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*Superintendent of Schools*

To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education  
From: Dr. Sharon Williams  
Cabinet Champion: Jeff Dase, Deputy Superintendent  
Date: March 10, 2026  
Re: Illinois High School Association Renewal

The purpose of the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) is to provide leadership in the development, supervision, and promotion of good sportsmanship in interscholastic competition and other activities chosen by its member schools. Participation in these interscholastic activities offers eligible students valuable experiences that enrich their educational journey.

Unlike many other state high school associations, the IHSA does not require member schools to pay initial or annual dues, nor does it charge schools entry fees to compete in State Series tournaments. Additionally, the IHSA provides NFHS Rule Books to member schools at no cost.

This is part of the association's commitment to supporting member schools and promoting fair competition in state tournaments that do not generate revenue. By renewing, we are confirming that the District remains recognized by the Illinois State Board of Education and by certifying that the Board has voted to adopt and abide by the Constitution, By-laws, Terms and Conditions, and Administrative Procedures, Guidelines, and Policies of the Association.

**It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the membership renewal with the Illinois High School Association, 2715 McGraw Drive, Bloomington, IL, for the 2026 - 27 school year.**

**Investment Period: 2026 - 27 School Year**  
**Total Investment: N/A**  
**Funding Source: N/A**

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