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TO: High School Principals
Athletic/Activities Directors
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Proposed Bylaw Amendments Article 12 Section 9.C.10

The Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA) Board of Directors proposes to amend Association bylaws at its meeting on December 9-10, 2024. Preceding the amendment is a short explanation of the proposal.

In amending the Bylaws, the Board of Directors will be using the following procedure:

Article 18, Bylaw Amendment, Section 1, Method, states:

“These Bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors sitting in regular session provided that at least 30 days advance notice has been mailed to the general membership.”

Section 2, Effective Date, states:

“Unless otherwise specified, amendments to these Bylaws take effect 30 days after their filing.”

Please review these proposed changes and if you wish, provide written comment by letter or email billy@asaa.org, to the ASAA office prior to the meeting.

Explanation

To prevent potential abuse of the immediate participation rule at the sub-varsity level, students requesting a second transfer under this section must provide evidence of a "hardship" to be eligible for participation at any level.



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Proposed Amendment to Article 12 Section 9.C.10

10. Transfer Without a Bona Fide Change of Residence of Parents: A student who transfers their “school of eligibility” without a bona fide change of residence of parents or guardians, is ineligible for Varsity, State Qualifying and State Championship interscholastic competition for one calendar year, from the date of first attendance in the new school in team sports. Students participating in individual sports may compete on varsity during regular season, but are ineligible for State Qualifying and State Championship interscholastic competition for one calendar year, from the date of first attendance in the new school. Students who live with coaches are ineligible (see Section 5, E). At schools with no sub-varsity team sports, the student could ask for a waiver to participate on the varsity team during the regular season, but would not be able to participate at either conference or state tournaments. **(Add) Students requesting a second transfer under this section must provide evidence of a "hardship" to be eligible for participation at any level.**

NOTE: Students who transfer schools are not required to also transfer their “school of eligibility” and may continue to participate at their former school at the varsity level, provided they meet all other ASAA eligibility requirements.