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# NEWS RELEASE

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## IHSAA Student Advisory Committee Begins 15<sup>th</sup> Year

Eighteen high school student-athletes from across the Hoosier State have begun the school year as members of the 2015-16 IHSAA Student Advisory Committee (SAC).

The SAC represents the entire IHSAA membership of 408 schools, and its structure reflects that of the IHSAA Board of Directors in terms of classification and districts.

Each year, the IHSAA receives nominations from school principals on behalf of student-athletes from IHSAA member schools. From that group of this year's nominations, 20 were selected for interviews by members of the IHSAA Executive Committee, Executive Staff and returning members of the SAC. From those interviews, nine juniors were invited to join the group of nine seniors serving their second year.

Among the returning seniors are Alexa Jenkins of Hamilton Southeastern and Jacob Stamm of Seton Catholic who were elected as president and vice-president, respectively, by their peers for the school year. Individuals who will serve as part of this year's committee include:

### 2015-16 IHSAA Student Advisory Committee

Name	Grade	School
Kaelynn Abner	11	North Putnam
Quinlan Armstrong	12	Northwestern
Brandt Callahan	11	Bedford North Lawrence
Kyrsa Galyan	11	Monrovia
Matthew Godfrey	11	Guerin Catholic
Will Hayes	11	Terre Haute South Vigo
Riley Hickman	12	Rensselaer Central
Alexa Jenkins	12	Hamilton Southeastern
Ty Johnson	12	Shelbyville
Isaiah Lehman	11	Lakeland
Haley Nestor	11	Borden
Matt Otwinowski	12	LaPorte
Riley Pepler	12	Angola
Hannah Potter	11	Noblesville
Sydney Rainey	12	Harrison (West Lafayette)
Jacob Stamm	12	Seton Catholic
Madison Vauters	11	Mooreville
Lauren White	12	New Prairie

The IHSAA began sponsoring the Student Advisory Committee in 2001-02 to give Indiana high school student-athletes hands-on experience and a voice to the IHSAA staff.

The SAC meets four times annually – twice each semester – and is responsible for hosting meetings with student peers at the upcoming Fall Area Principals Meetings; assisting with the awards ceremonies at IHSAA state championship events throughout the school year, planning and administering the annual IHSAA Student Leadership Conference in June and; to engage in and support the activities of Special Olympics Indiana including the Unified Track & Field State Tournament.

Other SAC functions include the development of an [IHSAA Captain's Handbook](#) which is posted to IHSAA.org as well as assisting in the creation of multiple public service announcements addressing good sporting behavior which will be utilized during 2015-16 state championships events.



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***About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)***

*The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association's mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private – pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association's tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 21 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and one co-ed (unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.*

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