

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation***

This proposed recommendation amends Section 1208 of the Constitution and Contest Rules to allow schools in conference 3A to participate in 4A soccer.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

This amendment allows schools in conference 3A to play up in the 4A conference. There will still be three conferences in soccer for conferences 4A, 5A and 6A.

***C. Proposed Recommendation***

Section 1208: ATHLETIC REGULATIONS

Schools shall abide by rules in the Constitution, by rules in the Contest Rules, by rules in the "Official Notices" column of the *Leaguer*, by regulations issued from the League office in the coaches and administrators' sports manuals, and other official notices from the League office. Where any term or section of the Contest Rules and/or the coaches and administrators' sports manuals is found to be inconsistent with the Constitution, the Constitution shall prevail and apply, and the remaining terms and sections of the Contest Rules and/or the coaches and administrators' sports manuals shall continue in effect.

- (a) ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS. A school shall not participate in a sports activity unless its varsity acceptance for that sport, signed by the superintendent or designated administrator, is on file in the League office by January 15 of the preceding school year (September 1 for football). If a school wants to register for a sport after the filing deadline, it may do so if approved by a majority of the district executive committee.
- (1) A school which does not participate in football the first year of a new alignment may not participate the second year except by unanimous consent of the district executive committee.
- (2) Only schools in Conferences 4A, 5A and 6A are eligible to participate in UIL soccer. EXCEPTION, 3A SCHOOLS WHO SIGN UP AS NOTED ABOVE FOR PARTICIPATION IN SOCCER WILL BE PLACED IN A 4A DISTRICT FOR COMPETITION.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools unless they choose to participate in soccer and have not previously done so.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

If approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education, this proposal shall be effective August 1, 2016.