

CONSTITUTIONAL PROPOSALS
(Requires 2/3 vote for approval)

CON 1 - STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

(BOARD OF DIRECTORS)

AMEND THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS to read:

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Amend Bylaw 500 to read:

Yes

No

500. STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

500.1 UNIFIED SPORTS. Unified Sports offered by the Association are inclusive programs that combine equal numbers of student athletes with intellectual disabilities and other recognized disabilities as defined with U.S.C. Section 12102 (ADA) and student partners (individuals without disabilities) as teammates for training and competition.

500.12 Students with disabilities must be *registered with a participating CHSAA member school or district.*

500.13 Students with disabilities must have a recognized disability defined with 42 U.S.C. Section 12102 (ADA).

500.14 All participants must be registered in the CHSAA digital platform.

500.15 The eligibility of students with disabilities will be determined by the guidelines set-forth in their individualized educational plans (IEP) and/or local school eligibility requirements (i.e. pass/fail, progression achievement, etc.). *Participants must have a current physical on file with their participating school.*

500.16 Unified Sports will compete as one classification.

500.17 Schools from member high schools may be combined for Unified Sports to field a common team with an agreement made jointly by the principals of the member schools involved.

500.18 All competition and eligibility bylaws will apply to the participating student partners.

500.19 All bylaws currently allowed for students with disabilities (age, semesters, hardships, etc.) will be applicable for the participating "disabled" students.

500.20 Students with disabilities are required to have a current physical (annually).

RATIONALE: To create eligibility standards for students with disabilities who are seeking to participate in Unified Sports as they become sanctioned.

PROS: Creates an opportunity for students with disabilities to participate in a CHSAA sanctioned sport, and sets clear expectations and criteria within the bylaws for administrating Unified Sports.

CONS: None