

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

A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation

This proposed recommendation amends Subchapter M: Section 405, *Four Year Normal Program*.

B. Factual and Policy Justifications

This edit would add clarification to the rule by adding the language of the official interpretation into the rule.

C. Proposed Recommendation

Section 405: FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM OF HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

- (a) A student may participate in League contests during a program of high school courses over a period of four consecutive calendar years after the student first enrolls in the ninth grade. ~~See Official Interpretation #6, Appendix I.~~ A STUDENT IS CONSIDERED TO BE ENROLLED IN THE NINTH GRADE THE DAY OF THAT STUDENT'S REGISTRATION AS A 9TH GRADER AND ATTENDANCE IN A FULL CLASS PERIOD AT THE NINTH GRADE LEVEL.
- (b) Students who never entered the ninth grade but were placed into the tenth grade have three consecutive years from their first entry into tenth grade to complete their high school eligibility.
- (c) Over-age eighth grade students who participate on the high school varsity ATHLETIC team have four consecutive years, including grade 8, to complete their high school ATHLETIC eligibility. See Section 1478 (b).

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

This recommendation should have no fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2016, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.