



BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
of the **NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**
INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, KANSAS CITY
April 16th & 17th, 2026

MINUTES

1) Call to Order

Troy Tucker, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. CST on April 16th, 2026.

2) Roll Call- April 16th, 2026

Present: Troy Tucker (Board Chair); Kerri-Ann McTiernan (Vice Chair); Mary Young (Women's Senior Administrator); Dean Myrick (Men's Senior Administrator); Jerry Smith (R1); Chris Parker (R2); Kristen Schuth (R3); Darin Monroe (R4); Deron Clark (R5); Mike Saddler (R6); Bobby Hudson (R7); Rob Chaney (R8); Marci Henry (R9); Lind Hartsell (R10); Thom McDonald (R11); Dale Vos (R12); Kurt Kohler (R13); Dr. Tim Drain (R14); Michael Belfiore (R15); Darren Pannier (R16); David Elder (R17); Joel Bate (R18); Katie Amundson (R19); Jo Ann Todaro (R20); Tommy Stewart (R21); Michelle Ivey (R22); Steve Martin (R23); Sander Atkinson (R23-Proxy); Ron Riggle (R24); Dr. Dan Kinney, Jr. (PC Central); Dr. Michael Heindl (PC Southeast-Proxy), Dr. Greg Hodges (PC East Central); Dr. Lenny Klaver (PC Northwest-Proxy); Dr. Pamela Monaco (PC Northeast-Proxy); Dr. Myles Shelton (PC Southwest); Melissa Grau (At-Large); Joe Scheuermann (At-Large - Proxy), Michelle Silcox (At-Large); Derrick Worrels (At-Large)

Absent: Dr. Larissa Littleton-Steib (At-Large); Dr. Margaret McMenamin (PC Northeast); Thomas Huebner (PC Southeast), Dr. Janelle Oberland (PC Northwest)

NJCAA Staff in Attendance: Dr. Christopher Parker (NJCAA President and CEO); Jeff White (Counsel to the Board of Regents, Chief Legal Officer and Senior Vice President-Internal Affairs); Christopher Haley (Senior Director of Partnerships and Development), Michelle Meadows (Senior Vice President-COO & CFO); Dr. Brett Monaghan (Vice President for Championships, Membership, and Sports Governance); Rod Lovett (Assistant Vice President for Sports Governance and Regional Leadership); Andrew Givens (Assistant Vice President for Marketing, Development, and Community Outreach); Kalyn Fetter (Championships and Events Manager); Wanda Bodey (Senior Director of Compliance & Eligibility); Tyler Broderick (Compliance Associate); Robert Alexander (Compliance Associate); Holly Steuerwald (NJCAA Membership Director)

3) Recognition of Guests

Kelsi Weeks (Region 11), Christina Hundley (Region 1), Nathan Werreyer (Region 23), Sander Atkinson (Region 23), Timothy Dal Bon (Region 2), Scott Lane (Region 10), Dan Blair (Region 21), Karen Johnson (Region 18), Geoff Hawkins (Region 18), Jonathan Sisk (N/A), Wendi Tostenson (Region 7), Alison Webster (Region 7), Justin McKinney (Region 7), Madelyn Woods (Region 7), Kelly Saenz (Region 14), Josh Gooch (Region 6), Dane Vos (Region 12), Shane Larson (Region 11), Brooks Warren (Region 23), Tim Johnson (Region 12), Matt Johnson (Region 12), Dennis Rittle (Region 2), Michael Calvert (N/A), Trevor Chintala (Region 9), Gary Addinton (Region 9), Albert Monge (Region 5), Brooke Brewer (Region 2), Matt Cartwright (Region 2), Jerod McCormick (Region 2), Alan Foster (Region 2), and Eric Francis (Region 11).

4) Approval of Agenda

Tabled Items:

- a. Sport Governance (Darin Monroe):
 - Item 5031 – Requirement of Game Day Administrator
- b. Championships and Alignment Committee (Mike Saddler):

- Proposal 5032 – Division I and Division II Cross Country Championships
- c. Committee Chairs (Mike Saddler):
- Doug Spiwak - Cross Country Committee
 - Mike Belfore - Division III Men's Soccer Committee

Agenda Adjustments:

- Chair Tucker requested that Item #2004 be moved on the agenda to occur between Items 16 and 17.
- Chair Tucker requested latitude for movement of agenda items as needed.

MOTION to approve amendments by Rob Chaney **SECONDED** by Dean Myrick
PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

5) Consideration of January 2026 Meeting Minutes

MOTION to approve minutes by Tim Drain; **SECONDED** by Melissa Grau
PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

6) Special Report – NCAA (Jenn Fraser, Senior Vice President for Governance and Member Services, NCAA)

Jenn Fraser provided an update to the NJCAA Board of Regents on the future of college athletics. The report addressed the evolving governance landscape, including anticipated structural changes, ongoing legal and regulatory considerations, and the NCAA's continued focus on supporting member institutions and student-athletes. Emphasis was placed on adaptability, alignment among divisions, and maintaining the educational mission of intercollegiate athletics during a period of significant change.

7) Recognition of Service (Troy Tucker, Board Chair)

Chair Tucker recognized the following individuals for their service and retirement from the Board - Dr. Tim Drain; Dr. Myles Shelton; Dr. Michael Calvert and Deron Clark.

8) NJCAA Board Elections (Dean Myrick, Men's Senior Administrator and Mary Young, Women's Senior Administrator)

Chair Tucker explained that although each executive position was unopposed, all executive candidates were provided the opportunity to address the Board with a brief statement prior to voting. Following the candidate remarks, votes were conducted.

Election Results:

Chair: Troy Tucker — 32-0

Vice Chair: Kerri Ann McTiernan — 35-0

Treasurer: Dale Vos — 30-0-1

Secretary: Kristen Schuth — 35-0

All candidates were approved.

9) Board Chair Updates (Troy Tucker, Board Chair)

The Chair emphasized focusing on items relevant for action and noted that while amendments are permitted, substantially altering a proposal may warrant delaying a vote until June. A brief update was provided on Handbook revisions, including efforts to clean up the document and involvement and membership of the Presidents Commission.

The Chair thanked Darin Monroe, Rob Chaney, and Mike Saddler for leadership in Sport Governance, Eligibility and, Championships and Alignment, as well as committee members. Appreciation was also extended to Brett Monaghan and the Membership Committee, the National Office staff, and Kerri Ann McTiernan, Dean Myrick, and Mary Young for their continued service.

10) NJCAA National Office Updates

CEO Report – Dr. Christopher Parker

The CEO thanked the Board and participants for their support and recognized Holly Steuerwald, Brett Monaghan, and Chris Haley for their leadership in planning and executing the annual convention. The impact of NCAA and NAIA participation at the convention was highlighted as a meaningful opportunity to engage the membership.

The CEO emphasized the importance of relationship building and encouraged continued collaboration, while also acknowledging the ongoing work needed in eligibility to remain adaptable to the future. Brett Monaghan was called upon to address the philosophy behind selecting championship sites, noting the value of long term, committed hosts.

Recognition was given to the memory of Mary Beth, with acknowledgment of Dr. McMenamin, before Andrew Givens shared the history of Kay Yow and announced a foundation contribution in her honor. Updates were provided on member education efforts, including compliance office hours, followed by Jeff White's reminder regarding the June Summer Seminar.

The CEO reflected on early financial management challenges upon assuming the role in 2017 and praised Michelle Meadows for her leadership in financial strategy and forecasting. The report concluded with commendation of the leadership team and JLC for their collective efforts over the past year.

Personnel Report – Michelle Meadows

Michelle Meadows referenced Supplement No. 07, outlining the onboarding and welcome communication for Janelle Lewis Ford, who brings over 20 years of experience. A brief introduction of Janelle was provided.

11) Presidents Commission (Dr. Dan Kinney, Jr., Commission Chair)

The President's Commission held two meetings and continues to be working closely with presidents across our regions and districts. Key discussion points included refining language, clarifying membership selection, addressing presidential turnover, and encouraging greater presidential participation - particularly from institutions that are exploring the addition of athletics programs. We also received an update from NATYCAA.

12) Sport Committee Chair Presentations for June Board of Regents Meeting

a. Mr. Josh Gooch – on behalf of the D1 Men's and Women's Goff & D2 Men's Golf Committees

He proposed an expansion of the championship tournament and provided an explanation outlining the rationale behind the proposed expansion for Board consideration in June.

13) NJCAA Standing Committee/Council Reports

a. Appeals Committee (Kerri-Ann McTiernan, Committee Chair)

Vice Chair, McTiernan, thanked the committee members and National Office staff for their work. She provided clarification to address circulating misconceptions, noting that a significant number of appeals

have been successful, with 10 of 20 cases resulting in revised or favorable rulings. Members were directed to the Appeals Digest available on the NJCAA website, emphasizing the committee's efforts as a benefit to the overall membership.

b. **Tiered Sanctions subcommittee. (Lind Hartsell, Subcommittee Chair)**

The committee hosted another successful Open Forum, noting that the process continues to function effectively. Discussion focused on four primary areas: reporting scores, reporting statistics, reporting ejections or non-collegial behavior, and the ejection reporting process.

14) NJCAA Standing Committee/Council Voting Items

a. **Finance Committee (Dale Vos, Committee Chair)**

i. **Treasurer's Quarterly Report - [Supplement No. 08]**

At the conclusion of Q2, the Association is projecting 74% of anticipated income and 49% of expenses. While health insurance claims exceeded expectations (87% utilization at Q2), adjustments are being made to absorb the impact this fiscal year, and discussions with the provider indicate future premium increases are expected to be moderate.

Income is forecasted to finish approximately 11% above goal, driven primarily by a 25% increase in event and corporate sponsorships, with championship related revenue remaining stable year over year. Expenses are projected to increase by approximately 10%, largely due to health insurance, IT, convention costs, increased travel expenses related to global conflicts, and costs associated with the student success data project and Lumina grant, which are offset by grant funding and budget allocations.

Overall, the current projection reflects a balanced budget from both net operating and net income perspectives. Work has begun on the Fiscal Year 2027 budget, which will be presented at the June meeting.

MOTION to approve by Dale Voss; **SECONDED** by Dean Myrick
PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

ii. **Item #5011 – [Supplement No. 09] Dues Proposal 2027-2030**

MOTION to approve by Dale Voss; **SECONDED** by Tim Drain
PASSES 24-11

b. **Eligibility Committee (Rob Chaney, Committee Chair)**

Items 5012-5020 reflect proposals from the Eligibility Committee

i. **Item #5012 – [Supplement No. 13 Amended] Entrance Eligibility**

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Dr. Tim Drain
PASSES 32-2

ii. **Item #5013 – [Supplement No. 14] Enrollment Eligibility/Full-Time Requirement**

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Michelle Ivey
PASSES 34-0

iii. **Item #5014 – [Supplement No. 15] Enrollment Eligibility/Last Academic Term Full-Time Enrollment**

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Mike Saddler
PASSES 35-0

iv. **Item #5015 – [Supplement No. 16] Recertification**

MOTION to approve by Michelle Ivey **SECONDED** by Mike Saddler

PASSES 34-0

- v. Item #5016 – **[Supplement No. 17]** Eligibility Audits

MOTION to approve by Darin Monroe; **SECONDED** by Mike Saddler

PASSES 34-1-1

- vi. Item #5017 – **[Supplement No. 18 Amended]** Transfers

MOTION to approve by Ron Riggle; **SECONDED** by Jerry Smith

PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

- vii. Item #5018 – **[Supplement No. 19]** Amateur Status/Compensation and Employment

MOTION to approve by Darin Monroe; **SECONDED** by Dr. Tim Drain

PASSES 35-0

- viii. Item #5019 – **[Supplement No. 20]** Impermissible Aid/Employment

MOTION to approve by Michelle Ivey; **SECONDED** by Jerry Smith

PASSES 35-0

- ix. Item #5020 – **[Supplement No. 21]** Sports Procedures/Multi-Sport Participants

MOTION to approve by Dan Kinney; **SECONDED** by Ron Riggle

PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

c. Student Athlete Welfare and Safety Committee (Jeff White and Dr. Brett Monaghan)

- i. Items 5021- **[Supplement No. 22]** – Safety Bylaw Proposal

MOTION to approve by Ron Riggle; **SECONDED** by Dean Myrick

AMENDMENT was offered by Kurt Kohler change the word “shall” to “should” and “must” to the word “should” in the document. **SECONDED** by Tommy Stewart

PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION to approve as amended by Ron Riggle **SECONDED** by Dean Myrick

PASSES 30-5

d. Sports Governance Committee (Darin Monroe, Committee Chair)

- i. Item #5022 – **[Supplement No. 26 Amended]** Committee Selection

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Jerry Smith

PASSES 33-1

- ii. Item #5023 – **[Supplement No. 27]** Non-Collegial Language

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Mike Saddler

PASSES 34-0

- iii. Item #5024 – **[Supplement No. 28]** Non-Gameday Related Meals Update

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Ron Riggle

PASSES 33-1

- iv. Item #5025 – **[Supplement No. 29]** Offseason Funds

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Dr. Tim Drain

PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

- v. Item #5028 – **[Supplement No. 32 Amended]** Termination of Sport or Season

MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Mike Saddler

MOTION to Call the question by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Mike Saddler
PASSES 27-8

vi. Item #5029 – **[Supplement No. 33 Amended] Travel Roster Limitations – National Tournament**
MOTION to approve by Mik Saddler; **SECONDED** by Michelle Ivey
PASSES 26-8

vii. Item #5030 – **[Supplement No. 34] National Tournament Start Date**
MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Jerry Smith
PASSES 33-2

e. **Championship and Alignment Committee (Mr. Mike Saddler, Committee Chair)**

i. Item #5033 – **[Supplement No. 37] – DI/DII Baseball Postseason Model**
MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Mary Young
PASSES 32-1, with 1 abstention

ii. Item #5034 – **[Supplement No. 38] – DI/DII Softball Postseason Model**
MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Lind Hartsell
PASSES 33-1, with 1 abstention

iii. Item #5035 – **[Supplement No. 39] – Bowling Tournament/Championship Format Change**
MOTION to approve by Rob Chaney; **SECONDED** by Joann Todaro
PASSES 25-0, with 10 abstentions

f. **Membership Committee (Dr. Brett Monaghan)**

i. Item #5036 – **Canadian and Puerto Rican Membership Requests Discussion**
Board agreed to allow National Office to move forward with discussion of whether to pursue if they become a part of us.

ii. Item #5037 – **[Supplement No. 40] - Membership Bylaw Change**
MOTION to approve by Meliss Grau; **SECONDED** by Marci Henry
PASSES 31-2

iii. Item #5038 – **[Supplement No. 41] – Hudson County Community College Membership Application**
MOTION to approve by Tim Drain; **SECONDED** by Darin Monroe
PASSES 35-0

iv. Item #5039 – **[Supplement No. 42] – Valley Forge Military College Membership Application**
MOTION to approve by Dean Myrick; **SECONDED** by Michelle Ivey
PASSES 33-0

v. Item #5040 – **[Supplement No. 43] – Wor-Wic Community College Membership Application**
MOTION to approve by Mary Young; **SECONDED** by Michelle Ivey
PASSES 34-0

15) Action Items

a. Item #2006 – **[Supplement No. 44] - Appealing an NJCAA National Office Ruling** (Tyler Broderick and Kerri-Ann McTiernan)
MOTION to approve by Rob Chaney; **SECONDED** by Darin Monroe
PASSES 32-0

- b. Item #2004 - **[Supplement No. 02] - Definition of Suspension and Process for Reinstatement.** (Jeff White and Dr. Brett Monaghan)

The Board reviewed the proposed policy changes and expressed its support for the revised definition and reinstatement process. Given that this was a policy, no vote was required.

16) Executive Session

MOTION to enter Executive Session was made by Dan Kinney and **SECONDED** by Kerri Ann McTiernan. The Board entered Executive Session at 6:02 p.m.

Executive Session adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

17) Closing Remarks, Next Meeting:

Thursday, June 11 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern via Zoom (Pre-April Board Meeting Q&A session—non-mandatory).

Thursday, June 18 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern via Zoom

18) Adjournment

MOTION to adjournment by Troy Tucker, **SECONDED** by Kerri Ann McTiernan
PASSES UNANIMOUSLY



National Junior College Athletic Association
NJCAA FY26 Budget v Actuals
August 2025 - January 2026

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Income				
4000 Membership Income				
4085 Membership Dues	2,565,000.00	2,575,000.00	-10,000.00	99.61%
4095 New Membership Applications	30,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00	300.00%
Total 4000 Membership Income	\$ 2,595,000.00	\$ 2,585,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	100.39%
4200 Non-Membership Income				
4210 Coaches Association Admin Fees	37,204.40	34,000.00	3,204.40	109.42%
4240 Convenience Fee	494.81		494.81	
4250 Licensing	32,988.80	50,000.00	-17,011.20	65.98%
4265 Event Sponsors	128,942.16	140,000.00	-11,057.84	92.10%
4266 Event Registration	77,376.00	75,000.00	2,376.00	103.17%
4270 National Broadcasts/Network Sponsors	127,000.00	127,000.00	0.00	100.00%
4287 NJCAA Network	246,529.48	173,000.00	73,529.48	142.50%
4296 Other Income	13,821.21	30,000.00	-16,178.79	46.07%
Appeal Fees	20,000.00		20,000.00	
Eligibility/Audit Fees	83,250.00		83,250.00	
Non-Collegial Fines	500.00		500.00	
Total 4296 Other Income	\$ 117,571.21	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 87,571.21	391.90%
4300 Corporate Sponsors	483,815.70	755,000.00	-271,184.30	64.08%
4301 Grants		40,000.00	-40,000.00	0.00%
Lumina Grant	70,871.67		70,871.67	
Total 4301 Grants	\$ 70,871.67	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 30,871.67	177.18%
4302 ESports Admin Fees	300,000.00	300,000.00	0.00	100.00%
4400 Tournament Guarantees	\$ 515,760.63	\$ 690,000.00	-\$ 174,239.37	74.75%
Total 4200 Non-Membership Income	\$ 2,138,554.86	\$ 2,414,000.00	-\$ 275,445.14	88.59%
4304 Merchandising	146,858.67	240,000.00	-93,141.33	61.19%
Total Income	\$ 4,880,413.53	\$ 5,239,000.00	-\$ 358,586.47	93.16%
Gross Profit	\$ 4,880,413.53	\$ 5,239,000.00	-\$ 358,586.47	93.16%
Expenses				
5000 Salaries & Benefits				
5011 Management Staff	919,619.66	1,303,000.00	-383,380.34	70.58%
5080 Classified Staff	638,940.62	819,000.00	-180,059.38	78.01%
5085 Employee Insurance	371,660.33	235,000.00	136,660.33	158.15%
5100 Employer Taxes & Unemployment	118,938.37	165,000.00	-46,061.63	72.08%
5140 401K	45,491.48	62,500.00	-17,008.52	72.79%
5290 Employee Fees	8,769.26	24,000.00	-15,230.74	36.54%
Total 5000 Salaries & Benefits	\$ 2,103,419.72	\$ 2,608,500.00	-\$ 505,080.28	80.64%
5200 Office Expenses				
5205 Guest Relations	10,544.00	18,000.00	-7,456.00	58.58%
5210 Rent	291,817.45	355,000.00	-63,182.55	82.20%
5230 Office Supplies	55,308.67	30,000.00	25,308.67	184.36%
5245 Equipment Lease	1,814.31	3,000.00	-1,185.69	60.48%
5250 Postage & Shipping	4,616.46	10,000.00	-5,383.54	46.16%
5270 Outreach	17,685.40	20,000.00	-2,314.60	88.43%
5291 Credit Card & Banking Fees	547.25	3,000.00	-2,452.75	18.24%
5350 Insurance & Bonds	95,478.35	130,000.00	-34,521.65	73.44%
5360 Auditing/Acctg/Professional Svc				
5361 Audit Fees	20,000.00	12,000.00	8,000.00	166.67%
5364 Professional Services	63,747.18	95,000.00	-31,252.82	67.10%
5632 CPA Fees	1,527.60	5,000.00	-3,472.40	30.55%
7010 Legal Fees	26,255.38	65,000.00	-38,744.62	40.39%
Total 5360 Auditing/Acctg/Professional Svc	\$ 111,530.16	\$ 177,000.00	-\$ 65,469.84	63.01%
5435 Education Fund	14,312.17	20,000.00	-5,687.83	71.56%

5437 Graduate Assistance Program	3,000.00	8,000.00	-5,000.00	37.50%
Total 5200 Office Expenses	\$ 606,654.22	\$ 774,000.00	-\$ 167,345.78	78.38%
5295 Marketing and Promotions				
5300 Website & Stats	37,500.00	32,000.00	5,500.00	117.19%
5304 NJCAA Network/National Broadcasts	327,532.67	425,000.00	-97,467.33	77.07%
5305 Marketing	9,875.45	10,000.00	-124.55	98.75%
Total 5295 Marketing and Promotions	\$ 374,908.12	\$ 467,000.00	-\$ 92,091.88	80.28%
5299 Information Technology Expenses				
5060 Service Provider	\$ 139,886.25	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 9,886.25	107.60%
5220 Phone Systems	16,080.44	24,000.00	-7,919.56	67.00%
5221 IT Support	104,229.15	107,000.00	-2,770.85	97.41%
5285 Software Subscription Services	16,072.08	20,000.00	-3,927.92	80.36%
5307 Technology - Supplies	10,137.65	10,000.00	137.65	101.38%
Total 5299 Information Technology Expenses	\$ 286,405.57	\$ 291,000.00	-\$ 4,594.43	98.42%
5415 Administrative Travel				
5410 Travel - Executive				
5420 Travel - Chief Executive Officer	\$ 28,650.90	\$ 32,000.00	-\$ 3,349.10	89.53%
5429 Travel - Project & Special Events	11,810.24	20,000.00	-8,189.76	59.05%
5429-1 Membership Site Visits	15,374.48		15,374.48	
Total 5429 Travel - Project & Special Events	\$ 27,184.72	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 7,184.72	135.92%
Total 5410 Travel - Executive				
\$ 55,835.62	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 3,835.62	107.38%	
5425 Travel - Sports, Events, Membership				
5421 Travel - Championships	52,070.23	70,000.00	-17,929.77	74.39%
5427 Travel - Sports Rep	20,734.20	40,000.00	-19,265.80	51.84%
Total 5425 Travel - Sports, Events, Membership	\$ 72,804.43	\$ 110,000.00	-\$ 37,195.57	66.19%
5428 Travel - Development, External Affairs & Marketing	20,529.11	25,000.00	-4,470.89	82.12%
5450 Travel - Compliance, Legal, EDI	8,893.48	10,000.00	-1,106.52	88.93%
Total 5415 Administrative Travel	\$ 158,062.64	\$ 197,000.00	-\$ 38,937.36	80.23%
5500 Special Events				
9030 Convention	186,112.42	275,000.00	-88,887.58	67.68%
Total 5500 Special Events	\$ 186,112.42	\$ 275,000.00	-\$ 88,887.58	67.68%
7000 Board of Regents Expenses				
7030 NJCAA Board of Regents	38,103.36	35,000.00	3,103.36	108.87%
7050 BOR Contingency Fund	42,500.00	90,000.00	-47,500.00	47.22%
Total 7000 Board of Regents Expenses	\$ 80,603.36	\$ 125,000.00	-\$ 44,396.64	64.48%
8000 Affiliations				
8123 NACDA / NATYCAA - Professional Development	43,114.50	60,000.00	-16,885.50	71.86%
8125 NJCAA Affiliations	12,404.17	25,000.00	-12,595.83	49.62%
Total 8000 Affiliations	\$ 55,518.67	\$ 85,000.00	-\$ 29,481.33	65.32%
8500 Championships				
5441 Travel - Tournament Representatives	3,854.40		3,854.40	
9020 Championship Operations	152,274.94	286,000.00	-133,725.06	53.24%
Credentials	39,324.89		39,324.89	
Misc. Championship Expenses	69,899.04		69,899.04	
Officiating	31,457.93		31,457.93	
Signage	85,609.47		85,609.47	
Total 9020 Championship Operations	\$ 378,566.27	\$ 286,000.00	\$ 92,566.27	132.37%
9021 National Awards	76,474.53	81,000.00	-4,525.47	94.41%
9022 District Awards	33,472.21	35,000.00	-1,527.79	95.63%
9023 District Coverage	24,000.00	24,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 8500 Championships	\$ 516,367.41	\$ 426,000.00	\$ 90,367.41	121.21%
Total Expenses	\$ 4,368,052.13	\$ 5,248,500.00	-\$ 880,447.87	83.22%
Net Operating Income	\$ 512,361.40	-\$ 9,500.00	\$ 521,861.40	-5393.28%

Other Income				
4256 Investment Income		125,000.00	-125,000.00	0.00%
4260 Interest on Investments	1,501.78		1,501.78	
4261 Realized Gain/Loss-Investments	134,884.19		134,884.19	
4262 Unrealized Gain/Loss-Investment	322,904.38		322,904.38	
4263.1 Dividend Income	70,444.67		70,444.67	
4263.2 Investment Mgmt Fees	-9,334.60		-9,334.60	
4264 Interest Income-Bank Accounts	2,574.53		2,574.53	
Total 4256 Investment Income	\$ 522,974.95	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 397,974.95	418.38%
4405 In Kind Contributions	198,240.71		198,240.71	
Total Other Income	\$ 721,215.66	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 596,215.66	576.97%
Other Expenses				
SUSPENSE	50.00		50.00	
Total Other Expenses	\$ 50.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 50.00	
Net Other Income	\$ 721,165.66	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 596,165.66	576.93%
Net Income	\$ 1,233,527.06	\$ 115,500.00	\$ 1,118,027.06	1067.99%

Notes:

5230 Office Supplies - \$23,209.10 GIK (106.99%)
5060 Service Provider - \$7,730.91 GIK (101.65%) - Lumina Grant \$32,666.67 (89.82%)
9030 Convention - \$15,155.30 GIK (62.16%)
9020 Championship Operations - \$152,145.40 GIK (79.08%)

**NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
FISCAL BUDGET 2026-27 Budget - DRAFT**

	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Budget	YOY Change
<u>INCOME SOURCES</u>			
4000 - Membership			
4085 - Membership	\$ 2,575,000.00	\$ 2,530,000.00	-1.7%
4090 - Sport Fee			
4086 - New Member Applications	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	100.0%
4200 - Non-Membership Income			
4210 - Coaches Association Admin Fees	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	5.9%
4256 - Investment Income	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	0.0%
4250 - Licensing	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 55,000.00	10.0%
4265 - Event Sponsors	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	7.1%
4266- Event Registrations	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	-13.3%
4270 - Network Sponsors	\$ 127,000.00	\$ 127,000.00	0.0%
4287 - NJCAA Network & Television	\$ 173,000.00	\$ 380,000.00	119.7%
4296 - Other Income	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	66.7%
4300 - Corporate Sponsors	\$ 755,000.00	\$ 915,000.00	21.2%
4301 - Grants	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 68,000.00	70.0%
4302 - Esports Admin Fees	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 308,500.00	2.8%
4400 - Tournament Guarantees	\$ 690,000.00	\$ 709,300.00	2.8%
4304 - Merchandising	\$ 240,000.00	\$ 245,000.00	2.1%
Total Non-Membership Income	\$ 2,779,000.00	\$ 3,233,800.00	16.4%
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 5,364,000.00	\$ 5,783,800.00	7.8%
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
5000 - Salaries & Benefits			
5050 - Mangement Staff	\$ 1,303,000.00	\$ 1,440,000.00	10.5%
5080 - Classified Staff	\$ 819,000.00	\$ 850,000.00	3.8%
5085 - Employee Insurance	\$ 235,000.00	\$ 338,000.00	43.8%
5100 - Employer Taxes & Unemployment	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 179,000.00	8.5%
5140 - 401K	\$ 62,500.00	\$ 79,500.00	27.2%
5290 - Employee Fees	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	
Total Salaries and Benefits	\$ 2,608,500.00	\$ 2,910,500.00	11.6%
5200 - Office Expenses			
5205 - Guest Relations	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	22.2%
5210 - Rent	\$ 355,000.00	\$ 365,000.00	2.8%
5230 - Office Supplies	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	
5245 - Equipment Lease	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
5250 - Postage & Shipping	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
5270 - Outreach	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	
5291 - Credit Card & Bank Fees	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	
5350 - Insurance & Bonds	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 120,000.00	-7.7%
<u>5360 - Auditing/Acctg/Professional Svc</u>			
5361 - Audit Fees	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	150.0%
5364 - Professional Services	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 77,000.00	-18.9%
5632 - CPA Fees	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
7010 - Legal	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	

Total Accounting Professional Costs	\$ 177,000.00	\$ 177,000.00	
5435 - Education Fund	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	-40.0%
5437 - Graduate Assistants Program	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -	-100.0%
Total Office Expenses	\$ 774,000.00	\$ 762,000.00	-1.6%

Total Marketing and Promotions			
5300 - Website & Stats	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	-68.8%
5304 - NJCAA & ESPN Network	\$ 425,000.00	\$ 710,000.00	67.1%
5305 - Marketing	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Total Marketing and Promotions	\$ 467,000.00	\$ 730,000.00	56.3%

5299 - Information Technology Expenses			
5060 - Service Provider	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 161,000.00	23.8%
5220 - Phone Systems/Internet	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	
5221 - IT Support	\$ 107,000.00	\$ 123,000.00	15.0%
5285 - Software Subscription Services	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	
5307 - Technology Supplies	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Total Information Technology Expenses	\$ 291,000.00	\$ 338,000.00	16.2%

5415 - Administrative Travel			
5410 - Travel - Executive			
5420 - Travel - Chief Executive Officer	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 32,000.00	
5429 - Travel - Operations	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	
5429-1 Travel - New Member Site Visits		\$ 10,000.00	
5425 - Travel - Sports, Events, Membership			
5421 - Travel - Championships	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	7.1%
5427 - Travel - Sports Rep	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	
5428 - Travel - Development, External Affairs, Marketing	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	
5430 - Travel - External and Development	\$ -		
5450 - Compliance, Legal, EDI	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
5423 - Travel - Compliance	\$ -		
Total Administrative Travel	\$ 197,000.00	\$ 212,000.00	7.6%

5500 - Special Events			
9030 - Convention	\$ 275,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	-9.1%
Total Special Events	\$ 275,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	-9.1%

7000 - Board of Regents			
7030 - Board of Regents	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	
7050 - BOR Contingency Fund	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	
Total Board of Regents Expenses	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	

8000 - Affiliations			
8123 - NACDA/NATYCAA	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 55,000.00	-8.3%
8125 - NJCAA Affiliations	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	-20.0%
Total Affiliations	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	-11.8%

8500 - Championships

9020 - Championships Operations	\$ 286,000.00	\$ 360,000.00	25.9%
9021 - National Awards	\$ 81,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	4.9%
9022 - District Awards	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	5.7%
9023 - District Coverage	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	

Total Championships \$ 426,000.00 \$ 506,000.00 18.8%

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 5,248,500.00 \$ 5,908,500.00 12.6%

NET OPERATING INCOME \$ 115,500.00 \$ (124,700.00) -208.0%

OTHER INCOME

One-time addition from FY26 reserves \$ 145,000.00

NET INCOME \$ 115,500.00 \$ 20,300.00 -82.4%

National Junior College Athletic Association
 Board of Regents Personnel Report – June 2026 Meeting
 Report as of May 27, 2026

Full Time Employees Leaving NJCAA

Name	Hire Date	Sep. Date	Position	Reason
Lydia Morris	4/2/24	5/12/26	Sports Operations & Championships Associate	Res
Carly Pitts	3/27/23	5/15/26	Senior Compliance Associate	Res

New Employees

Name	Hire Date	Sep. Date	Position	Reason
Connor Mauritz	6/1/26		Compliance Associate	R
Kelsi Weeks	06/15/2026		Director of Championships	R/NP

Reason

R-Replacement T-Termination
 P-Promotion LA-Leave of Absence
 NP- New Position Res-Resignation
 RIF-Reduction in Force Ret-Retirement

New Employee Summary

Please join us in welcoming Connor Mauritz as the newest Compliance Associate with the National Junior College Athletic Association. Connor brings a strong foundation in collegiate athletics administration and NCAA compliance, along with valuable experience supporting student-athlete eligibility, governance, and operations.

Connor recently earned his Bachelor of Science in Sport Management with a minor in Business Administration from Winthrop University and is currently pursuing his Master’s degree in Sport Management at Belmont Abbey College. Most recently, he has served as an NCAA Compliance Intern at Belmont Abbey College, where he has worked extensively with eligibility oversight, CARA logs, NIL disclosures, and student-athlete compliance education.

In addition to his compliance experience, Connor has gained hands-on operational and governance experience through internships with the Big South Conference, including supporting conference compliance initiatives, student-athlete outreach events, and championship operations for the 2025 Big South Basketball Championships. His background also includes two years as a Student Basketball Manager with the Winthrop Eagles men's basketball, where he supported daily basketball operations, video coordination, team logistics, and player development initiatives.

Connor’s passion for collegiate athletics, attention to detail, and commitment to student-athlete success make him a tremendous addition to the compliance team. We are excited to have him join the organization and look forward to the impact he will make in serving our member institutions and student-athletes.

Additionally, please join us in welcoming Kelsi Weeks as the new Director of Sport Operations and Championships with the National Junior College Athletic Association. Kelsi brings more than a decade of progressive leadership experience in collegiate athletics administration, championship operations, compliance, and student-athlete development at the NJCAA level.

Currently serving as Director of Intercollegiate Athletics at Indian Hills Community College, Kelsi has successfully overseen a 19-sport athletic department, managing strategic planning, budgeting, compliance, staffing, event operations, and championship administration. Under her leadership, Indian Hills Athletics achieved significant competitive success, including multiple conference, regional, district, and national championship appearances and titles.

Prior to Indian Hills, Kelsi spent nearly a decade at Tyler Junior College in several athletic leadership roles, including Interim Director of Athletics, Associate Director of Athletics, and Assistant Director of Athletics. Throughout her tenure, she led numerous NJCAA championship hosting efforts, overseeing all aspects of event operations, media coordination, facility management, team logistics, hospitality, and game administration. Her extensive experience directing NJCAA national championship events, combined with her strong background in compliance, eligibility oversight, budgeting, marketing, and community engagement, make her exceptionally well-suited for this national leadership role.

Kelsi is widely recognized as a collaborative leader, strategic thinker, and relationship builder who is passionate about enhancing the student-athlete experience and elevating championship operations. Her involvement with organizations such as the National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators, National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, and multiple leadership committees throughout the NJCAA landscape reflects her commitment to the continued growth and advancement of two-year college athletics.

We are excited to welcome Kelsi to the national office and look forward to the leadership, innovation, and operational excellence she will bring to NJCAA sport operations and championships.

April 8, 2026 – Eligibility Committee Meeting @ 1pm EST

1. Call to Order:

Rob Chaney, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM EST on April 8, 2026.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Chair: Rob Chaney, Division I Reps: Deron Clark (2023); Division II Reps: Brian Anweiler (2024); Division III Reps: Kristen Schuth (2024), Mike Belfiore (2025); PAC Rep: Dr. Tom Huebner Aspiring Leaders: Dane Vos, Bryan Nobile; Senior Men's Director: Dean Myrick; Senior Women's Director: Mary Young

Absent: Vice Chair: Troy Larson (2024), Division I Rep: Jeff Willis (2024), Division DI Rep: Christina Hundley (2024)

NJCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance: Wanda Bodey

Other NJCAA Staff Members in Attendance: Carly Pitts, Bobby Alexander, Tyler Broderick, Jeff White

3. Approval of Agenda: Rob Chaney approves starting the agenda breakdown at 1:02 PM EST

Rob goes into the purpose of today's call, gaining feedback from each representative's region on the voting items and the amendment to one of the proposals. The committee shares that most of them have their region meetings at the end of the week.

Rob explains the amendment to the entrance eligibility proposal. Further shows another potential option for the proposal.

Mike Belfiore voices concern of having to crosscheck every high school to the lists even if they are local schools that they know of.

Dean adds that it should be the wording that is as close to a universal language as possible.

Christina adds that the bylaw proposal may be more stringent and voices that this could be hard to police from the institutional level.

Dean asks about the current wording for the proposal and editing that as that is what is on the table, not the current wording.

Troy brings up the wording in the current proposals regarding the accrediting agencies being linked to the college accreditation and was unsure if there are additional high school accreditation agencies.

Dean makes a motion to amend the approved bylaw to go before the board, second by Deron

RECOMMENDATION

- d. Entrance Eligibility
 - a. To be certified for participation on an NJCAA Eligibility Roster, a student-athlete must provide proof of high school graduation:
 - i. **Domestic student** must provide proof of graduation through one of the following options:
 - 1. Final high school transcript following graduation
 - a. Transcript must be from a high school whose status with the NCAA is either "Cleared" or under "Extended Evaluation" per the [NCAA High School Portal](#) or one that is recognized by the **respective state's Department of Education (or its equivalent)** that is fully accredited by one of six regional accrediting agencies, as recognized by the NJCAA (Article I, Section 1.E.1).
 - b. The transcript must identify the student, school, and graduation date and include either an administrative signature from the high school or an administrative stamp the college registrar interprets as official.
 - c. Digital transcript services are considered official without an administrative signature or stamp but must be accompanied by a statement on college letterhead from the registrar confirming the digital service used to receive the transcript and that it is considered official.
 - d. An official high school transcript or copy of an official high school transcript is acceptable.
 - 2. State-recognized equivalency exam test results and diploma
 - a. If the student-athlete has passed the exam but not been awarded the certificate or diploma, they may establish eligibility by submitting written proof the exam has been successfully completed.
 - 3. If a high school is unable to provide acceptable proof of graduation on a transcript, a letter may be submitted from the high school. This letter must:

Motion passed unanimously

Rob asks the committee if the order of the bylaw should be flipped showing the NCAA website following the piece of recognition by the state's department of education.

Rob closes out the meeting with a few points going into the eligibility meeting at convention.

4. Good of the Order

5. Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 10 AM EST

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Rob Chaney at 1:53 pm EST.

April 16, 2026 – Eligibility Committee Meeting @ 10am CT

1. Call to Order:

Rob Chaney, Eligibility Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM CT on April 16, 2026.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Chair: Rob Chaney, Vice Chair: Troy Larson (2024), Division I Reps: Deron Clark (2023), Jeff Willis (2024); Division II Reps: Brian Anweiler (2024), Christina Hundley (2024); Division III Reps: Kristen Schuth (2024), Mike Belfiore (2025); PAC Rep: Dr. Tom Huebner Aspiring Leaders: Dane Vos; Senior Men's Director: Dean Myrick; Senior Women's Director: Mary Young

Absent: Bryan Nobile

NJCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance: Wanda Bodey

Other NJCAA Staff Members in Attendance: Bobby Alexander, Tyler Broderick, Jeff White

3. Approval of Agenda: Rob Chaney approves starting the agenda breakdown at 10:01 AM CT

Rob Chaney asks the members of the committee to introduce themselves followed by the NJCAA compliance staff.

4. Discussion

Rob explains that he will roll through and briefly discuss each proposal for the board meeting.

Rob starts with the first proposal for entrance eligibility and explains the amended language that will be brought to the board.

The committee asks if there is any hesitancy with the amendment. The group agrees that there is not and it covers what they want to avoid and what they want to avoid is likely rare to begin with.

Rob further breaks down the proposal through the international and homeschool entrance eligibility requirements.

Rob goes over proposals two and three regarding enrollment eligibility. A question from the floor comes regarding the six-credit requirement. Rob brings up that it is

specific to the graduate exception and the student athlete that chooses to come back was the rationale.

Rob discusses the recertification bylaw. Questions from the floor come up regarding the last day through grace periods. Kristen and Dean explain that a streamlined definition was needed as institutions were not using the same date nationally.

Rob discusses the next proposals.

Rob brings up the idea of adding outdoor track & field, and beach volleyball to the list in proposal five. The committee discusses if the bylaw is necessary at all. Mike adds that track does not have fall contests. Christina brings up a concern with golf as scores count for golf in the fall and eligibility is submitted in the fall. The group brings up the idea of striking

B.

Kristen Motions to Strike II, Second by Jeff Willis

Motion passes unanimously.

Jeff White asks if there are any questions or concerns about the two employment bylaw proposals.

Rob brings up the July proposals from the membership for 2026-27.

A question from the floor regarding the casebook and if it is coming back.

Jeff White adds that there is work in progress for an interactive handbook with videos of explanations instead of the casebook.

Rob Chaney thanks the committee for their work.

5. Good of the Order

6. Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 10 AM EST

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Rob Chaney at 11:00 pm CT.



Sports Governance Meeting Minutes

May 14th, 2026

Termination of Sport or Season – Tommy Stewart

The Sports Governance committee had Tommy Stewart join the call to discuss his proposal to change the dates for terminating a season and sport. Below were the proposed new dates:

- **Fall Sports:** August 10th
 - **Winter Sports:** October 1st
 - **Spring Sports:** February 1st
- The rationale for changing the dates is that later dates would allow student-athletes to complete summer classes for eligibility and give staff more time to track incoming students. Tommy also believes the current July 1st deadline is unworkable for their regions and could potentially lose some member institutions. A primary concern was that the later declaration dates would leave student-athletes stranded if a school cancels a team.
 - For example, a baseball player finding out on February 1st that their team is canceled would have no opportunity to transfer and play elsewhere for that season. Similarly, by August 10th, most fall sport rosters at other colleges would already be full.

Ron expressed frustration that this proposal was not brought forward during previous meetings but instead was introduced shortly before the final vote. It was noted that the committee must consider the impact on all D3 schools across the country, not just those in the Northeast.

Tommy argued that approximately 70% of D3 schools are located in the Northeast and would be the most affected by the current July 1st deadline. He stated that the D3 experience in the Northeast, with its high concentration of colleges and non-dormitory urban schools, is different from other parts of the country. Kurt and Dom argued that the proposed dates were too late and Dom shared an experience from Mohawk Valley, where holding their volleyball coach accountable for recruiting improved the program without needing a rule change. It was suggested that the original proposal provides administrators with the “teeth” needed to enforce roster guidelines, especially at unionized institutions. The discussion highlighted that forcing schools to commit to their sports programs earlier legitimizes non-scholarship athletics and prompts institutions with consistently struggling programs to have difficult conversations about the viability of those sports. Mary argued that the current system does a disservice to students when programs repeatedly reach the point of cancellation and fines. The focus should be on the quality of programs and the brand of the organization, not just the quantity of teams. Ron also made a counterpoint that changing the dates could negatively affect student-athletes’ opportunities to participate, which contradicts the organization’s slogan, “opportunity starts here.”

- The committee reviewed a proposal from Mr. Stewart to amend the dates for season cancellations. A motion was made by Mr. DiMaggio and seconded by Mr. Riggle to deny this proposal. The committee voted unanimously to deny the proposed amendment, keeping the original, earlier dates in place.

Non-Gameday Related Meals and Housing – Jerry Smith

- The committee also had Jerry Smith on the call to discuss his amended change to the non-gameday related meals and housing proposal. Jerry’s new proposal was introduced to allow Division One (D1) schools to provide non-game day meals and housing to student athletes starting on the fourth Friday of July, before the current August 1st start date.
 - The purpose is to allow time for essential pre-season activities like physicals, concussion testing, and academic scheduling before practices begin on August 1st. (It was noted that many schools are likely already violating this bylaw unintentionally by having athletes move in early.)

The committee discussed Jerry Smith’s proposal regarding early move-in for athletes, with a consensus that the topic needed to be placed in a more appropriate section of the bylaws. The initial proposal suggested allowing athletes to move in and receive room and board for three days prior to the official start date of practice, leaving the existing “16 day”

rule alone. The committee discussed the specifics of the date, questioning if “the fourth Friday of July” was the best choice as it creates a variable number of days (from four to seven) each year.

- An alternative of setting a fixed number of days prior to August 1st (e.g., “three days prior”) was suggested for consistency.

It was clarified that while the proposal is for D1 schools, which can pay for housing, Division Two (D2) athletes might be able to purchase meals from an open dining hall if they came to campus at their own expense. Kurt and Dom raised a point that this new D1-specific proposal should not replace an existing rule that allows D2 and D3 schools to provide 16 meals, as that would negatively impact them. The committee agreed to find an appropriate place for the new rule without eliminating the existing one. It was proposed to amend the “Campus Housing” section (Section E) to “College Provided Housing” to include off-campus housing that is provided by the college. A debate ensued over the appropriate number of days for early move-in. Suggestions ranged from three to seven days. The committee settled on proposing a fixed start date of **July 28** for all divisions, as this would provide clear guidance and prevent confusion over how to calculate “three days prior.” It was agreed that the rule should apply to all student-athletes, including non-scholarship players, though those without scholarships would still have to pay for the extra time. The approved proposal allows fall sports athletes to move into college-provided housing beginning July 28th. The phrasing “beginning July 28th” was deliberately chosen so that the move-in is not mandated for that specific day, giving coaches and athletes flexibility. A request was made for the proposal to be voted on in June and become effective July 1st of the current year.

- A motion was made and was seconded to set the move-in dates for fall athletes to be the beginning of July 28th. This vote was passed unanimously.

Sport Specific Proposals

- A motion and second was made and passed to approve the rule regarding bowling game balls from 5 to 6.
- A motion and second passed to adjust the Division I and Division II men’s basketball poll dates to match the existing women’s basketball schedule.
 - The adjustment involves removing the first January poll date and adding a March poll date.
- The committee approved the motion and second for new poll dates for Division I and Division II men’s and women’s soccer.

- The rationale for this change is to give teams more time to play early in the season, which will allow for a more accurate week one ranking.
- A motion and second to change the Division III baseball poll date was approved.
 - The goal is to align the final weekly poll with the end of the regular season, mirroring the final poll timing of Division II.
- A motion and second to modify the Division III football All-American selection process was passed.
 - The new structure will consist of a First Team, Second Team, and an Honorable Mention category for no more than 25 players. This change replaces the current three-team structure, effectively reducing the number of total honorees. A committee member noted this change formalizes what they have already been doing in practice.
- The committee debated and passed a motion and second to require women's basketball players to tuck in their jerseys, amending the current NCAA rule that does not require it. *The vote was 6 to 3 in favor.*
 - **Arguments for:** Supporters argued that tucked-in jerseys present a neater, more professional appearance that aligns with the organization's brand.
 - **Arguments against:** Opponents noted that the organization should follow the NCAA rulebook consistently rather than creating exceptions. They also raised concerns about enforcement and the fact that some newer uniform styles are shorter and harder to tuck in.
- The committee approved a motion and second to align with new NCAA substitution rules for women's court volleyball, creating a division-specific policy.
 - **Division I (NJCAA):** Will remain at 15 substitutions per set, aligning with NCAA Division I.
 - **Division II & III (NJCAA):** Will increase to 18 substitutions per set, aligning with NCAA Division II and III.
 - **Crossover Matches:** When teams from different divisions play each other (e.g., D-I vs. D-II), the 18-substitution rule will apply as the maximum. A D-I team can still choose to limit itself to 15 subs. It was confirmed this rule change applies only to women's indoor volleyball, with no changes for men's or beach volleyball.
- The committee discussed adopting a new NCAA Division I policy that allows commercial logos on team uniforms, apparel, and equipment, effective August 1.
 - The NCAA policy specifies a maximum patch size of four square inches and limits the number of logos. A key restriction is that these logos cannot conflict with NCAA championship sponsors.

- A significant risk identified was managing potential conflicts between a team’s local sponsor (e.g., a local bank) and a national championship’s exclusive partner (e.g., a national bank).
- It was noted that patches would need to be easily removable, not sublimated, to address potential sponsorship conflicts at championship events.
- Concerns were raised about the logistical challenge of pre-vetting every team’s potential sponsor to avoid last-minute issues at championships.
Due to the complexities and potential for conflicts with championship sponsors, the committee discussed tabling the decision and coming back at a later date.
- The committee discussed and passed a motion and second for men’s and women’s wrestling for match limits and making weights for All-American status.

Match Limits: A health and safety rule was added to the handbook to limit the number of matches an individual wrestler can compete in on a single day.

“Making Weight” and All-American Status: New language was approved to clarify that a wrestler who qualifies for day two of a two-day event is considered an All-American, even if they subsequently fail to make weight for day two. This aligns with NCAA interpretation.

- The committee discussed and passed a motion and second for track and field entries eligibilities and scrimmage dates.
Scrimmage Dates: This enables athletes to participate in fall activities without the team needing to file for eligibility until the spring season, as most official meets do not occur before December 1st.

National Tournament Start Date

The group then discussed the National Tournament start date proposal. A question was raised about the National Office’s role in Super Regionals, which are scheduled to begin in 2028.

- It was clarified that Super Regionals are considered the start of the national tournament and will fall under National Office oversight.

The group discussed and formally passed a motion and second to add a clarifying bullet point to an existing proposal.

- The new language specifies that the National Office will maintain oversight for district tournaments in several key areas:
 - Ordering and distribution of district awards.

- District insurance coverage.
- Ordering and distribution of game balls.
- Collection of district contracts between multiple regions.

Soccer Card Accumulations

Brett and the committee expressed significant concern over the high number of ejections in men's soccer, citing one region with 78 ejections in a single year, which was described as "astronomical" and "embarrassing." Dom made a distinction between different types of yellow cards. It was argued that cards for dissent or unsportsmanlike behavior are the primary problem, not those issued for common fouls or unintentional plays. Lumping all yellow cards together for disciplinary action was seen as a potential mistake, as it might unfairly punish players for routine game fouls.

- Below is the breakdown of the divisions in Men's Soccer:

Division I Men's Soccer: Four teams had 50-59 yellow cards, and two teams had 60 or more.

Division II Men's Soccer: Five teams had over 50 yellow cards, and two had over 60.

Division III and Women's Soccer: Both had substantially lower numbers of yellow cards.

To address the issue, the committee approved a new motion and second for a staggered penalty system based on yellow card accumulation during the regular season.

- The approved structure is as follows:
 - At 30 yellow cards: A warning letter will be sent to the region administration and the Athletic Director (AD).
 - At 40 yellow cards: A letter of reprimand will be sent to the region administration, the AD, and the college president.
 - At 50 yellow cards: The head coach will receive a one-game suspension. The coach will be permitted to travel with the team but must remain out of sight and sound during the game.
 - For postseason play, the threshold for a one-game suspension is increased to 60 yellow cards. A team's regular-season card count

carries over, but a suspension is not triggered until the 60-card mark is reached.

- This vote passed.

The NCAA has released soccer rule changes for the upcoming year, which are currently under review by soccer chairs and coaches' association presidents. Decisions on which rules to adopt will need to be made before the start of the season. A suggestion was made for regional leadership to take on the responsibility of tracking the specific reasons for yellow cards (e.g., dissent vs. a game foul) to gather more accurate data for future policy-making.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Darin Monroe
Email	d.monroe@rockvalleycollege.edu
Submitting Committee	Sports Governance
Proposal Title/Topic	National Tournament Start Date update
Type of Proposal	Bylaw Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	Provide clarification of the role the NJCAA national office will have in District Tournaments.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	TBD
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	<p>Tournament Structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• National Tournament Start Date: The National Tournament shall commence on the first official day of the National Championship event, with specific dates announced annually by the Board of Regents.• Regional/District Qualifier Formats: Each Region and District is granted the authority to determine the format, structure, and specific rules for their respective qualifying tournaments, including but not limited to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Number of rounds and game formats (e.g., pool play, single elimination).o Award structures for qualifiers.o Specific dates, times, and locations for their events, provided they conclude sufficiently prior to the National Tournament start date to allow for team travel and adherence to National qualification deadlines.• Alignment with Nationals: While formats may vary, Regional and District tournaments should strive to mirror the administration and spirit of the National Tournament where feasible, ensuring fair competition for all participating teams.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

Tournament Structure:

- National Tournament Start Date: The National Tournament shall commence on the first official day of the National Championship event, with specific dates announced annually by the Board of Regents.
- Regional/District Qualifier Formats: Each Region and District is granted the authority to determine the format, structure, and specific rules for their respective qualifying tournaments, including but not limited to:
 - o Number of rounds and game formats (e.g., pool play, single elimination).
 - o Award structures for qualifiers.
 - o Specific dates, times, and locations for their events, provided they conclude sufficiently prior to the National Tournament start date to allow for team travel and adherence to National qualification deadlines.
- Alignment with Nationals: While formats may vary, Regional and District tournaments should strive to mirror the administration and spirit of the National Tournament where feasible, ensuring fair competition for all participating teams.
- National Office will still have oversight for District Tournaments for:
 - o Ordering and Distribution of District Awards
 - o District Insurance Coverage
 - o Ordering and Distribution of balls.
 - o Collection of District Contracts between multiple regions.

Please attach any supporting documentation here. (Optional)

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Submitting Committee	Sports Governance
Proposal Title/Topic	College Provided Housing
Type of Proposal	Bylaw Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	July 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal	Many fall sport athletes are required to move into campus housing or begin team meetings prior to August 1st. This update would allow for non-gameday related housing to be provided during this time.
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Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Article VI. Section 1. B.4.e
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Current NJCAA Handbook Language	Campus Housing: Member colleges may permit all student-athletes to return to their on-campus residences when they are required to attend organized team practice sessions or competitions that are outside of the academic calendar as posted in the college catalog.
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Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	<p>College Provided Housing: Member colleges may permit all student-athletes to return to their college provided housing when they are required to attend organized team practice sessions or competitions that are outside of the academic calendar as posted in the college catalog.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <input type="checkbox"/> Student-athletes participating in fall sports that begin practices on August 1st may move into college-provided housing beginning July 28th. Funding for housing prior to July 28th is strictly prohibited.o <input type="checkbox"/> Division 1: Institutional athletic scholarships may fully cover the costs of college-provided housing and associated fees.o <input type="checkbox"/> Division II and Division III: Institutions may not utilize athletic scholarships or institutional funds to cover the cost of housing during this pre-season period.
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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Darin Monroe

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Submitting Committee Sports Governance

Proposal Title/Topic Scholarship Only: Scheduling Club/Prep/JV Programs

Type of Proposal Sport Procedures Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2027

Rationale for Proposal Would allow four-year college JV scheduling to maintain positive relationships our colleges have with them. It also serves as a great recruiting opportunity for our student-athletes looking to transfer to four-year schools to continue their athletic career. Knowing the NJCAA policy, it would be at the discretion of each NJCAA member whether they schedule JV contests or not.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected NA

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Any games played against non-member programs, except for NJCAA approved military programs, NWAC, or California Junior Colleges, will not be included in the rankings, seeding, or at-large considerations. The NJCAA plans to work with Presto Sports to ensure that those non-member games are removed from seeding reports for committees

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

NJCAA members shall only schedule regular season contests against colleges who are members of the NJCAA, NJCAA approved military programs, Northwest Athletic Conference, California Community College Athletic Association, or NAIA/NCAA/NCCAA affiliated four-year college varsity/junior varsity programs. Allow members to schedule JV games with maximum of 10% per allowable sport schedule as per the NJCAA Sport Procedures chart.

☐☐The NJCAA Sport Procedures Chart identifies those sports which count dates of competition vs. games.

☐☐Allowable Sport schedule (games or dates) is to be multiplied by 0.1 and rounded up to the next complete game or date (for example 10% of a 56-game schedule is 5.6 or 6 games.)

o☐Anything over 10% shall be counted as a scrimmage date.

☐☐Stats and Results with 10% max would now count.

Please attach any supporting documentation here. (Optional)

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Darin Monroe
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Submitting Committee	Sports Governance
Proposal Title/Topic	Scheduling Club/Prep/JV Programs: Non-Scholarship Programs Only
Type of Proposal	Sport Procedures Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2027

Rationale for Proposal	<p>Would allow four-year college JV, club teams, and other non-NJCAA member college scheduling to maintain positive relationships our colleges have with them. It also serves as a great recruiting opportunity for our student-athletes looking to transfer to four-year schools to continue their athletic career. Knowing the NJCAA policy, it would be at the discretion of each NJCAA member whether they schedule JV, club, or non-NJCAA member college contests or not. Since non-scholarship colleges do not have a level below them like NJCAA DI and DII colleges do, competing against 4-year JV programs and club programs, and counting the results and stats, helps non-scholarship programs fill schedules with contests that benefit them and are worth the financial commitment to those contests. In addition, at the DIII-level, NJCAA colleges may switch to club status when there are low roster numbers or other reasons that impact a program's ability to complete a season as a varsity team. By allowing varsity teams to compete against NJCAA club teams and count the stats and records, it helps the varsity team maintain a complete schedule, while helping the club program keep students engaged and building toward establishing a varsity program the following year.</p>
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Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	NA
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**Current NJCAA Handbook
Language**

Any games played against non-member programs, except for NJCAA approved military programs, NWAC, or California Junior Colleges, will not be included in the rankings, seeding, or at-large considerations. The NJCAA plans to work with Presto Sports to ensure that those non-member games are removed from seeding reports for committees.

**Proposed NJCAA Handbook
Language**

NJCAA members shall only schedule regular season contests against colleges that are members of the NJCAA, NJCAA-approved military programs, Northwest Athletic Conference, California Community College Athletic Association, NAIA/NCAA-affiliated four-year college varsity/junior varsity programs, NJCAA-approved club programs, or NAIA/NCAA-affiliated four-year college club programs and collegiate post-grad club teams. Stats and results for any games played against these programs will be counted and included in the rankings, seeding, or for at-large considerations.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Michael Belfiore
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Submitting Committee	Bowling
Proposal Title/Topic	Change the maximum allowable bowling balls from 5 to 6
Type of Proposal	Sport Code Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	Many ball bags are built for 3 balls and many bowlers utilize 6 in regular season play. There is no measurable advantage for any bowler to have an extra ball. Filling a 2nd bag with 3 balls total makes transporting them easier as well.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Sport Code Section 5.C
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	C. All teams will abide by the five-ball limit rule at both regional and national championships. Balls will be registered with the Tournament Director who will be responsible for administering this rule.
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	C. All teams will abide by the six-ball limit rule at both regional and national championships. Balls will be registered with the Tournament Director who will be responsible for administering this rule.
Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)	Strike through change can be found in the attached document under Section 5 C.
Please attach any supporting documentation here. (Optional)	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/19408491150

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Dan Blair
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Submitting Committee	DIII Baseball
Proposal Title/Topic	Change in Polling Dates
Type of Proposal	Sport Code Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	To have the final weekly poll line up with the conclusion of the end of the regular season, this will also mirror the final poll in D2. Final Poll would now be May 3 2027 for the next season. Will also start the poll one week earlier, the first poll in 2027 will be on March 1.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Sport Code - Section 7 C - Poll Dates
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	. Poll Dates: Jan, 20* Mar. 9, Mar. 16, Mar. 23, March 30, Apr 6, Apr.14, Apr. 20, Apr. 27, May 4, May 11
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	End poll on May 3 2027. Week 1 poll would be March 1 2027, all other dates would be recipricol.
Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)	To better align all three Divisions of NJCAA Baseball with their polling dates

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Thom McDonald

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Submitting Committee DI Men's Basketball

Proposal Title/Topic Removal of First January Poll Date & Addition of March Poll Date

Type of Proposal Other: Poll dates

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal The Joint Basketball Committee recommends removal of the first January poll date to stay aligned with other basketball committees.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Sport Codes - DI Men's Basketball - Section 7

Current NJCAA Handbook Language

NJCAA DI Men's Basketball Poll

A. The NJCAA DI Men's Basketball Committee adheres to the NJCAA Sport Committee & Poll Process listed in Section 9 of the NJCAA General Sport Code relating to poll procedures.

B. Poll Criteria

1. Overall record
2. Record since last poll
3. Last 10 games
4. Record vs. District opponents
5. Record vs. DI, DII, DIII opponents

C. Poll Dates: Oct. 20[^], Nov. 10, Nov. 17, Nov. 24, Dec. 1, Dec. 8, Dec. 15., Jan. 6*, Jan. 12, Jan. 20*, Jan. 26, Feb. 2, Feb. 9, Feb. 17*, Feb. 23

[^] Preseason Poll
*Released on Tuesday due to the federal holiday

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

Section 7. NJCAA DI Men's Basketball Poll

A. The NJCAA DI Men's Basketball Committee adheres to the NJCAA Sport

Committee & Poll Process listed in Section 11 of the NJCAA General Sport Code

relating to poll procedures.

B. Poll Criteria

1. Overall record

2. Record since last poll

3. Last 10 games

4. Record vs. District opponents

5. Record vs. DI, DII, DIII opponents

C. Poll Dates:

Oct. 20[^], Nov. 9, Nov. 16, Nov. 23, Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 14, Jan.

11, Jan. 19*, Jan. 25,

Feb. 1, Feb. 8, Feb. 16*, Feb. 22, Mar. 1 (2026-2027)

[^] Preseason Poll

*Released on Tuesday due to the federal holiday

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)

This is for DI & DII Men's and Women's Basketball.

Please attach any supporting documentation here. (Optional)

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Rodney Lovett
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Submitting Committee	DII Women's Basketball
Proposal Title/Topic	Requirement for Jersey to be tucked in for DI, DII, DIII Women's Basketball
Type of Proposal	Sport Code Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	Be consistent from Men to Women on requirement for jersey to be tucked in. Currently required for Women but not for Men.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 4 of DI, DII, and DIII Women's Basketball Sport Codes
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	None
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	In the Sport of Women's Basketball, the NJCAA will require for jerseys to be tucked in. This is an exception to an NCAA rule.
Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)	Consistency across the board Men to Women with this rule.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Joel Bate

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Submitting Committee DI Court Volleyball

Proposal Title/Topic Substitution Limits

Type of Proposal Sport Code Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal Aug 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal

This being a rule change year, the NCAA put forth a proposal to increase sub limits per set from 15-18. Riann announced that change at the Volleyball joint meeting in Kansas City. When we probed down further into this, we realized that the NCAA increased to 18 in just DII and DIII, leaving DI with 15 subs. Odd that they are making those changes by Division.

Since we are trying more and more to move to NCAA rules, this left us with a dilemma on what to follow. We have come up with the following proposal that fits the needs and mission of each of our divisions.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected

Section 3C. Addition to this section noting exceptions to the rules

Current NJCAA Handbook Language

None-- States that the NJCAA will use NCAA rules. While this is still true, want to clarify what we are doing by Division

**Proposed NJCAA Handbook
Language**

3. The maximum number of substitutions allowed per set is based on the following:

DI vs DI -- 15 subs

DI vs DII/DIII. 18 subs

This would be all that is needed in the DI section. However, we could include the following to be consistent throughout all three divisions in terms of language

DII vs DII --18 subs

DII vs DIII-- 18 subs

DII vs DIII-- 18 subs

**Please include any additional
notes for your proposal.
(Optional)**

We talked at length about this in terms of how this rule fit our Divisions. The rule aligns more closely with the DII and DIII philosophies. DI felt that we would want the student athletes in that Division to more closely model after the NCAA Division I rules since many make that transition.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Riann Mullis

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Submitting Committee DII Court Volleyball

Proposal Title/Topic Increasing Volleyball Substitutions

Type of Proposal Other: Game Rule Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal Increasing substitutions at the NJCAA Division II Volleyball level would create additional opportunities for student-athletes to participate in competition. With the implementation of two liberos already expanding playing opportunities, increasing the substitution limit from 15 to 18 would further enhance student-athlete participation while providing coaches with greater flexibility in game management. Additionally, this change would align NJCAA Division II Volleyball rules with current NCAA Division II and DIII regulations.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Sports Code - DII Volleyball - Section 8 A.

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Currently in accordance with NCAA Rules - NJCAA Volleyball allows for a maximum of 15 substitutions per set.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language When involving substitutions, NCAA DII and DIII rules will be followed - allowing a maximum of 18 substitutions per set.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee DIII Court Volleyball

Proposal Title/Topic Change to Substitution Rules

Type of Proposal Sport Code Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal With changes to the NCAA substitution rule, this NJCAA Volleyball substitution rule change aligns the NJCAA DII and DIII levels with the NCAA DII/DIII, while allowing the NJCAA DI colleges, when competing against other DI colleges, to align with the NCAA DI level. Since participation is a key factor in NJCAA DII and DIII, it is important to provide more opportunities for athletes to compete by using the new NCAA DII/DIII substitution rule.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected DIII Volleyball Sports Code Section 4.C and Section 7.A

Current NJCAA Handbook Language None specifically. The sports code states that NCAA rules will be used.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language The maximum number of substitutions allowed per set is based on the following:

DI vs. DI = 15 subs
DI vs. DII/DIII = 18 subs
DII vs. DII = 18 subs
DII vs. DIII = 18 subs
DIII vs. DIII = 18 subs

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee DIII Football

Proposal Title/Topic DIII Football All-American

Type of Proposal Other: Handbook, Awards (page 9): DIII Football is proposing having 1st team All-American, 2nd team All-American, & Honorable Mention All-American (no more than 25 selected)

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal With DIII football having about a third of the teams as DI, the DIII football committee saw no reason to have the same number of All-Americans

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Page 9 in the Awards section of the NJCAA Handbook

Current NJCAA Handbook Language

Number AA/Positions Chosen: Up to 75 players may be named

First Team: 25
Offense - 11 (Quarterback, 2 Running back, 2 Wide receiver, Tight end, 5 Offensive line)
Defense - 11 (4 Defensive Line, 3 Linebackers, 4 Defensive Back)
Kicking Specialists - 3

Second Team: 25
Offense - 11 (Quarterback, 2 Running back, 2 Wide receiver, Tight end, 5 Offensive line)
Defense - 11 (4 Defensive Line, 3 Linebackers, 4 Defensive Back)
Kicking Specialists - 3

Third Team: 25
Offense - 11
Defense - 11
Kicking Specialists - 3

**Proposed NJCAA Handbook
Language**

Number AA/Positions Chosen: Up to 75 players may be named

First Team: 25

Offense - 11 (Quarterback, 2 Running back, 2 Wide receiver, Tight end, 5 Offensive line)

Defense - 11 (4 Defensive Line, 3 Linebackers, 4 Defensive Back)

Kicking Specialists - 3

Second Team: 25

Offense - 11 (Quarterback, 2 Running back, 2 Wide receiver, Tight end, 5 Offensive line)

Defense - 11 (4 Defensive Line, 3 Linebackers, 4 Defensive Back)

Kicking Specialists - 3

Honorable Mention: May include up to 25 players not designated by a set number per position

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Jess Brinkerhoff

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Submitting Committee DI Women's Soccer

Proposal Title/Topic Moving Voting Back a Week

Type of Proposal Sport Code Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal Gives more time for teams to play earlier in the season, allowing for a more accurate week 1 ranking. Also allows final ranking of season to be more accurate so rankings are more accurate going into seeding and at large selections. All divisions and men/women aligning on this proposed issue.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Section 7 - DI Mens and Womens Soccer

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Section 7. NJCAA Division I and II Men's Soccer Poll
A. The NJCAA DI and DII Men's Soccer Committees adhere to the NJCAA Sport Committee & Poll Process listed in Section 9 of the NJCAA General Sport Code relating to poll procedures.
B. Poll Dates: Aug. 11[^], Sept. 2*, Sept. 8, Sept. 15, Sept. 22, Sept 29, Oct. 6, Oct. 14*, Oct. 20,
[^]Preseason Poll
*Released on Tuesday due to the federal holiday

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language Section 7. NJCAA Division I and II Men's Soccer Poll
A. The NJCAA DI and DII Men's Soccer Committees adhere to the NJCAA Sport Committee & Poll Process listed in Section 9 of the NJCAA General Sport Code relating to poll procedures.
B. Poll Dates: [^]Preseason Poll - Aug. 10[^], Sept. 7, Sept. 14, Sept. 21, Sept 28, Oct 5, Oct. 12, Oct. 19, Oct. 26,

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)

Please check the dates that I inputted that they match DI Mens and the dates correctly per the change, and if any holidays affect this to modify.

For DI & DII Men's and Women's Soccer.

Please attach any supporting documentation here. (Optional)

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee	Sports Governance
Proposal Title/Topic	Men's and Women's Soccer Yellow Card Accumulation Enforcement (by each individual team)
Type of Proposal	Sport Code Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	The purpose of this bylaw is to promote sportsmanship and manage team behavior by placing accountability on individual teams for the accumulation of yellow cards (cautions) during the regular season and post-season.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 4 of all DI, DII, and DIII Men's and Women's Sport Codes
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	None

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

Regular Season Enforcement

- 30 Yellow Cards: Written letter of warning to the institution's Athletic Director and Regional Director and/or Commissioner.
- 40 Yellow Cards: Written letter of warning to the institution's Athletic Director, College President, and Regional Director and/or Commissioner.
- 50 Yellow Cards: Mandatory one (1) game suspension of the Head Coach.
- 60 Yellow Cards: Mandatory two (2) game suspension of the Head Coach.

Post-Season Enforcement:

- If a team's cumulative yellow card total for the regular season is under 50, the team will be permitted to accumulate an additional 10 yellow cards during post-season play without a suspension of the Head Coach.
 - The combined Regular Season plus Post-Season Yellow Card threshold will be 60 before a mandatory one (1) game suspension of the Head Coach and 70 before a mandatory two (2) game suspension of the Head Coach are triggered.
 - Any suspension earned due to yellow card accumulation in the final match of the post-season will carry over to the first match of the following season.
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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee	Track & Field
Proposal Title/Topic	Entries Eligibiliy
Type of Proposal	Other: Sport Code Clarification
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1. 2026
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 2 A F
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	<p>A. Institutions may enter a team or individuals in an NJCAA Track & Field Championship. Individuals entered in an NJCAA Track & Field Championship Meet must be qualified for entry by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Meeting the performance standard for all events entered; or,2. Be a white card entry for a single event. (Section 4 for details).
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	<p>Add this verbiage to the above:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Top 16 performance list qualifier. (See Sect. 2.f)
Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)	<p>Notes; Housekeeping, we added top 16 qualifier rule already, but should included a reference to it in this section with performance standards and whitecards.</p> <p>This is for both men and women track and field.</p>

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee Track & Field

Proposal Title/Topic Fall Scrimmage Dates

Type of Proposal Sport Procedures Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal This would allow for track athletes to compete in the fall semester and not affect eligibility or years of participation. Other spring sports have full seasons of competition in the fall. This will help with retention of athletes from fall to spring. As they are scrimmages occurring before the official start of allowable competition performance would not count towards indoor or outdoor qualifying marks. These would be in addition to the 20 allowable competitions for indoor/outdoor combined.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Sports Procedures Allowable Dates

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Track
& Field
(Indoor)
Men/Women
Oct 1 Nov 1 Oct 31 NJCAA
Meet
20 Dates Combined
Indoor/ Outdoor
Feb
5
20 Nov 1 Track & Field
(Outdoor)
Men/Women
Oct 1 Jan 22 Fourth Friday
in Jan
NJCAA
Meet

**Proposed NJCAA Handbook
Language**

Schools declaring for Indoor and/or Outdoor Track and Field will be allowed two scrimmage dates in the fall semester during the month of October. This would be added to the sports procedure chart.

**Please include any additional
notes for your proposal.
(Optional)**

This is for both men and women track and field.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Marci Henry
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Submitting Committee	Men's Wrestling
Proposal Title/Topic	Daily Match Limit
Type of Proposal	Other: Additional Item for Clarification
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	In the current format, it is possible a wrestler could meet his/her daily match limit.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Wrestling Sport Code Section 6
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	none
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	Section 6 M In the event that any athlete reaches their daily match limit prior to the completion of scheduled rounds on Day 1, those individual bouts will be held until Day 2, and will be wrestled prior to the first scheduled rounds of Day 2.
Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)	This is for both men and women wrestling.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Marci Henry
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Submitting Committee	Men's Wrestling
Proposal Title/Topic	Doesn't Make Weight on Day 2
Type of Proposal	Other: Clarification to the rules
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1 2026
Rationale for Proposal	The wrestling rules interpreter helped us make this ruling and to remain consistent, it needs to be in the handbook.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 6 N
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	None
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	If a wrestler does not make weight on Day 2, but is an All American, the team points remain and the wrestler maintains their All American status.
Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)	This is for both men and women wrestling.

5/6/26 Championships & Alignment Meeting

Present – Al Perry, Jo Ann Todaro, Joe Kosina, Katie Amundson, Mike Balado, Marci Henry, Shane Larson, Rod Lovett, Lynn Nabi, Chris Parker, Courtney Pruitt, Jerry Smith, Mary Young, Nate Heistand, Sander Atkinson, Scott Newton, Jess Brinkerhoff, Bill Jackson, Mike Saddler

Absent – Katie Willingham, Kalyn Fetter, Dean Myrick

Meeting called to order at 1pm ET by Chair Mike Saddler. Focus of meeting was on sport committee proposals passed during April Convention meetings.

Beach Volleyball Championship Bracket Proposal – Mary Young motion to approve, Jerry Smith seconded. Passed unanimously.

Bowling Entry Submission Deadline – Bill Jackson motion to approve, Jerry Smith seconded. Passed unanimously.

Cheer – No motion. Committee needs to further develop this concept and bring back for further evaluation. Overall discussion by committee revolved around the health of NJCAA Cheer.

Golf Post Season Format –

DI Men – Mike Balado made motion to approve, Chris Parker seconded. Passed unanimously.

DI Women – Chris Parker made motion to approve, Mary Young seconded. Passed unanimously.

DII Men – Courtney Pruitt made motion to approve, Chris Parker seconded. Passed unanimously.

DI Volleyball Elimination Match – Shane Larson made motion to approve, Sander Atkinson seconded. Passed unanimously.

DII Volleyball All-Tournament Awards – Mary Young made motion to approve, Scott Newton seconded. Passed unanimously.

DIII Men's Soccer – No motion. Committee discussed their continued concern with differing formats between Division III Men's and Women's Soccer. Much discussion took place around this topic. Katie Amundson, who also serves as the DIII Women's Soccer Chair spoke to the women's decision to stick with a 4-day event, while also speaking to the men's committees reasoning for wanting a 5-day event. Concern from many committee members around equity issues.

Flag Football Championship Status – Lynn Nabi made motion to approve, Mary Young seconded. Pass unanimously.

Cross Country & Half Marathon Championship Fee Increase – Al Perry made motion to approve, Shane Larson seconded. Pass unanimously.

Men's Lacrosse Tournament Qualifying & Selection Process – Shane Larson made motion to approved, Jo Ann Todaro seconded. Pass unanimously.

M&W Wrestling Entry Deadline – Shane Larson made motion to approved, Al Perry seconded. Pass unanimously.

Men's Wrestling Qualifying – Al Perry made motion to approve, Bill Jackson seconded. Passed unanimously.

Track & Field Coach Verification – Al Perry made motion to approve, Jo Ann Todaro seconded. Passed unanimously.

Track & Field Entry Deadline – Sander Atkinson made motion to approve, Marci Henry seconded. Passed unanimously.

Track & Field Multi Top 16 – Jo Ann Todaro made motion to approve, Sander Atkinson seconded. Passed unanimously.

Track & Field Indoor Qualifying Marks – Al Perry made motion to approve, Bill Jackson seconded. Passed unanimously.

Track & Field 4x800 and DMR Heat Info – Marci Henry made motion to approve, Chris Parker seconded. Passed unanimously.

Track & Field Vertical Jumps – Sander Atkinson made motion to approve, Chris Parker seconded. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45pm ET.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Marci Henry
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Submitting Committee	Beach Volleyball
Proposal Title/Topic	Section 4 Championship Bracket
Type of Proposal	Other: Removal
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	Immediately
Rationale for Proposal	Remove from the Handbook because we have the option to have a national tournament with 8 teams up to 12. Currently it shows the Pools for 12 teams, and this may not always be the case. IV.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 4 Championship Bracket
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	Current bracket and pool play for the tournament.
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	None. Simply remove what is there.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Marci Henry

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Submitting Committee Beach Volleyball

Proposal Title/Topic Championship Qualification

Type of Proposal Tournament/Championship Format Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal Aug 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal As additional teams have declared for 27 and 28, the committee looked at where to add them into the qualification. The Committee feels that by creating a hybrid qualification that includes regional qualification and open qualification, we continue to encourage colleges to add the sport without adding significant travel costs by traveling to a district and a national tournament.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Section 2 Team Qualification & Section 3 Pairs Qualification (new)

**Current NJCAA Handbook
Language**

Section 2. Team Qualification

A. Teams must complete District Play (crown champions) by April 18, 2026

B. By April 12 of each year, all teams must declare their commitment to attend the Beach National Championships if they win their district or are selected for an at-large bid.

C. Teams must compete in a minimum of 4 matches

D. For the 2026 season only, the qualifying teams shall come from the following 8 districts

2026 NJCAA BEACH VOLLEYBALL DISTRICTS

Region 10 - A Region 1, Region 5

Region 10 - B Region 9

Region 8 - A Region 18

Region 8 - B Region 8 - C

E. Substitution Order

a. If a district representative cannot attend the national championship, then the district runner-up will advance to the national championship.

b. If an at-large representative cannot attend the national championship, then the next team on the at-large selection list will be the substitute. (at-large list will be 6 teams deep)

c. In the event a Region with only one participant cannot attend the national championships, then an additional atlarge team will be selected.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

Section 2. Team Qualification

A. Region Qualification

- a. Teams with 3 or more participating teams in the Region must complete their Regional Championships by April 17, 2027.
- i. An automatic bid will be awarded to Region Champions from Regions with 3 or more teams competing.
- ii. Those colleges that do not win their Region Championship may qualify by completing the Open Qualification Registration.
- iii. Teams must compete in a minimum of 4 duals to qualify for the NJCAA National Championships.

B. Open Qualification Registration

- a. All Colleges (regardless of the number of participating teams in their Region) may complete the Open Qualification Registration to qualify for the National Tournament.
- i. Registration will open Dec 1 of the current academic year.
- ii. If a team registers and is an automatic qualifier, their slot will open.
- iii. Teams must compete in 4 duals to qualify for the NJCAA National Championships.

C. No more than 12 teams will qualify for the NJCAA National Beach Volleyball Championships.

Section 3. Pairs Exhibition

A. Pairs Open Registration

- a. Pairs registration will open Feb 1 of the current academic year.
- b. The Pairs Exhibition will run simultaneously with the NJCAA Beach National Championships.

c. Pairs Qualification

- i. Pairs may be from any member colleges even if they do not offer beach volleyball as a recognized sport by the NJCAA National Office.
- ii. Pairs whose team is competing in the National Championships may NOT participate in the Pairs Exhibition, unless they are Pair #6 or Pair #7.

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)

Section 3 is what we already do. It is being added for more clarification as colleges consider adding beach and wanting to consider the experience of the Pairs Exhibition.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee	Bowling
Proposal Title/Topic	Entry Submission Deadline
Type of Proposal	Sport Code Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	To give the host more time to organize and prepare for tournament
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Sport Code Section 3.A
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	Entries are due one week prior to the National Tournament. (List Date)
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	Entries are due 10 days prior to the National Tournament. (List Date)
Please attach any supporting documentation here. (Optional)	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/19408369420

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Michael Belfiore

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Submitting Committee Bowling

Proposal Title/Topic Tournament Format Change to an 8 team single elimination tournament after days 1 & 2 (singles, doubles, team event)

Type of Proposal Tournament/Championship Format Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal To provide a more exciting, competitive and marketable path towards competing for the National Championship

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Sport Code Sections 4 & 5

Current NJCAA Handbook Language

- A. Each member college is allowed to enter up to eight participants. Any college may enter as few events as they wish.
- B. The tournament shall consist of the following events:
1. Doubles Event - two team members are paired together to bowl three games. Combined pin fall per doubles team will determine doubles competition. If a team has an odd number of players, the odd player may bowl three games during doubles competition but shall not be eligible for that award. Players may not be paired with members from another college.
 2. Singles Event - all entrants will bowl three games. This pin fall will be used to determine singles competition.
 3. Five Man/Woman Event - there will be two, three blocks in this event. Teams will be seeded for each block of three games. Teams may only bowl up to five members of their team during this format. Any additional players may only be used as substitutes.
 4. Baker Games - nine games shall be bowled in the Baker format (three, three-game blocks). Teams will be seeded at the start of each three-game block.
Up to three substitutions per Baker Game will be permitted. Founded by the American Bowling Congress Secretary Emeritus, Frank Baker, the Baker System of scoring utilizes all five players in a single line of scoring with the lead-off player rolling the first and sixth frame, the second player rolling the second and seventh frame, and so on, with the anchor (fifth) bowler rolling the fifth and tenth or final frame.
 5. Team scoring will be determined by total pin fall as follows:
 - I. At the conclusion of doubles and singles competition, the top five highest pin falls (of the maximum designated six players) shall be counted towards the team total.
 - ii. The six games bowled in the Five Man/Woman format will count towards team total.
 - iii. Nine Baker games will count towards the team total.
- C. In case of a tie for first place, the teams will be declared co-champions.

Section 5. Rules and Officials

- A. USBC Collegiate Division rules shall be followed.
1. Lane Assignments- Lane assignments will be determined by the tournament director and provided prior to the start of play. The "move" consisting of new lane assignments will occur after the double's events. Individual bowlers must stay within their groupings and cannot switch out of their groups and associated assignments once tournament play begins and the same groupings must be kept after the "move".
 - B. The Tournament Host shall be responsible for securing the services of all necessary officials, judges, etc. to satisfactorily conduct the tournament as determined by the NJCAA Committee on Bowling.

C. All teams will abide by the five-ball limit rule at both regional and national championships. Balls will be registered with the Tournament Director who will be responsible for administering this rule.

D. There is to be no practice session (bowling) of any type once tournament play begins.

E. Ball registration sheets must be turned in prior to the start of warm-ups on the beginning day of the tournament. No equipment may be changed after that point.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

- A. Each member college is allowed to enter up to eight participants. Any college may enter as few events as they wish.
- B. The tournament shall consist of the following events:
1. Doubles Event - two team members are paired together to bowl three games. Combined pin fall per doubles team will determine doubles competition. If a team has an odd number of players, the odd player may bowl three games during doubles competition but shall not be eligible for that award. Players may not be paired with members from another college.
 2. Singles Event - all entrants will bowl three games. This pin fall will be used to determine singles competition.
 3. Five Man/Woman Event - there will be a 6 game block in this event. Teams may only bowl up to five members of their team during this format. Any additional players may only be used as substitutes.
 4. Championship Bracket - Baker Games: Top 8 teams after Singles, Doubles and Team event will bowl in a single elimination seeded bracket using Baker games in a Best of 7.

Tie Breaker for Seeding Purposes:

In the case there is a tie for seeding among the top 8, the tie will be broken by the team who has bowled the highest team game score. If there is a tie for the last seed, a full head to head baker will be bowled and the highest score will be awarded the seed. If any ties remain, an additional Baker game will be bowled until a winner is determined.

Up to three substitutions per Baker Game will be permitted.

Founded by the American Bowling Congress Secretary Emeritus, Frank Baker, the Baker System of scoring utilizes all five players in a single line of scoring with the lead-off player rolling the first and sixth frame, the second player rolling the second and seventh frame, and so on, with the anchor (fifth) bowler rolling the fifth and tenth or final frame.

5. Team scoring will be determined by total pin fall as follows:
- i. At the conclusion of doubles and singles competition, the top five highest pin falls shall be counted towards the team total.
 - ii. The six games bowled in the Five Man/Woman format will count towards team total.

C. Tie Breaker for Baker Games Match Play: During the Elimination Bracket if a best of 7 match ends up tied, a full baker game will be bowled to determine the winner. If any ties remain, an additional Baker game will be bowled until a winner is determined.

D. Tournament Schedule

1. Thursday will be doubles and singles
2. Friday will be 6 team games
3. Saturday will be the Top 8 Single elimination bracket best of 7 matches.
4. There will be a consolation match between the teams

eliminated in the semifinals to determine 3rd place.

5. If time allows, a practice session will be run on Thursday morning.

6. The banquet will be on Friday evening and will present Doubles, Singles and All American awards along with Hall of Fame inductions.

Section 5. Rules and Officials

A. USBC Collegiate Division rules shall be followed.

1. Lane Assignments- Lane assignments will be determined by the tournament director and provided prior to the start of play. During doubles each team will have their bowlers on consecutive lanes with no more than one per lane. Bowlers will move pairs each game within a 6 or 8 lane block. All team members will be in the same block. The "move" consisting of a new lane assignment block will occur after the doubles events. Individual bowlers must stay within their groupings and cannot switch out of their groups and associated assignments once tournament play begins and the same groupings must be kept after the "move". During singles all members of the same team will still be on consecutive lanes in the same block. During team event teams will move lanes each game and use lane blocks of 6,8,10,12 teams.

B. The Tournament Host shall be responsible for securing the services of all necessary officials, judges, etc. to satisfactorily conduct the tournament as determined by the NJCAA Committee on Bowling.

C. All teams will abide by the six-ball limit rule at both regional and national championships. Balls will be registered with the Tournament Director who will be responsible for administering this rule.

D. There is to be no practice session (bowling) of any type once tournament play begins. E. Ball registration sheets must be turned in prior to the start of warm-ups on the beginning day of the tournament. No equipment may be changed after that point.

F. Lanes shall be re-oiled after the Doubles and Singles competition. Lanes will be oiled fresh at the beginning of each day. The bracket will use freshly oiled pairs each match.

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)

Changes are better tracked using the attached document

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Rodney Lovett
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Submitting Committee	DI Men's Golf
Proposal Title/Topic	Change in Format for DI Men. DI Women, and DII Men starting in 26-27
Type of Proposal	Tournament/Championship Format Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	<p>More consistent with four-year college Golf championships, would better prepare our athletes. Would get more people involved, possible reinvigorate NJCAA golf</p> <p>Hopefully would lead to a more exciting National championship,. Keeps more teams engaged for the 1-8 spots in match play.</p>
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 4 several letters
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	The NJCAA Championship Golf Tournament shall be a 72-hole medal play event.
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	The NJCAA Golf tournament would have one round of practice play followed by 54 medal play to determine the individual medalist, the all-tournament team, and the eight teams advancing to Match play. Round 1 would be played on Day 4 with 1 vs 8, 4 vs 5, 2 vs 7, and 3 vs 6. Losers in round one is eliminated. Round 2 matches will take place in the afternoon with the four-semi-finalist facing off with highest remaining seed playing the lowest remaining seed in one semi-final and the two remaining teams in the other. Championship, and 3rd and 4th place match take place on the final day.
Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)	Additional discussions will take place with regards to inclement weather and potential cancellation of an entire day.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee DI Court Volleyball

Proposal Title/Topic Revision: Elimination of Match 24--Currently listed as 7th Place game

Type of Proposal Tournament/Championship Format Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal Aug 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal

The current 7th Place game involves two teams who have both won their first match, but have then lost their next two matches. No other NJCAA Tournament play allows for a team to proceed after having lost twice.

The elimination of this match would also free up time on Championship Saturday to have 4 matches instead of the current 5.

This would allow for more time for teams to prepare for matches on that day and have matches start on their scheduled time.

It would also be a cost savings to the tournament host in not having to pay for the expense of that match (bench personnel, referees etc.).

Championship Saturday would then be comprised of the following matches:

Consolation: 9:00 a.m.
5th Place Match: 12:00 p.m.
3rd Place Match: 3:00 p,m,
Championship: 6:00

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Section 3.E.2

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Lists the 7th Place Match/ Match 24-- L19 vs L20

**Proposed NJCAA Handbook
Language**

Elimination of that match and moving the remaining matches up with a three hour slot for each match will make for a better tournament overall on Saturday. Matches will start on time and teams will have an opportunity to warm up properly for their match.

**Please include any additional
notes for your proposal.
(Optional)**

We have discussed that's for the past two years and feel now ready to move forward with this. This is also supported by the DI Coaches Association and was discussed in their Fall meetings of 2025.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Riann Mullis
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Submitting Committee	DII Court Volleyball
Proposal Title/Topic	DII Volleyball Championships - All Tournament Team Awards
Type of Proposal	Other: Awards Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	<p>The expansion of the National Tournament field from 16 to 20 teams represents a 25% increase in participation. To remain consistent with this growth, this proposal recommends expanding the All-Tournament Team selection by 25% as well.</p> <p>Currently, 12 student-athletes are recognized on the All-Tournament Team. With the addition of four teams and a larger pool of participating student-athletes, this proposal recommends adding three additional selections.</p> <p>This adjustment would increase the All-Tournament Team from 12 to 15 student-athletes, while continuing to recognize Coach of the Tournament and Most Valuable Player (MVP) as separate honors.</p>
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Awards - NJCAA Volleyball Awards - Volleyball Division II - 6.
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	6. The selection of a 12-player All-Tournament Team shall be made. Each player on the All-Tournament Team shall be presented with a medal. The MVP is not part of the All-Tournament team.
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	The selection of a 15 - player All-Tournament team shall be made. Each player on the All-Tournament Team shall be presented with a medal. The MVP is not part of the All-Tournament team.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee Women's Flag Football

Proposal Title/Topic Championship Status Proposal

Type of Proposal Tournament/Championship Format Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal 2027-2028 School/Athletic Year

Rationale for Proposal

Our rationale for the proposal to move women's flag football from Invitational Status to Championship status is rooted primarily in the tremendous growth occurring within the sport. During the 2025-2026 season, our numbers sit at 15 participating schools with that number moving to over 30 schools for the 2026-2027 season and almost 40 schools for the 2027-2028 season which would be the first season in the proposed championship status. These numbers are changing almost daily with new schools adding at every turn as flag football explodes across all collegiate divisions nationwide. It is easy to see roughly 35 schools participating next year and over 40 for the 2027-2028 season with the rate of growth we are witnessing. As further support for this move, the NJCAA formally took over running the Flag Football Invitational as of this year (2025-2026) with the event previously having been run in conjunction with a 3rd party in RCX Sports. The NJCAA formally taking over the event was a big move for the sport and something that is already paying dividends; it also demonstrates internal ownership of a sport that is exploding onto the national scene and the NJCAA has positioned itself right in the forefront of all of it with it's involvement in the growth of flag football as well as running our own championship event in-house. Outside of the NJCAA alone, flag football is growing rapidly at all competitive levels, ranging from high school to every collegiate division offered. Currently, 32 out of 50 states sanction high school girls' flag football or are in the process of sanctioning it, and currently run pilot programs. This number is growing every year, and in the next two years, it is expected that roughly 40 out of 50 states will have Flag Football as a sanctioned high school sport. Collegiately, over 240 colleges and universities offer varsity or club flag football at the NJCAA, NAIA, and NCAA levels, with this number climbing every year (and sometimes every month). The NJCAA has been at the forefront of the growth and explosion of women's flag football since the beginning, and we want to continue to keep the NJCAA leading the charge forward. Our move to championship status beginning with the 2027-2028 school year is a continued step in this effort.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected

Sport Codes- 14- Flag Football

14. WOMEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL (Emerging Sport - Year 3 of 5-year window for emerging sports)

Section 1. Tournament Dates The dates for the tournament shall be recommended to the Board of Regents by the NJCAA Women's Flag Football Committee and the Tournament Host. Future dates: May 6-9, 2026, at IMG Academy in Bradenton, FL; 2027 at TBD; TBD 2028 at TBD; TBD

Section 2. Rules and Procedures A. The RCX Rule Book edition rules will be used. The RCX Rule Book can be found here. B. Official Ball i. The official ball must be a Youth Size 8 football for a competition. The rule dictates a single ball in size and design that may be used for games. This was done for consistency and fairness.

Section 3. Regular Season A. All games will end when the clock reads 0:00, unless coaches agree to shorten a period prior to the start of that period. This was done to allow coaches to control if a game needs to be shortened rather than a set mercy rule score. B. Extra Periods, more commonly referred to as overtime, will follow the procedures outlined in the RCX College Flag Football rulebook. C. Each team will be allowed to play a maximum of 16 games and 2 scrimmages.

Section 4. Officials A. The NJCAA Women's Flag Football Committee recommends that the Tournament Host secure qualified Women's Flag Football-rated officials for the National Tournament.

Section 5. Finances A. All tournament expenses shall be paid by the Tournament Host. B. Each college shall pay its own expenses.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

A few of the main components related to this proposal include the following:

Regarding the national tournament, 10 teams will qualify to compete in a double-elimination style tournament format. These teams will play a minimum of 4 NJCAA games throughout the regular season in order to be eligible to compete at Nationals (these 4 games can be against the same team if needed); as time goes on and the distribution of teams in all regions fills out, we can increase this number accordingly. The tournament will be seeded using the help of the NJCAA Flag Football committee, taking into account record, strength of schedule, quality wins, etc.

Teams will qualify for the National Tournament by winning their region and/or district. As we get closer to 2027-2028 and have the most up to date look at total numbers of participating schools and distribution of these schools (the numbers are changing weekly with new schools adding- we have over 35 schools already committed for 2027-2028 and that number looks to increase in the next year), and we will potentially combine some of the more isolated regions into a "district" in order to create the pathway for qualifying for the National Tournament. Initially, we will potentially have 6 automatic qualifiers for the National Tournament by means of winning their region and/or district, and 4 at-large bids which will be selected with the help of the NJCAA Flag Football committee in taking into account record, strength of schedule, quality wins, etc. We can adjust this to have as many as 8 automatic qualifiers (2 at large) if the distribution of teams allows for such. As soon as the regular season ends, we will also distribute a digital form that teams will fill out where they will declare whether or not they intend to participate in the National Tournament if 1) they receive an automatic bid by winning their region and/or district, and 2) if they receive an At-Large bid. This information will also work to help the committee and NJCAA know the intention of every participating school as the qualification events begin to happen, so that we can most effectively get the 10 teams selected for the National Tournament.

If this proposal is approved, we will fully update all language associated with the sport codes to reflect all details pertaining to the operation of Flag Football, including but not limited to regular season requirements, operating procedures, current rulebook, postseason format and qualifying, postseason awards, All-American teams, etc.

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)

If/When the proposal is approved, we will fully update all language associated with the sport codes to reflect all details pertaining to the operation of Flag Football, including but not limited to regular season requirements, operating procedures, postseason format and qualifying, postseason awards, etc.

Please attach any supporting documentation here. (Optional)

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee Cross Country / Half Marathon

Proposal Title/Topic Increase Entry Fees for the National CC/HM Championship

Type of Proposal Sport Code Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal Response to the rising cost of the National meet by increasing individual entry fees by \$15.00, and team entry fees by \$100.00
The fees have not been raised for a while.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected CC 8.B. HM 7.A.

Current NJCAA Handbook Language 8. B. There shall be a maximum entry fee of \$200.00 per team, and a maximum entry fee of \$30.00 per individual.

7. A. The entry fee shall be \$35 per runner. (HM)

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language 8. B. There shall be a maximum entry fee of \$300.00 per team, and a maximum entry fee of \$45.00 per individual.

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7. A. The entry fee shall be \$50 per runner. (HM)

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional) No change in many years
Currently one of lowest national tournament fees

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee Lacrosse

Proposal Title/Topic Tournament Qualifying and Selection Process

Type of Proposal Tournament/Championship Format Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal

Men's lacrosse participation has decreased in Region III, and there has been expansion into Region 4 over the past few years. With seventeen teams currently competing, the committee feels that the best teams will be rewarded by having one automatic qualifier from Region 3 (North), Region 20 (Mid-Atlantic), Regions 4,15,19 (North Atlantic) and then increase "At-Large" bids to three instead of the current two. There would be no change to the total number of teams earning their way to the NJCAA Tournament as that number will remain at six total.

Currently, there is no minimum number of NJCAA contests required to participate in postseason play. The committee has agreed upon eight (8) NJCAA games minimum to be eligible.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Sport Code - M Lacrosse Section 2.

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Section 2.C.1.
Six qualifying teams come from the following four districts and two at-large selections:

**Proposed NJCAA Handbook
Language**

Section 2.C.1

Six qualifying teams come from the following three districts and three at-large selections:

Mid-Atlantic (Reg 20) - 1, North (Reg 3) - 1, North Atlantic Reg 4,15,19) - 1

At-Large (3 bids)

ADD:

G. To be considered for postseason competition, teams must play a minimum of eight (8) NJCAA contests.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Marci Henry
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Submitting Committee	Men's Wrestling
Proposal Title/Topic	Entry Deadline
Type of Proposal	Sport Procedures Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	There were multiple colleges who turned in late entries which pushed back the seeding meeting, bracket reveal, etc. This is consistent with other sports who must complete individual entries to participate at nationals.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 5 E3
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	None Add to the end of Section5E3
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	All individuals must be entered before the entry deadline or they will be declared ineligible for the NJCAA National Wrestling Tournament.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Marci Henry

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Submitting Committee Men's Wrestling

Proposal Title/Topic Qualification for the National Tournament

Type of Proposal Other: Reduces the number of wrestlers who qualify per district

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal Wrestling is one of the fastest growing sports in the NJCAA. When the 70% rule was implemented, it was to be able to fill the brackets. This change will still fill the brackets but make the tournament more manageable. Saw an increase in entries of 8.78% from 2023 to 2024 and 10.37% increase from 2024 to 2025. This will fix numbers for one year only. Continued discussion needs to come in 26-27 for the 28 tournament.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Section 5F

Current NJCAA Handbook Language

Each district shall qualify no greater than 70% of the total participants within that specific district. There can only be a maximum of nine wildcards within any district. All percentages shall be rounded down to the next lower number (ex: 39.9 wildcards = 39). Each district, before the district seeding meeting ends, will determine whether they will be using the traditional qualifying standards or pre-determined qualifying standards which will be final once the seeding meeting ends, and no changes can be made after that. The District Director will make a note of this and include this with the national qualifiers submitted from the district.

1. Following each District competition, coaches can nominate wildcards to be considered for National Tournament qualification. Coaches in that District will then vote on the nominated wildcard qualifiers

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language

Each district shall qualify no greater than 60% of the total participants within that specific district. There can only be a maximum of nine wildcards within any district. All percentages shall be rounded down to the next lower number (ex: 39.9 wildcards = 39). Each district, before the district seeding meeting ends, will determine whether they will be using the traditional qualifying standards or pre-determined qualifying standards which will be final once the seeding meeting ends, and no changes can be made after that. The District Director will make a note of this and include this with the national qualifiers submitted from the district.

1. Following each District competition, coaches can nominate wildcards to be considered for National Tournament qualification. Coaches in that District will then vote on the nominated wildcard qualifiers.

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)

Simply changes the number from 70% to 60% and was proposed to the committee by the Men's Wrestling Coaches Leadership Group.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Rodney Lovett

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Submitting Committee Track & Field

Proposal Title/Topic Meet Information/Coach Verification

Type of Proposal Sport Code Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal Item 7 has language of sending a form for coach to sign indicating they understand the conditions for final entry. I don't believe we have done this since going to an online entry system. There is also no penalty if coaches don't submit the form. It makes sense to remove the old language and just reference the new pre-championship package page on the national website.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Section 3 A 7

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Existing Bylaw: Mailing/email to coaches and the NJCAA Track & Field Committee members the meet information, including a form for the coach to sign and return which indicates that the coach has read and understands all conditions which must be satisfied for final entry in the championship.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language Proposed; Meet Information Packet will be made available on NJCAA website under pre-championship packet page. ,

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional) Notes; Housekeeping, existing language is from a time before electronic pre championship packets. Also the form mentioned has not been collected for years so elimination wont change current practices.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Rodney Lovett
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Submitting Committee	Track & Field
Proposal Title/Topic	Entry Deadline
Type of Proposal	Other: Sport Code Update
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	The coaches want to be able to come in on Monday and have practice before finalizing their entries.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Section 3 B 2 and 3
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	Existing Bylaw: iii. Entries will be due at NOON (EST) four (4) days prior to the first day of competition iv. Entry Fee will be \$25.00 for everyone including relay members and alternates. 3. Entry Procedures for Multi Events i. All entries will enter through www.directathletics.com web site. ii. Entry page will open a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the first day of competition. iii. Entries will be due at Noon (EST) six (6) days prior to the first day of competition.

**Proposed NJCAA Handbook
Language**

Proposed;

iii. Entries will be due at 6:00pm (EST) the Monday prior to the first day of competition

iv. Entry Fee will be \$25.00 for everyone including relay members and alternates.

3. Entry Procedures for Multi Events

i. All entries will entered through www.directathletics.com web site.

ii. Entry page will open a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the first day of competition.

iii. Entries will be due at Noon (EST) the Saturday prior to the first day of competition.

Rational; The coaches want to be able to come in on Monday and have practice before finalizing their entries.

**Please include any additional
notes for your proposal.
(Optional)**

Notes; no dissenting discussion. Coaches want to have indoor and outdoor entries due on same day of the week to eliminate any confusion for new coaches. Also Monday is preferable for coaches to be able to have a practice to determine injuries before finalizing entries.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Shane Larson

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Submitting Committee Track & Field

Proposal Title/Topic Multi top 16 qualfier deadline

Type of Proposal Sport Code Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal 8/1/26

Rationale for Proposal Rational; With the addition of the Top 16 performance list for automatic qualification the coaches wanted the multis to be determined on the same day not allowing last chance multi meets that could change the qualification status of a student athlete up to the multi entry deadline on the Saturday before the championship.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Track and Filed Section 4. B.3.vi

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Existing; vi. The accepted multi event athlete list will be emailed by 5:00 PM six (6) days prior to competition.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language Proposed; vi. The accepted multi event athlete list will be emailed by 6:00pm (EST) 2 Mondays before the championship. No multi event results after this date will be accepted for qualification to any national meet.

Form Name: NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form
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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

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Submitting Committee Track & Field

Proposal Title/Topic Indoor Qualifying Marks used for Outdoor

Type of Proposal Sport Code Change

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal This has been the practice historically. Direct athletics sets it up in their system to not pull times for outdoor performance lists for events prior to the outdoor official start date. However, it is not in the track section of the sports codes specifically. This will add language to validate any questions we get from new coaches. It has come up a couple of times in the recent past.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Sport Code Track and Field 4 A 1 II

Current NJCAA Handbook Language ii. Outdoor qualifying marks set at indoor or outdoor events will qualify for Outdoor.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language ii. Outdoor qualifying marks set at indoor or outdoor events after the start date for outdoor competition will qualify for Outdoor

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name Rodney Lovett

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Submitting Committee Track & Field

Proposal Title/Topic Relay (4 X 800 and DMR) Heat Information

Type of Proposal Other: Update to Chart in Sport Code

Proposed Effective Date of Proposal August 1, 2026

Rationale for Proposal Rational: Our language for outdoor 4x800 does not match the indoor language. Matching the indoor and outdoor language will eliminate confusion between the championships. This also will allow games committee the ability to make adjustments based on numbers for indoor meet. Some years there can be a heat of less than 3 teams which delays the meet and is not a great experience for the athletes competing in the small heat.

Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected Sport Chart in TF Code

Current NJCAA Handbook Language Existing; 4X800 Relay/DMR Heats will be decided by incoming performances. The fastest 8 incoming times will be run in the final heat. The next to last heat will have the next 8-10 (no more than 10 in a heat) fastest times and so on. The position of the first runner will be assigned by time using preferred lanes.

Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language 4x800 Relay The heats will be decided by incoming performances and will be run as a Final Only. The fastest 8 incoming times will be run in the final heat. The next to last heat will have the next 8-10 (no more than 10 in a heat unless approved by the Games Committee) fastest times and so on. The position of the first runner for each team will be assigned by the time using preferred lanes. *The Games Committee will determine if this race is run in lanes, alleys, or a waterfall start for each heat. Each heat must be run the same way.

Please include any additional notes for your proposal. (Optional)

Notes; No dissenting discussion, language for indoor and outdoor don't currently match this allows games committee the ability to adjust heat sizes for better student athlete experience.

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NJCAA Committee Proposal Submission Form

Your Name	Rodney Lovett
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Submitting Committee	Track & Field
Proposal Title/Topic	Vertical Jumps Starting Height
Type of Proposal	Sport Code Change
Proposed Effective Date of Proposal	August 1, 2026
Rationale for Proposal	With the addition of the top 16 qualification option a portion of the field are not making opening height in the vertical jumps.
Please specify the NJCAA Handbook section(s) affected	Qualification Standard Table in Sport Code
Current NJCAA Handbook Language	Existing; this is found on the qualification standard table in the sport codes. Currently the starting height is once segment (5/15cm) below qualifying mark
Proposed NJCAA Handbook Language	Proposed; Vertical Jumps starting height, for high jump 5cm below the 16th mark on the performance list. 15cm below the 16th mark on the performance list.

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Board of Regents Agenda Item Submission

Your Name Troy Tucker

**Institution or Region or
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Submission Designation Action Item

Recommended Effective Date August 1, 2026

Submission Category 4000: On behalf of a BOARD MEMBER

Brief Description of Submission Article III - Section 1-B. - Meeting Agendas.

Proposal to change the number of calendar days from 30 to 14 in regard to when a meeting agenda will be sent to the board.

Additional/Supporting Documents <https://njcaa.formstack.com/admin/download/file/19482382900>
