-Conference and Honorable Mention selections.

The first number indicates the number of All Conference selections; the second number indicates the Honorable Mention selections allowed.

<u>Place</u>	BA/SB/SOC	<u>Basketball</u>	Football	<u>Volleyball</u>
1	4 + 2	3 + 1	7 + 2	3 + 1
2	3 + 2	2 + 2	6 + 2	2 + 2
3	3 + 2	2 + 2	5 + 2	2 + 2
4	2 + 2	2 + 1	4 + 2	2 + 1

<u>Place</u>	BA/SB/SOC	<u>Basketball</u>	<u>Football</u>	<u>Volleyball</u>
5	2 + 2	1+1	4 + 2	2 + 1
6	2 + 1	1+1	4 + 2	1+1
7	1+1	1+0	3 + 2	1+1
8	1+1	1+0	3 + 2	1+0
Totals	18 + 13	13 + 8	36 + 16	14 + 9

Section D - Awards

The awards recognized by the conference shall be

- 1. Sportsmanship Award: This is a traveling trophy awarded each contest season to the HCC member school.
- 2. Team champion of each sport: HCC trophy
- 3. Individual champions: HCC medal
- 4. All-Sports Champion, school: award, each gender
- 5. All-Sports Award: combined all-sport traveling trophy (Article V, Section F & G)
- 6. All-Conference Team, sport: Individual: HCC medal & certificate (provided)
- 7. All-Conference Honorable Mention: participants nominated but not receiving All-Conference status shall receive a certificate.
- 8. Coach-of-the-Year (by vote of head coaches from that sport): award In case of a tie, co-coach of the year awards will be given. In case of a three-way tie, four-way tie, etc. the head coaches will vote again only on those who are tied. This process will continue until there is a single or two-way tie winner.
- 9. Medals/Ribbons to be awarded:

<u>Sport</u>	All-Conference Medals	Individual/Team Ribbons
Baseball	18	0
Basketball	13	0
Cross Country	Top 15	1- 15 Ind/1-3 Team
Football	36	0
Golf	Top 12	1-12 Ind/Champion
Soccer	18	0
Softball	18	0
Swimming	21 Winners	1-8 each event
Tennis	12	1 - 3 each event/Champions
	#1S: 1 st -3 rd	
	#2S: 1 st -2 nd	
	#3S: 1 st	

<u>Sport</u>	All-Conference Medals	Individual/Team Ribbons
	#1D: 1 st -2 nd	
	#2 D: 1 st	
Track	25 Winners	1 - 8 each event
Volleyball	14	0
Wrestling	Event Winners	1 - 5 each event

Section E – Complimentary Tickets

- 1. Each school shall receive twenty (20) complimentary admissions from the host school or be allowed to have school personnel sign-in to all team sport contests.
- 2. Each school shall receive forty (40) conference passes for school officials to use for admission to conference events.

Article II: Finances

Section A - Referees

The athletic directors shall meet to determine the amount of pay for all officials of all conference tournament events. The amount of compensation for officials shall be determined at a meeting preceding the next school year.

Section B - Meet Director

One athletic director or designee shall serve as a meet director for each sport in which a conference meet is held. The amount of compensation for meet directors shall be determined at a meeting preceding the next school year.

Section C - Contest Workers

Contest workers shall be compensated on a scale consistent to the amount that the host school pays on a regular basis. Included are:

- 1. Ticket sellers
- 2. Ticket takers
- 3. Security/supervision
- 4. Door supervision

- 5. Custodian
- 6. Trainers
- 7. Bench personnel
- 8. Other

Section D - Game Programs for Conference Tournaments

Host school shall use the same format as IHSAA Sectional.

Section E – Materials

Host school receives no reimbursement.

Section F – Hospitality Rooms

A school hosting a conference tournament shall be reimbursed a maximum of \$200.00 for a hospitality room.

Section G - Financial and Contest Result Report

A Conference Financial Report Form and Contest Result Form shall be used for all conference championship meets.

Meet director is responsible for the following:

- a. Sending completed tournament financial forms to the Treasurer.
- b. Sending completed contest (all contests) result forms to the Executive Secretary for distribution to all conference schools.

Article III: By-Laws for Each Sport

All sports shall follow guidelines as listed in the Constitution. Items listed below relate to a specific sport and shall not supersede a Constitution article or section.

Section A – Selection of All-Conference Teams

Players from all schools shall be considered when selecting all-conference teams. See "*Article I, Section C – All-Conference Selections*" on page 10 & 11.

Section B - Governing Rules for Each Sport

- a. Meet Competitions: Team championships shall be determined per IHSAA Sectional guidelines.
- b. Round Robin Competitions: Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.

Baseball

- 1. Team championship shall be determined by a three-game series. Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.
- 2. Dates for HCC games and makeup games will be played as outlined in Appendix D.
- 3. Pitching Restrictions: In the three-game conference series, a pitcher may throw no more than 10 innings.
- 4. Official game(s)/Suspended game(s):
 - a. A game shall be official after 5 innings, or after $4\frac{1}{2}$ if the home team is ahead.
 - b. Any game not official will be considered a suspended game and will be resumed and completed from the point it was halted according to the following:

If the game is not complete, the game will be resumed before the next game of the conference series. If it occurs in the third game, it shall be resumed and completed on the scheduled rain date.

- 4. Baseballs shall be IHSAA tournament approved balls in all varsity conference contests.
- 5. All-Conference selection:

a. See "Section C – All-Conference Selections" on page 10.

Basketball

- 1. Team championship is determined by round robin play. Ties for team championships shall result in cochampions.
- All-conference selection:
 a. See "Section C All-Conference Selections" on page 10. Revised 11.15.2012

Cross Country

- 1. Team championships shall be determined by a conference meet to be held on Saturday of IHSAA week #13. Team championships shall be determined per IHSAA Sectional guidelines. The order of start will follow IHSAA guidelines.
- 2. Entry deadline shall be Tuesday of IHSAA week #13.
- 3. Rain date shall be the Monday of IHSAA week #14.
- 4. All-Conference Selection
 - a. See "Section C All-Conference Selections" on page 10.
 - b. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams shall receive ribbons. Maximum of 7 per team.

Football

- 1. Team championship shall be determined by round robin play. Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.
- 2. Junior Varsity Football games will be played on the Saturday following the varsity contest. Freshmen games will be on the following Monday. The two schools, by mutual consent, will determine if freshmen will play the following Saturday or Monday of game #9 (IHSAA Football Sectional week).
- 3. All-conferences selection:a. See "Section C All-Conference Selections" on page 10.
- 4. Prior to the varsity game, the opposing coaches shall meet at a mutually agreed upon site, trade a minimum of two game films, and supply one another with a roster and a two-deep depth chart.

Golf

- 1. Team championship shall be determined by a conference meet. Team championships shall be determined per IHSAA Sectional guidelines. The girls' conference tournament shall be held on Monday of IHSAA week # 9. The boys' conference tournament shall be held on Monday of IHSAA week #46. Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.
- 2. The following day shall be used as the rain date (pending course availability).
- 3. The meet shall be an eighteen-hole tournament conducted in accordance with IHSAA Sectional rules, unless exceptions are noted in by-laws.
 - a) The top four teams from the previous year shall be paired in the last pairing.
 - b) Five players from each school shall be paired in foursomes with 1's, 2's, 3's, 4's, and 5's paired together.
 - c) Scoring shall be medal play over 18 holes.
 - d) The lowest four scores of the five players per school shall be counted toward the team total.
- 4. All-conference selection:

a. See "Section C – All-Conference Selections" on page 10.

If there are ties that extend beyond the allotted positions, all shall be named all-conference.

Soccer

- 1. Team championship shall be determined by round robin play. Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.
- 2. If a game is tied at the end of regulation play, there will be no overtime periods or shoot–out. The contest will officially end in a tie. For the purpose of determining conference standings, the following scoring system will be utilized:

Win-3 points, Tie-1 point, Loss-0 points

Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.

- 3. In the event a game must be suspended because of conditions (darkness, weather, etc.) which makes it impossible to continue play, and the head referee declares it an official game if one complete half or more of the game has been played. If less than one half of the game has been played, the game may continue from the point of interruption at the next available playing time; that is, a delay may be called or a game suspended until rescheduled.
- 4. All-conference selection:a. See "Section C All-Conference Selections" on page 10.

<u>Softball</u>

- 1. Team championship is determined by single round-robin play. Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.
- 2. Date of Games: Conference games shall be scheduled to be played on Tuesday. The varsity and reserves shall play at the same school. If games are rained out more than one time, the game(s) shall be played on the next available date. Athletic directors shall select the next available mutual date.

- 3. Official game(s)/Suspended game(s)
 - a. A game shall be official after 5 innings, or after $4\frac{1}{2}$ if the home team is ahead.
 - b. Any game not official will be considered a suspended game and will be resumed and completed from the point it was halted on the scheduled rain date.
- 4. Softballs shall be an IHSAA State Tournament approved ball.
- 5. All-Conference selection:a. See "Section C All-Conference Selections" on page 10.

Swimming

- 1. Team Championships shall be determined by a combined boys' and girls' conference meet. The meet shall be held on Saturday of IHSAA week #26. The meet shall be conducted as follows:
 - a. Saturday, IHSAA week #26
 - b. There will be built in breaks in the meet schedule.
- 2. The meet shall be conducted in accordance with IHSAA Sectional rules in regard to order of swim events, entry limitations, scoring, and general regulations.
- 3. The entry list deadline for girls' and boys' competition shall be Friday of IHSAA week #26.

<u>Tennis</u>

- 1. A round robin schedule shall be used to determine seeding for a conference tournament. The boys' tournament shall be played on Saturday of IHSAA week #11. The girls' tournament shall be played on Saturday of IHSAA week #44. The rain date shall be the following Saturday.
- 2. Seeding criteria for HCC tournament:
 - a) Positions for the seeds in the HCC tournament at each flight shall be determined by the <u>record of the</u> <u>team at each individual position</u>, rather than the record of the individual player.

Example: Team X is entering Player A at the #1 *singles position in the HCC tournament. During the regular season, Player A had a record of* 4-2 *at* #1 *singles, and player B had a record of* 2-1 *at* #1 *singles. Team X is credited with* 6 *wins for seeding purposes in the* #1 *singles flight.*

- b) All teams must submit their conference lineup at the beginning of the week of the conference tournament (after all regular season matches are complete.) If any substitution is made after that point, the alternate will replace the player that is being substituted for. (The lineup does not shift up one spot.) This is similar to the IHSAA rule regarding substitution in the state tournament.
- 3. Tiebreaking criteria for HCC tournament seeding
 - a) Number of wins in that position
 - b) Number of wins in matches between all teams involved in the tie at that position
 - c) Number of sets won in that position
 - d) Number of sets won in matches between all teams involved in the tie at that position
 - e) Random draw

- 4. The conference tournament shall be a 7 player tournament for each position, including: Number One singles, Number Two singles, Number Three singles, Number One doubles, and Number Two doubles. The tournament will follow the bracket provided in Appendix E. As per IHSAA rule on one-day tournament that requires 3 rounds of competition, a 10 point match tie-break shall be used to decide any match that becomes tied at one set all.
- 5. The host director shall accumulate all statistics and seed all 7 positions for each spot.
 - a. The #1 seed shall be placed at the top of the first bracket, the #2 seed at the bottom of the fourth bracket, with the #3 seed placed at the top of the third bracket, and the #4 seed at the bottom of the second bracket.
- 6. Coaches are not to shuffle line-ups for an unwarranted advantage: e.g. the best singles player in each school shall play #1 singles. From there on the schools' next best singles player shall play #2 and #3 singles according to their abilities. The best doubles teams play #1 and #2 according to their abilities.

7. Rain Outs

- a. If the tournament is rained out, the tournament will be rescheduled.
- 8. The team championship shall be determined by a point system related to the placement of the top four teams as follows:
 - a. The team championship shall be determined by the following system:

1 st place:	9 points	6 th place:	3 points
2 nd place:	7 points	7 th place:	2 points
3 rd place:	6 points	8 th place:	1 point
4 th place:	5 points		
5 th place:	4 points		

- 9. All-conference selection:
 - a. 1st through 3rd place Number One singles shall be named all-conference.
 - b. 1st through 2nd place Number Two singles shall be named all-conference.
 - c. 1st place Number Three singles shall be named all-conference.
 - d. 1st through 2nd place Number One doubles team shall be named all-conference.
 - e. 1st place Number Two doubles teams shall be named all-conference.
- 10. All-conference selection in the event the tournament is cancelled due to weather:
 - a. Number One Singles all-conference players shall be the top three players seeded for the HCC tournament.
 - b. Number Two Singles all-conference players shall be the top two seeded for the HCC tournament.
 - c. Number Three Singles all-conference players shall be the top player seeded for the HCC tournament.
 - d. Number One Doubles all-conference players shall be the top two doubles teams seeded for the HCC tournament.

e. Number Two Doubles all-conference players shall be the top doubles teams seeded for the HCC tournament.

Track and Field

- 1. A team championship for girls shall be held on Tuesday and boys shall be held on Friday of IHSAA week #45. Times will be determined by the host school. Team championships shall be determined per IHSAA Sectional guidelines.
- 2. The meet shall be conducted in accordance with IHSAA Sectional rules in regard to order of events, entry limitations, and general regulations. The HCC will score 8 individual finishers in each event.
- 3. The entry deadline shall be Friday of week #44. Entry lists shall be provided on a standard IHSAA form of suitable size to be accurately faxed.
- 4. Seeding information shall be sent to all conference schools on or before Wednesday prior to the meet.

<u>Volleyball</u>

- 1. A team championship shall be determined by round robin play. Ties for team championships shall result in co-champions.
- 2. All-conference selection:
 - a. See "Section C All-Conference Selections" on page 10.

Wrestling

- 1. Team championship meet shall be held during the IHSAA week # 28 on Saturday. The total number of points earned shall determine the team champion. Individual seeding and team championships shall be determined per IHSAA Sectional guidelines.
- 2. Saturday of IHSAA week #29 shall serve as a make-up date.
- 3. The conference tournament shall have wrestle backs to determine the first 6 places.
- 4. All members of the high school program, including all *"wrestlerettes"*, all wrestlers, and all coaches, shall be admitted free of charge.
- 5. The seed meeting shall be held on Monday of IHSAA week #28.
- 6. Seeding criteria, in order:
 - a. Head to head during current season.
 - b. Returning champion in same weight class.
 - c. Runner-up in same weight class.
 - d. Common opponents.
 - e. Record (best winning percentage). Forfeits included.
 - f. Coaches vote.

Appendix A – Presidency Rotation

Avon	2018-2019
Brownsburg	2019-2020
Fishers	2020-2021
Hamilton Southeastern	2014-2015
Noblesville	2015-2016
Westfield	2016-2017
Zionsville	2017-2018

Appendix B - Baseball Schedule

HOOSIER CROSSROADS CONFERENCE BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Thursday Week 39/40 Friday Week 39/40 Saturday Week 39/40 Rain Date, Saturday DH and/or Monday Week 41 (Teams playing decide which week is best for both schools to play - week 39 or 40)

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Saturday Week 42	Rain Date, Saturday DH and/or Monday Week 43
Thursday Week 43 Friday Week 43	
Saturday Week 43	Rain Date, Saturday DH and/or Monday Week 44
Thursday Week 44 Friday Week 44	
Saturday Week 44	Rain Date, Saturday DH and/or Monday Week 45
Thursday Week 45 Friday Week 45	
Saturday Week 5	Rain Date, Saturday DH and/or Monday Week 46
Thursday Week 46 Friday Week 46	
Saturday Week 46	Rain Date, Saturday DH and/or Monday Week 47

MAKE-UP GUIDELINES:

*If Thursday or Friday get canceled, then teams will play a DH on Saturday.
*If Thursday and Friday get canceled, then teams will play a DH on Saturday and a single game on Monday at the opposite location of Saturday
*If Saturday gets canceled, then teams will play on Monday.
*If Thursday and Saturday get canceled, then teams will play single games on Monday and Tuesday.

Appendix C - Inclement Weather Delays/Postponements

In the event an HCC championship meet would be affected by inclement weather, the following guideline will be used:

Step #1: Delay

- The meet will be put on a 2 hour delay, followed by
- Extended delays until the point is reached where the meet could not be finished on the scheduled day.

Step #2: Postponement

- In the event that one or more schools cannot attend, due to inclement weather or emergency, the meet/tournament will be postponed.
- The event will be postponed until the scheduled make-up day (as listed below).

Step #3: Postponement

- If one or more teams cannot attend the rescheduled event, the meet/tournament will proceed.
- In order to count placement points toward conference standings, a majority of the teams must be present at the conference meet/tournament.

Make-Up Days

Fall Championship Events

- Girl's Golf the day following the original date
- Cross Country the Monday following the original date

Winter Championship Events

- Wrestling the Saturday following the original date
- Swimming & Diving the Monday following the original date

Spring Championship Events

- Track & Field the following day
- Boys Golf the day following the original date

Appendix D - Hoosier Crossroads Conference Sportsmanship Award

Hoosier Crossroads Conference Sportsmanship Award

The HCC Sportsmanship Award is a traveling trophy awarded each contest season to the HCC member school that, in the opinion of the coaches and athletic directors, best exemplifies the definition of sportsmanship.

HCC Sportsmanship Award

Sportsmanship (n) Conduct and attitude appropriate to sports, esp. fair play, courtesy, and the ability to win or lose graciously. (The American Heritage Dictionary, p 788)

The HCC Sportsmanship Award is a traveling trophy awarded each season to the HCC member school that, in the opinion of the coaches and athletic directors, best exemplifies the definition of sportsmanship.

The schools will be judged on the following:

- 1. Sportsmanship of athletes
- 2. Sportsmanship of coaches
- 3. Sportsmanship of fans
- 4. Administrative hospitality

A list of sportsmanship indicators will be provided to each athletic department to assist in voting.

The HCC Sportsmanship Award will be presented at the end of each competition season at the HCC banquet. The winning school will keep the trophy for one year.

The HCC Sportsmanship Award voting will take place at the same time and on the same ballot as Coach of the Year voting. There will be one vote per sport per school. Athletic directors will also be allowed one vote per school. In case of a tie, co-winners will be declared, and a duplicate trophy will be awarded.

Last Updated for HCC: August 1, 2014 Appendix E – HCC Tennis Championship Bracket Template



20XX Hoosier Crossroads Conference GENDER Tennis Championships NAME OF HOST High School, MONTH DATE, 20XX

#1/#2/#3 Singles/Doubles



**Match #10 will only take place if:

- (a) L9 has only played twice AND
- (b) L8 and L9 did not already play one another in Match #8



*Match #11 will only take place if: (a) L7 is the original #1 Seed AND (b) W9 has only played twice.



HOOSIER CROSSROADS WRESTLING TOURNAMENT SEEDING GUIDELINES

- The Hoosier Crossroads Conference tournament seeding meeting will be held on mm/dd/yyyy at __:___ PM. If a school is not represented by a coach that school's wrestlers will be seeded by a draw.
- 2. A coach's failure to bring his official scorebook to the seeding meeting shall result in his school's entries being unseeded unless the majority of the remaining coaches vote to seed the entries.
- 3. Coaches must bring their team entry with records to the seeding meeting.
 - a. This entry list is to be given to the tournament director before the start of the meeting. There will be no changes to the entry list after the start of the seeding meeting.
- 4. To enter a wrestler in a weight class, the wrestler must be entered by name.
- 5. If a school does not have an entry in a weight class, the school will forfeit that weight class.
- 6. Determination of seeded wrestlers is given in order of importance (*New seeding criteria set by the IHSAA*):
 - a. Head to head competition; (The wrestler with the most head to head wins gets the seed. If they have beaten each other an equal number of times, then the winner of the last match gets the seed.
 - b. Record against common opponents
 - c. Prior year IHSAA semi-state quarterfinalist
 - d. A contestant with the best overall record (winning percentage) who has wrestled at least 10 matches;
 - e. Farthest advancement in previous year IHSAA State Tournament Series;
 - f. Draw by lot/Coin toss.
 - g. Criteria is reset after determining each seed.

The main objective of seeding is to have outstanding wrestlers separated in the brackets so that they will not meet each other until the finals. Seeding shall be based upon a wrestler's proven ability and not upon the desire for unwarranted advantage.

- 7. After the top five seeds are placed, the remaining slots shall be drawn by the computer.
- 8. Once the weight class is completed there will be no changes.
- 9. After the seeding meeting, no wrestler entered and seeded or placed by draw may change weight classes.
- 10. Only qualified alternates may be substituted after the seeding meeting. Permission must be received from the tournament director.
- 11. If it becomes necessary to replace a seeded wrestler, the following procedure will be used:
 - If a seeded wrestler is replaced, each seeded wrestler will advance one seed and the replacement will become the #5 seed.

PLEASE EMAIL ENTRY TO email@email.com BY NOON FRIDAY, MM/DD/YYYY 12:00 PM