

2018-2019 KHSAA Annual Meeting Proposals

##	DOC	CHANGE	RATIONALE
01	Bylaw 6. Transfer Rule- Citizens Of The U.S. And D.C. And Other Students Previously Enrolled In Member Schools	Amend Bylaw 6 to remove the restriction on transfer in sports for which the student has no previous participation record.	This change would allow students without previous varsity participation to participate in sports that they have not yet participate. For example, a student who had previously participated in football but transferred and a waiver was not granted could participation in other fall sports such as soccer or golf during that period of ineligibility. Other examples can be given but this would apply the penalty to the previous varsity sports thereby eliminating most options for athletically motivated transfers. This would also lessen both the member school and association exposure to legal liability and truly focus on athletically motivated transfers.
02	Bylaw 6. Transfer Rule- Citizens Of The U.S. And D.C. And Other Students Previously Enrolled In Member Schools	Amend Bylaws 6 to create an exception to the one-year period of ineligibility when evidence is submitted with the original request for eligibility that verifies violations of KRS 158.148 (bullying).	This would create a specific exception within the transfer rule to allow for a waiver to be granted for documented instances of bullying as detailed in KRS 158.148. The situation would have to be clearly documented with the submission of the eligibility request. This would help deter requests for waiver of the rule due to allegations of bullying in cases where the school had no prior notice or opportunity to address the issue but permit the changing of schools with full varsity eligibility in those cases when evidence is submitted to warrant a discretionary waiver.
03	Bylaw 6. Transfer Rule- Citizens Of The U.S. And D.C. And Other Students Previously Enrolled In Member Schools; Bylaw 7. Transfer Rule- Students Having J-1/F-1 Status And Bylaw 8. Transfer Rule- Non-U.S. Students Not Having J-1/F-1 Status	Amend Bylaws 6, 7 and 8 to remove the place participation in practice and non-varsity competition at the discretion of the member school as is the case with the other Bylaws.	When Bylaw 14 was amended in 2016, there was no companion change made to Bylaws 6, 7 and 8. As such, school discretion, which was at the heart of the previous change, was taken away for Bylaws 6, 7 and 8. The student is already ineligible at the varsity level due to the rules, and the school should have participation discretion while a ruling is pending.
04	Bylaw 10. Amateur/Awards And Bylaw 27. Imposition Of Penalties	Amend Bylaws 10 and 27 to place the acceptance of improper benefits as a penalty under Bylaw 10 and the place a penalty for receiving those improper benefits in Bylaw 27.	The member schools have followed the basic philosophy as espoused by the Kentucky General Assembly where schools are penalized instead of students, especially uninvolved students, when rules violations occur. However over the course of time, there has been proof that there are in fact cases where the student should suffer a penalty. This proposal would specify that the receiving of improper benefits, as defined in Bylaw 16, would constitute a violation of the bylaws that could in fact effect the eligibility of a student. Placing the restriction in Bylaw 10 (Awards) would allow for the individual to have an administrative appeal of the finding as a Hearing Officer Matter. The penalties in Bylaw 27 are already appealable to the Board of Control as a Board matter