

## UIL Athletic Staff



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# Athletic Staff Responsibilities

#### **Joseph Garmon**

Team Tennis

Cross Country

Basketb<u>all</u>

Soccer

Spring Tennis

Track & Field

#### **AJ Martinez**

Football

Golf

Wrestling

Water Polo

Baseball

#### **Grace McDowell**

Volleyball

Spirit

Swim & Dive

Basketball

Softball



## CCP AGENDA

- UIL Information
- Coaching Reminders
- Contest Regulations
- General Regulations
- Eligibility
- Player Ejections
- Sports Specific Information



### LEAGUE GOVERNANCE

- Legislative Council Rule making body, 32 superintendents, all regions, all conferences represented.
- State Executive Committee (SEC) 12 school administrators appointed by the Commissioner of Education.
- District Executive Committee (DEC) Consists of ONE voting member per school in a given UIL District.
- Waiver Review Board 12 person committee, reviews decisions of the UIL Waiver Officer on appeals.



### What's New For 2023-24...

- 6th Grade Participation Pilot program that allows 1A and 2A schools to use sixth graders to field as many as two (2) teams under this rule. Also, once a school qualifies to use sixth graders under this rule, it would qualify to use sixth graders for any activities that follow on the calendar.
- Baseball Post Season Pilot for post season in Conference 5A and 6A requiring a two-out-ofthree series unless both schools agree to a single game. Applies to all post-season rounds prior to the state tournament.
- Golf Allows the head golf coach and the assistant golf coach to actively coach during the course of play for all tournaments including district, regional, and state competition.
- **Junior High** Amendment to junior high track meet start times that allows for two of the allowable six junior high meets to start no earlier than 2:00p.m.
- Soccer Allows for 2A schools who sign up for participation in soccer to be placed in a 4A district for competition.
- Flat Fee Schedule and Travel Reimbursement Effective 2023-24 a ten-year compensation plan for sports officials will begin. (fee increases every 3 years)

## 23-24 UIL Staff Study Items

#### From June 2023 Legislative Council

### Standing Committee On Athletics approved the following proposal in Concept for Approval in October

A proposal to allow coaches to coach their athletes in an All-Star game

#### Standing Committee On Athletics Authorized the Staff to Study the Following Proposals

- A proposal to extend the December game limitation rule to Thanksgiving break
- A proposal to increase the number of athletes from regional to state from two to three in Spring Tennis
- A proposal to add boys volleyball as a UIL sanctioned activity

### Standing Committee On Athletics Authorized the Staff to Continue to Monitor the Following Proposals

- A proposal to allow 1A schools to participate in additional tournaments in exchange for individual games
- A proposal to allow the district champion home field advantage in the first round of soccer playoffs

### 2023-2024 COACHES REMINDERS

- Coaches Certification Program (CCP) Coaches are required to have all CCP courses done
  by the start of their first practice or the start of school, whichever comes first.
- Strength & Conditioning During Summer Monday-Friday, no more than two hours per day. A
  student shall attend no more than one session per day, plus 90 minutes of sport specific
  instruction, not to exceed 60 minutes of sport specific instruction in any one sport.
- Strength & Conditioning During School Year Allows for 60 minutes of S&C outside the school day for sports that are in <u>off-season</u>. This time may be used all year. No sport specific instruction or equipment is allowed during this time. Skills instruction is only allowed during the athletic period for off-season sports.
- **Checklists -** Checklists for every sport have been created. All links are live and will take you right to the information you are looking for. Checklists are on each sports manual page.
- Live streaming During the regular season, live streaming is permitted by mutual agreement of the two schools. During the postseason, the NFHS owns the rights to all games so a request form must be submitted and approved in order to be able to livestream a postseason contest.

\*\*Further details may be found on the UIL Athletic Homepage\*\*

### COACHES EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

### REQUIREMENTS

- UIL Professional Acknowledgement Form On file with the district (C&CR 1202(j))
- Coaches Certification Program (CCP) online / in-person training (C&CR 1208(i))
  - Constitution & Contest Rules
  - Ethics
  - UIL Steroid Education
  - Safety Training (state law)
  - Concussion Training (state law)
  - Sport Specific Training each sport has a separate module
  - Football Coaches ONLY ATAVUS Best Practices in Tackling certification
  - First Year Coaches ONLY Fundamentals of Coaching in Texas (C&CR 1202 (L))
  - <u>Safety/Risk Minimization for Cheerleading Coaches</u> local district determines the provider for training, and training must be completed prior to any student contact

# COACHES EDUCATION AND TRAINING: REQUIREMENTS-STATE LAW

- CPR and First Aid Training must have a current certification filed with the district
- AED Training must have a current certification filed with the district
- Safety Training training provided by UIL (CCP) program, and must be completed prior to any contact with students
- Concussion Training training must be completed annually (2 hours every other year/1 hour annually)

# UIL RULES / STATE LAW / SPORT PLAYING RULES KNOW THE RULES

- Download or bookmark the Constitution and Contest Rules and Side by Side Manual
  - Will answer UIL eligibility questions no-pass / no-play, eligibility and more.
- Make sure you have a sport rule book ( ), // (244 , ).
  - Playing rules are not UIL rules, know the difference between playing rules and UIL eligibility and policy rules.
  - Make sure you have the appropriate playing rules book for your sport and know new rules each year.
- Bookmark your <u>SPORT MANUAL</u>
  - Manuals are digital and can be found on the left-side menu on your sports page.
  - Information is organized in an easy-to-find manner.

### **CONTEST REGULATIONS**

- High School one contest per school week:
  - See specific sport for calendar week limits.
  - Per activity per student
- Junior High one contest per calendar week:
  - See specific sport for week limits

#### DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CALENDAR AND SCHOOL WEEK:

- Calendar Week: 12:01 am Sunday to Midnight Saturday
- <u>School Week</u>: 12:01 on 1<sup>st</sup> instructional day of the week to close of instruction on the last instructional day of the week

### RESCHEDULING GAMES DUE TO WEATHER

- District varsity contests postponed by weather or public disaster, may be made up as an exception to the school week provided they are rescheduled and played on the next available date, other than Sunday, on which another district contest is not scheduled.
- Junior varsity, freshman and junior high teams may not play postponed matches / games as an exception to the school week.

### GAMES RESCHEDULING: EXAMPLE

- Next available date (that another district game is not scheduled)
  - Game scheduled for Friday, postponed due to icy roads
    - Next available date is Saturday
    - Cannot automatically reschedule for Monday because you don't get the exception to school week if you don't try to play on next available date.
    - If weather still exists on Saturday, can push to Monday...district administration determines this.



# GENERAL REGULATIONS JUNIOR HIGH / MIDDLE SCHOOL

- <u>Scheduling</u>: No game, contest, scrimmage or tournament, including district competition, shall begin prior to the end of the academic school day for all participants
- ONE contest in a calendar week, can also play a tournament in same calendar week.
- <u>Length of Season</u>: Know the number of days to complete seasons. Days start counting on the first day of try-outs or practice, whichever is first. Section 1478.
- No Post-District Competition: There shall be no post-season playoffs or competition in any athletic event.

### **ELIGIBILITY: VARSITY ATHLETICS**

- Meets all requirements of Section 400 & 403
- Is an amateur
- Meets Parent Residence Rule
- Meets the Age Rule
- Has not changed schools for athletic purposes
- Previous Athletic Participation Form (If necessary)

### **ELIGIBILITY**: 1st Six Weeks Of School Year

- Grades nine and below promoted
- Second Year of High School five accumulated credits
- Third Year of High School ten accumulated credits or five credits within the last twelve months
- Fourth Year of High School fifteen accumulated
   credits or five credits within the last twelve months



### ELIGIBILITY: PAPF (Previous Athletic Participation Form)

- Required for **ALL NEW** students in grades 9-12 who have:
  - practiced or participated with a former school in grades 8-12 in any UIL athletic activity. If new but did not participate, page 1 only.
- New school must verify that the student meets the parent residence rule.
- District Executive Committee must determine that student did not move for athletic purposes and approve PAPF before a student is eligible to participate at the <u>varsity</u> level at the new school
- Submitted to the UIL office.
- \*\*A PAPF does not have to be 'filed' in the UIL office before a student can participate, it only needs approval from the DEC.\*\*

### **ELIGIBILITY:** Sub-varsity & Junior High

An individual is eligible to participate if they are...

#### **Sub-Varsity Eligibility**

- Full time student
- Academically eligible

#### **Junior High Eligibility**

- Full time student
- Academically eligible
- Age appropriate for JH athletic competition





#### **INDIVIDUAL SPORTS**

### 2023-2024 NON-SCHOOL INSTRUCTION

Cross Country, Golf, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field and Wrestling (Guidelines are also applicable to team sports)

#### During the school year

- Coaches of individual sports are allowed to work with student athletes from their attendance zone in non-school practice during the school year however any time spent working with an athlete, whether school or non-school, will count as part of the allowable 8 hours allowed outside the school day, during the school week.
- Coaches shall not charge a fee for private instruction to student-athletes during the school year. The
  restriction on charging fees for private instruction applies only to those students who are in grades 912, from the coach's attendance zone and participating in the sport for which the coach is responsible
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- Coaches shall not gain financially from a student's participation in a non-school activity.

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### 2023-2024 SUMMER INSTRUCTION

#### Outside of the school year

- Outside of the school year, the restrictions are somewhat reduced. Coaches are allowed to coach
  student-athletes from their own attendance zone.
- The use of school funds, school equipment, school uniforms or school transportation is prohibited.
   Exception: School administrators may authorize the use of facilities, including scoreboards, implements, cross bars, poles, discus, shot puts, nets, etc. for school programs which are open to all students.
- School coaches can work with students from his/her own attendance zone in summer recreational programs (i.e. They may coach in meets and tournaments with permission from superintendent or superintendent's designee).
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### 2023-2024:





#### UIL Coaches' Checklist Golf 2023-24

	CHECKLIST	REFERENCE	COMPLETION DATE
	PRE-SEASON		
	Register/update profile in the UIL Portal	UIL Portal	Prior to 1st Practice
	Review Golf Manual	Golf Manual	Prior to 1st Practice
	UIL yearly coaching requirements (CCP & TEC)	Coaching Requirements	Prior to 1st Practice
	Student participation required forms. Keep on file.	Athletic Forms	Prior to 1st Practice
	Varsity participation required forms. Keep on file.	Athletic Forms	Prior to 1st Practice
	Review rules regarding eligibility for athletic contests	C&CR Sec. 400 & 403	Prior to 1st Practice
	Review Golf Plan	Golf Plan	Prior to 1st Practice
	Review UIL rule changes	UIL Rule Changes	Prior to 1st Practice
	Review USGA rule changes	<u>USGA</u>	Prior to 1st Practice
	Complete PAPFs and file with UIL Office	PAPF Process	Prior to 1st Practice
	Submit Individual Eligibility Form to district chair (UIL Portal)	UIL Portal	Prior to 1st Contest
<b>~</b>	REGULAR SEASON		
	First day for playing interschool tournaments		1st Day of School
~	POST-SEASON		
	District Certification by District Chair		April 10
	Regional Meets (Boys & Girls)		April 15-18
	Girls' State Meet		April 29-30
	Boys' State Meet		May 6-7

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### PRACTICE REGULATIONS IN-SEASON

#### **School is In-Session**

- <u>Eight Hour Rule</u> Practice outside the school day, from the beginning of the school week through the end of the school week (excluding holidays), is limited to a maximum of eight hours per school week per activity
- The in-school athletic period does not count towards the allotted 8 hours
- Any time used in connection with a practice that is not part of the athletic period counts as part of the 8 hours. (Dress, video/meetings, etc.)

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<u>Number of Tournaments.</u> No student representing a member school shall participate in more than eight tournaments during the school year, excluding one district, regional and state tournament.

- Tournaments which are limited to three or fewer schools shall count as a contest for the school week, however it does not count against the tournament allowance, provided there is no loss of school time.
- Each tournament a school enters counts as one tournament for each participating individual.
- Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee.

### **GOLF DATES**

- <u>District Certification Deadline</u> April 10
- Regional Meets April 15-18
- State Meet (Boys) April 29-30
- State Meet (Girls) May 6-7

Now allow head golf coach and the assistant golf coach to actively coach during the course of play for all tournaments including district, regional, and state competition.

### **TEAM TENNIS & TENNIS DATES**

### **Team Tennis (4A-6A)**

- District Certification Deadline October 7
- Regional Tournament October 19-20
- State Tournament October 25-26

### **Tennis**

- District Certification Deadline May 1
- Regional Tournament May 8-11
- State Tournament May 16-17

### WRESTLING DATES

October 1 – First day for minimum weight certification

November 6 – First day for meets and tournaments

January 20 – Last day for all weight certifications

(2 weeks prior to district certification)

February 3 – District Certification (All Conferences)

February 9-10 - Regional Meet (All Conferences)

February 16-17 – STATE MEET

2023 511

6 Match Limit, 30 Minutes between Matches, Facial Hair.







# SWIM & DIVE DATES

### •4A and below:

- District Certification January 20, 2024
- Regional Meet Deadline February 3, 2024
- State Meet February 15 & 16, 2024

### ∘5A / 6A:

- District Certification January 27, 2024
- Regional Meet Deadline February 10, 2024
- State Meet February 23 & 24, 2024



### WATER POLO DATES

#### **Season Dates**

- July 31 First Day of Practice
- August 4 First Day of Interschool Scrimmages
- August 7 First Day of Interschool Games
- October 7 District Certification

#### **Post-Season Dates**

- October 10 Bi-District Deadline
- October 14 Area Deadline
- October 17 Regional Quarterfinals Deadline
- October 21 Regional Tournament
- October 28 State Championship Tournament



### **SPORTSMANSHIP**

#### Starts with the <u>COACH</u>

- Power of your personal example
- Athletes and Spectators will take your lead.
- Have a plan and be strategic in coaching good sportsmanship
  - Student-Athletes
  - Parents

#### Athletes

- Appropriate sportsmanship is a requirement.
- Instill a respect for game officials and opponents

#### Spectators/Parents

- Cannot selectively ignore issues with spectators/parents.
- Requires effective game administrators.



# AREAS OF FOCUS (COACHES)

#### 1. Increase Understanding of and Compliance to UIL Rules and Procedures

- Read UIL/TEA Side-by-Side prior to your sports season (All coaches)
- Read Sports Manual
- Removal of situational ethics

#### 2. Focus on preseason & in-season eligibility processes

- 2 coaches verify all eligibility processes
- PAPF's first year of attendance
- Thoroughly verifying residence & contact previous school
- Appropriate use of automatic bypass (Must do due diligence)
- Factually & fully complete the PAPF when sending school
- DEC Appropriate Utilization

#### 3. Sportsmanship Improvement

- Starts with coach
- Focus on athlete conduct-Supervision
- Parents/Spectators
- Effective Game Administration
- Ejection # Improvement



# AREAS OF FOCUS (UIL STAFF)

### Collaboration, Communication & Consistency

- Regular communication and collaboration with coaching associations & coaches
- Be consistent within our communication (Coaches will get the same answer regardless of which UIL staff member they call)
- Clearly communicate processes, rules, and areas of needed attention

\*If we are not meeting your needs, call us on it. We want to hear from you and support you in the best way that we can.

GOOD LUCK & HAVE A GREAT YEAR!!!!







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