Adoptions for 2018-2019

- Adopt the 2018-2019 NFHS Volleyball Rules Book.
- Adopt Rule 1-2 NOTE 2, modification of match format is permitted for series other than dual varsity matches
- Modify Rule 3-2-1 for the use of colored volleyballs which may be blue, white, gray or red, white, blue
- Adopt Rule 5-9-4, line judges may use flags (red).
- PIAA defines an appropriate health-care professional as a licensed physician of medicine or osteopathic medicine (M.D. or D.O.).
- ARTICLE XIX, JUNIOR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS, Section 6, Contest Rules Standards for Junior High/Middle Schools Interscholastic Athletic Competition, of the PIAA By-Laws, provides for the maximum Contests rules standards for junior high/middle school interscholastic athletic competition in the sports of cross country, field hockey, football, soccer, and volleyball.
Flags: The use of flags by the line judges has been adopted in rule 5-9-4.
- The school shall provide the flags
- Training of the line judges is the responsibility of the home team
- Flags should be red in color, and a recommended size of 12 inches by 12 inches to approximately 16 inches by 16 inches. The flag and hand grip should be securely affixed to the pole.

Warm Up attire: All active participants of the pre-match warm-up shall wear proper playing shoes, ex. sneakers. Participants shall be void of all jewelry and electronic devices. Exempt are the adult members of the coaching staff ad assistants.

Officials Uniform: All officials shall wear the required uniform. Modification of the uniform in excessively cold gymnasiums can be a long sleeve striped shirt. In keeping with a uniformed look and attire, both R1 and R2 must wear the same uniform.

Jewelry: The discovery of jewelry during warm up or competition shall result in a referee directing the player, by way of the coach to remove the jewelry. A player who does not comply shall be charged with unsporting conduct.

If a player has tape in areas which may appear to be concealing jewelry, the Referee shall request the coach to have the player remove the taping to verify evidence or lack there of jewelry.

Tights: Tights or undershirt of long sleeve may be worn under the uniform. However, they need to be the same color as the uniform bottom or the predominate color of the shirt.

Electronic Scorekeeping: Electronic scoring may be used as long as it has all the components which can be found necessary for a high school match.

Uniforms and Equipment: All uniforms and equipment must comply with the requirements of the NFHS rule book. If the uniforms or equipment do not comply, all penalties shall be assessed. This includes headgear, jewelry, uniform markings and numberings, manufacturing logos, etc.

NOTES:
**CHARITY EVENTS**

**POLICY FOR CHARITY EVENT REQUESTS MADE TO THE PIAA OFFICE**

Schools’ are prohibited from altering the Contest uniform, but schools may provide ancillary equipment (towels, socks [with the exception of soccer], etc.) in various colors to signify certain causes (providing all Team members are the same color), which would be worn or used in charity/benefit Contests designated by the school.

Based on the following, schools are requested to provide only uniforms which meet specifications of the applicable NFHS Rules Book in support of any charity the team wishes to affiliate. The following is an illustrative, but not exhaustive list, of legal and illegal uniforms requested for use over the past few years:

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<td>Volleyball</td>
<td>A home team wishes to participate in a charity home game wearing pink uniforms that state “Dig for a cure” across the front of the jersey.</td>
<td>The pink uniform by itself is legal so long as it contains numbers which comply with the rule on both front and back of the uniforms. However, this specific uniform would be illegal due to the placement of a slogan that is neither representative of the school or the manufacturer of the jersey.</td>
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<td>Soccer/ Field Hockey/ Basketball</td>
<td>A home team wishes to participate in a charity game wearing pink uniforms.</td>
<td>Illegal. Each sport rules book requires the home team to be in white (soccer/basketball) or light (field hockey) home uniforms. Home teams in these sports could participate with white jerseys with pink numbers and not be in violation of the rule.</td>
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<td>Football</td>
<td>The home team wishes to wear blue towels and blue socks in support of prostate cancer awareness.</td>
<td>Legal. So long as all players wearing a towel wear the blue towel, it is permissible. The team must be outfitted uniformly. Additionally, since socks are not defined in the uniform for football, blue would be permissible.</td>
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<td>Baseball/Softball</td>
<td>The home team wishes to wear school issued orange caps in support of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.</td>
<td>The color orange would be legal both in baseball and softball for the cap.</td>
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