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July 1, 2020

TO: MHTA MEMBER SCHOOLS

FROM: MARK BECKMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: JUNE EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTION

The Montana High School Association Executive Board conducted a meeting on June 25, 2020, and the following actions were taken:

1. The Board, after hearing reports from each classification's summer meetings, determined there aren't enough teams interested in participating in boys' powerlifting during the 2020-2021 school year. Even though the sport won't be offered this year, it will continue to be offered in future years if enough teams participate. Boys' power lifting was approved by the MHSA membership during their 2020 Annual Meeting.
2. The Board approved adding an additional rotation for state track and field meets. Presently the rotations for the two sites are Class AA-B & Class A-C and Class AA-C & Class A-B. The additional rotation will be Class AA-A & Class B-C. This will be a three-year rotation.

The following information is being sent to member schools for a two-week notice period. All changes are effective 2020-2021:

- Class A Items
 - 1) The Board approved the attached brackets for Class A soccer – **[Click Here for the Link](#)**
 - 2) The Board approved that all Class A divisional and state golf tournaments will use a shotgun start.
 - 3) The Board approved that for both Class A Track Divisions, the first 10 place winners including ties for 10th place in all running and field events will advance to state. For relays only the top 10 teams will advance, including ties for 10th place.
 - 4) The Board approved the updated state bracket for Class A football – **[Click Here for the Link](#)**
- Class B Items
 - 1) The Board approved for Class B-C Wrestling to use the same state bracket as Class AA and Class A – **[Click Here for the Link](#)**
 - 2) The Board approved language for Class B-C Wrestling to continue to fill brackets when there is a bye and to wrestle down to 12th place only. No team points will be awarded for 9th/10th or 11th/12th place matches at the divisional tournaments. – **[Click Here for the Link](#)**

- 3) The Board approved the attached Class B updated state football playoff brackets. - **[Click Here for the Link](#)**
 - 4) The Board approved the attached Class B State Volleyball and Basketball Brackets - **[Click Here for the Link](#)**
- Class AA Items
 - 1) The Board approved Class AA Wrestling Seeding Tournaments to now be a two-day Divisional Tournament with no team trophies presented but medals awarded like divisional track meets.
 - 2) The Board approved the Class AA to Pilot Softball Bat Testing. Testing will take place before 1st contest, then again by divisional manager, and one more time at state by tournament manger

Final action was taken on the following items from previous meetings:

- The Board approved increasing the number of administrative passes for state basketball tournaments – 14 to 24 and, if two teams qualify. 20 to 30.
- The Board approved the adjusted six-player football playoff bracket.
- The Board approved the adjusted eight-player football playoff bracket.
- The Board approved various speech, debate and drama changes.
- The Board approved various music changes.