



Sweet Home Central School District of Amherst and Tonawanda

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TO: Finune Shaibi
Director of Human Resources

FROM: Chris Schiumo, Director of Athletics

DATE: November 7th, 2025

RE: Combining of Schools, Girls Varsity Wrestling

I would like to propose the combining of schools with Amherst Central School District for the sport of Girls' Wrestling for the 2025-2026 school year. The merger comes in response to a request from Amherst CSD to merge for one school-year as they look to create a girls' wrestling team. Amherst has agreed to split expenses for the upcoming wrestling season. I have attached the contract.

Thank you for considering this proposal.

Christopher Schiumo
Director of Athletics

SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SWEET HOME CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE AMHERST CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A COOPERATIVE GIRLS VARSITY WRESTLING PROGRAM

THIS AGREEMENT made this 23rd day of October, 2025 is entered into by and between the **SWEET HOME CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT** ("Sweet Home") and the **AMHERST CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**. WHEREAS, Sweet Home and Amherst desire to combine their girls' varsity wrestling teams for the 2025-2026 season; and

WHEREAS, the Sweet Home Board of Education, Amherst Board of Education and the Section VI Athletic Council have authorized the combined girls' wrestling team.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and agreements contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

ROSTER: Each district will afford their student athletes equal opportunity to try out for the team, in accordance with section and district policies on eligibility. The team will be chosen by the coaching staff. The roster will consist of athletes deemed most skilled by the coaching staff. There is no set total number of athletes that will be on the team's roster from any one district.

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT: Sweet Home will pay all expenses associated with the team upfront. Sweet Home will cover the costs for all Sweet Home students on the roster. Amherst will cover the cost for all Amherst students on the roster. Cost will be dependent on the total number of girls on the roster as of the first match. Any changes to the roster after the start of the first match will not change the cost per student or number of students each district is responsible for paying for.

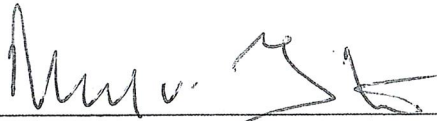
EXPENDITURES: Expenses include, wrestling officials, tournament fees, coaching staff, equipment, and supplies. The total of these expenses will be divided by the number of girls on the roster for the season to come up with a "per team member" cost.

COACHING STAFF: A head coach will be filled by the host school, Sweet Home CSD. Coaching vacancies will be filled upon mutual agreement between the districts on a candidate. The positions will be paid in accordance with the Sweet Home Education Association collective bargaining agreement.

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation to/from matches will be provided by Sweet Home's transportation department from the Sweet Home High School building to the game location and back to the Sweet Home High School building.

SUPERVISION: Supervision of the team's home matches will be provided by the Sweet Home Central School District.

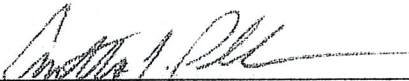
This Agreement is entered into the day and year first written above.



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Superintendent of Schools



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Director of Athletics



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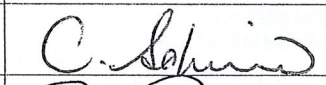
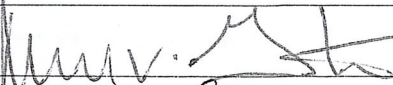
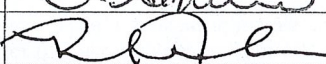
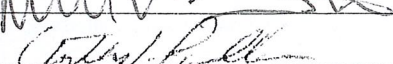
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SECTION VI 2025-2026

REQUEST for Combining 2 or More Schools for Athletic ParticipationSchool Year 2025-2026 Sport Wrestling☐ Boys ☒ Girls ☐ Both Separate B/G
when Classifications are unique to B/GLEVEL: (check all) ☒ Varsity ☐ JV ☐ Freshman☐ 7/8 ☐ 7/8/9**SCHOOLS INVOLVED**

School	High School Name	# Participants	Board of Education Approval Date	BEDS	See chart %	Value
1 (host)	Sweet Home CSD	8	Pending 11/18	798		
2	Amherst CSD	6		657		
3						
4						
5						
Total Combined Enrollment:						1455

☒ New Program all signatures required ☐ Existing Program (Supt. signature not required)HOST _____ Circle one CLASS AAA AA A B C D or Division I or II or SINGLE DIVISION Sport
Classification within sport (use charts page 2)**SIGNATURES**

#	High School Name	Athletic Director Signature e-signature = ☒	Superintendent Signature
(host)	Sweet Home		
2	Amherst		
3			
4			
5			

Has the respective Sports Chairperson been notified?

YES ☒ NO ☐Date of Notification: 10/27/2025**LEAGUE & SECTION SIGNATURES**APPROVEDNOT APPROVED

Name of League _____

League _____

Signature League President or chair / Date _____

League President or chair / Date _____

Signature Section VI Exec. Director / Date _____

Section VI Exec. Director / Date _____

Section VI President / Date _____

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(Below Sports that do not require league approval – will require Chair approval)

Football, Hockey, Indoor Track & Lacrosse

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School Year 2025-26 Sport Wrestling

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LEVEL: (check all) ☒ Varsity ☐ JV ☐ Freshman ☐ 7/8 ☐ 7/8/9

- If two or more schools are located within the same physical building, 100% of their BEDS will be used if they are following the Combining of Teams process. 2/2019
- If 4 Schools (or more) for team sports listed 3rd page 100% BEDS for all schools

CLASSIFICATION FOR SECTIONAL COMPETITION OF ABOVE SPORT

The school(s) with higher(est) classification number will have a percentage of the other school(s) classification number added according to the graduated scale shown.

The percentage is sport specific. PLEASE NOTE: Subject to change* Feb or May 2025 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting

2025-2026 Sport Specific #

Six Classes (AAA, AA, A, B-100%, C-50%, D-40%)

Five Classes (AA, A, B-100%, C-50%, D-40%)

Four Classes (A, B-100%, C-50%, D-40%)

Three Classes (A-100%, B-50%, C-40%)

Two Division (100%, 50%)

REASON FOR REQUEST (Emerging Sport, Declining Participation and/or Financial):

Emerging Sport

NOTE: All applications will have three (3) years of participation numbers at all levels of the sport (Modified, Junior Varsity and Varsity), with the grade level of each participant.

- 1.) If this is a re-application, previous records will need to be included with the application. Final approval by the Athletic Council must meet the following deadlines: **FORM due at least 1 week prior to meeting to be added to the AGENDA.
DEADLINES: Fall Sport: **January 1** b) Winter Sport: **May 1** c) Spring Sport **September 1**
- 2.) A written evaluation will include the end of season roster and season ending record, which must be submitted to the leagues involved and the Section office after the season according to the following schedule:
 a. Fall Season: **November 30** Winter Season: **March 20** Spring Season: **June 20**

End of Season Report Link <http://www.section6.e1b.org/CombiningEndofSeasonReport>

- 3.) Combined schools, demonstrating "dominance", will be provided written notice at the conclusion of the season, with regards to placement and classification for the following school year.

The Combining of Schools Committee will: Utilize the following factors when making decisions on combined teams and determining the level of "Dominance"

- Won a sectional championship
- High placement at sectionals
- Request by schools / leagues / sport chair
- Transfers
- Determine where teams are appropriately competitive
- Returning players
- Schedule
- Program history Section VI Policy 120.6c

• Ensure that the annual application process is understood by all of the athletic directors.

Below Information is provided for your convenience. Classification for NYSPHSAA championships

***2025-2026* Below values Subject to change* February/May 2025 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting**

Classification Variations

The graduated scale to be used for up to 3 "team" mergers., **mergers with 4 or more 'teams' will take 100%** of their BEDS; this would only be for team sports. Baseball, Basketball, Cheer, Football, Field Hockey, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer & Volleyball

Sport	AAA	AA	A	B	C	D
Basketball Boys	1085+	657-1084	364-656	221-363	120-220	0-119
Basketball Girls	1093+	655-1092	364-654	224-363	127-223	0-126
Baseball	1072+	675-1071	382-674	241-381	138-240	0-137
Softball	1065+	670-1064	379-669	235-378	133-234	0-132
Soccer Boys	1096+	691-1095	407-690	247-406	144-246	0-143
Soccer Girls	1065+	681-1064	382-680	237-381	129-236	0-128
Volleyball Girls	1041+	733-1040	453-732	283-452	174-282	0-173
Sport	AA	A	B	C	D	
Football appr 10/24	1025+	651-1024	402-650	273-401	0-272	
Cross Country appr 5/21	---	815+	450-814	255-449	0-254	
Field Hockey	---	915+	450-914	0-449	---	
Game Day Cheerleading 7/23	---	849+	479-848	0-478	---	
Competitive Cheer 7/23	---	1025+	555-1024	250-554	0-249 Coed 1 Div	
Flag Football appr 10/24	---	1018+	601-1017	0-600	---	
Lacrosse Boys appr 5/24	---	1035+	728-1035	450-727	0-449	
Lacrosse Girls appr 10/24	---	1035+	728-1035	450-727	0-449	
Outdoor Track & Field appr 7/24	---	800+	400-799	0-399	---	

2 Division Team Sports

Division 1	Division 2
Volleyball Boys appr 5/19	901+ 0-900
Ice Hockey Boys	1000+ 0-999

2 Division Individual Sports 600+ 0-599

Bowl, Tennis, Boys Wrestling 100% + 50%
 unless 4 or more teams = 100%

Other Individual Sports: For Golf, Gymnastics, Girls Ice Hockey, Indoor Track Rifle, Skiing, Swimming & Diving, Girls Wrestling 100% for all schools