



# Western Big 6 conference

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Mr. Matt Wright, Principal  
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Dear Mr. Wright,

I am pleased to advise that the Western Big 6 Board of Control has approved your request to form a co-op in girls swim with Port Byron (Riverdale).

This letter certifies that you have properly requested approval from the Western Big 6 Conference of which you are a member in good standing, to form the above stated co-op swim teams, and further certifies that Western Big 6 Conference Board of Control discussed and approved your request by vote taken on June 11, 2025.

We understand that there are additional IHSA requirements for forming cooperative teams and are confident you will fully comply with those rules and regulations. We will be happy to assist in anyway necessary if anything further is needed from our conference.

Sincerely,

Gregory H King  
Executive Secretary



# Application for Cooperative Team Sponsorship

For New 2025-26 & 2026-27  
Cooperative Teams Only

## Deadlines for submission of applications:

Aug. 1=Fall sports/activities; Oct. 1=Winter sports/activities; Feb. 1=Spring sports/activities

A separate application MUST be completed and submitted for each boys' athletic team, each girls' athletic team, and each activity.

For criteria under which cooperative teams may be formed, refer to Section 2.030 of the By-laws and Section 26 of the Administrative Procedures, Guidelines and Policies Section in the IHSA Handbook with Illustrations.

1. This application is for cooperative sponsorship of a team for the two-year classification cycle covering 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

Girls  
(Specify Gender of Team - if applicable)

Swimming  
(Sport/Activity)

Western B16 SIX  
(Cooperative Team Conference)

2. This application must include the following:

- letters from the presidents of ALL conferences of which each school in this cooperative are members for ANY sport/activity, certifying that this cooperative team has been approved by the conferences
- a letter from the president of the conference of which this cooperative team will be a member during the co-op, certifying that this cooperative team has been approved for participation in the conference. If this cooperative team will not participate in a conference, attach letters approving the cooperative team from seven (7) schools on its upcoming schedule.
- a signed copy of the intergovernmental agreement of this cooperative team, formally adopted by the boards of education of the participating schools for the school terms listed above, detailing your agreement in respect to insurance, coaching personnel and compensation, liability, facilities, equipment, etc. It must indicate that procedures are established for checking on student eligibility and complying with all IHSA By-Laws. Local policies which will be implemented in respect to training rules, academic standards, etc., must be agreed upon. (Copy of the intergovernmental agreement must accompany each request.)

3. NAME OF SCHOOLS

ALL CONFERENCE AFFILIATIONS  
OF EACH SCHOOL IN COOPERATIVE

ENROLLMENT

Port Byron (Riverdale) Port Byron  
United Township High School East Moline

Three Rivers 324  
Western B16 SIX 1869

4. The following rationale underlies our desire for cooperative team sponsorship:

We do not have a swimming pool or facilities in our district to support

5. The number of students participating in this sport/activity at each cooperating school, and the number expected to participate in this sport/activity under the cooperative agreement is:

SCHOOL  
Port Byron (Riverdale)  
United Township High School

NO. OF STUDENTS WHO  
PARTICIPATED IN PREVIOUS YEAR

NO. OF STUDENTS EXPECTED  
TO PARTICIPATION CO-OP

12

17

6. Host school: United Township High School

Contact person: SCOTT HARDING

Team school name: East Moline (UNITED)

Team nickname: PANTHERS

Practices to be held at: United Township High School

Home contests to be held at: UNITED TOWNSHIP H.S.

7. The following signatures certify that formation of this cooperative team will not reduce participation opportunities for students in any of the cooperating schools and has been approved by formal vote of the boards of education and administrations of all schools in the cooperative.

SCHOOLS  
Port Byron (Riverdale)

BOARD PRESIDENTS' SIGNATURES

PRINCIPALS' SIGNATURES

## Official IHSA Action

The above application for cooperative team sponsorship IS IS NOT granted for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 classification cycle.

(Date)

Authorized IHSA Administrator