Third Update on Athletic Regulatory Changes and Legal Implications for TTUSD

June 25, 2025

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Topics for This Evening's Presentation

- California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Transition Timelines
- Summary of Changes since May 14, 2025
- Updated Board Guidance

CIF Transition Timelines

May 7th Board Meeting

- Switch to CIF in the 2025-2026 school year to ensure full sport seasons for TTUSD athletes

May 14th Special Board Meeting- 1 year delay

- Switch to CIF in the 2026-2027 school year

June 13th Board Study Session

- The core challenge is balancing two opposing timelines:
    - **Timeline A: Immediate Action** is necessary for positive CIF league placement for Truckee High School.
    - **Timeline B: Delayed Action** is preferred to enable thorough community engagement, financial review, and facility solutions for soccer and tennis.

CIF Scheduling Dates for the 2026/2027 School Year

- **Early August 2025**
  - Preliminary sports scheduling begins for the 2026/2027 school year
- **September 8, 2025**
  - Last day to submit CIF application for the 2026/2027 school year
    - CIF Board approval would take place in October 2025
- **January 2026**
  - 2028/2029 school year CIF League realignment discussions begin

Summary of Changes since May 14, 2025

NIAA PPE Form

- Tahoe Forest Hospital (TFH) reversed decision and TFH medical providers can complete the NIAA PPE form.
- NIAA revised the PPE form during the June 2025 NIAA Board of Control meeting (new form dated 6/5/25).
- NIAA released an FAQ document about PPE Forms and shared in email they are hearing from some parents experiencing challenges with medical providers completing the PPE form.

State Level Issues

- June 2, 2025: Department of Justice (DOJ) sent a letter to CA school districts stating Local Education Agencies (LEAs) are “exposed to legal liability” if they comply with a CIF policy requiring students the opportunity to participate in a manner consistent with their gender identity.
- June 9, 2025: CA Department of Education responded to DOJ on behalf of CA school districts.

Board Guidance

- **Option 1**
  - Extend the delay of joining CIF to the 2027-2028 School Year
- **Option 2**
  - Extend the delay indefinitely (or in other words, remain in NIAA)
- **Option 3**
  - Other Board guidance

Thank you!

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