

REPORT OF  
THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
**STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS**

OCTOBER 16, 2023

ON OCTOBER 15, 2023, THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. BASED UPON ITEMS CONSIDERED, THE COMMITTEE TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS DURING ITS BUSINESS MEETING.



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

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This proposal would add Robotics Education & Competition Foundation (RECF) competition to the UIL Robotics program.

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

Robotics participation continues to grow, with more than half of UIL member high schools indicating yes on Robotics participation during the last reclassification and realignment process. As program growth continues, it is desirable to provide diverse options to serve the widest range of schools with different needs and circumstances. The pilot of RECF Robotics authorized by the Council has proved successful. The 2023 state championship event included more than 80 teams representing more than 50 UIL member schools from across the state. Pilot state championships were awarded in conferences 6A, 5A, 4A, and 3A and below.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

The *UIL Robotics Handbook* will be amended to incorporate RECF-VEX Division that will culminate in a state championship event, with Academics championship points to be awarded using the same criteria as other UIL Robotics contests, at the state level only.

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

School districts would choose whether to participate. For those that participate, there would be costs for registration and equipment, as well as travel to a qualifying event and to the state event for teams that qualify. Significant grant funds are available that can help mitigate costs.

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

The Standing Committee on Academics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2024, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

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

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

The UIL would pilot an A+ contest in middle school theatrical design for grades 6-8. The entries would be managed at the district level and could be submitted digitally or in person.

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

There is an increased interest in theatre arts at the middle school with schools offering various versions of the event. Contest procedures provide an opportunity to satisfy required Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for middle school fine arts. It also provides an opportunity to create vertical alignment of skills and terms between middle and high school theatrical design contests.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Theatrical Design is a contest intended to foster an appreciation for the design and technical elements of theatre arts including scenery, properties, costume, hair and makeup, and marketing. Each school submits designs of original work based on the assigned script prompt. All designs must be produced solely by students currently enrolled and attending a UIL member school. Schools may submit up to three entries of original work in each category. The entry procedures and categories shall be posted on the UIL website. The design entries will be scored by volunteer adjudicators assigned by the contest director. Entries will be evaluated based on a ballot/rubric modified from the high school contest.

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

This proposed amendment should have minimal fiscal impact on member schools. Low cost or free digital scripts will be selected. The contest would require standard art and school supplies. Adjudicators would consist of adult volunteers.

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

The Standing Committee on Academics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2024, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

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

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This amendment to Section 1008, *Congress*, would increase the number of entries allowed in the UIL Congress contest. Each school would be allowed to enter up to five entries rather than the current limit of three.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

The Congress event has grown in popularity since its sanction over 10 years ago and schools are requesting to be able to enter more students in the regional contest that qualifies competitors to the state championship. This amendment would provide opportunities for more students to participate at the first round of competition.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 1008 of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1008: CONGRESS

(b) ENTRIES:

- (1) *Representation*. Each school in all conferences may enter ~~three~~ FIVE competitors in the congressional region competition. Two alternates may be registered. Entries shall be submitted at least ten calendar days prior to the congressional region competition via the UIL website.

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

Fiscal impact would be very limited, if any, beyond what a region meet has already appropriated to administer the meet.

**E. Legislative Council Consideration Effective Date**

The Standing Committee on Academics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2024, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS**  
**Passed the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to add Robotics Education & Competition Foundation (RECF) competition to the UIL Robotics program
- b. A proposal to pilot an A+ contest in middle school theatrical design for grades 6-8
- c. A proposal to increase the number of entries allowed in the UIL Congress contest

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS**  
**Authorized the Staff to Study the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to develop and pilot a Drone Competition

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS**  
**Authorized Staff to Monitor the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to allow students in 1A and 2A schools to participate in both Lincoln-Douglas and Cross-Examination Debate

REPORT OF  
THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
**STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC**

OCTOBER 16, 2023

ON OCTOBER 15, 2023, THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. BASED UPON ITEMS CONSIDERED, THE COMMITTEE TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS DURING ITS BUSINESS MEETING.



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

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation**

This amendment to Section 1105, *Region Marching Band Contest*, would extend the amount of cumulative time that a marching band can spend practicing visual fundamentals during the summer prior to August 1<sup>st</sup> from ten hours to fifteen hours.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

With many school districts now beginning the instructional year in early August the amount of time available for marching bands to practice prior the instructional year begins has been reduced. Increasing the number of cumulative hours that a marching band can practice visual fundamentals prior to August 1<sup>st</sup> would create the opportunity for more practice time prior to the beginning of the instructional year and allow more time for summer heat acclimation. The UIL marching band rules advisory committee has recommended the cumulative amount of time permitted to practice visual fundamentals be increased from ten hours to fifteen hours.

**C. Proposed Recommendation**

Section 1105(d) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1105: REGION MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (d) DIRECTOR'S COMPLIANCE STATEMENT. Each entry in the region marching band contest shall be accompanied by the following statement signed by the director and school principal.
  - (1) "The members of this marching band or any of its components did not begin preparation of the visual curriculum for this UIL contest presentation prior to August 1. In addition, no more than ~~40~~ 15 hours of supervised instructional time was devoted to visual fundamentals between the end of the previous school term and August 1." Exception: Auxiliary camps, leadership training and preparation for special summer events such as civic parades, professional football game appearances and other non-competitive performances are not considered a violation of this limitation.

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

This proposed amendment should have no fiscal impact on member schools.

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

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC**  
**Passed the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to increase the number of cumulative hours marching bands are permitted to practice visual fundamentals prior to August 1<sup>st</sup> from ten hours to fifteen hours

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC**  
**Authorized the Staff to Study the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to create a state jazz festival

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC**  
**Denied, Rejected or Took No Action on the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to allow for area amplification of marching bands using open microphones



REPORT OF  
THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
**STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS**

OCTOBER 16, 2023

ON OCTOBER 15, 2023, THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. BASED UPON ITEMS CONSIDERED, THE COMMITTEE TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS DURING ITS BUSINESS MEETING.



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

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This amendment to Section 1208, *Athletic Regulations*, will reflect current policies regarding potential travel reimbursement for schools participating in specific team sport state championship events.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

The current language in the Constitution and Contest Rules is confusing and this update will make clearer current policy about how this is handled at these state championship events.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 1208(s) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

SECTION 1208: ATHLETIC REGULATIONS

(s) REBATE FROM STATE EVENTS.

(1) In baseball, soccer, softball and volleyball, sixteen percent of the state tournament gate receipts will be retained by the UIL Office. ~~All funds collected from admissions at the state tournaments in excess of the amount necessary to defray the expenses of the tournament, less UIL percentage, shall be prorated to the participating teams on the basis of a uniform rate per mile.~~ IF THERE ARE SURPLUS FUNDS REMAINING AFTER DEDUCTING THE UIL PERCENTAGE AND PAYING ALL EXPENSES OF THE EVENT, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS WILL BE REIMBURSED FOR TRAVEL BASED ON A UNIFORM RATE PER MILE.

(2) In basketball, sixteen percent of the state tournament gate receipts will be retained by the UIL Office. ~~All funds collected from admissions at the state tournament in excess of the amount necessary to defray the expenses of the tournament, less UIL percentage, shall be prorated to the participating teams on the basis of a uniform rate per mile.~~ IF THERE ARE SURPLUS FUNDS REMAINING AFTER DEDUCTING THE UIL PERCENTAGE AND PAYING ALL EXPENSES OF THE EVENT, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS WILL BE REIMBURSED FOR TRAVEL BASED ON A UNIFORM RATE PER MILE.

A) Balance To Schools. If after expenses (INCLUDING TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT), there is a balance in the fund received from gate receipts, this balance shall be equally divided among the schools participating in the tournament. The Legislative Council may stipulate a maximum to be divided among schools.

(3) In football, twenty percent of the championship event gate receipts will be retained by the UIL Office. ~~All funds collected from admissions at the state championship event in excess of the amount necessary to defray the expenses of the championship event, less UIL percentage, shall be prorated to the participating teams on the basis of a uniform rate per mile.~~ IF THERE ARE SURPLUS FUNDS REMAINING AFTER DEDUCTING THE UIL PERCENTAGE AND PAYING ALL EXPENSES OF THE

EVENT, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS WILL BE REIMBURSED FOR TRAVEL BASED ON A UNIFORM RATE PER MILE.

- A) Balance To Schools. If after expenses (INCLUDING TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT), there is a balance in the fund received from gate receipts, this balance shall be equally divided among the schools participating in the championship event. The Legislative Council may stipulate a maximum to be divided among schools.

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

This amendment should have no fiscal impact on member schools.

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

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

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

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

This amendment to Section 1300, *Tennis Plan*, would allow for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Regional finishers in each event of each conference to advance to the UIL State Tennis Tournament.

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

Under the current rule in the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules, the 1st and 2nd place finishers at the Regional Tournament in each event of each conference qualify for the State Tournament in Tennis. This proposal would add the 3rd place finisher to also qualify for the State Tournament in Tennis. This proposal would eliminate the need for a Regional Playback currently used in Tennis.

***C. Proposed Recommendation***

Section 1300(d)(3) of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, if passed by the Legislative Council, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1300: TENNIS PLAN (INDIVIDUALS AND DOUBLES)

(d) CHAMPIONSHIP STRUCTURE.

(3) *State Contests*. The first, ~~and~~ second, AND THIRD place contestants in the regional tournaments in all conferences qualify to enter the state tournament.

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

There could be a financial impact on member schools due to the increase in participants that would be attending the State Tournament. However, the 3rd place winners from Regionals often attend as alternates in case something happens to the 1st and 2nd places from their Region and a spot in the State draw opens up for them. It is very typical that the 3rd place winner would be a teammate of either the 1st or 2nd place making the increase minimal in those situations.

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

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2024, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

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

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment to Section 1230, *Basketball Plan*, would add the November holiday break as a month that applies to the holiday rule exceptions.

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

The November holiday is primarily a 3-to-5-day break that under current rule, limits teams to 2 games like other weeks. Since this is an observed break in most Texas ISDs, the amended exception would allow three games during the November holiday break as long as there were no invitational tournaments being played in that week. Currently teams schedule Monday and Tuesday or Friday and Saturday. This amendment allows schools to have three games scheduled within a calendar week.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 1230(c)(8) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1230: BASKETBALL PLAN

(c) Number of Games, Tournaments and Sites.

(8) Exceptions During NOVEMBER, December/January Holidays. DURING A NOVEMBER HOLIDAY BREAK OF THREE OR MORE DAYS AND following the five-day DECEMBER holiday restriction until school resumes in January, schools may participate in no more than:

(A) two matched games during the calendar week of an invitational tournament;

(B) two matched games plus two matched games played in lieu of an invitational tournament during a calendar week; or

(C) three matched games during a calendar week if they are not participating in an invitational tournament or playing games in lieu of a tournament.

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

This proposed amendment should have no fiscal impact on member schools.

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

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2024, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

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

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

This amendment to Section 1209, *Non-School Participation*, would allow coaches the opportunity to coach up to two of their students in a UIL approved state association all-star game.

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

Allowing incoming seniors to participate in an all-star game improves interest and excitement, while still allowing the coach to appropriately supervise their athlete. This pilot program will be for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school year and will be reevaluated after two years.

***C. Proposed Recommendation***

Section 1209(g) of the UIL *Constitutional and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1209: NON-SCHOOL PARTICIPATION

(g) COACHING RESTRICTIONS. For non-school competition school coaches shall not schedule matched games for students in grades 7-12 from their attendance zone. School coaches may assist in organizing, selecting players and coaches, and may supervise school facilities for non-school league play. School coaches shall not coach or instruct students in grades 7-12 from their school district attendance zone in the team sports of baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball or volleyball. A pilot program will allow basketball coaches to coach their high school team during the TABC June Summer Showcase event only. FOR THE 2023-2024 AND 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR, A PILOT PROGRAM WILL ALLOW COACHES TO COACH TWO PLAYERS IN GRADES 7-12 IN A UIL APPROVED STATE ASSOCIATION ALL-STAR GAME. School coaches shall not supervise facilities for non-school activities on school time. Refer to Section 1201.

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

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools.

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

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

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

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This proposal amends Section 1204(m), *Flat Fee Schedule and Travel Reimbursement*.

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

This proposed amendment is from the UIL Sports Officials Committee (SOC). This proposed amendment would increase the officials fee schedule for baseball and softball tournaments.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 1204(m) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2024, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1204: SPORTS OFFICIALS

(m) Flat Fee Schedule and Travel Reimbursement

(1) The flat fee schedule and mileage reimbursement, as approved by the legislative council, shall be posted on the UIL Website.

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

The proposed amendment will increase costs for schools when compensating umpires for baseball and softball sub-varsity tournaments: no inning starts after 1 hour and 30 minutes.

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

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2024, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

2021-2022 BASEBALL FEE SCHEDULE

# BASEBALL

Type of Game	1-30.9 Miles		2022-23		% Change	2023-24	
Varsity	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00
Varsity - Single Umpire	\$ 112.50	\$ 127.50	\$ 112.50	\$ 132.50	4%	\$ 127.50	\$ 147.50
Sub-Varsity Option A: *No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 50 Minutes*	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00	6%	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00
Sub-Varsity Option B: *Starts an Inning After 1 Hour and 50 Minutes*	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00
Junior High: No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 60.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00	7%	\$ 70.00	\$ 90.00
Playoffs: Bi-District	\$ 85.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00	5%	\$ 95.00	\$ 115.00
Playoffs: Area	\$ 95.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 115.00	5%	\$ 105.00	\$ 125.00
Playoffs: Regional Quarter-Finals	\$ 105.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 125.00	4%	\$ 115.00	\$ 135.00
Playoffs: Regional Semi-Finals	\$ 115.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 135.00	4%	\$ 125.00	\$ 145.00
Playoffs: Regional Finals	\$ 125.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 145.00	4%	\$ 135.00	\$ 155.00
Playoffs: State Tournament	\$ 175.00	\$ 190.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 195.00	3%	\$ 185.00	\$ 205.00
Tournament: Varsity - No Time Limit	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00
Tournament: Sub-Varsity - No Time Limit	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00
Tournament: Sub-Varsity - No Inning Starts after 1 Hour and 50 Minutes	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00	6%	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00
Tournament: Sub-Varsity - No Inning Starts after 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 55.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 75.00	7%	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00



# BASEBALL

Type of Game	1-30.9 Miles		2022-23		% Change	2023-24	
Varsity	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00
Varsity - Single Umpire	\$ 112.50	\$ 127.50	\$ 112.50	\$ 132.50	4%	\$ 127.50	\$ 147.50
Sub-Varsity Option A: *No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 50 Minutes*	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00	6%	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00
Sub-Varsity Option B: *Starts an Inning After 1 Hour and 50 Minutes*	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00

Junior High: No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 60.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00	7%	\$ 70.00	\$ 90.00
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Playoffs: Area	\$ 95.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 115.00	5%	\$ 105.00	\$ 125.00
Playoffs: Regional Quarter-Finals	\$ 105.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 125.00	4%	\$ 115.00	\$ 135.00
Playoffs: Regional Semi-Finals	\$ 115.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 135.00	4%	\$ 125.00	\$ 145.00
Playoffs: Regional Finals	\$ 125.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 145.00	4%	\$ 135.00	\$ 155.00
Playoffs: State Tournament	\$ 175.00	\$ 190.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 195.00	3%	\$ 185.00	\$ 205.00
Tournament: Varsity - No Time Limit	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00
Tournament: Sub-Varsity - No Time Limit	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00
Tournament: Sub-Varsity - No Inning Starts after 1 Hour and 50 Minutes	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00	6%	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00

Tournament: Sub-Varsity - No Inning Starts after 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 55.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 75.00	7%	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00
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\$75.00

# SOFTBALL

Type of Game	1-30.9 Miles		2022-23		% Change	2023-24	
Varsity	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00
Varsity - Single Umpire	\$ 112.50	\$ 127.50	\$ 112.50	\$ 132.50	4%	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00
Sub-Varsity Option A: *No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 50 Minutes*	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00	6%	\$ 70.00	\$ 90.00
Sub-Varsity Option B: *Starts an Inning After 1 Hour and 50 Minutes*	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00
Junior High – No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 60.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00	7%	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00
Playoffs: Bi-District	\$ 85.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00	5%	\$ 90.00	\$ 110.00
Playoffs: Area	\$ 95.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 115.00	5%	\$ 100.00	\$ 120.00
Playoffs: Regional Quarter-Finals	\$ 105.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 125.00	4%	\$ 110.00	\$ 130.00
Playoffs: Regional Semi-Finals	\$ 115.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 135.00	4%	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00
Playoffs: Regional Finals	\$ 125.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 145.00	4%	\$ 130.00	\$ 150.00
Playoffs: State Tournament	\$175.00	\$ 190.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 195.00	3%	\$ 180.00	\$ 200.00
Tournament: Varsity	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00
Tournament: Sub-Varsity	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00	6%	\$ 70.00	\$ 90.00
Tournament: No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 55.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 75.00	7%	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00

SOFTBALL

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Varsity - Single Umpire	\$ 112.50	\$ 127.50	\$ 112.50	\$ 132.50	4%	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00
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Sub-Varsity Option B: *Starts an Inning After 1 Hour and 50 Minutes*	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00

Junior High – No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 60.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00	7%	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00
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	\$ 85.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 105.00	5%	\$ 90.00	\$ 110.00
Playoffs: Area	\$ 95.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 115.00	5%	\$ 100.00	\$ 120.00
Playoffs: Regional Quarter-Finals	\$ 105.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 125.00	4%	\$ 110.00	\$ 130.00
Playoffs: Regional Semi-Finals	\$ 115.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 135.00	4%	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00
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Tournament: Varsity	\$ 75.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	6%	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00
Tournament: Sub-Varsity	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 85.00	6%	\$ 70.00	\$ 90.00

Tournament: No Inning Starts After 1 Hour and 30 Minutes	\$ 55.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 75.00	7%	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00
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\$70.00

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

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment to Section 1260, *Golf Plan*, would remove the language surrounding electronic equipment that no longer applies.

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

This rule change would bring electronic equipment rule in line with USGA rule. The current wording is no longer practical and securing devices that do not have additional functions is near impossible. Specific language regarding what is allowed and not allowed by USGA will be provided in the Golf Manual.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 1260(g)(8) of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, if passed by the Legislative Council, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1260: GOLF PLAN

(g) PLAYOFF STRUCTURE.

~~(8) Electronic Equipment. Range finders are the only electronic equipment allowed at the district, regional and state tournaments. Range finders that measure distance only may be used during competitive rounds. The operative word is “only”. Range finders that offer functions in addition to distance measurement are illegal, even if a player disables other functions. A player using such a device in competition rounds will be subject to the UIL penalty structure (1st offense warning; 2nd offense disqualification).~~

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

There should be minimal fiscal impact to member schools.

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

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS**  
**Passed the Following Proposals**

- a. A proposal to amend rebates from state events
- b. A proposal to increase the number of athletes from regional to state from two to three in spring tennis
- c. A proposal to extend the December game limitation rule to the November holiday break
- d. A proposal to allow coaches to coach their athletes in a UIL approved All-Star game
- e. A proposal to amend the official's flat fee schedule and travel reimbursement
- f. A proposal to amend the golf electronic equipment rule
- g. A proposal to extend the TABC showcase pilot program

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS**  
**Denied, Rejected or Took No Action on the Following Proposals**

- a. A proposal to add boys' volleyball as a UIL sanctioned activity
- b. A proposal to move the soccer and volleyball season in the calendar
- c. A proposal to add lacrosse as a UIL sanctioned activity
- d. A proposal to split 1A and 2A baseball
- e. A proposal to add girls flag football as a UIL sanctioned activity
- f. A proposal to add wheelchair tennis to the UIL state tournament

REPORT OF  
THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
**STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY**

OCTOBER 16, 2023

ON OCTOBER 15, 2023, THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. BASED UPON ITEMS CONSIDERED, THE COMMITTEE TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS DURING ITS BUSINESS MEETING.



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

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This amendment to Section 442, *Residence in School District and Attendance Zone* and Section 466, *Review of Waiver Officer's Decision*, would create varsity athletic eligibility opportunities for children of 'service members' (military) and 'peace officers' as defined in the Texas Education Code, as well as children of certain school employees who transfer to new schools. This amendment will also increase the timeframe for a student to appeal a decision by the UIL Waiver Officer.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

There were two bills passed in this last Legislative Session regarding the ability of 'service members' (military) and 'peace officers' to be able to transfer their children to the school of their choice. This proposal would update our rules to recognize this new statutory authority. Also, with the continuing struggle with staffing in schools, providing flexibility in the schooling choices of children of school employees who are hired for a full-time position requiring a certificate from the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) will be of benefit as well. The only exceptions provided in this amendment would be in reference to the residence rule and the appeal process for waiver applications. All other eligibility rules, including the prohibition on changing schools for athletic purposes and completion of a Previous Athletic Participation Form (PAPF) would still be in place.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 442(h) and Section 466(a) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 442: RESIDENCE IN SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ATTENDANCE ZONE

(h) MILITARY PARENT(S); PEACE OFFICER PARENT(S); EDUCATOR PARENT(S).

1. A student whose parent is active military and receives a permanent change of station to a military base with a special purpose school district, or whose parent has been released into retirement by the Department of Defense for a reason other than a dishonorable discharge and the student enrolls in the special purpose school district on a military base at the student's first opportunity, is considered in compliance with this rule.
2. A STUDENT WHOSE PARENT IS A 'SERVICEMEMBER' AS DEFINED IN SECTION 25.0344 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE (TEC), AND TRANSFERS TO A NEW SCHOOL AS OUTLINED IN TEC 25.0344 AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY, AND IS OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ELIGIBILITY RULES, IS CONSIDERED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS RULE.
3. A STUDENT WHOSE PARENT IS A 'PEACE OFFICER' AS REFERENCED IN SECTION 25.0344 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE (TEC) (DEFINITION IN SECTION 1701.001, OCCUPATIONS CODE), AND TRANSFERS TO A NEW SCHOOL AS OUTLINED IN TEC 25.0344 AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY, AND IS OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ELIGIBILITY RULES, IS CONSIDERED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS RULE.
4. A STUDENT WHOSE PARENT IS HIRED FOR A FULL-TIME POSITION REQUIRING A CERTIFICATE FROM THE STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION (SBEC) AT A MEMBER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (ISD) OR MEMBER CHARTER SCHOOL ORGANIZATION AND TRANSFERS TO A NEW SCHOOL IN THE ISD OR THE CHARTER SCHOOL IN WHICH THE PARENT

IS EMPLOYED, AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY, AND IS OTHERWISE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ELIGIBILITY RULES, IS CONSIDERED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS RULE, WITH LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVAL.

Section 466: REVIEW OF WAIVER OFFICER'S DECISION

- (a) Except in appeals under the age rule, Section 465(b)(4), the applicant, the parent or guardian of the applicant, or any superintendent may request a review of the decision of the Waiver Officer. The request for review must be in writing and be accompanied by payment of a \$200.00 filing fee. If the applicant or the applicant's parents request the review, and the applicant is indigent or a dependent of an active military personnel, the filing fee may be waived. ~~During the school year requests must be received by the Waiver Review Board within 15 days after the decision of the Waiver Officer was mailed. During the summer holidays, requests must be received by the Waiver Review Board no later than September 1 or immediately after the first meeting of the District Executive Committee, whichever occurs sooner.~~

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

This amendment should have no fiscal impact to member schools.

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

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



**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY**  
**Passed the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to create varsity eligibility opportunities and extend the timeline for review of Waiver Officer's decision

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY**  
**Authorized the Staff to Study the Following Proposal**

- a. A proposal to change the age of eligibility date

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY**  
**Denied, Rejected or Took No Action on the Following Proposals**

- a. A proposal to assign charter schools, within the boundaries of a school district, to the same conference as the high school with the highest enrollment
- b. Proposals to ban Native American theme mascots