

IHSAA News Release



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Softball, Baseball Sectional Assignments Announced

Earlier today, the IHSAA Executive Committee approved the sectional assignments in baseball and softball for the next two school years.

The Executive Committee accepted the recommendations of the realignment committee which determined the sectional groups for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years and are linked below.

[Baseball Sectionals](#) | [Softball Sectionals](#)

The Baseball and Softball Realignment Committee was one of four groups of school administrators representing each IHSAA district and class to realign each of the team sports.

Sectional assignments for the other team sports were [announced on May 1](#).

Baseball and Softball Realignment Committee

Chairpersons: Assistant Commissioner Robert Faulkens and Assistant Commissioner Kerrie Schludecker

Class 1A	District I	David Amor, Athletic Director, LaCrosse High School
	District II	Charlie Martin, Athletic Director, Riverton Parke High School
	District III	Josh Johnson, Athletic Director, Morristown High School
Class 2A	District I	Ken Hickman, Athletic Director, Rensselaer High School
	District II	Jimmie Howell, Athletic Director, Lapel High School
	District III	Scott Newcomb, Athletic Director, Eastern (Pekin) High School
Class 3A	District I	Paul Frye, Principal, Peru High School
	District II	Steve Cox, Director of Transportation, Beech Grove City Schools
	District III	Mark DeHart, Athletic Director, Brownstown Central High School
Class 4A	District I	Ed Gilliland, Athletic Director, LaPorte High School
	District II	Ryan Walden, Athletic Director, McCutcheon High School
	District III	Brandon Taylor, Athletic Director, Castle High School

One New School Approved for IHSAA Membership

One school was approved for initial membership by the IHSAA Executive Committee during today's first meeting of the 2017-18 school year.

An application was approved from Trinity School at Greenlawn of South Bend.

Trinity enrolls 122 students and maintains teams for both genders in soccer, basketball and track and field.

Students at the school will be able to compete in regular season events immediately but, by IHSAA rule, won't be eligible to participate in state tournament series competition for four years (2021-22).

The school will enter a four-year membership period during which it will be required to meet a number of criteria in order to gain full membership. Among the criteria are adhering to all IHSAA rules and regulations, maintaining at least one team and program for each gender in each season (fall, winter and spring), attending the IHSAA New School Orientation and attending all seasonal meetings and educational opportunities for the principal and athletic director. In addition, each school will be monitored for compliance by an IHSAA assistant commissioner who will be assigned to mentor the school's administrators during the first two years of membership.

At the end of the four-year period (June 2021), the IHSAA Executive Committee will review the school's overall compliance and vote to determine whether the school will gain full membership.

The new addition combined with the membership loss of Indianapolis Marshall maintains the same membership total as last year at 410 schools.

IHSAA Membership Totals, Last 10 Years

2017-18	410
2016-17	410
2015-16	408
2014-15	410
2013-14	412
2012-13	410
2011-12	408
2010-11	410
2009-10	411
2008-09	411

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.