



EVERGREEN CONFERENCE

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of the organization shall be the Evergreen Conference consisting of: Aberdeen, Black Hills, Capital, Centralia, River Ridge, Tumwater and W.F. West.

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of this organization shall be to regulate and further the interscholastic relations of it's member schools, each with the others; and to, at all times, seek to better the athletic, social and academic opportunities of the membership.

ARTICLE III

Membership

1. Membership into the league will be allowed upon formal application by the new school and by a 3/5 majority vote of the membership.
2. Applications for membership in the league must be approved by a 3/5 majority vote of league members by February 1 of the year previous to their participation. The restriction is not to apply when in conflict with the regulations of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association.
3. Membership in this league pre-supposes the payment of any assessments and/or fees by November 1 of each school year.

ARTICLE IV

Voting

1. Each member school shall have one vote in all league matters, to be cast by the principal or designee.
2. All decisions shall be determined by a majority vote, provided a quorum of qualified representatives is present. A quorum shall consist of qualified representatives from one more than one-half of the schools in the league.
3. Each school should be represented at each meeting by the principal or designee, prepared to cast votes on league matter.
4. All members schools shall be members of and subject to the rules of the Southwest Washington District IV and the WIAA.

ARTICLE V

Officers and Duties

1. President:
 - A. Chair meetings
 - B. Prepare meeting agendas.
 - C. Call special meetings.
 - D. Appoint task forces and committees.

The presidency will rotate annually, alphabetically by school name. Exceptions may be made for special situations, as approved by a majority vote.

2. Secretary:
 - A. Record minutes of the meetings and distribute.
 - B. Handle all correspondence as directed by the President.

The secretary shall be elected at the regular May meeting by a majority vote of the membership

3. Treasurer:

- A. Serve as league fund manager to manage moneys made available to the league for the support of the league programs.
- B. Collect, receipt, deposit, and disburse league moneys.
- C. Keep and maintain records of all league moneys and report same to the membership at each meeting.

The treasurer will be appointed for a three-year term, as chosen by the athletic directors. The Treasurer will receive an annual salary of \$250.00. Payment will be made in May for the year.

All new officers of the league will assume office at the regular June meeting.

4. Representation:

- A. The league will have two representatives to District IV.
- B. The league will have one representative to WIAA Representative Assembly.

ARTICLE VI

Meetings

1. There shall be one general meeting each month from August through June.
2. The President will call such special meetings as may be needed.
3. Committees and task forces will meet as needed to complete their assigned task.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

1. This Constitution may be amended at a regular league meeting by a vote of three-fifths of the member schools in attendance.

2. Written copies of all proposed amendments must be presented at least one meeting before a vote may be taken on the amendment.

ARTICLE VIII

By-Laws

1. By-Laws of this Constitution may be added, deleted, or changed by a majority vote of members present and voting at a regular meeting.
2. Written copies of all proposed By-Laws must be presented at least one meeting before a vote may be taken on the proposal.

ARTICLE IX

Cooperative Agreement

In order to meet the requirements of WAC 392-138-085, LEAGUE AND OTHER JOINT ACTIVITIES, the Board of Directors of each member school district will adopt a resolution agreeing to authorize its school/s to continue membership in and to accept the Constitution and By-Laws of the Evergreen Conference. The Board resolution should be adopted prior to October 1st.

A sample resolution which could be adopted by a Board of Directors follows: “In order to meet the requirements of WAC 392-138-085, LEAGUE AND OTHER JOINT ACTIVITIES, the Board of Directors of _____ School District authorizes _____ High School/Middle Level School to continue membership in the Evergreen Conference and accepts the Constitution and By-Laws of the league.”

ARTICLE X

Behavior Expectations of Crowds at League Contests

Athletic contest between teams and individuals should reflect sportsmanship and mutual respect by both the participants and the spectators. Care must be taken that the schools in our league continue to be friendly rivals, not enemies. Booing, throwing objects, use of noisemakers or harassment of player shall not be allowed at any athletic event. We will adopt and follow the rules for WIAA state events at all league events.

ARTICLE XI

All League Awards

The league will recognize MVP(s), Coach of the Year, First and Second Team Selection in each sport.

This will be determined by a vote of the coaches representing each member school

ARTICLE XII

All League Academic Awards

The league will recognize any varsity participant with a 3.5 GPA in the previous semester. Freshman will not be eligible for the fall semester.



Evergreen Conference

BY-LAWS

EVERGREEN CONFERENCE BY-LAWS

SECTION I. RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Rules and Regulations of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association and the Southwest Washington Activities Association shall take precedence over the By-Laws of this league in case of conflict between provisions. Principals, Athletic Directors, and Coaches are to be aware of regulations in WIAA Handbook governing athletics. Membership in this league pre-supposes the payment of any assessments and/or fees by November 1st of each school year. All member schools shall be members of and subject to the rules of the Southwest Washington District IV and the WIAA.

SECTION II. DUES

The amount of the membership dues for League schools shall be determined by a majority vote of the schools.

SECTION III. DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES AND AGENDAS

One copy of the minutes of each meeting will be e-mailed directly to the league representative of each member school for distribution. Agendas for up-coming meetings should be received as a reminder at least one week prior to the scheduled meetings.

SECTION IV. REIMBURSEMENT FOR LEAGUE EXPENSES

Actual expenses of officers or committees, in active and faithful discharge of duty shall be paid by the Association. The league is to

pay for mileage (at the WIAA approved amount) and meals upon presentation of a bill whenever necessary in conducting league business.

SECTION V. SCHOOL CLOSURE

In case of school closure due to unforeseen circumstances, the principal or his designee of that school must contact the other school as early as possible with information regarding possible cancellation or postponement of a scheduled league contest.

SECTION VI. SCHEDULING

Schools may, by mutual consent, change the time and/or date of a league scheduled game. If agreement cannot be reached the decision may be made by the league. If a team cannot play a Junior Varsity game, they must notify their opponent one day prior to the game as a reminder.

The President shall appoint a sustaining commissioner for each sport or activity and their duties shall be:

- A. To make up schedules and submit them to the principals or their designees at the appropriate league meeting.
- B. Once the schedule is approved, the chairman will make copies and give them to each school.
- C. Schools will be responsible for league schedule and All-League selections as follows:

Fall

Football
Cross Country
Girls Soccer
Volleyball
Boys Golf

Scott Chamberlain
Scott Chamberlain
Don Farler
Gary Larson
Josua Lowe

WF West
WF West
Black Hills
River Ridge
Centralia

Boys Tennis
Girls Swimming
Spirit

Ken Ashlock
Steve Bellande
Josh Lowe

Aberdeen
Capital
Centralia

Winter

Basketball
Wrestling
Bowling
Boys Swimming

Tim Graham
Scott Chamberlain
Don Farler/Tim Graham
Steve Bellande

Tumwater
WF West
B. Hills/Tumwater
Capital

Spring

Baseball
Fastpitch
Track
Boys Soccer
Girls Golf
Girls Tennis

Tim Graham
Josh Lowe
Gary Larson
Don Farler
Josua Lowe
Ken Ashlock

Tumwater
Centralia
River Ridge
Black Hills
Centralia
Aberdeen

By agreement of the League, exchanging of eligibility lists has been waived by the provisions of Article 21, Section 22.16 of the WIAA Handbook.

SECTION VII. ADMISSION PRICES

Admission prices for the following year will be set at the regular May meeting of the league and sent to each member school included in the May minutes.

Host schools will honor visiting schools' ASB cards at student prices.

Host schools' students with ASB may be admitted free to regular season events.

SECTION VIII. SUPERVISION PASSES

The League AD Chairperson shall be responsible for printing and issuing eight (8) League passes annually to admit supervisors.

Schools shall honor Southwest Washington District IV passes for all regular season contests. For playoff contests, special supervision passes will be issued or pass lists will be utilized.

SECTION IX. INTER-SCHOOL DISPUTES

When disputes concerning league activities arise between schools in the league, staff members are to immediately notify their principal. Officials from the schools will work together to solve the problem. Parties involved will issue no press releases concerning matters in dispute between the schools.

If the schools involved in a dispute are unable to reach an agreement they will immediately refer the issue to the President, who will work with the league members to settle the dispute. Should the school represented by the president be involved, the next officer shall conduct the meeting. Both schools involved in a dispute will not have a vote on that issue. The decision of the Executive Committee shall be reviewed at the next regular meeting.

SECTION X. CHAMPIONSHIPS

Varsity League Champions will be determined by the final won-lost standing of league schedules. In case of tie, schools involved will be co-champions.

SECTION XI. MANAGEMENT OF ATHLETIC CONTESTS

SUPERVISION: Each participating school should have an administrator or his designated faculty representative (other than the coach involved) present for all major home and away spectator sports events, particularly the varsity sports of football and basketball or any other sports event considered to be major by the administrators of the schools involved. It is the responsibility of the home school to provide adequate crowd control and security provisions.

FACILITIES: The home school should provide the following for the visitor's locker room: chalkboard, benches, showers, toilet facilities. Locker rooms shall be open well in advance for visiting teams.

VISITOR RESPONSIBILITIES: Visiting teams will supply their own towels. The visiting coach shall leave the locker room in good, orderly condition (no tape, towels, socks, food, etc., on floor or benches). The visiting school is responsible for the replacement or repair of facilities or equipment that are damaged or removed.

NOISEMAKERS: Unusual noisemakers, such as whistles, air horns, duck calls, etc., are not to be used at athletic contest. Drums should be used for no purpose other than accompanying the band.

SIGNS: Pep signs are to be regulated by the host school.

ADMITTING PEP STAFF: Visiting pep staff with uniform or accompanied by an advisor will be admitted without charge at the gate.

STUDENTS LEAVING DURING CONTESTS: Students will not be allowed to leave and return during athletic contest.

EXPENSES AND PROFITS: For regularly scheduled contest the host school will incur all expenses and retain all profits. In the event that two or more teams are tied for a play-off berth, the SOP will be followed to determine tournament placement. If a game(s) is/are necessary to determine placement, then the school hosting the play-off will be reimbursed for it's expenses in hosting the game(s). In the event a profit is made, it will be deposited in the league treasury. If there is a loss, the league will pay the host school to cover the expenses. District tournament profits or losses will be discussed on a per sport basis by the league.

SECTION XII. OFFICIALS

It will be the responsibility of the host school to arrange officials for league contests. All league contests must be officiated by WIAA approved officials. For play-off games, officials will be selected from league participating associations, unless agreed upon by the competing schools.

SECTION XIII. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COACHES AT LEAGUE CONTESTS

It will be the responsibility of coaches to:

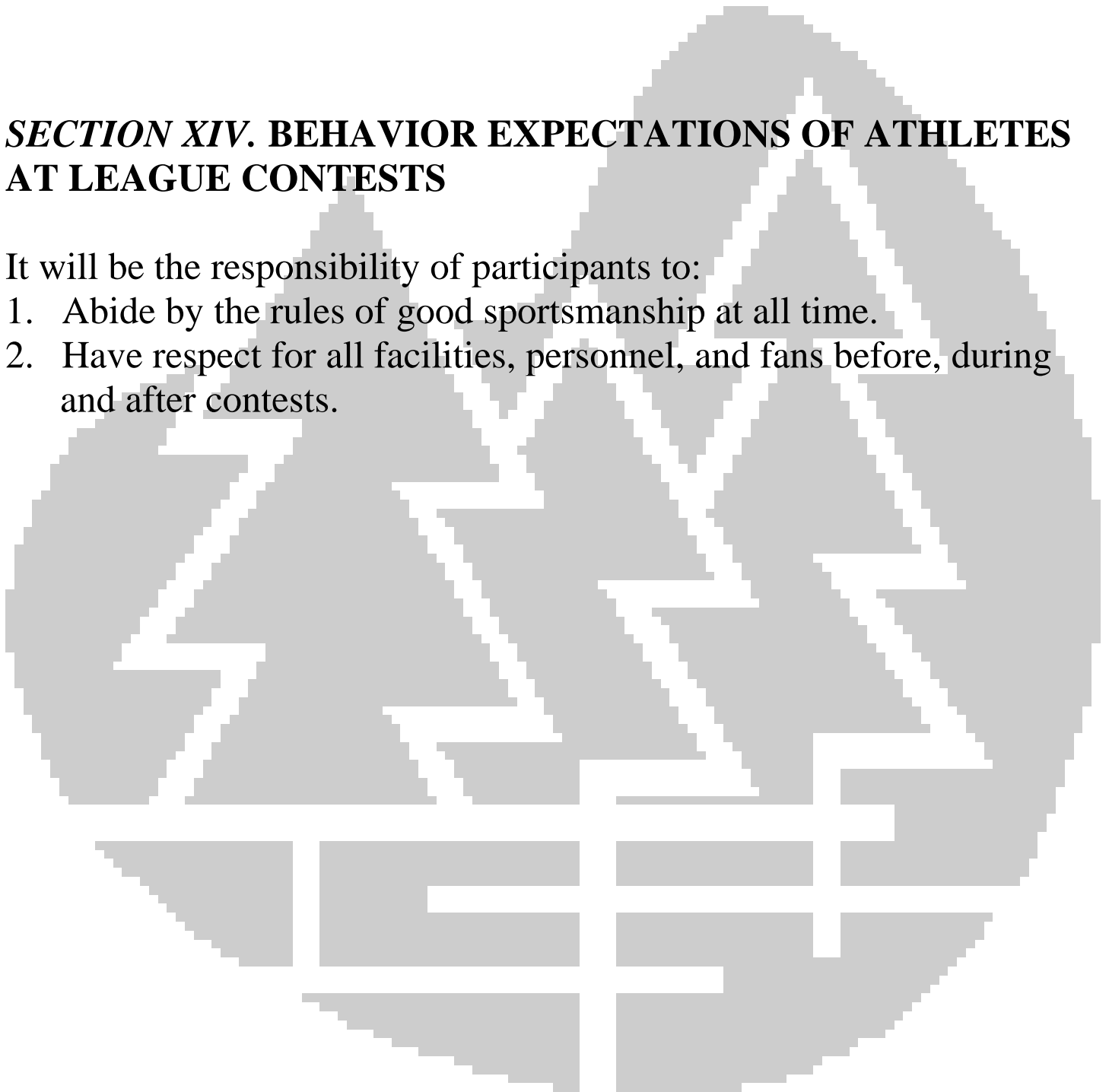
1. Know the rules of the game.
2. Set an example of good sportsmanship for officials, players, and fans.
3. Be responsible for his/her participants before, during, the after the contest.
4. Meet all commitments pertaining to the contest.
5. Establish communication of a positive manner with opposing coaches and officials.

6. Have available at the site a medical release treatment form for each participant.

SECTION XIV. BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS OF ATHLETES AT LEAGUE CONTESTS

It will be the responsibility of participants to:

1. Abide by the rules of good sportsmanship at all time.
2. Have respect for all facilities, personnel, and fans before, during and after contests.



Evergreen Conference Sportsmanship Code

As members of the Evergreen Conference we will use only positive cheers, signs and chants, as directed by cheerleaders, that encourage and support the players, coaches and officials. Example of, but not limited to, acceptable behavior:

- a) Appropriate face painting.
- b) Appropriate standing during games.
- c) Posters that promote school spirit.

Spectator conduct at all athletic events should be of a positive nature and not disruptive to the contest. Some examples of disruptive behavior would include, but not limited to:

- a) The throwing of objects onto the playing areas, fields or courts.
- b) Non-participants coming onto the playing areas, fields or courts.
- c) The use of profanity.
- d) Use of artificial noisemakers or booing.
- e) Derogatory or uncomplimentary statements or chants aimed at individual players, coaches or officials.

All spectators and fans will sit in the second row, no first row seating, for all Evergreen Conference court events.

Visiting teams may have an official school banner and/or approved signs (stamped by Athletic Department) in the designated fan section.

Fan lines are permissible in front of that school's fan section for court events, if approved by game management. No fan tunnels will be permissible at football games.

Fans will be expected to dress in appropriate attire for a public school event.

All spectators are subject to game management expectations.

Evergreen Conference Website: <http://www.2aevergreen.com>

District IV Website: <http://www.swwdistrict4.com>