

ADMINISTRATIVE PROPOSALS
(Requires majority vote of those voting)

ADM 6 - COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS COMPLETE COMPETITIVE CYCLE (BOARD OF DIRECTORS)

AMEND THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS to read:

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Amend 1790.1 in the bylaws by adding new item 11 and moving old 11 under item 3 which will read:

Yes

no

1790. COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS

1790.1 TEAM SPORT/ACTIVITY COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS (competing as a team and scoring points for one team in any CHSAA sport) -- Cooperative sponsorship of a CHSAA-sanctioned activity by two, or more member schools may be approved by a CHSAA Assistant Commissioner if the following conditions are met:

1. A school wanting to form a voluntary cooperative athletic program must attempt to form this co-op with the closest school.
2. If the closest school does not choose to form a voluntary cooperative program, a co-op may be formed with the next nearest school until a voluntary co-op is formed. The nearest school may or may not be in a contiguous district.
3. The combined enrollments (based on the enrollment count year) of the schools shall not exceed the enrollment LIMITATION of the classification in which the schools will compete.
4. The requesting schools must provide documentation verifying the inability of one or both of the schools to conduct the activity.
5. The schools must certify that implementation of a cooperative activity will not reduce the academic time available to participating students.
6. If participating co-op schools are from different school districts, the Board of Education of each participating member public school, or the governing board of each participating private school shall jointly make application to the Assistant Commissioner. The application must include a resolution (signed by the president or chairperson) from each board of education or governing board supporting and authorizing the filing of the application.
7. If the participating co-op schools are from the same district, the district superintendent shall authorize the filing of the application.
8. A memorandum of agreement shall be adopted by the board of education or governing board of separate school districts or the superintendent if participating schools are from the same district. The memorandum shall be for a **two** ~~one-year period~~ **competitive cycle** and shall provide for but not be limited to:

- a. Funding of the activity
 - b. Transportation of participants
 - c. Staffing and supervision of the activity
 - d. Use of facilities
 - e. Administration of the activity
 - f. Procedure for dissolution of the agreement.
 - g. The name of the team shall be declared at time of application.
9. All applications must be submitted in writing to the CHSAA Assistant Commissioner prior to the start of the competitive season for the sports involved.
10. The Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind (CSDB) may develop a unique cooperative program for sensory impaired (deaf/hearing impaired, blind/visually impaired) students in cooperation with schools in the Colorado Springs region under the following conditions:
- a. Any hearing or visually handicapped student residing in the Colorado Springs area who could benefit from the opportunity of participating in competitive sports with similar peers, may co-op with CSDB.
 - b. School Board approval must be gained from each participating district.
 - c. Students will be treated like any other transfer students if they leave CSDB and return to their home school to compete.
 - d. Classification shall be determined by adding CSDB's eligible students and the number of cooperating student athletes.
- ~~12. When extenuating circumstances exist which that make application of the combined enrollment requirement unreasonable, a school may petition the Commissioner for an exception.~~

RATIONALE: For continuity of schedules and playoff formats, all cooperative programs should remain for an entire competitive cycle. The movement of wording to item 3 is simply housekeeping and matches what is now allowed in CLOC bylaws.

PROS: Continuity of playoff formats and scheduling.

CONS: None