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MSHSL


MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE



LEAD Classification and Competitive Section
Placement Learning Session



Education and Leadership for a Lifetime

A blue-tinted photograph of a track race. Five female runners are in the foreground, wearing athletic gear with school names and numbers. From left to right, their bibs show 'Edin 7', 'WAS 6', 'POLAR 5', 'TE 4', and 'STILLWATER'. The background shows a blurred crowd of spectators.

The Minnesota State High School League provides educational opportunities for students through interscholastic athletics and fine arts programs and provides leadership and support for member schools.

Classification and Competitive Section Placement

**400.00 BYLAWS: ADMINISTRATION OF
ATHLETIC PROGRAMS
BOARD POLICIES**



Classification

Postseason:

- 50 % of teams are eliminated from postseason play in the first competition.
- Schools have local control of their regular season schedule.

Philosophy

- The philosophy of tournament competition for the League is to extend the opportunity for student participation in a variety of activities at the section and state levels. Region committees conduct contests, meets and tournaments in accordance with League rules and regulations which advance student participants to the next level of competition.

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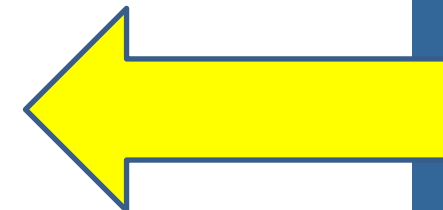
h) Prior to any classification determination, schools who believe their school demographics unfairly place their team sports (Football, Hockey, Basketball, Baseball, Dance Team, One Act Play, Soccer, Softball, and Volleyball) in a larger tournament classification may appeal their placement to the MSHSL office provided that the criteria below is met:

1.1 The schools' free/reduced lunch counts provided to the League office by the Department of Education exceeds 50% of the school's grade 9-12 enrollment or, MSHSL enrollment for grades 9-12 is within 10% of the classification cut-off number for the class to which the school is appealing.

- Enrollment trend
- Proximity of enrollment to the classification cut-off
- Free and Reduced lunch percentage
- Percentage of Free and Reduced that participate in that sport
- SLIFE % and % of SLIFE that participate by sport
- Regular season record the past five years
- Post season record the past five years
- Participation numbers in the sport, total for grades 9 -12 for each of past five years
- Religious and/or cultural factors that impact participation
- Mobility of students/transient population
- Economic factors in your school's community
- Additional information unique your school community

MSHS� Resources

-  [2022-2023 Fine Arts Judges - Eligible List](#)
-  [2022-2023 MSHSL Strategic Directions](#)
-  [ACT Test Dates Memo 2022-2023](#)
-  [Administrative Region Public Pages](#)
-  [AED Order and Replacement Information - 2022](#)
-  [Area Meetings: Fall 2022](#)
-  [CEUs - Area Meeting Fall 2022](#)
-  [CEUs - LEAD Network Meetings for 2021-2022](#)
-  [Classification and Competitive Section Placement Resources](#)





MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

2023-2024 and 2024-2025 TIMELINE



MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

CSP Timeline

CLASSIFICATION / COMPETITIVE SECTION PLACEMENT

DISTRICT FOOTBALL

Dates below are 2023 and are subject to change.

OCTOBER 2022

Final MARSS Fall Report data due to MDE.

DECEMBER 16, 2022

Nonpublic Fall Report Form due.

JANUARY 27

Deadline for completed applications for new co-ops or dissolutions of existing co-ops to be placed.
Deadline for schools or co-ops to opt up in any sports or activities according to board policy.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20

Classification cut-offs for all activities will be released to member schools and Administrative Regions with updated enrollment numbers from the MN Department of Education.

MARCH 3

Tentative deadline for filing an appeal for lower classification based on board policy.

MARCH 14

ADs Advisory Committee hears appeals from schools and recommends those that will be granted.

MARCH 16

MSHSL Board of Directors Executive Committee meets to review appeals and schools are notified.

APRIL 4

ADs Advisory reviews all section assignments.

APRIL 6

MSHSL Board of Directors approves all section assignments for 2023 – 2024 and 2024 – 2025.

DECEMBER 15

School information form due from schools.

FEBRUARY 27

Schools inform MSHSL of new football co-ops.

MARCH 3

9-Man declaration/appeal form due.

APRIL

Football Placement Committee meet to assign schools to districts.

MAY

Football Placement Committee meet to assign schools to districts.

JUNE 6

MSHSL Board of Directors approves all district football placements for 2023 – 2024 and 2024 – 2025.

RED = Action required by member schools
BLUE = Informational only, no action required



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COMPETITIVE SECTIONS

Competitive Sections

Resources for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025



Timeline for Classification / Competitive Section and District Football Placement for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025



Competitive Section Placement

Criteria for Competitive Section Placement shall include, but will not be limited to the following:

- Geographic/contiguity
- Section balance



The Differential in Number of Assigned Teams in Competitive Sections at the time of placement shall be as follows:

Two classes:

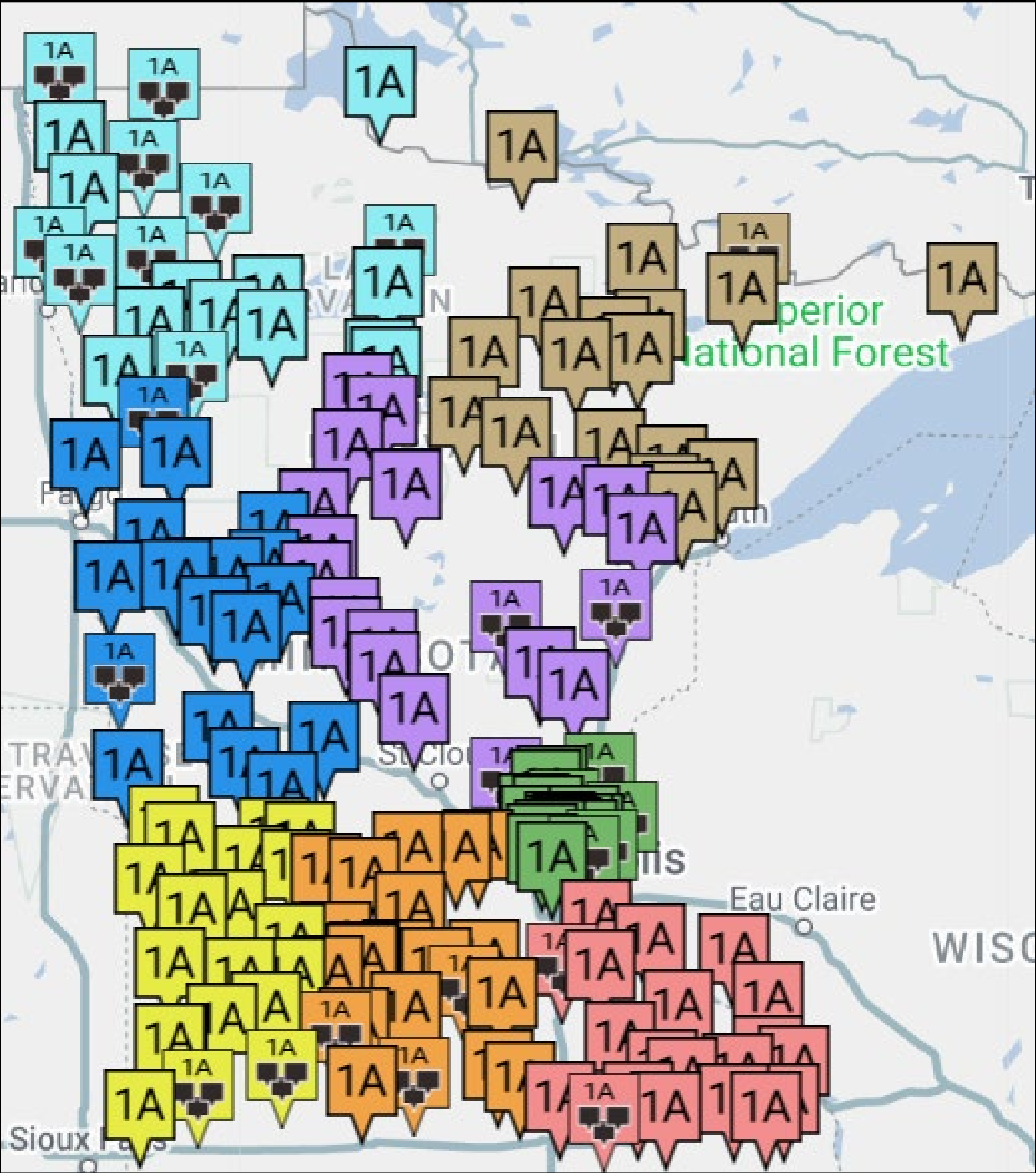
- Class AA: Unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, in the initial year of the two-year assignment, the differential shall not exceed two (2) teams in each competitive section.
- Class A: Unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, in the initial year of the two-year assignment, the differential shall not exceed four (4) teams in each competitive section.

Multiple Class (three or more):

- Unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, in the initial year of the two-year assignment, the differential shall not exceed two (2) team for any class.

Competitive Section Placement

Boys Basketball – Class A



School Year: 2022-2023
Activity: Basketball, Boys
School: -- All Schools --

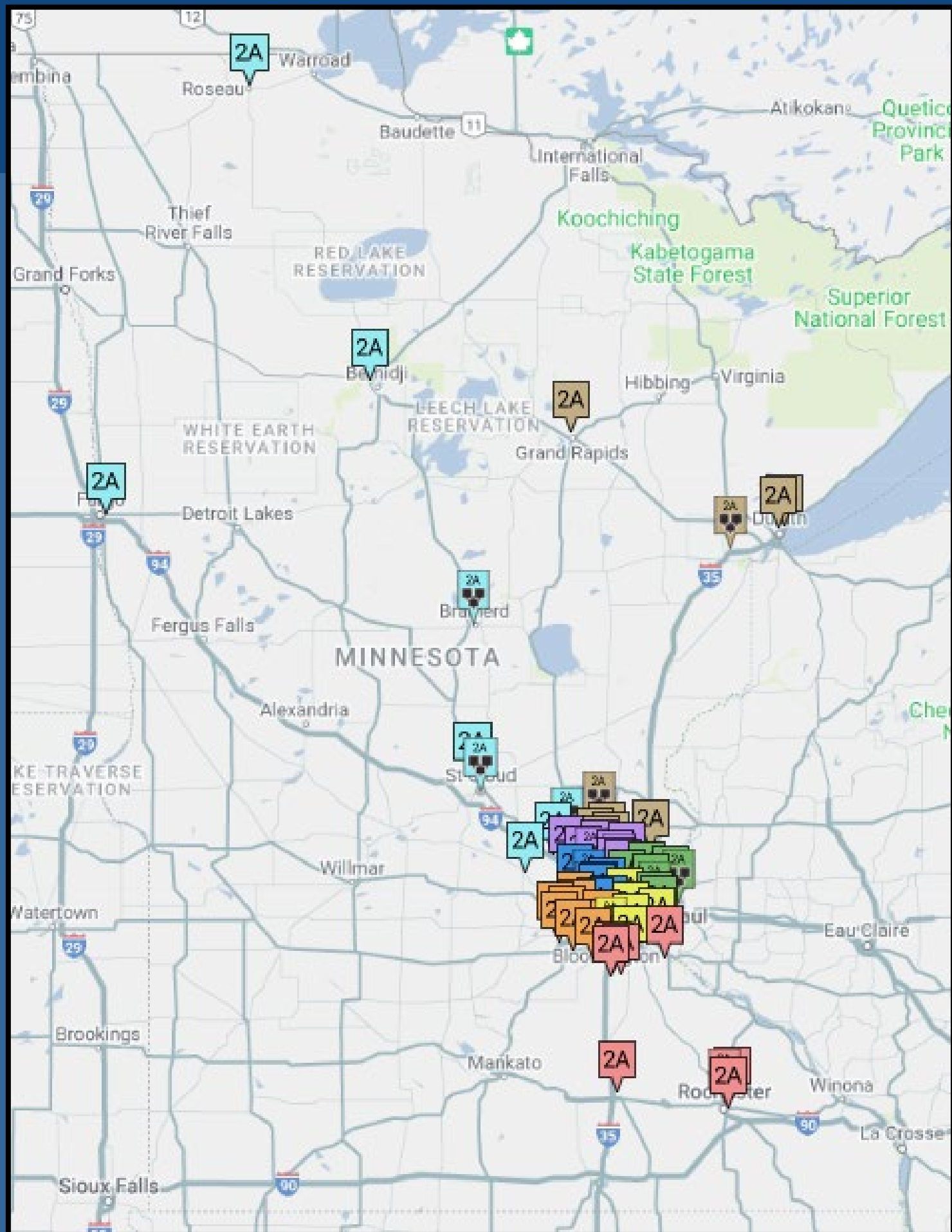
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Competitive Section Placement

Boys Hockey – Class AA



School Year: 2022-2023
Activity: Hockey, Boys
School: -- All Schools --

Show Co-ops Changes Only

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Communication

- *We will work with you on questions regarding Classification and Competitive Section Placement.*
- *This is a topic that many stakeholders are passionate about. They should work through the activities administrator first.*
- *If we receive emails or calls, we will direct them or the message back to the activities administrator.*
- *Attend our LEAD Meetings or listen to the recordings and pay attention to the Thursday Updates.*
- *Please know we're here to assist!*

Thank You!

