

Region 8A

HANDBOOK



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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION & CONSTITUTION

The following articles of Incorporation and Constitution of the Minnesota State High School League have been revised and included in this handbook as they apply to Region 8A.

NAME

The name of this organization shall be Region 8A of the Minnesota State High School League. It shall be composed of those schools, public and private, that are assigned by the MSHSL Board of Directors.

PURPOSE

Region 8A is organized for the following purposes:

1. To provide equal opportunities for region/section participation for all member school and their individual participants in programs and activities as may be sponsored by the member schools of Region 8A and the Minnesota State High School League.
2. To stimulate the development of a sound program of interscholastic activities and to plan, control, manage, and administer them.
3. To elevate standards of good sportsmanship and to encourage the growth of good citizenship among students, member schools, and their personnel.
4. To protect member schools and their students from exploitation by special interest groups.

LOCAL CONTROL

Designated School Representatives

At the beginning of the League's fiscal year, the governing board of each member school shall designate two (2) representatives who are authorized to vote for the member school at all Sub-Section and Section meetings and on mail ballots where member school are called upon to vote.

One of the designated representatives shall be a member of the school's governing board and the other shall be an administrator or full-time faculty member of the member school.

In school districts with multiple schools, the designated representative from the school district's governing body may represent more than one school and is entitled to one vote for each school they represent.

Designated Activity Representatives

At the beginning of the League's fiscal year, the governing board of each member school shall select individuals to represent its school in the following areas: (a) boys sports; (b) girls sports; (c) speech, and (d) music.

Local Advisory Committee

Each school is urged to form an advisory committee for League activities. Committee membership is not limited to but shall include a school board member, a student, a parent, and a faculty member, to advise the Designated School Representative on all matters relating to the school's membership in the MSHSL.

CLASS "A" REGION COMMITTEES: GOVERNANCE AND REPRESENTATION

Board Policy: Region Assignments for Governance and Representation Purposes

The number of teams in a Region shall be determined by the MSHSL. The number of teams in each Region shall be as equal in number as possible. A semi-annual review of assignments will be conducted by the Board of Directors of the League.

- A. The Board of Directors shall approve the assignments of schools to a Region.
- B. The Region Committee shall assign schools to a Sub-Section according to a reasonably equal distribution of the schools assigned to the Region.
- C. If the school does not approve of its placement in a Region, it may appeal that decision to the Board of Directors. If the school does not approve its placement in a Sub-Section, it may appeal decision to the Region Committee.
- D. The Board of Directors and Region Committees shall make the final decision about placement.

1. Region Committee

- A. The Region Committee shall consist of a minimum of twelve (12) members. Only Designated School Representatives or individuals eligible to be Designated School Representatives are eligible to be selected to these twelve (12) positions.
- B. Membership on the Region Committee shall include a minimum of two (2) member of boards of education or their designee; two (2) superintendents or their designee; two (2) principals or their designee; two (2) athletic directors two (2) coaches, one representing boys coaches and one representing girls coaches; two (2) fine arts directors, one representing music and one representing speech/debate/one act play.
- C. If the committee does not include a representative of one sex, a representative of that sex shall be appointed by the committee. Appointees who are eligible are individuals who are eligible to be designated School Representatives.
- D. Additional committee members may be added at the discretion of the Region Committee. These positions are not limited to designated School Representatives.
- E. No member school shall have more than two (2) representatives on the Region Committee.

2. Terms of Office

- A. The term of office for school administrators shall be four (4) years.
- B. The term of office for coaches/activity directors shall be four (4) years.
- C. Committee members serving more than half of one term shall not be eligible for re-election or appointment to succeed themselves. They may be eligible for further elections or appointments.

3. Selection of Committee Members

- A. Each Class "A" Region shall be divided into four (4) geographically determined Sub-Sections.

- B. The four (4) geographically divided Sub-Sections of that region shall be numbered 29, 30, 31, and 32. Representatives on the Region Committee shall be as follows:

<u>School Administration</u>	<u>2021-25</u>	<u>2023-27</u>	<u>2025-29</u>	<u>2027-31</u>
Board of Education	Sub-29	Sub-31	Sub-30	Sub-32
Superintendent	Sub-30	Sub-32	Sub-31	Sub-29
Principal	Sub-31	Sub-29	Sub-32	Sub-30
Activities Director	Sub-32	Sub-30	Sub-29	Sub-31
<u>Coaches/Fine Arts</u>	<u>2021-25</u>	<u>2023-27</u>	<u>2025-29</u>	<u>2027-31</u>
	Boys Ath. Fine Arts	Girls Ath. Music	Boys Ath. Fine Arts	Girls Ath. Music

- C. Elections of members to the Region Committee shall be conducted during the spring of the year and will be confirmed by the Region Committee at its spring meeting. A complete list of the Region Committee members shall be sent to the League Office by August 1 of each year.
- D. Each Region Committee shall develop an advisory structure for each League-sponsored activity conducted at the region level.

Powers and Duties of the Region Committee

1. The Region Committee shall be responsible for the immediate and general supervision of the Region events assigned by the Board of Directors. Power to determine eligibility, to interpret eligibility bylaws, to penalize schools for bylaw infractions, and/or to present a tournament different from the policy established by the Board of Directors is not and shall not be within the authority of the Region Committee.
2. The Region Committee shall:
 - A. Elect its own officers and designate their responsibilities.
 - B. When appropriate for each identified tournament, assign schools to a Sub-Section as determined by the number of schools in that activity.
 - C. Keep complete minutes on all meetings of the Region Committee.
 - D. Furnish a full report of the proceedings of all Region Committee meetings to the schools of the Region and to the League office.
 - E. Select the tournament managers and tournament committee for each tournament assigned by the Board of Directors. Each Sub-Section should have equal representation on the tournament committee. If only a Region or Section tournament is held, membership on the tournament committee shall come from a representative geographic area of the assigned tournament teams; receive all finances from Sub-Section and Section tournaments; pay all bills for Sub-Section and Section tournaments; determine and send proportionate share/expense claims to the Region Committee(s) from which teams are assigned for governance purposes; and send a report to the League Office relative to the finances and the participation of teams assigned to the Section tournament.
 - F. Maintain a financial balance in accordance with Board of Director policies.

- G. Provide for an annual audit.
 - H. Perform such duties as may properly come before the Committee.
3. Membership in the Representative Assembly shall consist of three (3) designated school representatives from each of the League's sixteen (16) Administrative Regions.
- The Region Committee will appoint members of the Committee to represent the wishes of the Region at the Representative Assembly.
- A. Following the initial appointment to serve as a member of the Representative Assembly, a delegate is limited to a maximum of two (2) consecutive two-year terms. Delegates are not eligible for appointment to succeed themselves following this maximum term.
4. The Region Committee may employ a non-voting executive secretary or an executive secretary-treasurer on an annual basis according to the League's fiscal year.

Region Meetings

Each member school is entitled to two (2) votes.

- 1. Regions may conduct organizational meetings either in the spring or fall of the year:
 - A. To receive input from the schools assigned to the region and to develop general plans for the conduct of region events assigned by the Board of Directors
 - B. To fill vacancies on the Region Committee:
 - 1) Expired terms are elected by the groups represented via a mail ballot.
 - 2) Un-expired terms are filled by recommendations of the group represented.
- 2. The names of Region Committee members and assignments and the names of Committee members appointed to the Representative Assembly shall be sent to the MSHSL office not later than August 1 of each school year.
- 3. Special meetings of the member schools of the Region may be called at the discretion of the Region Committee.

Region 8A Committee

- 1. The Region 8A Committee shall meet at the call of the chair.

VOTING AND QUORUM

- 1. In all voting of member schools, the Designated School Representatives of the member school, or a duly designated alternate, shall be entitled to vote.
- 2. At all meetings of member schools, a quorum shall consist of 75% of all members. When votes are taken by mail 75% of all members must take part to constitute a quorum.
- 3. At all meetings of Class "A" Region Committees, a quorum shall consist of 50% of the total membership.
- 4. Unless otherwise provided for, a majority vote of those present, assuming a quorum, shall be sufficient for approval.

SPONSORS OF PROPOSALS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposals and recommendations may be submitted:

- A. By the Designated School Representatives of five (5) or more schools.
- B. By the members of each activity through the Sub-section Coordinators or Activity Coordinators.

REALIGNMENT OF SCHOOLS

The Region 8A Committee has adopted the following guidelines to follow in realigning schools into competitive Sub-Sections in various activities:

Procedure

- 1. Realignment Committee meets (Boys Sports Rep, Girls Sports Rep, Region Secretary)
- 2. Realignment Committee makes recommendations to Region 8A Committee
- 3. Affected schools are notified of proposed changes and may appeal to the Region 8A Committee within 30 days of receiving notice
- 4. Region 8A Committee will assign late registrations to a Sub--Section.

Criteria

- 1. The Realignment Committee shall make recommendations to the Region 8A Committee to balance the number of schools in each competitive Sub-Section as equally as possible.
 - A. The variance of number of schools in each Sub-Section should not be greater than two (2), except Speech & Music.
 - B. If the number of schools in an activity is less than 24, two (2) Sub-Sections may be established and,
 - C. If the number of schools in an activity is less than 12, all schools may be assigned to compete in a Section tournament (no Sub-Sections).

SEXUAL, RACIAL, AND RELIGIOUS HARASSMENT AND VIOLENCE POLICY

The Region 8A Committee recognizes the MSHSL Policy on Sexual, Racial and Religious Harassment and Violence and the Procedures for Employees and Officers.

The policy is on file with the Executive Secretary.

REGION 8A

GENERAL POLICIES

SECTION TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

Eligible Schools

Any school currently enrolled as a member of the League and assigned to a given competitive section is eligible to participate in all approved activities of the League or any subdivision thereof.

A school is currently enrolled when it has officially registered for the activities it wishes to sponsor. A member school must schedule and participate in a minimum of three (3) interscholastic "A" team games, meets or matches to qualify for League sponsored tournament participation in that sport.

Eligibility Rules

The eligibility rules of the League and the requirements of the Constitution shall govern all participation in all Sub-Section or Section activities.

Tournament Limitation

No team shall be required to play two basketball or two hockey games in any Sub-Section or Section tournament on any one day.

Protests

A protest concerning the eligibility of a student should be filed with the Region Secretary at least three days prior to the opening date of the contest.

Dates for Section Tournaments

The scheduled dates for all Section tournaments and meets shall be at least five days preceding the opening date of the corresponding state tournament, meet or contest. Exceptions to this regulation must have the approval of the League's Board of Directors.

Games and Activity Rules

The following rules, except as modified by the League, shall govern all interscholastic competition. MSHSL rule modifications are printed in the current Athletic Rules and Policies Manual in the section designed for each activity.

1. National Federation:

Baseball	Hockey
Basketball	Track and Field
Cross Country	Volleyball
Football	Wrestling

2. Sport Association:

Golf - United States Golf Association
Tennis - United States Tennis Association

3. Minnesota State High School League Rules:

Music
Drama

4. Minnesota State High School League Rules & 8A Section Guidelines
www.legacy.mshsl.org/mshsl/region.asp?region=8A

Official Squads

1. The official squad for each team sport shall conform to the requirements of the MSHSL.

2. Certification and Substitutions for Team Sports:

After an official squad for a tournament in baseball, basketball, football, hockey, team wrestling, and volleyball has been certified to the governing committee, substitutions are not permitted except under the following conditions:

A. That a physician indicates a student listed on the certified roster must not participate.

- 1) This student may be returned to the tournament squad upon certification, in writing, by the physician,
- 2) When such a player is returned to the tournament squad, the player replaces the substitute.

B. That the governing committee determines a justifiable emergency indicates a need for the withdrawal of a certified player.

- 1) This student may be returned to the tournament squad by action of the governing committee,
- 2) When such a player is returned to the tournament squad, the player replaces the substitute.

Awards

In an effort to maintain uniformity the Board of Directors will furnish all necessary awards for section contests. It will be a violation of League policy for a member school or a representative of a member school to establish, distribute, or accept any awards not provided by the MSHSL for section or state tournaments.

Each region is responsible for the cost of the trophies and medals used in its region.

Tournament Programs

Site managers will be responsible for providing game programs. Programs should be prepared at the host site. Expenses for commercial printing will not be allowed.

The Region 8A Committee will provide digital programs for the sports of Basketball, Football, Volleyball, 8A & 8AA Team Wrestling, Girls Hockey and Boys Hockey.

School/Spectator Videotaping

Schools and spectators will be allowed to videotape their own activities. Schools/spectators will not be allowed to video-tape other schools without their permission. However, site managers are not required to provide space, power, or equipment.

In addition, it would be proper for schools or spectators to request permission to videotape from site managers.

Broadcast Policies/Radio/TV/Webcast Rights Fees

TV-Delayed: No charge. TV-Live: Negotiated. Web/Audio-Delayed: No charge. Web/Audio-Live: No charge.
Web Video-Delayed: No charge. Web/Video - Live: School - No charge. Commercial: \$500

Radio/Television/Web Broadcasts

The MSHSL office will provide each region secretary with a list of radio stations which are participating in the agreement approved by the Board of Directors.

All proposed arrangements made by Region Committees for television and radio programming shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. Said approval shall be granted unless the proposed arrangements conflict with a television or radio contract signed by the MSHSL for programming MSHSL activities.

REGION FUNDS

Policy: No mileage, lodging, or meal allowance will be paid to participating schools in any event sponsored by Region 8A

Section Activities

1. The Region 8A Committee shall assume full control and financial responsibility for administering all Section tournaments, meets, and contests within the guidelines established by the Board of Directors. Expenses shall include fees paid officials and judges, advertising, tickets, rentals, and other miscellaneous items for conducting the event. Administrative expenses, however, do not include transportation, meals, and housing for the participating schools or players.
2. Sub-Section tournaments should be conducted by the Region Committees involved. The administrative Region Committee with the largest number of member schools in the section will be assigned the leadership in calling meetings, etc. The Sub-Section and Section committee must be representative of all member schools involved in the section tournament.
3. Each region involved in a section meet shall be responsible for its proportional share of the expenses of administering the event of shall receive its proportional share of the profits derived there from.

Reports

The manager of each Section tournament, meet or contest shall file a complete financial report with the Region Secretary within fifteen days after the close of the event.

A complete financial report of all region receipts and expenditures shall be filed with the Executive Secretary of the League annually. This report shall cover the fiscal year, August 1 to July 31, and shall be placed on file on or before September 15 of each year.

Upon Completion of Each Tournament for Which the Region is Responsible

1. Determine the total tournament receipts and pay all tournament expenses,
2. Determine profit/loss for that tournament,
3. Divide the number of contests in the tournament series into the profit/loss for the tournament to determine the “share per contest” for each team,
4. Multiply the number of games each team played in the tournament series times the “shares per contest”,
5. Send that amount of money or billing to the Region(s) which each team has been assigned for governance purposes.

Upon Completion of the Region-Sponsored Tournaments Each Year

1. Determine the total amount of expenses (Total Outflow minus Sales Tax minus Shares Out minus Excess Funds from the previous year) incurred for the conduct of the year’s activities.
2. Multiply that amount by 20%,
3. Retain the 20% dollar figure from the end-of-the-year financial balance of the Region for start-up costs for the following year,
4. Distribute the balance of the end-of-the-year financial balance to schools in the administrative region.

REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

1. Vouchered expenses will be reimbursed as follows:

A.	Travel/Mileage	MSHSL Rate
B.	Meals: Breakfast (before 6 am/overnight)	\$ 9.00
	Lunch (over 35 mi/overnight)	\$11.00
	Dinner (after 7 pm/overnight)	\$16.00
C.	Lodging	Receipt Required
D.	Commercial Transportation	Receipt Required
2. Reimbursement for vouchered expenses for performance of required State, Region or Section 8A duties will be allowed for:
 - A. Region 8A Committee Members
 - B. Region 8A Executive Secretary
 - C. Sub-section Coordinators and Activity Coordinators
 - D. Representative Assembly Delegates
 - E. Team-UP Team Members

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATING TEAMS, STUDENTS, AND SPECTATORS

School officials shall be held responsible for the proper conduct of teams, team members, students, and home spectators regardless of where the contest is being held.

A school administrator (superintendent, principal, athletic administrator) MUST accompany a team when the team is competing in the state tournament in the following sports: baseball, basketball, football, hockey, soccer, softball, volleyball, wrestling (team). The school administrator MAY NOT be the coach of a team.

Conduct of Teams, Students, and Spectators

1. Students without shirts or students wearing shirts that are vulgar, obscene, or demeaning will be removed from the tournament venue.
2. Under no condition should any spectator or member of school's student body go on the playing surface. The Principal and Faculty Representative are responsible to see that this does not occur.
3. Handheld signs, which do not obstruct the view of others, will be permitted provided they are in good taste. Signs not in good taste will be removed.
4. Artificial noisemakers (air horns, balloons, cowbells, megaphones, sirens, thundersticks, whistles, etc) are not allowed.

PRECINCT CAUCUS DAY

Games, meets or contests are not to be scheduled after 6:00 p.m. on Precinct Caucus Day. Precinct Caucus Day is established as the first Tuesday in February in all even-numbered years. Precinct Caucus Day – None in 2023

SCHEDULING ACTIVITIES ON ELECTION DAYS

Except for regularly scheduled classes, a public elementary or secondary school may not schedule a school sponsored event between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on the day that a regularly scheduled election is held in any political subdivision in which the school is located.

The following election dates are scheduled for 2023-24.

General Election	–	November 7, 2023
Precinct Caucus	–	February 27, 2024
Township Elections	–	March 12, 2024
Presidential Primary	–	Not in 2023-24

POSTPONEMENT/RE-SCHEDULING OF ACTIVITIES

Decisions to postpone/re-schedule events due to weather problems are to be made as follows:

Postponement

Participating school(s), Activity Coordinator, and Site Manager will communicate and make final decision.

Re-scheduling

Activity Coordinator, Activity Representative on Region Committee, and Region Executive Secretary will communicate and make final decision.

CERTIFIED MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT GAMES

The Region 8A Committee strongly recommends the presence of certified medical personnel at all interscholastic games/contests. Certified medical personnel include:

Physician
Paramedic

Certified Athletic Trainer

Emergency Medical Technician

BANDS AT ATHLETIC EVENTS-

The Region 8A Committee supports the concern of the Minnesota Music Educators Association relative to instances of excessive demands being made of band students for performance at athletic events; and

The Region 8A Committee supports the recommendation of the MMEA that each school should determine its own policy concerning music group appearances at school athletic events.

Tournament Pep Bands

Sub-Section

- A. Play-in games at high seed: The host school would normally provide a band for the game.
- B. Qtr-Final, Semi-Final, Final - Both schools will be allowed to bring their bands.

Section

- A. Semi-finals - All four schools will be allowed to bring their bands.
- B. Finals - Both schools will be allowed to bring their bands.
- C. Bands are to be seated in their school's spectator area as determined by the site manager.

CHEERLEADERS

The size of cheerleader squads is limited to the number of members used during the regular season.

No children below grade 7 will be permitted as cheer squad members, mascots, etc.

SPEECH

The operations of the Section 8A Speech Contest will, at all times, conform to the rules and regulations of Section 8A and the Minnesota State High School League. Where rules differ between those two entities, the Section 8A rules prevail. See link: <http://www.legacy.mshsl.org/mshsl/regions.asp?region=8A>

The date, time and place of the contest shall be determined at the Section Contest of the previous year by the speech coaches in attendance.

TOURNAMENT PASSES

Players, Team Personnel, Coaches, Cheerleaders and School Administrators of the teams playing at that site will be admitted free.

When not playing, Players, Team Personnel and Coaches will be admitted free of charge upon presenting a photo ID. Coaches spouses are also admitted free; an ID is not necessary.

Band members, Directors and Bus Drivers will be admitted free when participating.

TEAM-UP

Goal - To identify, train, support and recognize chemically-free student leaders

Region Team-UP Team Coordinator to be hired by the Region 8A Committee to establish and conduct meetings with the Committee and coordinate Region 8A Team-UP activities.

MANAGEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Procedures for Site Managers

1. Secure adequate number of personnel to administer tournament event
2. Arrange for/prepare programs
3. Prepare the site
4. Provide for supervision
5. Report contest scores to the appropriate media
6. Provide overall direction for the event
7. Pay all personnel at site through host school **and** return signed Official's contracts to Region Secretary
8. **Do not pay sales tax**
9. Send all receipts to the Region Secretary
10. Send completed and signed Tournament Report and check plus receipts to Region Secretary

Procedures for Site Managers for Basketball Tournaments

1. Game ball is to be the same ball as used in the state tournament
2. Locker room assignments are to be pre-determined and announced at the pre-tournament meeting
3. Home team bench is to be to the right of the score table if sessions are split
4. Team benches are to be switched from game one to game two when there are two games in a session
5. Home team spectators are to be seated behind their team; visiting team spectators are to be seated on the opposite side of the floor
6. A "buffer zone" is to be created behind the team bench when a team is seated in front of the opponent's spectators
7. The game is not to be stopped for recognition of a player for individual achievement - such achievements may be recognized by P.A. announcement during a break or time-out

Procedures for Activity Coordinators

1. Host/provide for seeding meetings
2. Recommend officials/judges to Region Secretary for all activities assigned
3. Coordinate times, dated, etc. with site managers
4. Provide adequate publicity
5. Coordinate activity meetings/schedule of activities, etc.
6. Arrange award ceremonies
7. Confirm and receive approval from Region Secretary for scheduling of activities
8. Confirm and receive approval from Region Secretary prior to any final decision or announcement of schedule change

Procedures for Region Secretary

1. Coordinate all activities assigned to the Region
2. Maintain the financial records of Region 8A
3. Deposit and record all receipts from admission or entry fees
4. Pay host sites for all approved expenditures incurred through hosting an event
5. Arrange for the payment of officials/judges with site managers
6. Prepare a financial statement for each activity assigned to the Region
7. Prepare final contracts for all officials/judges.

CONFLICTS BETWEEN SCHOOLS

In the event of conflicts between schools involved in Region 8A activities:

Reporting by Schools

1. Report the incident to the other school(s) and to Sub-Section or Section Coordinator
2. Coordinators are to notify the Region Secretary

Resolution of Conflict

1. Schools in conflict shall meet to identify conflicts
2. Schools will attempt to develop a strategy to resolve conflicts
3. If necessary, schools will meet with the Region 8A Committee for conflict mediation

Region 8A Committee

1. Convene meeting with representatives of the schools involved in conflict
2. Determine items under the jurisdiction of 8A Committee
3. Mediate issues under the jurisdiction of 8A Committee

APPEALS COMMITTEE

1. Committee members shall consist of Region 8A Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and the Executive Secretary. The Appeals Committee has the authority to substitute a member in case there is a conflict of interest.
2. The Appeals Committee will make a recommendation to the full 8A Committee.

FORFEITS

Teams that forfeit a game after the final seedings are posted must pay the game fee for the Referees/Umpires

CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC PHOTO EQUIPMENT IN LOCKER ROOMS

During Sub-Section and Section tournament games, cell phones/electronic photo equipment are prohibited in any MSHSL tournament locker room.

SALE OF ITEMS AT SECTION TOURNAMENTS

No merchandise may be sold at Section/Sub-Section tournament venues without the prior approval of the Region 8A Committee. Only sport specific items will be approved.

Region 8A will charge vendors 5% of gross proceeds.

Permission to use the MSHSL logo on sale items must be received from the League office and the Section.

The host site has the rights to food concessions.

When a Section/Sub-Section event is held at a high school site, that school may sell their own merchandise items (shirts, hats, sweatshirts, etc.) that were sold during the regular season. Permission to sell these items must be obtained from Region 8A prior to the start of the event.

Sales of raffle tickets, tickets for split-the-pot, or tickets for other contests are not allowed at Section/Sub-Section tournament venues.

SECURITY MEASURES

The following security measure will be followed in order to ensure a safe environment for the conduct of Section and State Tournaments:

All spectators must have a ticket

No backpacks, duffel bags, briefcases, shoulder bags, etc. (other than purses) will be allowed into the facility. **ALL BAGS/PURSES WILL BE SUBJECT TO SEARCH**

All media personnel must have an appropriate media pass

All tournament participants must be in uniform (or carry a uniform) and enter the pass gate with their coach.

All band members, dance team members, and cheerleaders must be in uniform and enter the pass gate with their supervisors.

No beverages, food, or noisemakers will be allowed to be brought into the facility.

Statement of Rights to Events

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR SPECTATOR CONDUCT

In order to elevate standards of sportsmanship and encourage the growth of responsible citizenship among the students, member schools, fans, and school personnel, the MSHSL held a Sportsmanship Summit and asked student participants to identify behavior expectations they felt should be in place at every school event.

These minimum behavior expectations provide a foundation upon which member schools, conferences, administrative regions and the League's Board of Directors can build specific guidelines for activities under their control.

MSHSL Bylaw 409 **RESPONSIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATING TEAMS, STUDENTS, AND SPECTATORS** speaks to this issue directly, and Bylaw 409-2 specifically states that, “**School officials shall be held responsible for the proper conduct of teams, team members, students, and home spectators regardless of where the contest is being held.**”

In all MSHSL activities, each participating school shall designate a person or persons from that school to serve as crowd control supervisors or chaperones. MSHSL tournament staff may require school administrators to contact the tournament manager prior to the start of the tournament game so that they can be immediately contacted to respond to behavioral issues regarding their team members, student, and/or spectators at the tournament site. Each Supervisor or chaperone should be immediately identifiable to the students and to the tournament site personnel. This will coordinate crowd control between school supervisors and tournament site personnel.

MSHSL MINIMAL BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS FOR REGULAR AND POST-SEASON COMPETITIONS:

Respect the American flag and the National Anthem

Spectators must wear clothing that covers the entire torso. Those who do not comply or who wear clothing that is vulgar, obscene, or that in some other way inappropriate, as determined by school/tournament personnel, will be removed from the arena/stadium if they do not cooperate with this behavior expectation.

The use of appropriate language is expected at all times. Profanity, negative chants, booing, trash talk, name calling, personal attacks, or other acts of disrespect are unacceptable and must be immediately addressed by school and/or tournament administrators.

Respect the game/contest. Under no condition shall anyone other than the members of the official squad enter the playing surface. No one may interfere with the contest in any way.

Handheld signs, which do not obstruct the view of others, will be permitted provided they are in good taste. Signs, message boards, “white” boards, or other similar items contest/tournament officials deem to be in poor taste will be removed.

Artificial noise makers (i.e., balloons, megaphones, cowbells, sirens, whistles, thunder sticks, and other similar items) are not allowed.

Laser lights are strictly prohibited.

THANK YOU for supporting your student athletes and fine arts participants and for providing a positive environment in which educational activities are conducted.

ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

8A ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

8A COMMITTEE MEMBERS

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

RE-SECTIONING COMMITTEE

APPEALS COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

REGION 8A

Sub-Section 29

Bagley
Blackduck
Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig
Cass Lake-Bena
Clearbrook-Gonvick
Kelliher
Laporte
Nevis
Northome
Park Rapids
Red Lake
TrekNorth
Voyageurs
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley

Sub-Section 30

Ada-Borup-West
Fertile-Beltrami
Fosston
Mahnomon
Norman County East
Ulen-Hitterdal
Waubun
Win-E-Mac

Sub-Section 31

Climax
Crookston
East Grand Forks
Fisher
Red Lake County Central
Red Lake Falls
Sacred Heart
Thief River Falls
Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

Sub-Section 32

Badger
Goodridge
Greenbush-Middle River
Grygla-Gatzke
Indus
Kittson Central
Lake of the Woods
Lancaster
Marshall County Central
Roseau
Stephen-Argyle Central
Tri-County
Warroad

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

[29] Grant Mistic, Board
Blackduck ('25)

[30] Rob Nudell, Supt
NCE ('25)

[31] Brad Kennett, Principal
RLF ('25)

(32) Brian Longerbone, AD
MCC ('25)

[32] Jamie Lunsetter, Supt
Grygla ('27)

[29] Brian Michaelson, Principal
Nevis ('27)

[30] Ryan Hanlon, AD
Fosston ('27)

[31] Mike Theis, Board
Crookston ('27)

[8A] Lisa Donarski, Sp/
MCC ('25) OAP

[8A] Donovan Hanson, Music
EGF ('27)

[8A] Stacy Dahl, Girls
G-MR ('27) Rep

[8A] Tony Gullickson, Boys
WAO ('25) Rep

CHAIR

Rob Nudell

VICE CHAIR

Brian Longerbone

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Tony Gullickson (Expires '24) Ryan Hanlon (Expires '25) Rob Nudell (Expires '24)

RE-SECTIONING COMMITTEE

Stacy Dahl (Girls Sports) Tony Gullickson (Boys Sports) Todd Selk (Executive Secretary)

APPEALS COMMITTEE

Rob Nudell (Chairperson) _____ (Vice Chairperson) Todd Selk (Executive Secretary)

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Mike Kolness, East Grand Forks

FALL ACTIVITIES

6 9-MAN FOOTBALL

8 9-MAN FOOTBALL

8A FOOTBALL

8AAA FOOTBALL

8A VOLLEYBALL

8A CROSS COUNTRY

8A GIRLS SWIMMING

SECTION 6 9-MAN FOOTBALL

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Blackduck	Fosston
Cass Lake-Bena	Laporte
Clearbrook-Gonvick	NCE/UH Titans
Fertile-Beltrami	Park Christian

Coordinator: Mike Kolness

Seeding: Seeding will be done by using the QRF on www.minnesota-scores.net
Seeding date: Thursday, October 19, 2023

Home Team: High Seed

Awards: Section Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Section Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Officials: Hired by coordinators 5 officials for all games
Paid via signed contracts

Sites: **(Q,S)** High Seed
 (F) Fargodome - Thursday, November 2, 2023 @ 4:30 p.m.

Official Squad: 2 Coaches; 2 managers; 27 players; total of 31 (additional players, coaches not part of official squad may be on the sideline)

Latest Play Date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

Tournament Passes: See policy **NOT HONORED AT THE FARGODOME**

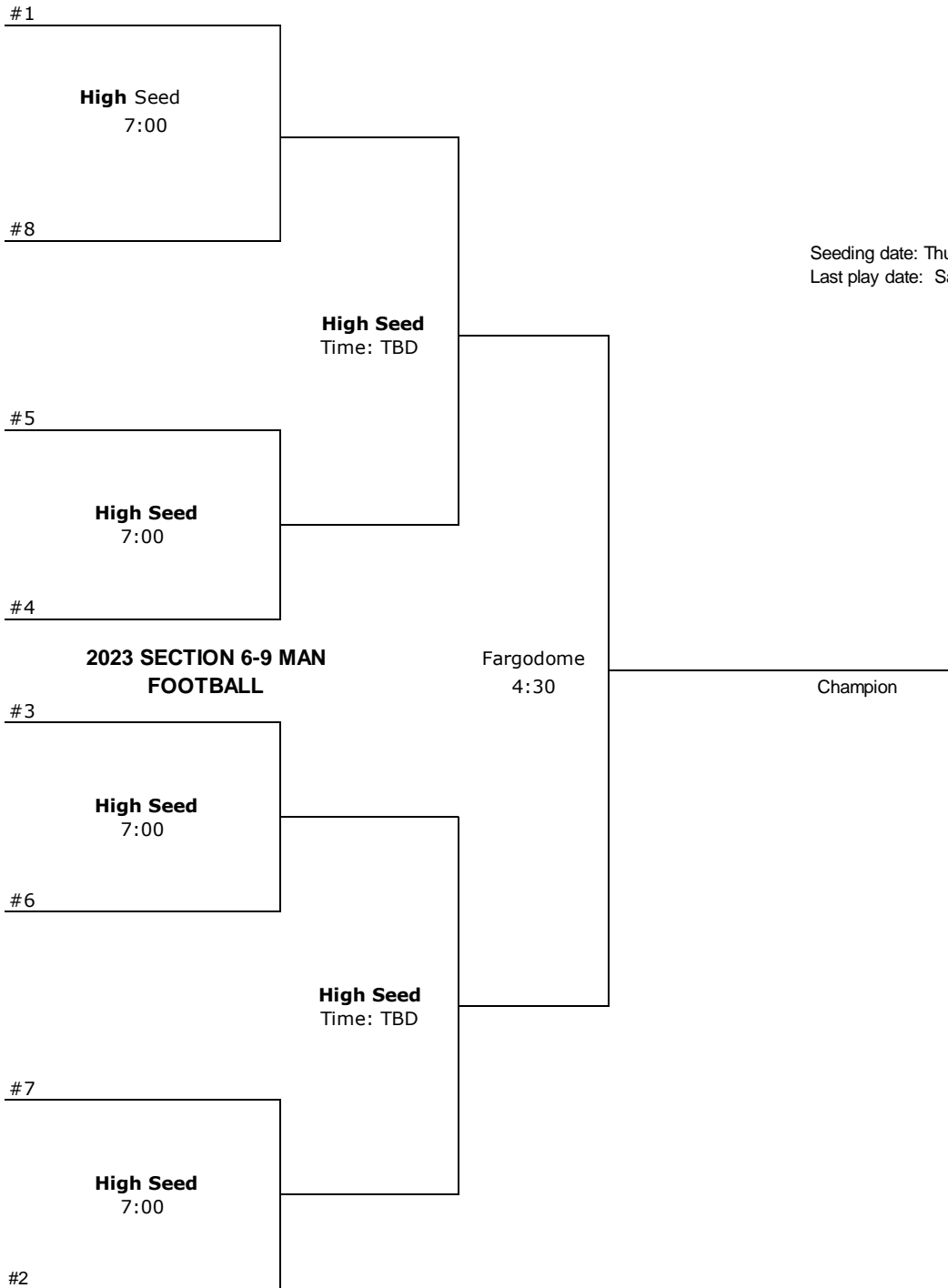
Advance to State: Section Champion

Quarter - 10.24.23	Semi - 10.28.23	Final - Nov. 2
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TEAMS

- Blackduck
- Cass Lake-Bena
- Clearbrook-Gonvick
- Fertile-Beltrami
- Fosston
- Laporte
- NCE/UH Titans
- Park Christian

Seeding date: Thursday, October 19, 2023
 Last play date: Saturday, November 4, 2023



SECTION 8 9-MAN FOOTBALL

SECTION TOURNAMENT

BGMR	Northern Freeze
Goodridge/Grygla-Gatzke	Stephen-Argyle Central
Kittson County Central	Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
Lake of the Woods / Indus / Rainy River	Win-E-Mac

Coordinator: Kevin Kuznia

Seeding: Seeding will be done by using the QRF on www.minnesota-scores.net
Seeding date: Thursday, October 19, 2023

Home Team: High Seed

Awards: Section Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Section Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Officials: Hired by coordinators 5 officials for all games
Paid via signed contracts

Sites: **(Q,S)** High Seed
 (F) Fargodome - Thursday, November 2, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Official Squad: 2 Coaches; 2 managers; 27 players; total of 31 (additional players, coaches not part of official squad may be on the sideline)

Latest Play Date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

Tournament Passes: See policy **NOT HONORED AT THE FARGODOME**

Advance to State: Section Champion

Quarter - 10.24.23	Semi - 10.28.23	Final - 11.2.23
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TEAMS

#1
High Seed
 7:00
 #8

#5
High Seed
 7:00
 #4

#3
High Seed
 7:00
 #6

#7
High Seed
 7:00
 #2

High Seed
 Time - TBD

High Seed
 Time - TBD

- BGMR
- Goodridge/Grygla-Gatzke
- Kittson County Central
- Lake of the Woods / Indus / Rainy River
- Northern Freeze
- Stephen-Argyle Central
- Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
- Win-E-Mac

Seeding date: Thursday, October 19, 2023
 Last play date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

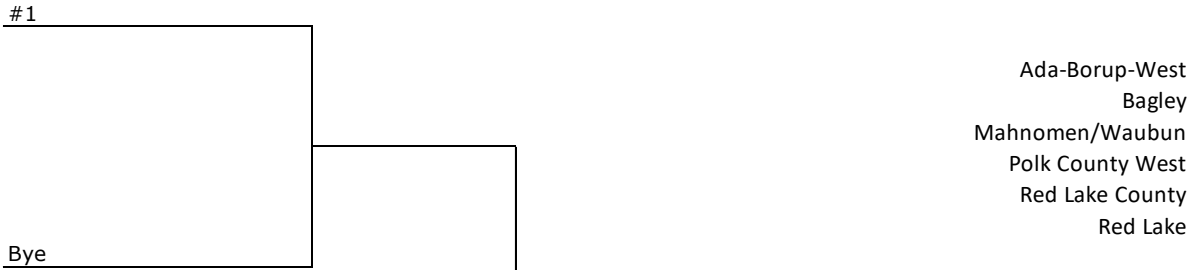
2023 SECTION 8 9-MAN FOOTBALL

Fargodome
 2:00

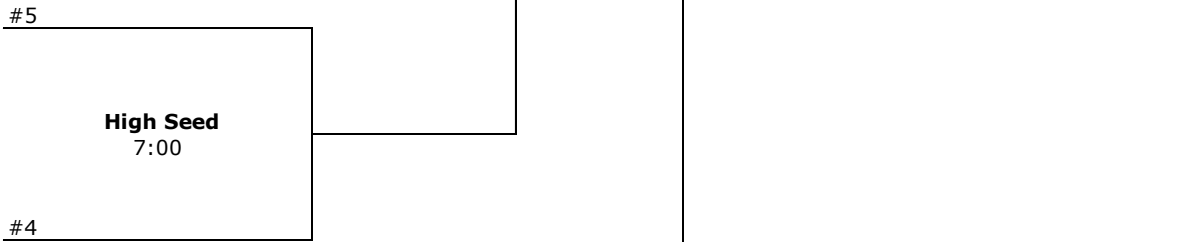
Champion

Quarter - 10.24.23	Semi - 10.28.23	Final - 11.2.23
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TEAMS



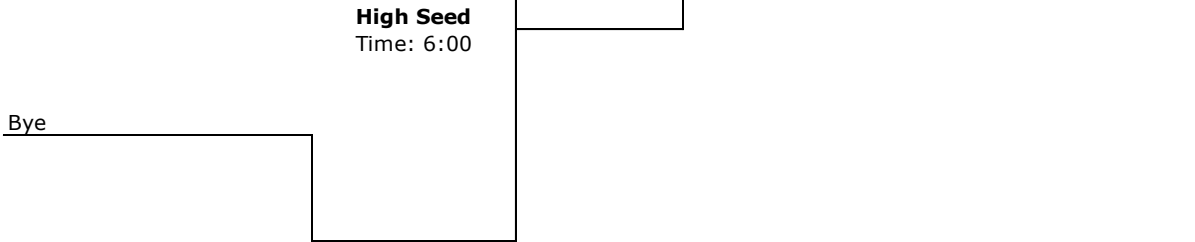
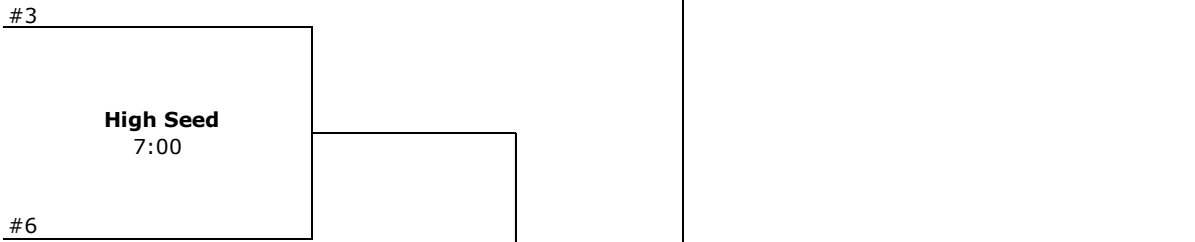
Seeding date: Thursday, October 19, 2023
Last play date: Saturday, November 4, 2023



**2023 SECTION 8A
FOOTBALL**

Fargodome
7:00

Champion



8AAA FOOTBALL

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Section 8AAA Football (Region 6A)	
Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton	Morris Area/Chokio-Alberta
East Grand Forks	Perham
Fergus Falls	Thief River Falls

Coordinator: Region 6A

Seeding: Seeding will be done by using the QRF on www.minnesota-scores.net
Seeding date: Thursday, October 19, 2023

Awards: Section Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Section Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Officials: Hired by coordinators
Paid via signed contracts

5 officials for all games

Sites: (Q,S) High Seed
(F) Fargodome -

Official Squad: 3 Coaches; 3 managers; 36 players; total of 41 (additional players, coaches not part of official squad may be on the sideline)

Latest Play Date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

Tournament Passes: See policy **NOT HONORED AT THE FARGODOME**

Advance to State: Section Champion

8A VOLLEYBALL

East Sub-Section

Ada-Borup West
Bagley
Blackduck
Clearbrook-Gonvick
Fertile-Beltrami
Fosston
Mahnommen/Waubun
Northome/Kelliher
Red Lake
Red Lake County Central
W-E-M

West Sub-Section

BGMR
Fisher/Climax
Goodridge/Grygla-Gatzke
Indus
Kittson County Central
Lake of the Woods
Northern Freeze
Red Lake Falls
Sacred Heart
Stephen-Argyle Central
Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

Coordinator: Wayne Folkers

Seeding: Seeding will be done by using the QRF on www.minnesota-scores.net
Seeding date: Wednesday, October 18, 2023

Officials: Hired by coordinators
Paid via signed contracts

Sites:	East	<u>2023</u>	West	<u>2023</u>
	(PT)	<u>High seed</u>		<u>High Seed</u>
	(PI)	<u>High seed</u>		<u>High Seed</u>
	(Q)	<u>High seed</u>		<u>High Seed</u>
	(SF)	<u>Crookston High School</u>		<u>Crookston High School</u>
	(F)	<u>UMC</u>		<u>UMC</u>

Awards: Trophy to Champion, Runner-up at Sub-Section and Section
Medals to Champion, Runner-up at Sub-Section and Section

Advance to Section: Champion from each Sub-Section

Official Squad: 3 Coaches; 2 managers; 15 players; total of 20 in playing area
Bench will have 14 chairs (4 statisticians; 1 school administrator may be in playing area and to be seated behind the team bench – not allowed on the floor)

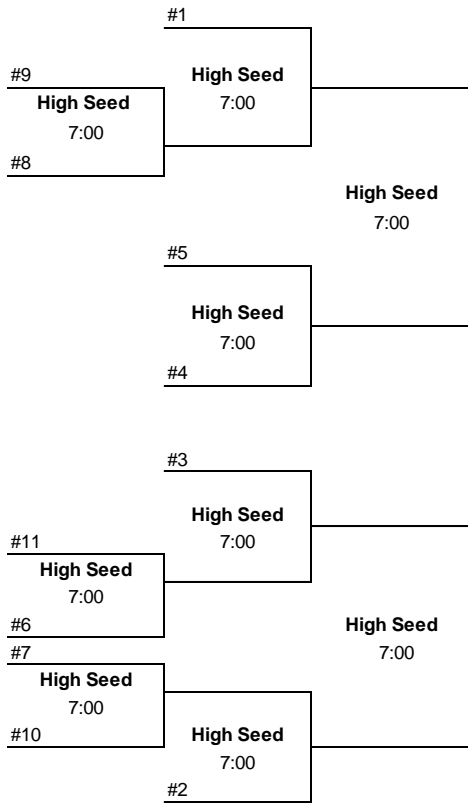
Official Ball: Baden **Tournament Passes:** See policy

Latest Play Date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

Advance to State: Section Champion

PT - 10.23.23 **PI - 10.26.23** **Qtr - 10.27.23**

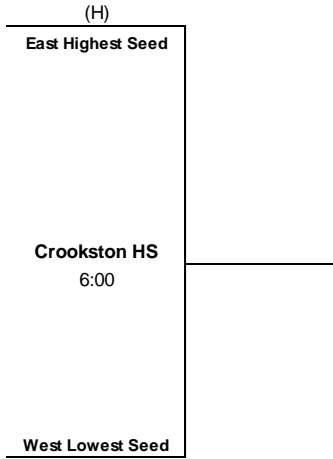
Semi - 10.31.23 **Final - 11.3.23**



Seeding date: Wednesday, October 18, 2023
 Last play date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

EAST

- Ada-Borup
- Bagley
- Blackduck
- Clearbrook-Gonvick
- Fertile-Beltram
- Fosston
- Mahnomen/Waubun
- Northome/Kelliher
- Red Lake
- Red Lake County Central
- Win-E-Mac

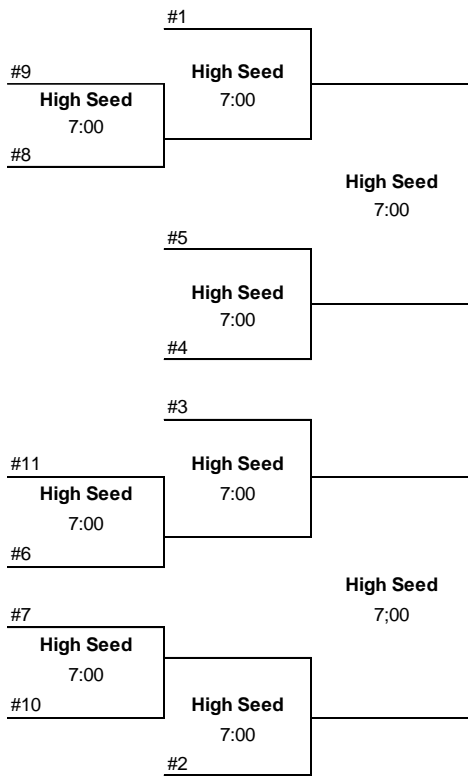


Semi-final: East teams will be the home team in each match in 2023

2023 SECTION 8A VOLLEYBALL

UMC
7:00

Section
Champion



WEST

- BGMR
- Climax/Fisher
- Goodridge/Grygla-Gatzke
- Indus
- Kittson County Central
- Lake of the Woods
- Northern Freeze
- Red Lake Falls
- Sacred Heart
- Stephen-Argyle Central
- Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

8A CROSS COUNTRY

SECTION MEET

Ada-Borup	New York Mills
Bagley/Fosston	Northern Freeze
Cass Lake-Bena	Park Rapids Area
Clearbrook-Gonvick	Pelican Rapids
Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton	Red Lake County
DNA Home School	Riverside Christian
Frazee	Roseau/Badger
Hawley	United North Central
Lake of the Woods/Indus/Rainy River	Warroad High School
Lake Park-Audubon	West Marshall Fusion
Nevis	

Section 8A: Friday, October 27, 2023

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Coordinator: Sean Peterson, Bagley

Awards: Trophies will be awarded to the championship and second place teams. Medals will be awarded to the championship and second place teams and to the top eight individuals.

Last Play Date: Saturday, October 28, 2023

Advance to State: The top six individuals not on an advancing team will advance to the State Meet.

Tournament Passes: See policy

Site: 2023 Bagley
2024 Bagley
2025 Bagley

8A GIRLS SWIMMING

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Section 8A Girls Swimming	
Alexandria Area H.S.	Morris Area / Minnewaska
BGMR/Roseau/Warroad	Park Rapids Area
Detroit Lakes	Perham/New York Mills/Henning
Fergus Falls	Thief River Falls
Fosston-Bagley-Crookston	

Coordinator: Host Site – Rob Neilson

Schedule: 2023 Site

Prelims Nov 10 Detroit Lakes

Finals Nov 11 Detroit Lakes

Awards: Trophies to Champion, Runner-up
Medals to 1-8 in all events

Judges: To be hired by site manager at host school
All judges paid by 8A Secretary from signed contracts

Latest Meet Date: Saturday, November 11, 2023

Advance to State: 1 & 2 Individuals plus those meeting qualifying standard
Top four divers

Tournament Passes: See policy

Site Rotation: 2023 Detroit Lakes
2024 Warroad

WINTER ACTIVITIES

8A GIRLS HOCKEY

8A WRESTLING

8A BOYS HOCKEY

8A GIRLS BASKETBALL

8A BOYS BASKETBALL

8A GIRLS HOCKEY

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Crookston	International Falls
Detroit Lakes	Thief River Falls
East Grand Forks	Warroad

Coordinator: Nate Lubarski

Seeding: Seeding will be done by using Coaches vote.
Seeding date: Monday, February 5, 2024

Awards: Trophies to Champion, Runner-up
Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Officials: Hired by coordinator
Assigned by coordinator (not assigned to home school)
All officials paid by 8A Secretary from signed contracts

Home Team: High Seed

Official Squad: 3 coaches; 2 managers; 20 players (includes spare goalie); total 25

Latest Play Date: Thursday, February 15, 2024

Advance to State: Champion

Site Rotation

2024 Crookston
2025 Thief River Falls
2026 East Grand Forks
2027 Warroad

Tournament Passes: See policy

Quarter	Semi	Final
2.8.24	2.10.24	2.15.24

TEAMS

Crookston/Fisher
 Detroit Lakes/Perham
 East Grand Forks
 International Falls
 Thief River Falls/RLCC/W-A-O/RLF/Goodridge
 Warroad



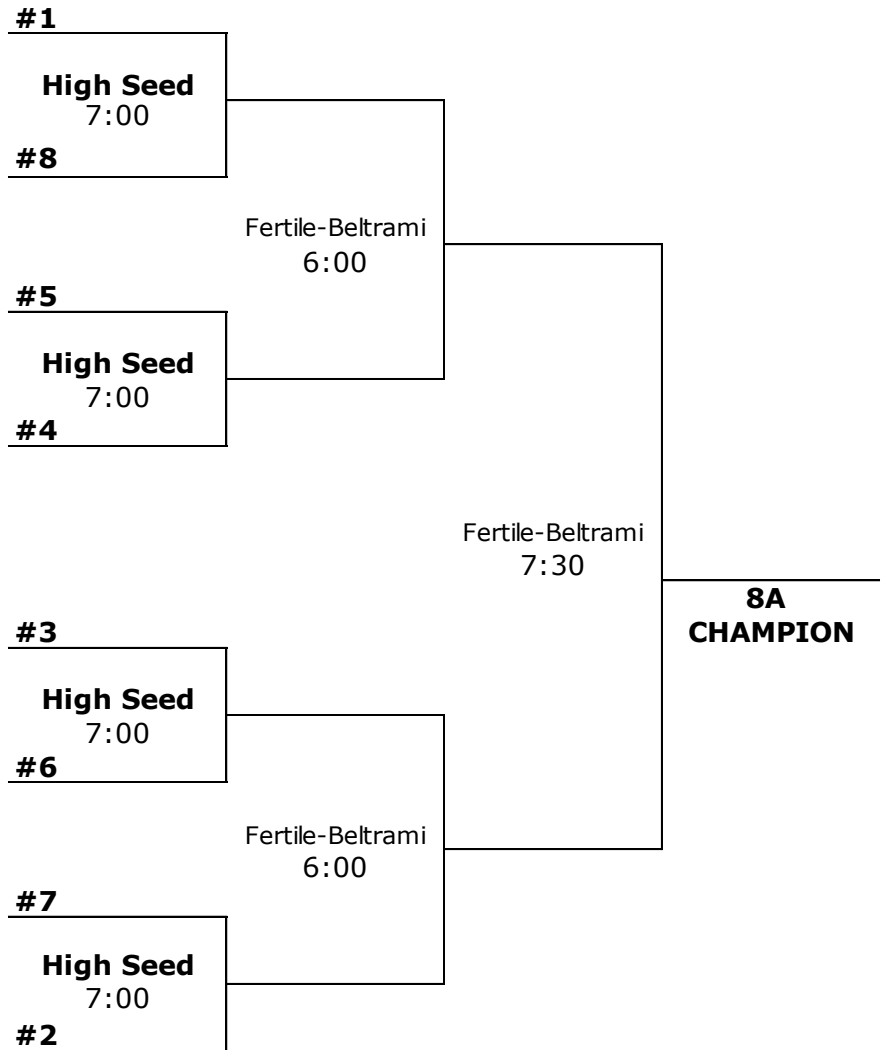
Seeding date: Monday, February 5, 2024
 Last play date: Thursday, February 15, 2024

2024 8A TEAM WRESTLING

Tue. Feb 13	Fri. Feb 16	Fri. Feb 16
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TEAMS

BGMR
 Barnesville
 Crookston
 Fertile-Beltrami
 Fosston/Bagley
 Frazee
 Mahnomon/Waubun
 United North Central



Seeding date: Friday, February 9, 2024
 Last play date Team: Saturday, February 17, 2024
 Last play date Individual: Saturday, February 24, 2024

8A BOYS HOCKEY

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Bagley/Fosston	Lake of the Woods
Crookston	Park Rapids-Menahga-Nevis-WHA
Detroit Lakes	Red Lake Falls
East Grand Forks	Thief River Falls
Kittson County Central	Warroad

Coordinator: Chris Mclean – Mark Chamernick

Seeding: Seeding will be done by using Coaches vote
Seeding date: Monday, February 19, 2024

Awards: Trophies to Champion, Runner-up
Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Officials: Hired by coordinator
All officials paid by 8A Secretary

Home Team: High Seed

Official Squad: 3 coaches; 2 managers; 20 players (includes spare goalie); total

Latest Play Date: Friday, March 1, 2024

Advance to State: Champion

Tournament Passes: See policy

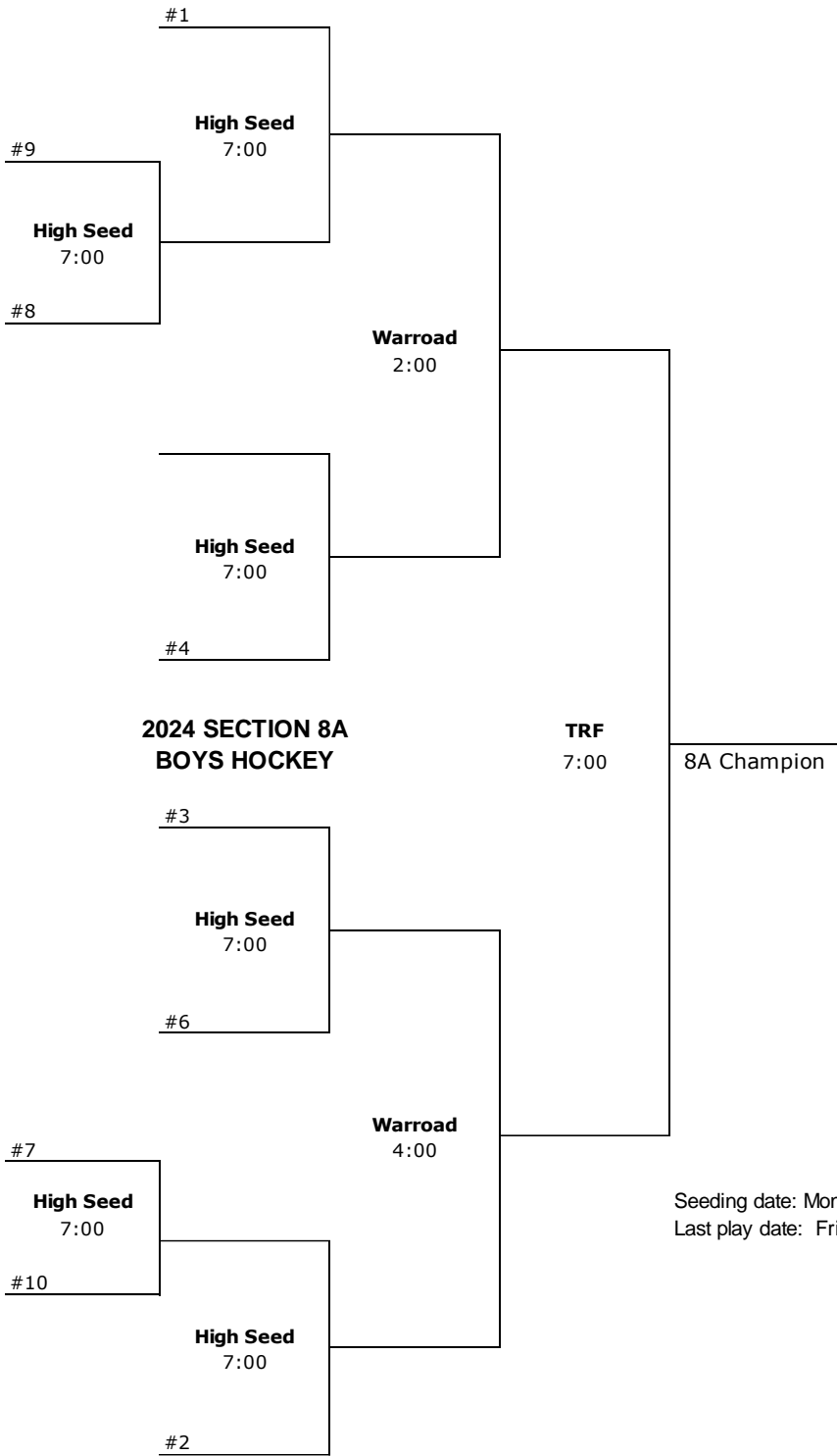
Site Rotation:

2024 Warroad
2025 East Grand Forks
2026 Thief River Falls

Play-In	Quarter	Semi	Final
2.20.24	2.22.24	2.24.24	2.29.24

TEAMS

- Bagley/Cibk-Gon/Fosston
- Crookston/Fisher/Sacred Heart
- Detroit Lakes/Perham
- East Grand Forks
- Kittson Central/Lancaster
- Lake of the Woods
- Park Rapids/Menahga/Nevis/WHA
- Red Lake Falls/RLCC
- TRF/W-A-O
- Warroad



8A GIRLS BASKETBALL

Section Tournament

East Sub-Section	West Sub-Section
Bagley	BGMR
Blackduck	Climax-Fisher
Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig	Fertile-Beltrami
Cass Lake-Bena	Grygla-Gatzke
Clearbrook-Gonvick	Kittson County Central
Fosston	Northern Freeze
Kelliher/Northome	Red Lake County Central
Lake of the Woods	Red Lake Falls
Mahnomen/Waubun	Sacred Heart
Red Lake	Stephen-Argyle Central
Win-E-Mac High	Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

Coordinators: **East** – Jim Weinzierl **West** – Jim Weinzierl

Seeding: Seeding will be done by using the QRF on www.minnesota-scores.net
Seeding date: Saturday, February 24, 2024

Awards: Sub-Section & Section Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Sub-Section & Section Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Advance to Section: Champion from each Sub-Section

Officials: Hired by coordinators 3 officials for all games
Paid via signed contracts

Sites: **East** '24 **West** '24
 (PT) High Seed High Seed
 (PI) High Seed NCTC / UMC

Section

(Q,S,F) REA

Official Squad: 3 Coaches; 2 managers; 18 players; total of 23 in bench area (others to be seated behind bench – not allowed on floor)

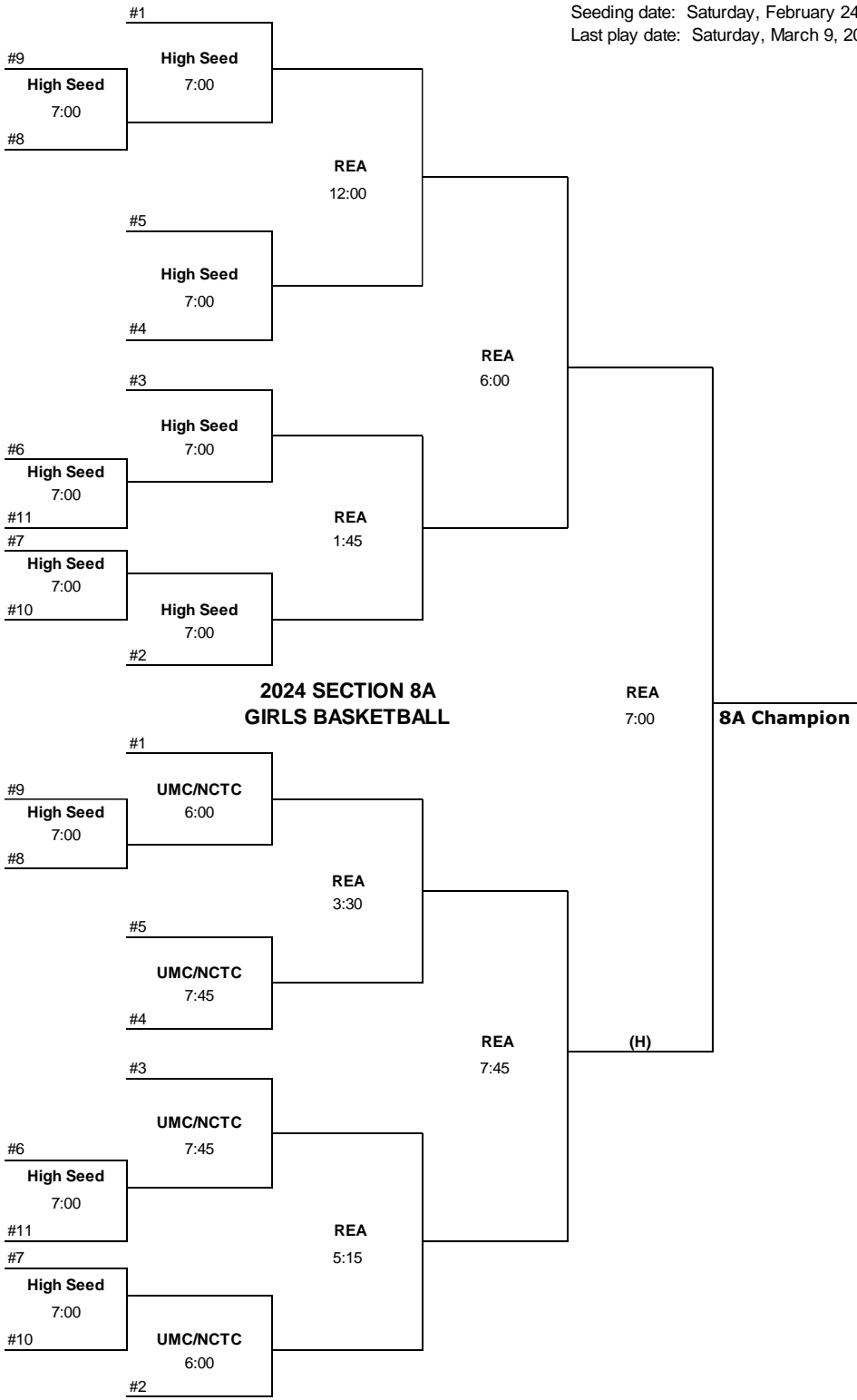
Official Ball: Spalding TF-1000 Legacy

Latest Play Date: Saturday, March 9, 2024 **Tournament Passes:** See policy

Advance to State: Section Champion

PT - 2.27.24	PI - 2.29.24	Quarter - 3.2.24	Semi - 3.5.24	Final - 3.8.24
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Seeding date: Saturday, February 24, 2024
 Last play date: Saturday, March 9, 2024



EAST

- Bagley
- Blackduck
- Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig
- Cass Lake-Bena
- Clearbrook-Gonvick
- Fosston
- Kelliher/Northome
- Lake of the Woods
- Mahnomen/Waubun
- Red Lake
- Win-E-Mac High

WEST

- BGMR
- Climax-Fisher
- Fertile-Beltrami
- Grygla-Gatzke
- Kittson County Central
- Northern Freeze
- Red Lake County Central
- Red Lake Falls
- Sacred Heart
- Stephen-Argyle Central
- Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

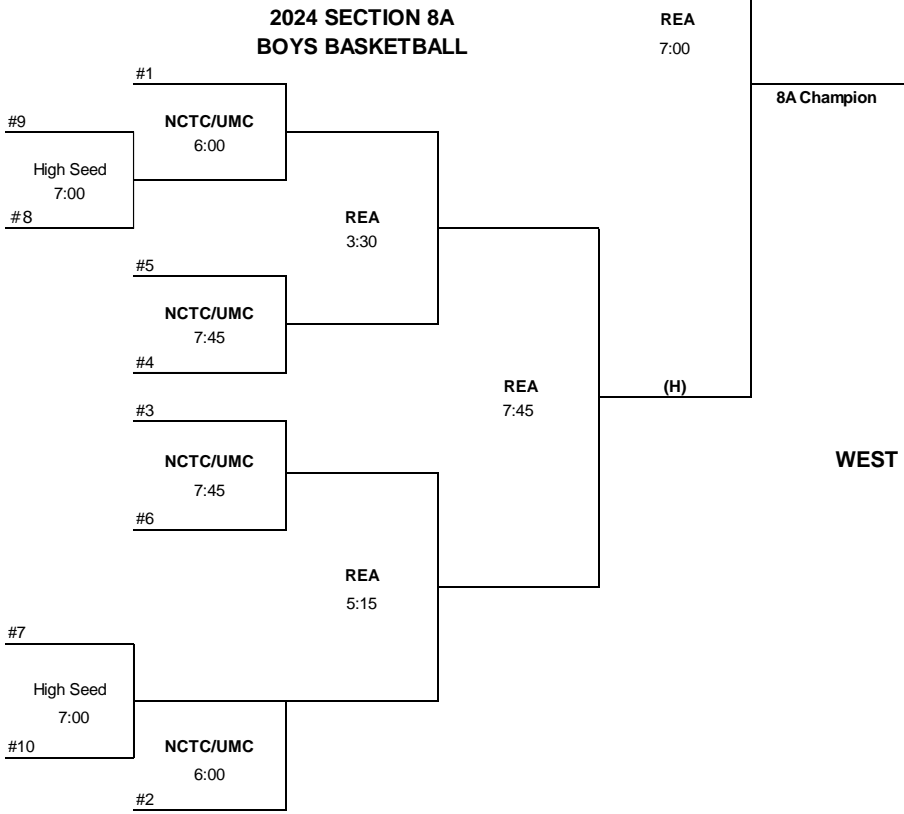
PT - 3.4.24	PI - 3.7.24	Qtr - 3.9.24	Semi - 3.11.24	Final - 3.15.24
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Seeding date: Saturday, March 2, 2024
 Last play date: Saturday, March 16, 2024



- Bagley
- Blackduck
- Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig
- Cass Lake-Bena
- Clearbrook-Gonvick
- Fosston
- Kelliher/Northome
- Lake of the Woods
- Mahnomen/Waubun
- Red Lake
- Win-E-Mac High

**2024 SECTION 8A
BOYS BASKETBALL**



- BGMR
- Climax-Fisher
- Fertile-Beltrami
- Grygla-Gatzke
- Kittson County Central
- Northern Freeze
- Red Lake County
- Sacred Heart
- Stephen-Argyle Central
- Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

SPRING ACTIVITIES

8A BOYS TENNIS

8A BASEBALL

8A SOFTBALL

8A GOLF

8AA GOLF

8A TRACK

8A BOYS TENNIS

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Crookston	New London-Spicer
Detroit Lakes	Osakis High School
East Grand Forks	Perham
Fergus Falls	Thief River Falls
Minnewaska Area	

Manager: Host Site AD

Official Squad: 1 Coach; 4 singles players; 3 doubles teams; 3 substitutes

Official Ball: Wilson (US Open Extra Duty)

Seeding: Seeded by coaches at a meeting using records and other info
Seeding date: May 20, 2024

True-Second: True-second format (must be completed by LPD)

Awards: Trophies to Champion, Runner-up Teams
Medals to Champion, Runner-up Teams
Medals to 1-4 to Singles & Doubles

Fee Payment: Payable at site on day of the event. **Please make a \$100 check payable to: MSHSL Region 8A**

Latest Play Date: Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Advance to State: Section Champion Team
1 & 2 Singles & Doubles

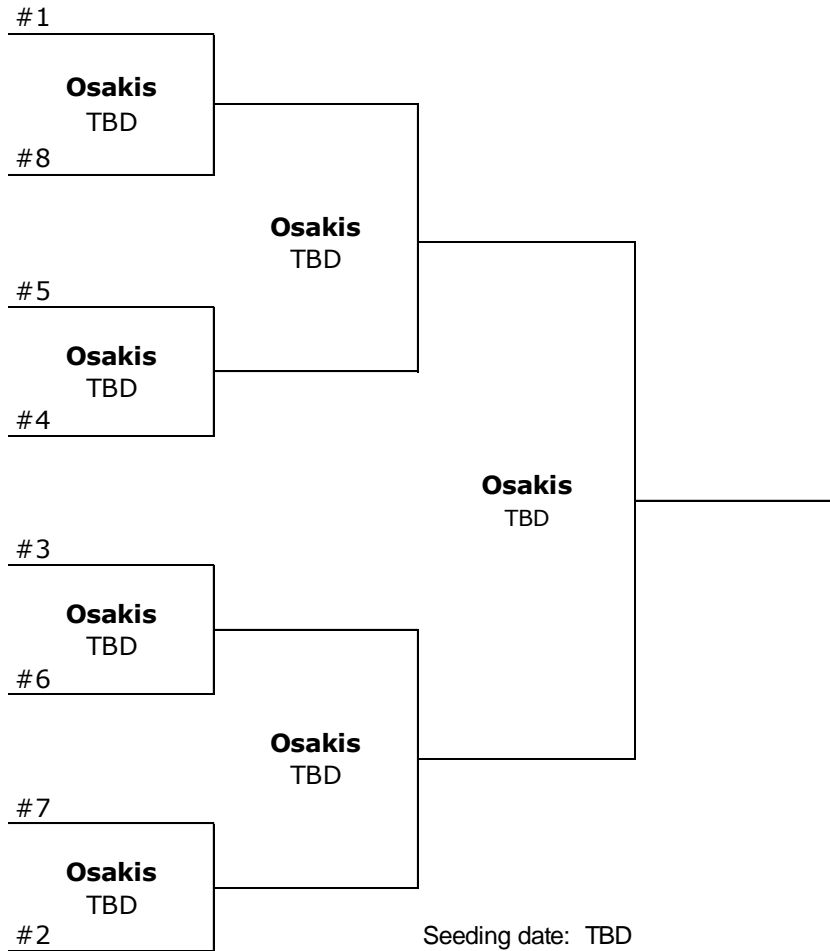
Site Rotation: 2024 Osakis
2025 Perham

2024 8A BOYS TENNIS

May 20-22, 2024

TEAMS

- Crookston
- Detroit Lakes
- East Grand Forks
- Fergus Falls
- Minnewaska Area
- New London-Spice
- Osakis High School
- Perham
- Thief River Falls



Seeding date: TBD
 Last play date: Tuesday, May 28, 2024

SINGLES/DOUBLES

Tuesday, May 21

First Round
 at Osakis
 Time: TBD

Wednesday, May 22

Q, S, F
 at Osakis
 Time: TBD

8A BASEBALL

East Sub-Section	West Sub-Section
Bagley	Ada-Borup-West
Blackduck	Badger/GB-MR
Fosston	Fertile-Beltrami
Lake of Woods High School	Kittson County Central
Mahnomen/Waubun	Northern Freeze
NCE/UH Titans	Red Lake County
Northome/Kelliher	Sacred Heart
Red Lake	West Marshall
Win-E-Mac High	

Coordinators: East – Dwight Kalvig

West – TBD

Seeding: Seeding will be done by coaches vote
Seeding date: May 25, 2024

Awards: Sub-Section & Section Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Sub-Section & Section Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Umpires: Hired by coordinators
Paid by Region 8A

2 umps/game: Sub PT,Q,S,F
3 umps/game: Remainder of Tournament

Sites: East **'24**

West **'24**

Sub (PI,Q) High Seed
(F) BSU
Sec(S,F)

High Seed
Fertile-Beltrami
TRF

8A Baseball Tournament Home Team Criteria

*Higher Seed is the home team

#1 Seeds = Sub-Section Champions

*When the Sub-Section champions meet, the home team will be the location of the site

1. When the East hosts (BSU), the East champion will be the home team.

2. When the West hosts (The MEC in TRF), the West champion will be the home team.

#2 Seeds = Sub-Section Runner-Up

*The #2 seeds will be the home team when opposing a winner from the loser-out bracket.

(These are the first two games at the Section tournament site)

*If both Sub-Section runners-up meet, the home team will be the location of the site.

*If both non-runners-up meet, the home team will be the location of the site.

Championship Game

*The home team is the undefeated team.

*In case of an "if" game, the home team is the winner of the first championship game.

Official Squad: 3 Coaches; 2 managers; 18 players; total of 23 in playing area

Official Ball: Wilson A1010

Latest Play Date: Friday, June 9, 2023

Advance to State: Section Champion

East Sub-Section:

2024 BSU

2025 BSU

2026 BSU

West Sub-Section:

2024 Fertile-Beltrami

2025 Red Lake County

2026 East Grand Forks

Section

2024 TRF

2025 BSU

2026 TRF

5.28.24	5.28.24	5.30.24	5.30.24	Section
			SS Final	

Seeding date: May 24, 2024
 Last play date: Friday, June 7, 2024

EAST

- Bagley
- Blackduck
- Fosston
- Lake of Woods High School
- Mahnomen/Waubun
- NCE/UH Titans
- Northome/Kelliher
- Red Lake
- Win-E-Mac High

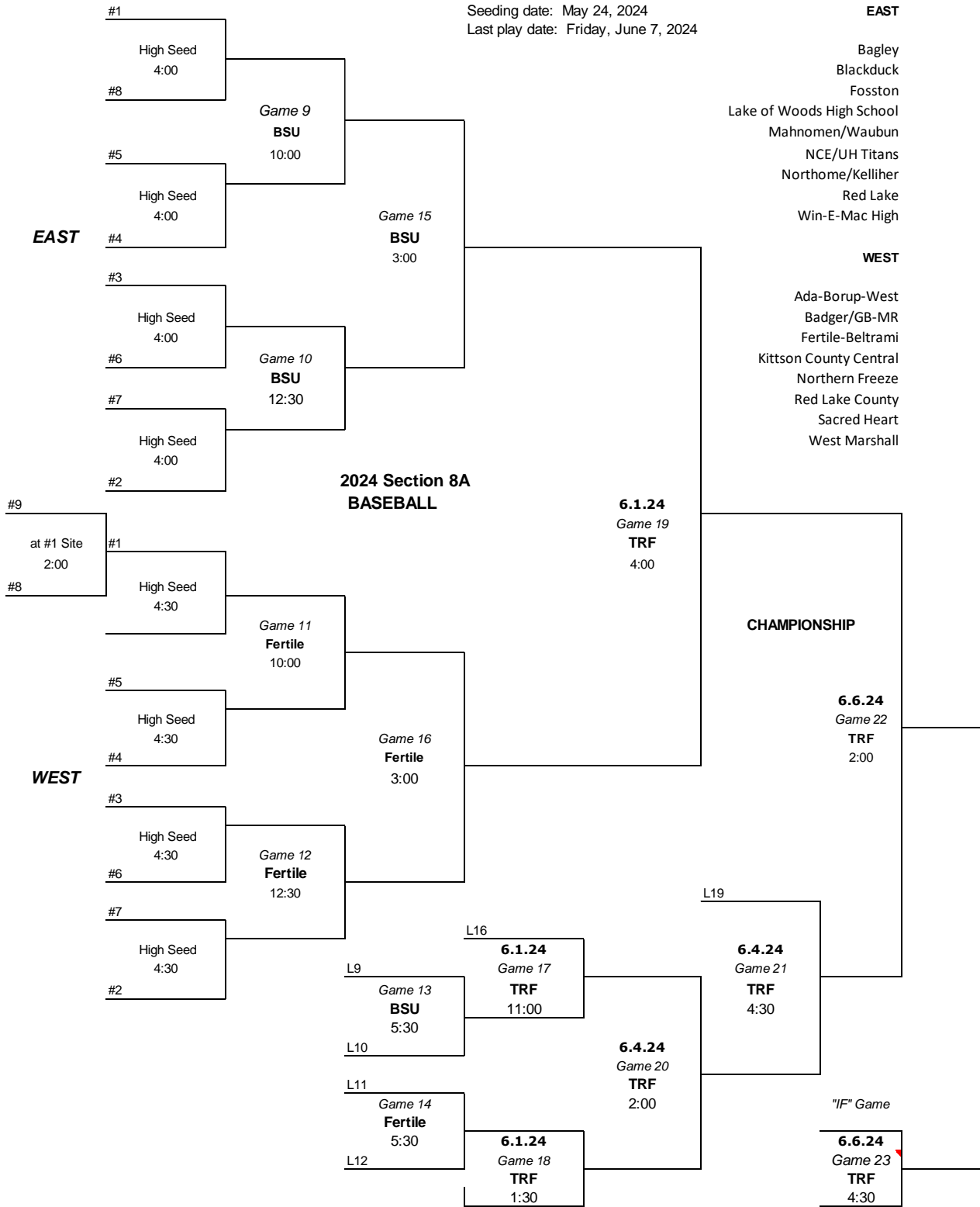
WEST

- Ada-Borup-West
- Badger/GB-MR
- Fertile-Beltrami
- Kittson County Central
- Northern Freeze
- Red Lake County
- Sacred Heart
- West Marshall

EAST

WEST

**2024 Section 8A
 BASEBALL**



5A GIRLS SOFTBALL – TBD

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Section 5A Softball (Yet TBD)	
Deer River	Cass Lake-Bena
East Central H.S.	Laporte
Hill City/Northland	Nevis
McGregor	Pine River-Backus
Mille Lacs	Sebeka
	Walker-Hackensack-Akeley

Coordinator: TBD

Seeding: TBD

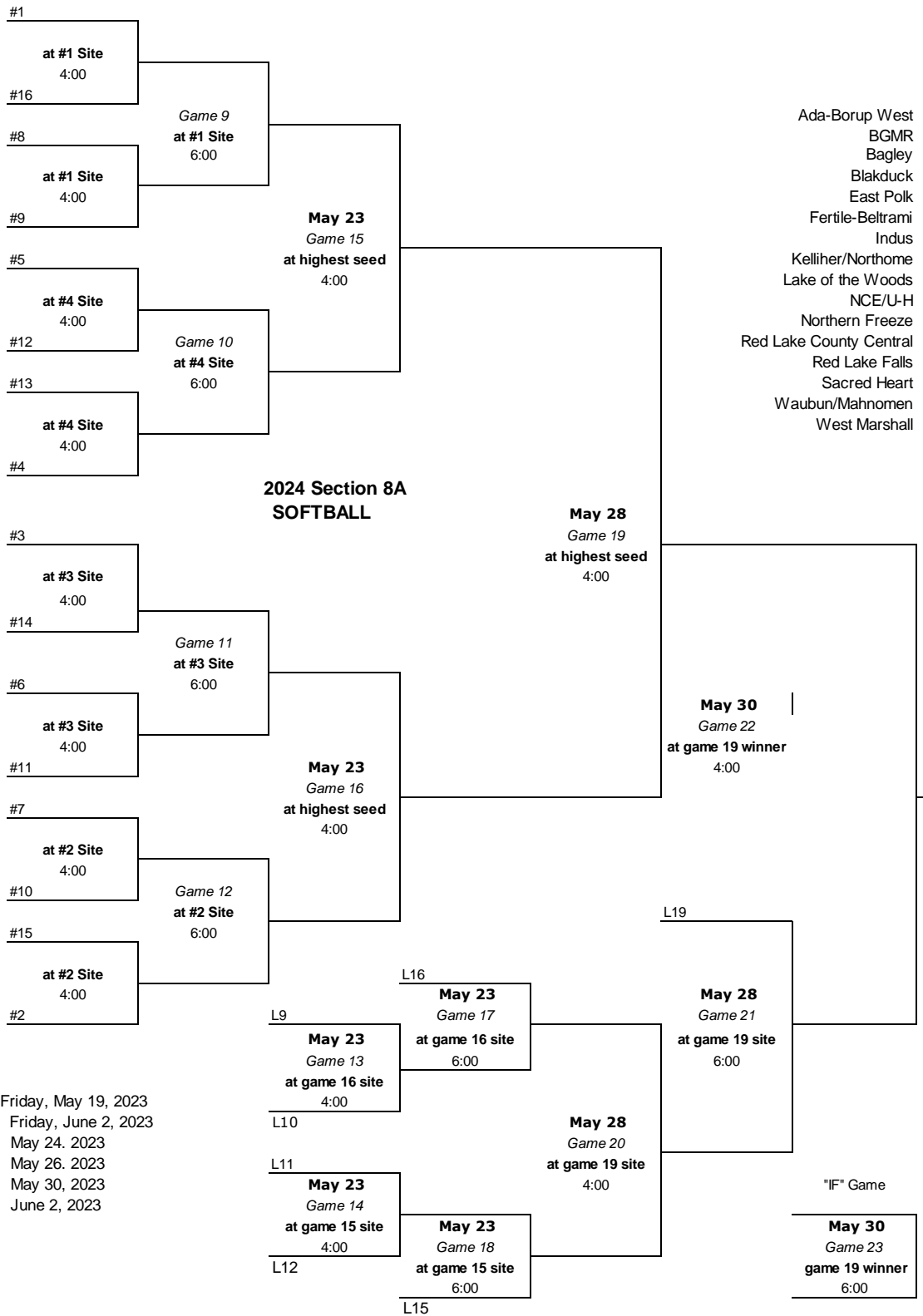
Awards: Section Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Section Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Umpires: Hired by coordinator 2 umps/game: PT,Q,S
Paid by Region 8A 3 umps/game: Finals

Sites: TBD

Official Squad: 3 Coaches; 2 managers; 18 players; total of 23 in playing area
Latest Play Date: Friday, May 31, 2024 **Official Ball:** Dudley SB 12L (Yellow)
Advance to State: Section Champion

May 21	May 21
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Seeding date: Friday, May 19, 2023
 Last play date: Friday, June 2, 2023
 Rain dates: May 24, 2023
 May 26, 2023
 May 30, 2023
 June 2, 2023

8A GOLF

SUB-SECTION TOURNAMENTS

North Sub-Section	South Sub-Section
Badger/GB-MR	Ada-Borup
Kittson County Central	Bagley
Lake of the Woods	Fertile-Beltrami
Northern Freeze	FHL Academy
Red Lake County	Fosston
Sacred Heart	Mahnomen/Waubun
West Marshall	Win-E-Mac

Site Managers: North – Diane Younggren

South – Alyssa Konecne

Schedule:	<u>Date</u>	<u>North Site</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>South Site</u>
	May 21, 2024	Roseau	May 22, 2024	Headwater's – 9:00

Awards: •Medals to Team Champion
 •Medals to 1st – 5th Individuals
 •Medals to Section Qualifiers

Advance to Section: Sub-Section Champions and runner-up teams
 Number of individuals advancing = 1/3 total individuals (rounded up)
 minus team qualifiers plus all players within 10 strokes of the individual leader.

SECTION TOURNAMENT

Site Manager: 8A – Alyssa Konecne

Schedule:	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
	Tue, May 28, 2024	Bemidji	TBD
	Wed, May 29, 2024	Bemidji	TBD

Awards: •Trophies to Champion, Runner-up
 •Medals to 1st – 5th Individuals
 •Medals to Champion, Runner-up
 •State Qualifier Medals

Official Squad: 1 coach; 6 players; total 7

Latest Play Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2024

Advance to State: Section Champions plus 5 players with the lowest individual scores
 Total shall not exceed 11

8AA GOLF

Section 8AA Boys & Girls Golf (Managed by Region 6A)	
North	South
Crookston	Barnesville
East Grand Forks	Detroit Lakes
Park Rapids Area	Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton
Red Lake	Fergus Falls
Roseau	Hawley
Thief River Falls	Pelican Rapids
Warroad	Perham
	United North Central

8A TRACK

SUB-SECTION TOURNAMENTS

East Sub-Section	West Sub-Section
Bagley/Fosston	Ada-Borup
Cass Lake-Bena	BGMR/Freeze
Clearbrook-Gonvick	Climax-Fisher-Sacred Heart
Grygla-Gatzke	Crookston
Lake of the Woods/Indus/Rainy River	Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton
Nevis High	Fertile-Beltrami
Northome/Kelliher/Blackduck	Mahnomen/Waubun
Park Rapids Area	NCE/UH Titans
Roseau	Park Christian
TrekNorth	Red Lake County
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley	United Clay Becker
Warroad	West Marshall

Schedule:	Date	2024	2025	2026	2027
East	May 23	LOW	Bagley	Park Rapids	TBD
West	May 23	Ada-Borup-West	DGF	Hawley	TBD
Section <u>8A</u>	May 31	DGF	LOW	Mahnomen	Park Rapids

Awards: Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Medals to 1st to 6th place in individual events and relays

Advance to Section: Top five (5) in each individual event from each Sub-Section (East & West) and the next best six (6) times or distances from both Sub-Sections (East & West) advance to the Section Meet as wild cards (Total of 16 individuals to the Section Meet plus ties in field events).

The top three (3) relay teams from each Sub-Section (East & West) plus the next two (2) best relay times from either Sub-Section (East & West) advance to the Section Meet as wild cards (total of eight (8) relay teams for the Section Meet).

Entries: Each team will be allowed up to three (3) entries per individual event and one (1) entry Per relay event.

Starting Heights: Starting heights will coincide with State Qualifying Standards for the Sub-Sections Meets. Section Meet starting heights will be determined based on the incoming heights from the Sub-Section Meets and coincide with State Qualifying Standards.

Latest Meet Date: Saturday, June 1, 2024

Advance to State: Individuals - 1st and 2nd place
Relays - 1st and 2nd place

FINE ARTS ACTIVITIES

8A MUSIC

8A ONE ACT PLAY

8A SPEECH

TEAM-UP

TRIPLE “A”

8A VISUAL ARTS

8A MUSIC

Sub-Section 29

Bagley
Blackduck
Cass Lake-Bena
Clearbrook-Gonvick
Kelliher
Laporte
Nevis
Northome
Park Rapids
TrekNorth
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley

Sub-Section 30

Ada-Borup West
Fertile-Beltrami
Fosston
Mahnommen
Norman County East
Ulen-Hitterdal
Waubun
Win-E-Mac

Sub-Section 31

Climax
Crookston
East Grand Forks
Fisher
Red Lake County Central
Red Lake Falls
Sacred Heart
Thief River Falls
Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

Sub-Section 32

Badger (E)
Goodridge (E)
Greenbush-MR (W)
Grygla-Gatzke (E)
Indus (E)
Kittson Central (W)
Lake of the Woods (E)
Lancaster (W)
Marshall CC (W)
Roseau (E)
SAC (W)
Tri-County (W)
Warroad (E)

Sub-Section	Contests	2023-24	
		Date	Site
Sub-Section 29	Solo	11/1/2023	Cass Lake-Bena
	Ensemble	2/21/2024	Kelliher
	Large Group Band/Choir	4/10/2024	BSU
Sub-Section 30	Solo	1/29/2024	Ulen-Hitterdal
	Ensemble	3/11/2024	Mahnommen
	Honor Band/Choir	4/5/2024	Mahnommen
	Large Group Band/Choir	4/17/2024	Ada-Borup-West
Sub-Section 31	Vocal Solo/Ensemble	2/14/2024	East Grand Forks
	Inst. Solo/Ensemble	3/13/2024	East Grand Forks
	Large Group Band/Choir	4/10/2024	NCTC - TRF
Sub-Section 32	Solo	11/16/2023	LOW
	Large Group Band	2/21/2024	Roseau
	Large Group Choir	3/6/2024	Badger
	Ensemble	4/9/2024	Roseau

Note - Students in grades 7 & 8 may compete in ensemble contests if they participate in a bonafide 7th-12th grade school band or choir.

Judges: To be hired by site manager at host school
All judges paid by 8A Secretary from signed contracts

Awards: Medals for Superior ratings for Solo, Ensemble and Accompanist
Schools may order trophies for Large Groups from Region 8A Best of Site medals

Fee Payment: **Schools will pay for the number of registered students, not the number of participants.
Payable at site on day of the event. Make checks payable to: Region 8A**

8A ONE ACT PLAY

SUB-SECTION TOURNAMENTS

Sub-Section 29	Sub-Section 30	Sub-Section 31	Sub-Section 32
Bagley	Ada-Borup	Kittson Central	Badger
Blackduck	Crookston	Lancaster	Greenbush-Middle River
Clearbrook-Gonvick	East Grand Forks	Marshall County Central	Grygla-Gatzke
Fosston	Fertile-Beltrami	Red Lake Falls	Lake of the Woods
Red Lake County Central	Fisher	Stephen-Argyle Central	Roseau
Win-E-Mac	NCE-UH	Tri-County	Warroad
	Sacred Heart	Warren-Alvarado-Oslo	

Managers: Host Site

Schedule:	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site 2024</u>	<u>Site 2024 (TBD)</u>
<u>Sub-29</u>	Jan 26	Win-E-Mac	
<u>Sub-30</u>	Jan 25	Crookston	
<u>Sub-31</u>	Jan 27	TBD	
<u>Sub-32</u>	Jan 27	LOW	
<u>8A</u>	Feb 4	Bagley - 10:00	

Official Cast: The cast may not exceed twenty (20) members

Entry Fee: \$200/school at Sub-Section level
Fee must be paid by December 1, 2023

Awards: Trophies to Team Champion, Runner-up
Medals to Champion, Runner-up

Advance to Section: Sub-Section Champions and Runner-up

Judges: Sub-Section judges hired by site manager at host school
Section judges hired by 8A Secretary (not to judge at Sub-Section)
All judges paid by 8A Secretary from signed contracts

Fee Payment: To Region 8 Secretary by December 1, 2023
Make checks payable to: Region 8A

Latest Contest Date: Saturday, February 3, 2024 **Advance to State:** Section Champion

8A SPEECH

SUB-SECTION TOURNAMENTS

Sub-Section 29	Sub-Section 30	Sub-Section 31
Blackduck	Ada-Borup High	East Grand Forks
Cass Lake-Bena	Crookston	Lancaster
Fosston	Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton	Red Lake County Central
Laporte	Hawley	Roseau
Park Rapids Area	Lake Park-Audubon	Thief River Falls
TrekNorth	Mahnomen/Waubun	Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley		Warroad

Coordinator: Tanner Miller

Schedule:	<u>2024</u>	<u>Site</u>
<u>Sub-29</u>	Thursday, April 4	Blackduck
<u>Sub-30</u>	Tuesday, March 26	DGF
<u>Sub-31</u>	Saturday, April 6	Thief River Falls
<u>8A</u>	Thursday, April 11	Fosston

Participation: **Maximum** of four (4) entrants per category at Sub-Section

Awards: Trophy to Champion, Runner-up
Medals to 1-6 in each category

Advance to Section: Places 1-4 in each category (plus two alternates)

Judges: To be hired by site manager at host school
All judges paid by 8A Secretary

Fee Payment: Payable at site on day of the event.
Make checks payable to: Region 8A

Latest Contest Date: Friday, April 12, 2024

Advancement to State: Places 1-3 in each category

TEAM -UP

EAST

Bagley
Blackduck
Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig
Cass Lake-Bena
Clearbrook-Gonvick
Fertile-Beltrami
Fosston
Indus
Kelliher
Lake of the Woods
Laporte
Mahnomen
Nevis
Northome
Park Rapids
Red Lake
Red Lake County Central
TrekNorth
Voyageurs
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley
Waubun
Win-E-Mac
(Bemidji)

WEST

Ada-Borup West
Badger
Climax
Crookston
East Grand Forks
Fisher
Goodridge
Greenbush-Middle River
Grygla-Gatzke
Kittson County
Lancaster
Marshall County Central
Norman County East
Red Lake Falls
Roseau
Sacred Heart
Stephen-Argyle Central
Thief River Falls
Tri-County
Ulen-Hitterdal
Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
Warroad

Coordinator: Jim Weinzierl

Schedule: West - Tuesday, November 28, 2023
East - Wednesday, November 29, 2023

Site: West – REA, Thief River Falls
East - Sanford Center, Bemidji
8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. – Registration
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. – Presentation

Activity Fee: \$15/participant

Fee Payment: Payable at site on day of the event. Make checks payable to Region 8A.

All entry fee checks will be collected at the site.

Participants: Sophomores only
West - Maximum of 7 per school
East – Maximum of 9 per school

TRIPLE A

Sub-Section 29

Bagley
Blackduck
Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig
Cass Lake-Bena
Clearbrook-Gonvick
Kelliher
Laporte
Nevis
Northome
Park Rapids
Red Lake
TrekNorth
Voyageurs
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley

Sub-Section 30

Ada-Borup West
Fertile-Beltrami
Fosston
Mahnomen
Norman County East
Ulen-Hitterdal
Waubun
Win-E-Mac

Sub-Section 31

Climax
Crookston
East Grand Forks
Fisher
Red Lake County Central
Red Lake Falls
Sacred Heart
Thief River Falls
Warren-Alvarado-Oslo

Sub-Section 32

Badger
Goodridge
Greenbush-Middle River
Grygla-Gatzke
Indus
Kittson Central
Lake of the Woods
Lancaster
Marshall County Central
Roseau
Stephen-Argyle Central
Tri-County
Warroad

Sub-Section Coordinators:

Sub-29

Jim Lien

Sub-30

TBD

Sub-31

Jim Lien

Sub-32

Jamie Lunsetter

Section Coordinator: Mary Hanson

Deadlines:

School should receive AAA materials from their Coordinator by Wednesday,
November 29, 2023

Return Boy and Girl school winners and resumes to your Coordinator by Friday,
December 15, 2023

Banquet: February 7, 2024 at the Shooting Star Casino, Mahnomen 12:00

8A VISUAL ARTS

East Sub-Section	West Sub-Section
Blackduck	Ada-Borup
Cass Lake-Bena	Crookston
Clearbrook-Gonvick	East Grand Forks
Fertile-Beltrami	Greenbush-Middle River
Fosston	Marshall County Central
Goodridge	Roseau
Grygla-Gatzke	Sacred Heart
Lake of the Woods	Thief River Falls
Nevis	Tri-County
Park Rapids Area	Warren-Alvarado-Oslo
TrekNorth	Warroad
Ulen-Hitterdal	West Marshall
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley	
Win-E-Mac	

Coordinator: East: TBD, Fosston
 West: April Symes, Warroad

Schedule:	<u>Date</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
East:	March 27, 2024	Fosston	TBD
West:	March 20, 2024	Warroad	TBD

Fee: \$15 per entry

Checks made payable to: **Region 8A**

Checks should be given to Site Manager on the day of the event

FEES, CONTRACTS & FORMS

(Available in digital format on MSHSL Region 8A Website)

8A ACTIVITY COORDINATOR FORM

8A MUSIC, OAP, VA JUDGES CONTRACT

8A SPEECH CONTRACT

8A SPORTS OFFICIAL CONTRACT

8A ACTIVITY REPORT FORM

8A FINE ARTS ACTIVITY FORM

8A ADMISSION/FEES/COMPENSATION