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Ottawa Hills to Move to Sandusky Bay Conference

Today, the Board of Education approved for Ottawa Hills Local Schools to move its athletic affiliation to the Sandusky Bay Conference (SBC) effective July 1, 2026.

Ottawa Hills is currently a member of the Toledo Area Athletic Conference (TAAC), a league it was a founding member of in 1988. The Green Bears will continue to compete in the TAAC for the 2025-2026 school year before making the move to the SBC for the 2026-2027 campaign.

“The move to the SBC is an exciting one for Green Bear Nation,” athletic director Ryan Wronkowitz stated. “We will reunite with some previous rivals that were opponents of ours in the TAAC. The SBC is a highly competitive conference that will challenge us moving forward in a variety of sports. The schools are all similar in size to us, which provides us this unique opportunity to join forces.”

When Ottawa Hills officially joins the league, the SBC will become a nine-team conference. The Green Bears will join Gibsonburg, Lakota, Margaretta, Northwood, and Woodmore as 11-man football playing members while Danbury, St. Joseph Central Catholic (Fremont), and St. Mary Central Catholic (Sandusky) are also full-time members.

Of the sports that the SBC sponsors, Ottawa Hills fields teams in boys cross country, girls cross country, football, boys golf, girls volleyball, boys basketball, girls basketball, boys swimming, girls swimming, baseball, boys track and field, girls track and field, and softball. The Green Bears’ field hockey, boys and girls soccer, boys and girls tennis, and boys and girls lacrosse teams will compete as independents. Currently, all of those sports, with the exception of both soccer teams, are independents so their status will not change.

“While we look ahead to creating some new rivalries in the new league, we will look to finish our tenure in the TAAC strong next year,” Wronkowitz added. “We are thankful to have been a founding member of the league and have enjoyed the competition over the years. We will battle hard in our final year in the conference with the goal of adding more championships to our trophy case before we make the move.”