

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment, proposed by UIL staff, would move 2A area and state marching band advancement from odd numbered years to even numbered years.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

Current rule states that 2A, 3A, and 5A schools are eligible to advance to area and state in odd numbered years; and, 4A and 6A schools are eligible to advance to area and state in even numbered years. In 2014 when UIL expanded to six conferences a state championship pilot contest was added for 1A marching bands, enabling 1A to compete separate from 2A. Due to the small number of 1A schools who have a band program (approximately 35 statewide) this contest was added to the odd numbered years, creating an imbalance of four conference state championships in odd numbered years (1A/2A/3A/5A) and two conference state championships in even numbered years (4A/6A). Moving 2A to the even numbered years would create a more balanced state contest schedule of 1A/3A/5A (held over two days) in the odd numbered years and 2A/4A/6A (held over three days) in the even numbered years. This change would make 2A schools eligible for advancement in consecutive years (fall 2017 and fall 2018).

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Sections 1105(h), 1106(a), and 1107(a) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2018, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1105: REGION MARCHING BAND CONTEST

(h) REGION CERTIFICATION TO AREA.

(1) *Advancement.* Bands will advance to area according to the following schedule:

(A) Odd numbered years: Conferences 5A AND 3A. ~~and 2A (Conference A competes in Conference 2A).~~

(B) Even numbered years: Conferences 6A, ~~and~~ 4A, AND 2A (CONFERENCE A COMPETES IN CONFERENCE 2A).

Section 1106: AREA MARCHING BAND CONTEST

(a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The area marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:

(1) *Odd numbered years:* Conferences 5A AND 3A. ~~and 2A (Conference A competes in Conference 2A).~~

(2) *Even numbered years:* Conferences 6A, ~~and~~ 4A, AND 2A (CONFERENCE A COMPETES IN CONFERENCE 2A).

Section 1107: STATE MARCHING BAND CONTEST

(a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The state marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:

(1) *Odd numbered years:* Conferences 5A AND 3A. ~~and 2A (Conference A competes in Conference 2A).~~

(2) *Even numbered years:* Conferences 6A, ~~and~~ 4A, AND 2A (CONFERENCE 1A COMPETES IN CONFERENCE 2A).

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

2A schools that advance would incur related expenses in consecutive years, rather than what is currently every other year. However, the expense in consecutive years would only occur once.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This proposal amends Subchapter B, Music, Section 1102, *General Regulations*, parts (f) and (g), of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*. This proposal adds new provisions to Section 1102 regarding various aspects of the work performed by a Music Region Executive Committee including fiscal management, hiring of persons, such as an Executive Secretary, to work on committee business, record keeping, training and reporting requirements.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

These amendments to Section 1102 (f) and (g) are consistent with recommendations that UIL has received from UT Audit, as well as the Sunset Commission, and are intended to improve overall transparency and accountability on the part of Region Executive Committees. A copy of the Memorandum of Understanding referenced in Section 1102 (f), below, is attached.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Sections 1102(f) and 1102(g) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows:

Section 1102: GENERAL REGULATIONS

- (f) *DUTIES AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.*
- (1) The Region Executive Committee shall be responsible for the region music competition and events as outlined in Subchapter B: Music.
  - (2) *ACCOUNTS.* A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY EITHER HAVE A UIL MEMBER SCHOOL THAT IS PART OF THE REGION ACT AS A FISCAL AGENT FOR THE COMMITTEE OR MAY DEPOSIT ITS FUNDS WITH A FEDERALLY INSURED BANK. THE SCHOOL ACTING AS THE FISCAL AGENT OR THE BANK CHOSEN BY THE COMMITTEE SHALL HOLD FUNDS FOR THE COMMITTEE'S USE AND BENEFIT AND PROVIDE MONTHLY AND ANNUAL STATEMENTS SHOWING ALL FINANCIAL ACTIVITY.
  - (3) *EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES.* A REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY ONLY CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE AS AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY USING A UIL-APPROVED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING THAT SETS FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE INDIVIDUAL, THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE UIL. AN INCUMBENT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MUST BE RE-APPOINTED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS BY THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HE OR SHE SERVES. IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY PERSON WHO CONTRACTS TO PERFORM SERVICES FOR A REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE CONSIDERED AN EMPLOYEE OR TREATED AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE UIL OR THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.
  - (4) *SIGNATURE AUTHORITY.* ANY BANK OR OTHER FINANCIAL ACCOUNT SHALL REQUIRE DUAL SIGNATURES ON CHECKS OVER AN AMOUNT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. IN THE CASE OF DUAL SIGNATURES ONE SIGNATURE MUST BE A DESIGNATED UIL MEMBER SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WHO SERVES AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS OR HER SCHOOL ON A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE SECOND SIGNATURE MAY BE EITHER A DESIGNATED UIL MEMBER SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WHO SERVES AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS OR HER SCHOOL ON A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE OR THE REGION EXECUTIVE SECRETARY. CHECKS IN AN AMOUNT THAT ARE UNDER THE DUAL SIGNATURE THRESHOLD AMOUNT ONLY REQUIRE A SINGLE SIGNATURE FROM A DESIGNATED MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE AND/OR, IF AFFIRMATIVELY AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMITTEE, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

- (5) *TRAINING*. ALL MEMBERS OF A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MUST TAKE THE ONLINE TRAINING PROVIDED BY THE UIL, INCLUDING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPEN MEETING TRAINING. INFORMATION ON REQUIRED COURSES WILL BE POSTED ON THE UIL WEBSITE.
- (6) *MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS*. BY JUNE 30TH EACH EVEN NUMBERED YEAR, THE COMMITTEE'S ACCOUNT SHALL BE SETTLED AS FOLLOWS:  
A COMMITTEE MAY NOT RETAIN MORE THAN 25% OF THE PRIOR TWO YEARS AVERAGE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES IN AN ACCOUNT HOLDING REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FUNDS. HOWEVER, IN NO EVENT MAY THE RETAINED AMOUNT EXCEED A CAP AMOUNT DETERMINED IN EVEN NUMBERED YEARS BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. AFTER ALL OF THE REGION'S DEBTS HAVE BEEN PAID, ANY REMAINING FUNDS GREATER THAN THE ALLOWED RETENTION AMOUNT SHALL BE EQUITABLY DIVIDED AND DISTRIBUTED AMONGST THE SCHOOLS THAT HAVE PAID FUNDS TO THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DURING THE PRECEDING TWO-YEAR PERIOD. BY JUNE 30TH PRIOR TO THE START OF A NEW UIL MUSIC ALIGNMENT AND AFTER ALL OF THE REGION'S DEBTS HAVE BEEN PAID, ANY SCHOOL THAT WILL NOT REMAIN IN A REGION AND THAT PAID FUNDS TO THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DURING THE ALIGNMENT PERIOD SHALL RECEIVE AN EQUITABLE REFUND FROM THE REGION'S REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER A UIL MUSIC REALIGNMENT PROCESS IS COMPLETE AND THE MAKEUP OF A REGION HAS BEEN DETERMINED, FUNDS TO FINANCE A REGION'S ACTIVITIES MAY BE ASSESSED TO SCHOOLS THAT MAKE UP A REGION IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S BUSINESS MEETINGS.
- (7) *AUDIT*. AN AUDIT OF A REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FINANCIAL ACCOUNT AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED ANNUALLY, BY THE UIL MEMBER SCHOOL ACTING AS THE COMMITTEE'S FISCAL AGENT OR, IF THE COMMITTEE'S FUNDS ARE IN A BANK ACCOUNT, BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR HIRED BY THE COMMITTEE. THE RESULTS OF THE AUDIT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE UIL AS PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTING SET FORTH IN PART (10), BELOW.
- (8) *RECORD KEEPING*. EACH REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE ACCURATE MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS AND RETAIN ALL NON-FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN THREE (3) YEARS AND ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN FIVE (5) YEARS. CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS LEGAL ACTION, MAY REQUIRE RECORDS OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE RETAINED LONGER THAN THE MINIMUM PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE. EACH REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT LEAST THREE TIMES A YEAR AND PRESENT THE COMMITTEE'S CHECK REGISTRY AND CURRENT BANK STATEMENTS AT EACH MEETING.
- (9) *ETHICS*. ALL SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES SERVING ON A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND PERSONS WHO OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON THE COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR UIL COMMITTEES FOUND IN SECTION 33, UIL *CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*.
- (10) *FINANCIAL REPORT*. EACH REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BY JUNE 30TH OF EACH YEAR SUBMIT A FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE UIL OFFICE ON A FORM APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. THE REPORT SHALL CONTAIN INFORMATION SHOWING RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR EACH REGION CONTEST OR EVENT THAT WAS HELD OVER THE COURSE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR ALONG WITH ANY ACCOUNT BALANCES AND OTHER PERTINENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION. THE UIL STAFF SHALL REVIEW ALL SUBMITTED REPORTS, CONDUCTING

ANY ANALYSIS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DEEMS APPROPRIATE AND REPORT ANY RELEVANT INFORMATION OR FINDINGS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AT ITS ANNUAL FALL MEETING.

- (g) DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AND/OR EVENT CHAIR. It shall be the duty of the Region Executive Secretary and/or event chair to make all arrangements for region music competitions and events as directed by the Region Executive Committee and in compliance with the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*. THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CANNOT HIRE OR TREAT ANY PERSON, SUCH AS AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OR EVENT CHAIR, AS AN EMPLOYEE AND MAY ONLY HIRE PERSONS TO PERFORM TASKS FOR THE COMMITTEE AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

This amendment should not have a significant fiscal impact on member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

If approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education, this amendment shall be effective August 1, 2018.

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
*Re- Service as Music Region Executive Secretary*

Pursuant to the University Interscholastic League (UIL) *Constitution and Contest Rules*, I, \_\_\_(name)\_\_\_, have agreed to act as the Executive Secretary for Music Region \_\_\_ Executive Committee for the \_\_\_ school year. The duties of a Music Region Executive Secretary are to make all arrangements for music region competition as directed by a Music Region \_\_\_ Executive Committee. I understand that my particular duties could change at any time and that as Executive Secretary I serve at the pleasure of the Music Region \_\_\_ Executive Committee. I understand that I may be removed without recourse at anytime from this position at the Committee's sole discretion.

Unless relieved of my position at an earlier date, I agree and understand that my service to the Committee as the Executive Secretary will automatically cease one (1) year from the effective date of this memorandum unless affirmatively extended by the Committee on an annual basis. I understand that I am not an employee of the Music Region \_\_\_ Executive Committee, the University Interscholastic League or the University of Texas at Austin and am not eligible for any pay or benefits beyond approved compensation I will receive from the Committee as set forth below.

I further agree and understand that the Music Region \_\_\_ Executive Committee must approve on an annual basis as part of its regular budget process any compensation I am to receive for my work as Executive Secretary or in any other capacity, such as contest chair, involving UIL music competition. I understand that any compensation approved by the Committee must be documented on a form and in a manner approved the UIL. I acknowledge that in the role of Music Region \_\_\_ Executive Secretary I am acting as an independent contractor and that I am solely responsible for any taxes, including social security, health care, withholding, or other financial liabilities that may arise from my receiving compensation from the Committee.

While serving as Executive Secretary, I agree to follow the direction of the Music Region \_\_\_ Executive Committee and to abide by the UIL's *Constitution and Contest Rules*. I understand and agree that while serving as Executive Secretary, I must perform all assigned tasks for the benefit of the League and the Committee and must not engage in any activity that is contrary to their interests and thus, I also agree to abide by the UIL Code of Ethics set forth in Section 33 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*.

This Memorandum of Understanding is not a contract and I understand it does not grant me any rights as it may be amended or cancelled at any time by UIL. Furthermore, this Memorandum of Understanding does not waive any rights, immunities or defenses that the Region \_\_\_ Executive Committee, the UIL or the University of Texas at Austin are otherwise entitled to.

\_\_\_\_\_(signature)\_\_\_\_\_(date)\_

\_\_\_\_\_(type/print name)\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_(Committee Chair)\_ (date)\_

\_\_\_\_\_(type/print name)\_\_\_

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This amendment would remove the conference 1A state marching band contest from pilot status and sanction the event in the UIL *Constitution & Contest Rules*.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

In 2014 after the UIL expanded to six conferences the 1A state marching band contest was implemented in 2015 as a pilot contest. There are approximately 30-35 1A schools in the state that participate in the UIL marching band contest process. The result was a state contest of 13 1A bands in 2015. UIL proposes continuing to host the 1A state marching band contest in odd numbered years, to be held in conjunction with 3A and 5A. (2A is being proposed to be held in even numbered years, in conjunction with 4A and 6A) And, UIL proposes continuing the current practice of not holding a 1A area round due to the low number of 1A bands statewide.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Sections 1105(h) and (i), 1106(a) and 1107(a) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2018, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1105: REGION MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (h) REGION CERTIFICATION TO AREA.
  - (1) *Advancement*. Bands will advance to area according to the following schedule:
    - (A) Odd numbered years: Conferences 5A, 3A and 2A (~~Conference A competes in Conference 2A~~).
- (i) REGION CERTIFICATION TO STATE.
  - (1) *ADVANCEMENT*. CONFERENCE 1A BANDS WILL ADVANCE TO STATE IN ODD NUMBERED YEARS.
  - (2) *CERTIFICATION FOR ADVANCEMENT*. ANY CONFERENCE 1A BAND THAT HAS FOLLOWED THE PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO INDICATE TO THE REGION EXECUTIVE SECRETARY THE INTENT TO ADVANCE TO STATE AND THAT RECEIVES A DIVISION I RATING AT THE REGION CONTEST SHALL BE CERTIFIED FOR ADVANCEMENT TO THE STATE CONTEST.

Section 1106: AREA MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The area marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:
  - (1) *Odd numbered years*: Conferences 5A, 3A, and 2A (~~Conference A competes in Conference 2A~~).

Section 1107: STATE MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The state marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:
  - (1) *Odd numbered years*: Conferences 5A, 3A, and 2A, AND 1A. (~~Conference A competes in Conference 2A~~).

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.



**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment would require the judge hiring guidelines for middle school and junior high music events to be consistent with those for high school music events.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

Current rule recommends that the high school judge selection process be followed for middle school and junior high organization events. This rule was written during a time when there was difficulty in finding enough judges who were certified through the Texas Music Adjudicators Association. This amendment would likely improve the adjudication experience that our middle schools and junior high schools receive at music events.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 1112 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2018, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1112: ADJUDICATION

- (a) SELECTION OF JUDGES. The membership roster of the Texas Music Adjudicators Association (TMAA) will be the recommended list of approved judges. The music Region Executive Committee will select three judges from this list subject to the following guidelines.

(1) *List of Judges.* In all ~~high school~~ organization event contests and evaluations (concert, sight-reading, and marching), one judge shall be selected from the recommended list of approved judges, a second judge shall be selected from the recommended or provisional list of approved judges and a third judge may be selected from the recommended or provisional list of approved judges or from other sources approved by the State Director of Music.

~~(2) *Middle School/Junior High School Events.* It is recommended that the high school judge selection process be followed for all middle school and junior high school organization events.~~

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

This amendment should not have a significant fiscal impact on member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation**

This amendment will change the name of the UIL Rules Compliance Program (RCP) to the UIL Coaches Certification Program (CCP).

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

The current RCP consists of both UIL and state law requirements. UIL requires a coach to complete the prescribed components of RCP on a yearly basis. This change will update the program to the Coaches Certification Program (CCP). This change will recognize coaches as UIL certified. Additionally, the CCP will include a course in best practices in teaching tackling for all first year football coaches, and for all football coaches once every two years.

**C. Proposed Recommendation**

Section 1202(k) and (l) and Section 1208(h) and (i) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1202: EMPLOYMENT OF COACHES

- (k) UIL ~~RULE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
  - (1) All coaches shall annually complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM prescribed by the UIL prior to their sport season.
  - (2) The names of coaches who complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM will be kept on file by the school.
- (l) COACHES EDUCATION: All first-year coaches and any coach who is not a full- time employee of the school district (Exception: Coaches who qualify for the exception under Section 1202(a)(3)) must complete a ~~National Federation of State High School Associations~~ UIL approved fundamentals of coaching course prior to their participation as a coach for any UIL member school.

Section 1208: ATHLETIC REGULATIONS

- (h) UIL ~~RULE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
  - (1) All coaches shall annually complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM prescribed by the UIL prior to their sport season.
  - (2) The names of coaches who complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM will be kept on file by the school.
- (i) MINIMUM PENALTY FOR MISCONDUCT.
  - (2) Automatic Greater Penalty. If a coach so penalized has no proof of having completed the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM prior to the sports season, that coach shall also be automatically suspended from the next game/contest.

**D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools**

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools.

**E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date**

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This proposal amends Sections 1204(m), Fee Schedule, 1204(n), Travel Reimbursement, 1204(o), Other Allowable Expenses, to implement a flat fee structure.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

This proposed amendment is from the UIL Sports Officials Committee (SOC). This amendment would modify officials travel reimbursement. The current travel reimbursement pays officials according to a metro or non-metro plan. This proposed amendment would pay officials a flat fee based on a travel range of travel up to 120 miles. This amendment would also adjust the minimum range for varsity football gross gate receipts.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 1204(m), (n) and (o) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1204: SPORTS OFFICIALS

(m) FLAT Fee Schedule AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

(1) THE FLAT FEE SCHEDULE AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT, AS APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, SHALL BE POSTED ON THE UIL WEBSITE. (URL)

~~(o)~~ (n) OTHER ALLOWABLE EXPENSES.

~~(1) Meals. Schools shall not pay for any meals for officials unless the distance traveled round trip from the official's home to the game site is greater than 150 miles. If meals are paid, the amount is \$15 during the regular season and \$30 during playoffs.~~

~~(2)~~ (1) Lodging. By agreement of the officials and schools, schools may pay lodging.

~~(3)~~ (2) Ground Transportation. If prior agreement exists, schools may pay taxi fare, etc., for officials.

**D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools**

This proposal is meant to have a neutral fiscal impact on schools. However, the fee schedule may reduce cost for some schools while increasing cost for others depending what Travel range they use.

**E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date**

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

FLAT FEE SCHEDULE AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

THE FIRST DOLLAR AMOUNT WITHIN EACH TRAVEL RANGE EQUALS THE OFFICIAL'S FEE PLUS A FLAT RATE FOR TRAVEL PAID FOR THE FIRST GAME OFFICIATED. THE SECOND DOLLAR AMOUNT (BASE GAME FEE) WOULD BE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL GAME THE OFFICIAL WORKS (FIRST GAME FEE + TRAVEL / FEE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL GAME). THE TRAVEL RANGE IS CALCULATED BY DRIVING DISTANCE FROM THE CHAPTER'S CENTER POINT TO THE SCHOOL. EXCEPTION: SCHOOLS THAT PARTICIPATE AT A VENUE IN A DIFFERENT TRAVEL RANGE FROM THE CHAPTER CENTER POINT THAN THEIR SCHOOL ADDRESS, SHALL WORK WITH THE CHAPTER TO DETERMINE WHICH TRAVEL RANGE FEE WILL BE UTILIZED. DISPUTES BETWEEN THE SCHOOL AND CHAPTER SHALL BE SETTLED BY THE UIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR DESIGNEE.

THE UIL WILL DETERMINE THE ONLINE MAPPING SERVICE TO BE USED IN MAKING DISTANCE AND OTHER DETERMINATIONS.

(m) FEE  
SCHEDULE.

(1) Baseball.

Each Game Per Official.		Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
		(1-30)	(31- 60)	(61- 90)	(91- 120)
Varsity	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity Option A:	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
* No Inning starts after 1 hour and 50 minutes.					
Sub-Varsity Option B:	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
* Starts an inning after 1 hour and 50 minutes.					
Playoffs:					
Bi-District	<del>\$80</del>	\$95 / \$80	\$110 / \$80	\$125 / \$80	\$150 / \$80
Area	<del>\$90</del>	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
Quarter-Finals	<del>\$100</del>	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Semi- Finals	<del>\$110</del>	\$125 / \$110	\$140 / \$110	\$155 / \$110	\$180 / \$110
Regional Finals	<del>\$120</del>	\$135 / \$120	\$150 / \$120	\$165 / \$120	\$190 / \$120
State Tournament	\$130				
Tournament:					
Varsity	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Time limit of 90 minutes or less	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50

(2) Basketball.

Each Game Per Official.		Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
		(1-30)	(31- 60)	(61- 90)	(91- 120)
Two or Three- Person Crew					
Varsity	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)					
6 minute quarter	<del>\$35</del>	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
7 minute quarter	<del>\$40</del>	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40

		\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40
8 minute quarter	<del>\$45</del>	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
Playoffs:					
Bi-District	<del>\$75</del>	\$90 / \$75	\$105 / \$75	\$120 / \$75	\$145 / \$75
Area	<del>\$85</del>	\$100 / \$85	\$115 / \$85	\$130 / \$85	\$155 / \$85
Quarter-Finals	<del>\$95</del>	\$110 / \$95	\$125 / \$95	\$140 / \$95	\$165 / \$95
Regional Semi-Finals	<del>\$105</del>	\$120 / \$105	\$135 / \$105	\$150 / \$105	\$175 / \$105
Regional Finals	<del>\$105</del>	\$120 / \$105	\$135 / \$105	\$150 / \$105	\$175 / \$105
State Tournament	\$130				

(3) Football.

Varsity		Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
Gross Gate Receipts	1 Game	(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
\$150 to \$250	<del>\$4000</del>	\$100 / \$85	\$115 / \$85	\$130 / \$85	\$155 / \$85
<del>\$250 to \$500</del>	<del>\$65</del>	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
<del>\$4001-\$5000</del>	<del>\$70</del>	\$110 / \$95	\$125 / \$95	\$140 / \$95	\$165 / \$95
<del>\$500 to \$1,000</del>	<del>\$75</del>	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
<del>\$5001-\$7500</del>	<del>\$80</del>	\$120 / \$105	\$135 / \$105	\$150 / \$105	\$175 / \$105
<del>\$1,000 to \$2,000</del>	<del>\$85</del>	\$125 / \$110	\$140 / \$110	\$155 / \$110	\$180 / \$110
<del>\$7501-\$10000</del>	<del>\$90</del>	\$130 / \$125	\$145 / \$125	\$160 / \$125	\$185 / \$125
<del>\$2,000 to \$3,000</del>	<del>\$95</del>	\$135 / \$135	\$150 / \$135	\$165 / \$135	\$190 / \$135
<del>\$10001-\$12500</del>	<del>\$100</del>	\$140 / \$135	\$155 / \$135	\$170 / \$135	\$195 / \$135
<del>\$3,000 to \$4,000</del>	<del>\$105</del>	\$145 / \$135	\$160 / \$135	\$175 / \$135	\$200 / \$135
<del>\$12500-\$15000</del>	<del>\$110</del>	\$150 / \$135	\$165 / \$135	\$180 / \$135	\$205 / \$135
<del>\$4,000 to \$5,000</del>	<del>\$115</del>	\$155 / \$135	\$170 / \$135	\$185 / \$135	\$210 / \$135
<del>\$1501-\$17500</del>	<del>\$120</del>	\$160 / \$135	\$175 / \$135	\$190 / \$135	\$215 / \$135
<del>\$5,000 to \$7,500</del>	<del>\$125</del>	\$165 / \$135	\$180 / \$135	\$195 / \$135	\$220 / \$135
<del>\$17501-\$20500</del>	<del>\$130</del>	\$170 / \$135	\$185 / \$135	\$200 / \$135	\$225 / \$135
<del>\$7,500 to \$10,000</del>	<del>\$135</del>	\$175 / \$135	\$190 / \$135	\$205 / \$135	\$230 / \$135
<del>\$10,000 to \$12,500</del>	<del>\$140</del>	\$180 / \$135	\$195 / \$135	\$210 / \$135	\$235 / \$135
<del>\$12,500 to \$15,000</del>	<del>\$145</del>	\$185 / \$135	\$200 / \$135	\$215 / \$135	\$240 / \$135
<del>\$15,000 to \$17,500</del>	<del>\$150</del>	\$190 / \$135	\$205 / \$135	\$220 / \$135	\$245 / \$135
<del>\$17,500 to \$20,500</del>	<del>\$155</del>	\$195 / \$135	\$210 / \$135	\$225 / \$135	\$250 / \$135
Each additional \$5,000	<del>\$30</del>	\$30 / \$30	\$30 / \$30	\$30 / \$30	\$30 / \$30

Sub-Varsity and Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)  
Each Game Per Official

12-minute quarters	<del>\$55</del>	\$70 / \$55	\$85 / \$55	\$100 / \$55	\$125 / \$55
10-minute quarters	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
8-minute quarters	<del>\$45</del>	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45

(4) Soccer.

Each Game Varsity/Sub-Varsity Diagonal System – Three Officials		Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
Length of Half	Referee	(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
25 Minutes	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
35 Minutes	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
40 Minutes	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
	AR				
	Total				
25 Minutes	<del>\$35</del>	\$50 /	\$65 /	\$80 /	\$105 /

	\$120	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35
35 Minutes	<del>\$40</del>	\$55 /	\$70 /	\$85 /	\$110 /
	\$140	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40
40 Minutes	<del>\$40</del>	\$55 /	\$70 /	\$85 /	\$110 /
	\$140	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40

Dual System – Two Officials

Length of Half	Referee Total				
25 Minutes	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 /	\$80 /	\$95 /	\$120 /
	\$100	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
35 Minutes	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 /	\$90 /	\$105 /	\$130 /
	\$120	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
40 Minutes	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 /	\$90 /	\$105 /	\$130 /
	\$120	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60

Regionals:

Playoffs:	Referee				
Bi-district	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 /	\$100 /	\$115 /	\$140 /
	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70
Area	<del>\$80</del>	\$95 /	\$110 /	\$125 /	\$150 /
	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80
Sectional	<del>\$85</del>	\$100 /	\$115 /	\$130 /	\$155 /
	\$85	\$85	\$85	\$85	\$85
Quarter-Finals	<del>\$100</del>	\$115 /	\$130 /	\$145 /	\$170 /
	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Regional Semi-Finals	<del>\$125</del>	\$140 /	\$155 /	\$170 /	\$195 /
	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125
Regional Finals	<del>\$125</del>	\$140 /	\$155 /	\$170 /	\$195 /
	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$125
State Tournament	\$130				

	AR Total				
Bi-district	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 /	\$90 /	\$105 /	\$130 /
	\$190	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
Area	<del>\$65</del>	\$80 /	\$95 /	\$110 /	\$135 /
	\$210	\$65	\$65	\$65	\$65
Sectional	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 /	\$100 /	\$115 /	\$140 /
	\$225	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70
Quarter-Finals	<del>\$80</del>	\$95 /	\$110 /	\$125 /	\$150 /
	\$260	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80
Regional Semi-Finals	<del>\$85</del>	\$100 /	\$115 /	\$130 /	\$155 /
	\$295	\$85	\$85	\$85	\$85
Regional Finals	<del>\$85</del>	\$100 /	\$115 /	\$130 /	\$155 /
	\$295	\$85	\$85	\$85	\$85
State Tournament	\$90				
	\$310				

(5) Softball.		<b>Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)</b>			
Each Game Per Official.		<b>(1-30)</b>	<b>(31-60)</b>	<b>(61-90)</b>	<b>(91-120)</b>
Varsity	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 /	\$100 /	\$115 /	\$140 /
	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70
Sub-Varsity Option A	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 /	\$90 /	\$105 /	\$130 /
	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60
* No Inning starts after 1 hour and 50 minutes.					
Sub-Varsity Option B	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 /	\$100 /	\$115 /	\$140 /
	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70	\$70
* Starts an inning after 1 hour and 50 minutes.					
Playoff:					
Bi-District	<del>\$80</del>	\$95 /	\$110 /	\$125 /	\$150 /
	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80
Area	<del>\$90</del>	\$105 /	\$120 /	\$135 /	\$160 /
	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90

Quarter-Finals	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Semi-Finals	\$110	\$125 / \$110	\$140 / \$110	\$155 / \$110	\$180 / \$110
Regional Finals	\$120	\$135 / \$120	\$150 / \$120	\$165 / \$120	\$190 / \$120
State Tournament	\$130				

TOURNAMENT:

Varsity	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Time limit of 90 minutes or less	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50

(6) Swimming & Diving.

Invitational:  
Defined as 4 or more teams

**Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)**

Number of officials (5) recommended minimum		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
1-meet referee - diving-per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
1-meet referee - swimming-per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
1-starter - per session	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25
2-stroke/turn officials-per session, each	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25

District:

Number of officials (7) recommended minimum

1-meet referee - diving-per session	\$75	\$90 / \$75	\$105 / \$75	\$120 / \$75	\$145 / \$75
1-meet referee - swimming-per session	\$75	\$90 / \$75	\$105 / \$75	\$120 / \$75	\$145 / \$75
1-starter - per session	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25
4-stroke/turn officials-per session, each	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25

Regionals:

Number of officials (10) recommended minimum

1-meet referee - diving-per session	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
1-meet referee - swimming-per session	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
1-deck referee - per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
1-starter - per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
2-stroke officials-per session, each	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
4-turn officials-per session, each	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50

Travel:

All other allowable expenses may be paid.

Definition of Officials:

All registered officials who have successfully passed

the required UIL tests.

Definition of Meet:

4 or more teams.

Definition of

Session:

Any portion of a meet distinctly separated from other portions by locale, time or type of competition, i.e., preliminaries and finals; morning and evening.

(7) Volleyball.

**Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)**

Each Match Per Official.		<b>(1-30)</b>	<b>(31-60)</b>	<b>(61-90)</b>	<b>(91-120)</b>
Varsity	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Line Judges	<del>\$45</del>	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
Sub-Varsity					
2-Out-of-3	<del>\$40</del>	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40
3-Out-of-5	<del>\$45</del>	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)	<del>\$35</del>	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
Junior High Developmental Sets Plus	<del>\$15</del>	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
Tournaments					
Varsity					
2-Out-of-3	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
3-Out-of-5	<del>\$60</del>	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Sub-Varsity					
2-Out-of-3	<del>\$40</del>	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40
3-Out-of-5	<del>\$45</del>	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)	<del>\$35</del>	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
Pool Play					
Mini Games/ 2 Games 0-15					
Varsity	<del>\$35</del>	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
Sub-Varsity	<del>\$30</del>	\$45 / \$30	\$60 / \$30	\$75 / \$30	\$100 / \$30
Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)	<del>\$30</del>	\$45 / \$30	\$60 / \$30	\$75 / \$30	\$100 / \$30
Playoffs:					
Bi-District	<del>\$70</del>	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Bi-District- Line Judges	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Area	<del>\$80</del>	\$95 / \$80	\$110 / \$80	\$125 / \$80	\$150 / \$80
Area - Line Judges	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Quarter-Finals	<del>\$90</del>	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
Quarter Finals - Line Judges	<del>\$50</del>	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50



Regional Semi-Final	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Semi Final - Line Judges	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Regional Finals	\$400	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Finals - Line Judges	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
State Tournament	\$130				
State Tournament - Lane Judges	\$70				

(8) Wrestling. Boys

**Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)**

Competition # of Officials Fee		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Dual Meets 1	\$55	\$70 / \$55	\$85 / \$55	\$100 / \$55	\$125 / \$55
Multiple team duals as needed	\$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
1-day tournament *	\$175	\$190 / \$175	\$205 / \$175	\$220 / \$175	\$245 / \$175
2-day tournament *	\$210	\$225 / \$210	\$240 / \$210	\$255 / \$210	\$280 / \$210

Girls

Competition # of Officials Fee

Dual Meets 1	< 5 matches/ \$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25
	> 5 matches/ \$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Multiple team duals as needed	< 5 matches/ dual \$20	\$35 / \$20	\$50 / \$20	\$65 / \$20	\$90 / \$20
	> 5 matches/ dual \$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
1-day tournament *	\$90	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
2-day tournament *	\$125	\$140 / \$125	\$155 / \$125	\$170 / \$125	\$195 / \$125

\* See chart in Wrestling Manual for and junior high/middle school fees number of officials and jv

Playoffs:

Boys 2-Day Regional	\$250	\$265 / \$250	\$280 / \$250	\$295 / \$250	\$320 / \$250
Girls 2-Day Regional	\$165	\$180 / \$165	\$195 / \$165	\$210 / \$165	\$235 / \$165

~~(\*)~~ TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT:

~~(1) Officials shall be paid travel reimbursement according to the metro or non-metro plan based on a crew.~~

(1) OVER 120 MILE TRAVEL RANGE GAME FEE & MILEAGE

(A) ALL MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIATING CREW WILL RECEIVE THE BASE GAME FEE. OFFICIALS WILL BE REIMBURSED PORTAL TO PORTAL (ROUND TRIP TRAVEL) ONE CAR AT STATE RATE, TWO CARS AT 75% OF THE STATE RATE, OR THREE CARS AT 60% OF THE STATE RATE. EXCEPTION: WHEN A SEVEN PERSON CREW IS REQUESTED FOR A FOOTBALL GAME, TWO CARS WILL BE REIMBURSED AT STATE RATE, THREE CARS AT 67% OF STATE RATE, FOUR CARS AT 50% OF STATE RATE, FIVE CARS AT 40%.

(i) OFFICIALS SHALL BE PAID BASED ON THE STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT RATE IN EFFECT ON AUGUST 1 OF THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR.

(B) A \$15.00 RIDERS FEE WILL BE PAID FOR CONTESTS OVER THE 120 MILE RANGE.

(C) MEALS WILL BE PAID AT \$15.00 DURING REGULAR SEASON AND \$30.00 DURING PLAYOFFS.

~~(A) Metro flat rate of travel reimbursement from the center point in a local chapter's service area to game site. 30-mile radius = \$15; 40-mile radius = \$18. Any school outside the 40-mile radius shall revert to the non-metro Travel reimbursement for pay from that school.~~

~~(i) The UIL will determine the online mapping service to be used in making distance and other determinations for the metro travel reimbursement plan.~~

~~(B) Non-metro portal to portal (round trip) officials shall be reimbursed one car at the state rate, two cars at 75% of the state rate, or three cars at 60% of the state rate (A \$10 riders fee will only be paid to officials exceeding three person crews and only when three cars are being paid). Consult the UIL website or the sport specific manual for more details.~~

~~(2) Officials shall be paid based on the state Travel reimbursement rate in effect on August 1 of the current school year.~~

~~(3) (2) By prior agreement between officials and school authorities, airfare may be substituted for automobile Travel fee.~~

~~(4) Each chapter of each sport shall select the method of payment for travel reimbursement 30 days prior to the first contest.~~

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation***

This amendment will give the option for 9<sup>th</sup> grade football players to begin practice on the first Monday in August for all conferences.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

In conferences 5A and 6A, practices cannot start until the second Monday in August unless a school forgoes spring training. This new amendment would allow for all 9<sup>th</sup> graders to receive the same amount of coaching/training regardless of spring training.

***C. Proposed Recommendation***

Section 1250(b)(5)(B) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1250: FOOTBALL PLAN

(b) DATES AND OFF-SEASON REGULATIONS.

(5) *Fall practice, Beginning Dates.*

(B) In Conferences 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A, AND ALL 9TH GRADERS IN 5A AND 6A, practice shall begin no earlier than first Monday in August. In Conferences 5A and 6A, practice shall begin no earlier than the second Monday in August. Exception: If Conference 5A or 6A schools forego the 18 days of spring training, they may begin workout days the following August as delineated for Conferences 4A, 3A, 2A and 1A. No interschool scrimmages shall be allowed until after a period of at least six days of contact football.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation**

This amendment would remove the pilot status of the 6A home field advantage in football and add 5A football.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

The 6A football home field advantage has been a pilot program for three seasons. Currently, 5A football has not participated in home field advantage as a part of this pilot. This proposal adds 5A football and removes the pilot status, codifying it into rule.

**C. Proposed Recommendation**

Section 1250(i)(3) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1250: FOOTBALL PLAN

(i) SITE AND DAY OF GAME

(3) *Playoff Games*. EXCLUDING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES, unless mutually agreeable otherwise, the place for playing a playoff game shall be determined on a “home and home” basis for the past two football seasons. ~~Exception: State championship game.~~ The team that was the visiting team the last time the two teams met on a home field in a post-district playoff game may require the game be played at its home field. In case of disagreement between two teams who have not played a post-district playoff game during the past two football seasons, the game site shall be decided by a coin toss. A school cannot be required to flip for a playoff site that is not large enough to accommodate the fans from both schools. **Exception:** ~~As a pilot study~~ In 5A and 6A ~~only~~, for the first round of the playoffs only, the opponent with the higher district finish will determine whether the game is played on its home field or mutually agree to play the game at a neutral site. If the opponents have the same district finish, the two teams will flip a coin or agree on a neutral site.

**D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools**

This proposal will have limited to no additional fiscal impact to schools.

**E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date**

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment to the Golf Manual allows for a golfer to have a choice to speed up the pace of play prior to taking an 8<sup>th</sup> shot.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

The rule was designed for pace of play. As written, the rule has caused a number of disqualifications from regional and state tournaments. The language change would eliminate that possibility.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

The UIL Golf Manual would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

**Official Rules.** All matches shall be played under the United States Golf Association rules. Contestants may not use caddies or electric carts during district, regional or state tournaments. A pull cart may be used. Students with disabilities as defined by ADA may apply for a waiver. Contact the UIL office for details.

By district executive committee approval in district play, and in regional and state competition, ~~the player shall pick up the ball and record a score of 9 after the 8th stroke on a hole.~~ AT ANY TIME DURING THE PLAY OF A HOLE, A COMPETITOR MAY PICK UP THE BALL AND RECORD A 9 FOR THAT HOLE IF IT BECOMES APPARENT TO THE PLAYER THAT A SCORE OF LESS THAN 9 IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

There will be no fiscal impact to member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***D. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This proposal amends Section 28, District Executive Committee, of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*. This proposal adds new provisions to Section 28 regarding various aspects of the work performed by a District Executive Committee (DEC) including fiscal management, hiring of persons to work on committee business, record keeping, training and reporting requirements. A new part clarifies the role of involved schools during a DEC hearing.

***E. Factual and Policy Justifications***

These amendments to Section 28 are consistent with recommendations that UIL has received from UT Audit and the Sunset Commission and are intended to improve overall transparency and accountability on the part of DEC's. A copy of the form (Memorandum of Understanding) referenced in Section 28(e)(2), below, is attached.

***F. Proposed Amendment***

Section 28(e) and (i) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 28: DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (e) CONDUCT OF BUSINESS. The chair of the District Executive Committee shall direct the work of the committee pursuant to the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES SHALL COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) *ACCOUNTS* – DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES SHALL HAVE A UIL MEMBER SCHOOL THAT IS PART OF THE DISTRICT ACT AS A FISCAL AGENT FOR THE COMMITTEE. THE SCHOOL ACTING AS THE FISCAL AGENT SHALL HOLD FUNDS FOR THE COMMITTEE'S USE AND BENEFIT AND PROVIDE MONTHLY AND ANNUAL STATEMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE SHOWING ALL FINANCIAL ACTIVITY.
- (2) *ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE*. SHOULD A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DECIDE TO HAVE SOMEONE OTHER THAN A MEMBER SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEE PROVIDE ADMINSTRATIVE ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE, THE COMMITTEE MAY CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE IN AN ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION USING A UIL-APPROVED FORM THAT SETS FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE INDIVIDUAL, THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE UIL. IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY PERSON WHO CONTRACTS TO PERFORM SERVICES WITH A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE AN EMPLOYEE OR TREATED AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE UIL OR THE UNIVERSITY.
- (3) *APPROVAL AUTHORITY*. ONLY A DESIGNATED UIL MEMBER SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WHO IS EMPLOYED AT THE SCHOOL ACTING AS A FISCAL AGENT MAY HAVE APPROVAL AUTHORITY ON A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACCOUNT.
- (4) *TRAINING*. ALL MEMBERS OF A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MUST TAKE THE ONLINE TRAINING PROVIDED BY THE UIL, INCLUDING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPEN MEETING TRAINING. INFORMATION ON REQUIRED COURSES WILL BE POSTED ON THE UIL WEBSITE.
- (5) *MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS*. BY JUNE 30TH OF EACH EVEN NUMBERED YEAR, AN ACCOUNT HOLDING DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FUNDS, SHALL, AFTER ALL OF THE DISTRICT'S DEBTS ARE PAID, BE EQUITABLY DIVIDED AND DISTRIBUTED AMONGST THE SCHOOLS THAT HAVE PAID FUNDS TO THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DURING THE PRECEDING TWO-YEAR PERIOD RESULTING IN A ZERO FUND BALANCE IN THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACCOUNT(S). AFTER EACH BIENNIAL UIL RECLASSIFICATION AND REALIGNMENT PROCESS IS COMPLETE AND THE MAKEUP OF A DISTRICT HAS BEEN DETERMINED, FUNDS TO FINANCE A DISTRICT'S ACTIVITIES MAY BE ASSESSED TO SCHOOLS

THAT MAKE UP A DISTRICT IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S BUSINESS MEETINGS.

- (6) *AUDIT.* AN AUDIT OF A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FINANCIAL ACCOUNT AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED, AT A MINIMUM, EVERY TWO (2) YEARS BY THE UIL MEMBER SCHOOL ACTING AS THE COMMITTEE'S FISCAL AGENT. THIS AUDIT MAY BE CONDUCTED AS PART OF THE FISCAL AGENT SCHOOL'S OVERALL AUDIT. THE RESULTS OF THE AUDIT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE UIL AS PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTING SET FORTH IN PART (N), BELOW.
  - (7) *RECORD KEEPING.* EACH DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE ACCURATE MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS AND RETAIN ALL NON-FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN THREE (3) YEARS AND ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN FIVE (5) YEARS. CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS LEGAL ACTION, MAY REQUIRE RECORDS OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE RETAINED LONGER THAN THE MINIMUM PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE.
  - (8) *ETHICS.* ALL SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES SERVING ON A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND PERSONS WHO OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON THE COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR UIL COMMITTEES FOUND IN SECTION 33.
- (i) VOTING ON QUESTIONS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.
- (1) *Inquiry Concerning Involvement.* Prior to calling for a vote, the chair of the committee shall ask each member if he or she or the member school represented is involved in the question.
  - (2) *Determination of Involvement.* Involvement in a question shall be determined on a factual, case-by-case, basis.
  - (3) *Involved Not Entitled to Vote.* A member of the committee shall not be entitled to vote in a case in which he or she or the member school represented is involved. This includes the representative from the school:
    - (A) that is presenting a formal protest or presenting evidence and argument as an informal protest;
    - (B) that is making a report of violation;
    - (C) that is being charged with a violation;
    - (D) the student in question is leaving; or
    - (E) to which the student in question is changing.
  - (4) SCHOOLS THAT ARE INVOLVED IN A CASE AND NOT ENTITLED TO VOTE ON THE MATTER SHOULD ONLY PARTICIPATE BY PROVIDING WITNESSES AND ACTING AS A SOURCE OF INFORMATION DURING ANY HEARING OR DELIBERATION ON THE CASE IN QUESTION.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

This amendment should not have a significant fiscal impact on member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

*Re- Service as Administrative Assistant*

Pursuant to the University Interscholastic League (UIL) *Constitution and Contest Rules*, I, \_\_\_(name)\_\_\_, have agreed to act as an Administrative Assistant for District \_\_\_ Executive Committee. The duties of an Administrative Assistant are to make all arrangements for district (*athletic or academic*) competition as directed by the District \_ Executive Committee. I understand that my particular duties could change at any time and that as Administrative Assistant I serve at the pleasure of the District \_ Executive Committee. I understand that I may be removed without recourse at anytime from this position at the Committee’s sole discretion.

Unless relieved of my position at an earlier date, I agree and understand that my service to the Committee as the Administrative Assistance will automatically cease at the end of two (2) years. I understand and agree that extensions of service beyond the initial two (2) year period must be approved at a minimum every two (2) years and in no event may my service as Administrative Assistance exceed eight (8) years total. I understand that I am not an employee of the District Executive Committee, the University Interscholastic League or the University of Texas at Austin and am not eligible for any pay or benefits beyond approved compensation I will receive from the Committee as set forth below.

I further agree and understand that the District \_ Executive Committee must approve on an annual basis as part of its regular budget process any compensation I am to receive for my work as Administrative Assistant or in any other capacity, such as contest chair, involving UIL (*academic or athletic*) competition. I understand that any compensation approved by the Committee must be documented on a form and in a manner approved the UIL. I acknowledge that in the role of Administrative Assistant I am acting as an independent contractor and that I am solely responsible for any taxes, including social security, health care, withholding, or other financial liabilities that may arise from my receiving compensation from the Committee.

While serving as Administrative Assistant, I agree to follow the direction of the District \_ Executive Committee and to abide by the UIL’s *Constitution and Contest Rules*. I understand and agree that while serving as Administrative Assistant, I must perform all assigned tasks for the benefit of the League and the Committee and must not engage in any activity that is contrary to their interests and thus, I also agree to abide by the UIL Code of Ethics Policy set forth in Section 33 of the *Constitution and Contest Rules*.

This Memorandum of Understanding is not a contract and I understand it does not grant me any rights as it may be amended or cancelled at any time by UIL. Furthermore, this Memorandum of Understanding does not waive any rights, immunities or defenses that a UIL District Executive Committee, the UIL or the University of Texas at Austin are otherwise entitled to.

\_\_\_\_(signature)\_\_\_\_(date)\_

\_\_\_\_(type/print name)\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_(Committee Chair)\_ (date)\_

\_\_\_\_(type/print name)\_\_\_\_



**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This proposed amendment would add a new section to the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules, that contains a Code of Ethics policy that deals with various ethical issues including conflicts of interest that would apply to all persons serving on UIL committees.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

As part of UIL's continuing effort to improve accountability and transparency, this new policy will make clear the ethical duties that persons who serve on UIL committees must follow. Issues have arisen in the past, where conflicts of interests and related matters seem not to have been understood by some. This policy, which is based on an Attorney General's template for state agencies, does a good job of spelling out ethical issues that may arise will serving on a UIL committee. UIL employees are already covered under UT's ethics/conflicts of interest policy.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 33 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be added as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

**SECTION 33: CODE OF ETHICS FOR UIL COMMITTEES**

THE UIL ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING CODE OF ETHICS FOR ALL OF ITS COMMITTEES:

**I. OVERVIEW**

- A. PURSUANT TO SECTION 572.051(C) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE AND UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN POLICY, THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE (UIL) PROMULGATES THE FOLLOWING ETHICS POLICY.
- B. THIS ETHICS POLICY PRESCRIBES STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON ANY UIL COMMITTEE OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON BEHALF OF A UIL COMMITTEE. THIS POLICY DOES NOT APPLY TO UIL EMPLOYEES, WHO ARE COVERED BY UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN POLICIES.
- C. THIS ETHICS POLICY DOES NOT SUPERSEDE ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR TEXAS LAW OR ADMINISTRATIVE RULE. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF MUST FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THIS ETHICS POLICY.
- D. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON BEHALF OF A UIL COMMITTEE MUST ABIDE BY ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND TEXAS LAWS, ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, AND THE UIL *CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*, INCLUDING THIS ETHICS POLICY.
- E. A UIL COMMITTEE MEMBER OR PERSON PERFORMING SERVICES FOR A UIL COMMITTEE WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS ETHICS POLICY MAY BE REMOVED FROM A COMMITTEE BY THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND IS SUBJECT TO A RANGE OF SANCTIONS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 27 AND 29 OF THE UIL *CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*. A PERSON WHO SERVES ON A UIL COMMITTEE OR OTHERWISE PERFORMS WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF AND WHO VIOLATES ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR TEXAS LAW OR RULE MAY BE SUBJECT TO CIVIL OR CRIMINAL PENALTIES IN ADDITION TO ANY UIL-RELATED SANCTION.

## II. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

- A. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL NOT:
- (1) ACCEPT OR SOLICIT ANY GIFT, FAVOR, OR SERVICE THAT MIGHT REASONABLY TEND TO INFLUENCE A PERSON IN THE DISCHARGE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES, OR THAT THE PERSON KNOWS OR SHOULD KNOW IS BEING OFFERED WITH THE INTENT TO INFLUENCE THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL CONDUCT;
  - (2) INTENTIONALLY OR KNOWINGLY SOLICIT, ACCEPT, OR AGREE TO ACCEPT ANY BENEFIT FOR HAVING EXERCISED HIS OR HER OFFICIAL POWERS OR PERFORMED HIS OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES IN FAVOR OF ANOTHER;
  - (3) DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, INFORMATION THAT IS EXCEPTED FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE UNDER THE TEXAS PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT (TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. CH. 552), OR INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN ORDERED SEALED BY A COURT, THAT WAS ACQUIRED BY REASON OF THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL POSITION, OR ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING SELF-EMPLOYMENT, OR ENGAGE IN A BUSINESS, CHARITY, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, OR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY THAT THE EMPLOYEE MIGHT REASONABLY EXPECT WOULD REQUIRE OR INDUCE THE EMPLOYEE TO DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, INFORMATION THAT IS EXCEPTED FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE UNDER THE TEXAS PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT, OR INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN ORDERED SEALED BY A COURT, THAT WAS ACQUIRED BY REASON OF THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL POSITION;
  - (4) ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING SELF-EMPLOYMENT, OR COMPENSATION OR ENGAGE IN A BUSINESS, CHARITY, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, OR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY THAT COULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO IMPAIR THE EMPLOYEE'S INDEPENDENCE OF JUDGMENT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL DUTIES;
  - (5) MAKE PERSONAL INVESTMENTS, OR HAVE A PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INTEREST, THAT COULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO CREATE A SUBSTANTIAL CONFLICT BETWEEN THE PERSON'S PRIVATE INTEREST AND THE PUBLIC INTEREST;
  - (6) UTILIZE UIL MEETINGS, EVENTS OR CONTESTS, PROPERTY, FACILITIES, OR EQUIPMENT FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN OFFICIAL UIL BUSINESS, UNLESS SUCH USE IS REASONABLE AND INCIDENTAL AND DOES NOT RESULT IN ANY DIRECT COST TO THE STATE OR UIL, INTERFERE WITH THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL DUTIES, AND INTERFERE WITH UIL FUNCTIONS;
  - (7) UTILIZE HIS OR HER OFFICIAL POSITION, OR STATE ISSUED ITEMS, SUCH AS A BADGE, INDICATING SUCH POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN, OBTAINING PRIVILEGES, OR AVOIDING CONSEQUENCES OF ILLEGAL ACTS;
  - (8) KNOWINGLY MAKE MISLEADING STATEMENTS, EITHER ORAL OR WRITTEN, OR PROVIDE FALSE INFORMATION, IN THE COURSE OF OFFICIAL UIL BUSINESS; OR
  - (9) ENGAGE IN ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITY OR UTILIZE UIL RESOURCES FOR ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITY DURING THE COURSE OF A UIL COMMITTEE MEETING OR WHEN OTHERWISE CONDUCTING UIL-RELATED BUSINESS.
- B. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL:
- (1) PERFORM HIS OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES IN A LAWFUL, PROFESSIONAL, AND ETHICAL MANNER BEFITTING THE STATE AND UIL; AND

- (2) REPORT ANY CONDUCT OR ACTIVITY THAT THE EMPLOYEE BELIEVES TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THIS ETHICS POLICY TO THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR THE UIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE).

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

This proposed amendment should have no significant fiscal impact on member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment to Section 56, *Investigations of Protests or Allegations*, provides clarification as to the Executive Director's authority to evaluate protests or complaints and make referrals to the appropriate UIL committee.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

This amendment clarifies in rule the necessary discretion involved when investigating protests and complaints. Not every complaint is credible or otherwise worthy of a detailed investigation or a hearing before the SEC or other UIL committee; however, as currently written, the rule arguably limits the UIL's ability to manage these cases in a reasonable way. The Executive Director is in the best position to manage the review of protests and complaints and to decide if an investigation and/or a hearing is called for under the circumstances.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 56(a) and (b) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 56: INVESTIGATION OF PROTESTS OR ALLEGATIONS

- (a) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S INVESTIGATION. The Executive Director, OR DESIGNEE, shall INITIALLY REVIEW PROTESTS OR COMPLAINTS THAT ALLEGE VIOLATIONS OF THE UIL *CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*, UIL MANUALS, HANDBOOKS OR OTHER UIL RULES OR POLICIES AND, USING HIS OR HER PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT AND DISCRETION, DETERMINE IF A PROTEST OR COMPLAINT SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED AND, UPON COMPLETION OF THE DIRECTOR'S INVESTIGATION, IF THE COMPLAINT OR PROTEST SHOULD BE REFERRED TO AND CONSIDERED BY THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR OTHER APPROPRIATE UIL COMMITTEE. ~~investigate each protest or allegation filed that is within the jurisdiction of the State Executive Committee and report all findings to the appropriate committee.~~
- (b) SUBMISSION OF RECORDS. In response to a request by the State Executive Committee, District Executive Committee or Executive Director, a member school district and its schools shall FULLY COOPERATE WITH THE REQUEST AND submit its records AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION that IS ~~are~~ germane to the protest OR COMPLAINT being investigated.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

This amendment should have no fiscal impact on UIL member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This amendment would remove the pilot status from UIL Spirit and add UIL Spirit as a sanctioned contest.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

UIL Spirit was approved as a pilot program for the 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 school years. The number of competitors has increased each year and feedback from UIL member schools that have participated has been overwhelmingly positive.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 380 of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 380: UIL CONTESTS AND PILOT PROGRAMS

The UIL shall conduct:

(a) *ACADEMIC, MUSIC AND ATHLETIC ANNUAL CONTESTS, AS FOLLOWS:*

(b) *OTHER ANNUAL CONTESTS, AS FOLLOWS:*

(1) *UIL SPIRIT*

- (A) *SCHOOLS SHALL ABIDE BY RULES IN THE CONSTITUTION, BY RULES IN THE "OFFICIAL NOTICES" COLUMN OF THE LEAGUER, BY REGULATIONS ISSUED FROM THE UIL OFFICE IN THE UIL SPIRIT MANUAL, AND OTHER OFFICIAL NOTICES FROM THE UIL OFFICE. WHERE ANY TERM OR SECTION OF THE CONTEST RULES OR THE UIL SPIRIT MANUAL IS FOUND TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE CONSTITUTION, THE CONSTITUTION SHALL PREVAIL AND APPLY, AND THE REMAINING TERMS AND SECTIONS OF THE CONTEST RULES AND/OR THE UIL SPIRIT MANUAL SHALL CONTINUE IN EFFECT.*
- (B) *ALL CHEER AND SPIRIT PERFORMANCES AT ANY UIL ACTIVITY SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAFETY STANDARDS AS PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL FEDERATION HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT HANDBOOK. CHEERLEADING AND UIL SPIRIT SPONSORS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A COURSE REGARDING SAFETY/RISK MINIMIZATION FOR CHEERLEADING AND PRESENT PROOF OF COURSE COMPLETION TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.*
- (C) *CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL. AT ALL UIL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING PRACTICES AND CONTESTS), INCLUDING CHEERLEADING AND UIL SPIRIT, SCHOOLS SHALL IMPLEMENT AND FOLLOW A CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL AS PRESCRIBED BY TEXAS EDUCATION CODE SECTION 38 SUBCHAPTER D.*

(c) ~~(b)~~ *PILOT PROGRAM CONTESTS AS PROVIDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.*

**D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools**

Schools who choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur expenses related to the event.

**E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date**

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

The amendments to Section 403(f), Eligibility – Athletics, Section 443(f), Changing Schools for Athletic Purposes, and Section 463(a)(2), Application for Waiver put into rule a long-standing principle that in almost every situation, a student who meets the basic eligibility requirements for varsity athletics should have UIL varsity athletics eligibility at a UIL member school. The proposed changes relate to a student returning to their original school after having been found by a District Executive Committee, or the State Executive Committee, to have changed schools for athletic purposes.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

This proposal addresses a troublesome issue that occurs when a student leaves their home school; is found to not have eligibility in a school they move to; and then, absent a waiver being granted, the student is unable to return and establish eligibility at the student's previous school. Unless there are specific sanctions in place concerning a student's participation or other similar circumstances, a student should be eligible for varsity competition.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Sections 403(f), 443(f) and 463(a)(2) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 403: ELIGIBILITY - ATHLETICS

- (f) is a resident of the member school district (See Section 442), and a resident of the attendance zone in which the member school being attended is situated,
- (7) A STUDENT WHO HAS ESTABLISHED VARSITY ELIGIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION AT A MEMBER SCHOOL BUT WHO SUBSEQUENTLY MOVES TO ANOTHER MEMBER SCHOOL ZONE AND IS FOUND TO HAVE MOVED FOR AN IMPERMISSIBLE REASON, REMAINS ELIGIBLE AT THE SCHOOL WHERE ELIGIBILITY WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED WITHOUT THE NEED OF A WAIVER. A STUDENT MUST REENROLL IN THE SCHOOL WHERE ELIGIBILITY WAS PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF BEING FOUND INELIGIBLE AT THE SCHOOL THE STUDENT MOVED TO FOR THIS PROVISION TO APPLY. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE MAY INQUIRE INTO SUCH CASES AND MAY MAKE A DETERMINATION REGARDING A STUDENT'S QUALIFICATION FOR THIS EXCEPTION TO THE PARENT RESIDENCE RULE.
- (8) THIS SECTION AND THE RULES CITED HEREIN SHALL BE INTERPRETED AND APPLIED TO THE EXTENT REASONABLY POSSIBLE SO THAT, ABSENT A SPECIFIC SANCTION BARRING ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION, A STUDENT WHO MEETS BASIC VARSITY ATHLETICS ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS SHOULD HAVE UIL VARSITY ATHLETICS ELIGIBILITY AT A UIL MEMBER SCHOOL. THIS IS A GENERAL RULE OF CONSTRUCTION THAT MAY BE IMPACTED BY THE FACTS OF A GIVEN CASE.

Section 443: CHANGING SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES

- (f) ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION BY DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
  - (3) If the District Executive Committee where the student now lives finds at any time that the change was made for athletic purposes, it shall declare that student ineligible to participate in athletic contests for one year. This may include a student who did not compete at the previous school. If the committee decides that the period of ineligibility should be longer than one year, the

committee shall transfer the case to the State Executive Committee. A STUDENT WHO HAS ESTABLISHED VARSITY ELIGIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION AT A MEMBER SCHOOL BUT WHO SUBSEQUENTLY ENROLLS IN ANOTHER MEMBER SCHOOL AND IS FOUND TO HAVE CHANGED SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES REMAINS ELIGIBLE AT THE SCHOOL WHERE ELIGIBILITY WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED (SEE SECTIONS 403 AND 463).

SECTION 463: APPLICATION FOR WAIVER

(a) WHO MAY APPLY.

(2) *Parent Residence Rule.*

- (A) If a District Executive Committee OR THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE finds that a student does not comply with Sections 403 (f) and 442 (residence rules), that student may apply for a waiver of the apparent non-compliance and a declaration of eligibility. **AS AN EXCEPTION:** A STUDENT WHO IS FOUND BY A DEC, OR UPON APPEAL, THE SEC, TO HAVE CHANGED SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES OR OTHER IMPERMISSIBLE REASONS MAY RETURN WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER BEING RULED INELIGIBLE TO THE SCHOOL THE STUDENT LEFT WITHOUT NEED OF A PARENT RESIDENCE WAIVER AS LONG AS ALL OTHER ELIGIBILITY RULES ARE SATISFIED. IN CASES WHERE THERE IS A DISPUTE REGARDING THE STUDENT'S QUALIFICATION FOR THIS EXCEPTION, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE MAY MAKE A DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER THE STUDENT QUALIFIES.
- (B) A waiver of the residence rule shall be null and void IN REGARDS TO THE SCHOOL THE STUDENT HAS MOVED TO when either the District Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee determines that the student changed schools for athletic purposes.
- (C) If a student who has been granted a waiver returns to the school in the attendance zone where the parents reside, a Previous Athletic Participation Form shall be furnished to the District Executive Committee, who will rule on the student's eligibility at that school.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

These amendments should have no fiscal impact on member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This amendment would update section 442 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* in relation to custodial placements of students.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

There is a need to update the language to address special purpose school districts and when appropriate authorities place a student in a kinship placement, in lieu of a foster care placement.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 442 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 442: RESIDENCE IN SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ATTENDANCE ZONE

This section applies to the first calendar year of attendance in grades 9-12. Parent(s) in the context of this rule means parents or adoptive parents who adopted the student prior to the student's first entry in the ninth grade.

(e) CUSTODIAL. The residence of a student assigned by appropriate authority to a foster home (OR IN KINSHIP PLACEMENT, AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 264; SUBCHAPTER K, TEX. FAMILY CODE, IN LIEU OF FOSTER CARE) or a home licensed by the state as a childcare boarding facility, or placed in a home by the Texas DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES, TEXAS JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OR AN EQUIVALENT STATE AGENCY ~~Youth Commission~~, is presumed to be at the home or FACILITY TO WHICH THE STUDENT HAS BEEN PLACED. If a student's parent(s) move the student to a foster home in another school district, the student is not eligible, but may apply for a waiver. THE RESIDENCE OF A STUDENT PLACED IN A HOME OR RESIDENTIAL FACILITY THAT IS AFFILIATED WITH A SPECIAL PURPOSE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS OUTLINED IN SECTION 11.351 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE IS PRESUMED TO BE AT THE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT-AFFILIATED HOME OR RESIDENTIAL FACILITY WHERE THE STUDENT IS PLACED.

(h) MILITARY PARENT(S). A STUDENT WHOSE PARENT IS ACTIVE MILITARY AND RECEIVES A PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION TO A MILITARY BASE WITH A SPECIAL PURPOSE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR WHOSE PARENT HAS BEEN RELEASED INTO RETIREMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR A REASON OTHER THAN A DISHONORABLE DISCHARGE, AND THE STUDENT ENROLLS IN THE SPECIAL PURPOSE SCHOOL DISTRICT ON A MILITARY BASE AT THE STUDENT'S FIRST OPPORTUNITY, IS CONSIDERED IN COMPLAINT WITH THIS RULE.

(hg) CRITERIA OF RESIDENCE

**D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools**

There would be no financial impact to this rule.

**E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date**

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.



**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This proposal amends Section 1206(c), Regional and State Tournament Competition on Sunday, UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* to clarify and expand the UIL Executive Director's authority to offer exceptions for rescheduling regional and state competitions and practices on a case-by-case basis.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

At times, schools face difficult burdens related to regional and state events. For these types of events, weather delays, other unavoidable delays, travel requirements, and scheduling restrictions can make competing in and completing regional and state competitions very difficult. Section 1206(b) has provided some flexibility for certain individual sports, with Section 1206(c) offering limited flexibility for regional tournament and state tournament games. This proposal better clarifies those exceptions and the Executive Director's authority to grant them.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 1206(c) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

- (c) REGIONAL AND STATE ~~TOURNAMENT~~ *TOURNAMENT COMPETITION AND PRACTICES ON SUNDAY. THE UIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR DESIGNEE, MAY GRANT EXCEPTIONS TO SECTION 1206(B) ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS FOR TEAM SPORTS COMPETITIONS AND PRACTICES RELATED TO REGIONAL OR STATE EVENTS WHEN CONDITIONS EXIST THAT WARRANT SUCH AN EXCEPTION. Regional or state tournament directors may reschedule postponed or weather delayed tournaments on Sunday afternoon or evening with prior approval of the tournament director and the participating schools and with prior permission from the UIL Athletic Director EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.*

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposal**

This amendment would add Robotics as a sanctioned contest.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

Development of STEM activities is a key objective for the future of the UIL Academic program. Robotics incorporates numerous STEM components, including mechanical and software engineering, computer programming and mathematics. Participation in robotics fosters creativity and innovation, while teaching students to work collaboratively and to think critically and analytically.

The proposal for official adoption of Robotics comes after two successful years of a pilot program.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 902(k)(3) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended and Section 970 would be added as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 902: GENERAL REGULATIONS

(k) POINTS.

(3) *Schedule Of Points.* Points shall be awarded on the following basis:

ACADEMIC CONTEST POINTS

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>
ROBOTICS*						
TEAM*	20	16	12	10		

SECTION 970: ROBOTICS

(A) THE CONTEST.

(1) *PURPOSE.* ROBOTICS INCORPORATES NUMEROUS STEM COMPONENTS THAT DEVELOP BENEFICIAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS FOR STUDENTS, INCLUDING MECHANICAL AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING, COMPUTER PROGRAMMING AND MATHEMATICS. PARTICIPATION IN ROBOTICS FOSTERS CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION, WHILE TEACHING STUDENTS TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY AND TO THINK CRITICALLY AND ANALYTICALLY.

(2) *FORMAT.* THE CONTEST STRUCTURE SHALL BE AS SPECIFIED IN THE CURRENT *UIL ROBOTICS HANDBOOK*.

(B) ENTRIES. EACH MEMBER SCHOOL SHALL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER CONTESTANTS AS SPECIFIED IN THE CURRENT *UIL ROBOTICS HANDBOOK*.

(C) QUALIFICATION. CRITERIA FOR ADVANCEMENT SHALL BE AS SPECIFIED IN THE CURRENT *UIL ROBOTICS HANDBOOK*. ADVANCING CONTESTANTS SHALL QUALIFY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UIL ROBOTICS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

**A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment**

This amendment would add Copy Editing as a sanctioned contest for high school.

**B. Factual and Policy Justifications**

Copy editing was approved as an academic pilot contest for the 2015-16 school year. Participation grew rapidly. The contest helps students understand the value of editing and the need for clear, concise communication. Copy editing skills transcend any job or field, regardless of how jobs may change in the future.

**C. Proposed Amendment**

Section 902(k)(3) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended and Section 1028 would be added as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 902: GENERAL REGULATIONS

(k) POINTS.

(3) *Schedule Of Points*. Points shall be awarded on the following basis:

ACADEMIC CONTEST POINTS

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>
JOURNALISM						
COPY EDITING	15	12	10	8	6	4

SECTION 1028: COPY EDITING CONTEST

(A) THE CONTEST.

(1) *PURPOSE*. COPY EDITING TEACHES STUDENT THE VITAL SKILLS OF PROOFREADING TO CREATE ACCURATE, CLEAR AND SUCCINCT WRITING. EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON THE ABILITY TO FIND AND CORRECT GRAMMATICAL, SPELLING, PUNCTUATION, AP STYLE AND FACTUAL ERRORS.

(2) *FORMAT*. THE CONTEST CONSISTS OF OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS, PROOFREADING SENTENCES AND EDITING A NEWS BRIEF.

**D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools**

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

**E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date**

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment would remove the state mariachi festival from pilot status and sanction the event in the UIL *Constitution & Contest Rules*.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

UIL implemented a state mariachi festival pilot in 2016. In its first year (2016) there were 55 schools that qualified and participated. In its second year (2017) the number of schools that qualified and participated grew to 70. We believe sanctioning this event will continue to foster the growth and development of mariachi music in our schools.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

Section 1115 would be added to the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

SECTION 1115: STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL.

A STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD ANNUALLY. ALL RULES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING THE EVENT SHALL BE FOLLOWED, AS DEFINED IN THE STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL MANUAL.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.