

**CONSTITUTION OF THE
NORTHWEST HIGH SCHOOLS
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

ATHLETIC LEAGUES OF THE DISTRICT

BATTLE RIVER

BEAVER RIVER

CENTRAL

LLOYDMINSTER

MEADOW LAKE

The 5 Athletic Leagues include any independent schools that compete through them.

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Member Schools of the North West Athletic Association by League

Beaver River League

Community	School Name	Phone Number
Beauval	Valley View School	306 288 2022
Buffalo Narrows	Twin Lakes School	306 235 4240
Canoe Narrows	Canoe Lake Miksiw School	306 829 2012
Clearwater River	Clearwater River Dene School	306 822 2228
Dillon	Buffalo River School	306 282 2044
Green Lake	St. Pascal School (K – 9)	306 832 2081
Ile a la Crosse	Rossignol High School	306 833 2388
La Loche	La Loche Community School	306 822 2223
Patunak	St. Louis School	306 396 2161
Pinehouse Lake	Minahik Waskahigan School	306 884 4888
Turnor Lake	Birch Ridge Community School	306 894 2077

Battle River League

Community	School Name	Phone Number
Hillmond	Hillmond Central School	306 825 3393
Lashburn	Lashburn High School	306 285 3505
Maidstone	Maidstone Composite School	306 893 2351
Marshall	Marshall School (K – 9)	306 387 6288
Neilburg	Neilburg Composite School	306 823 4341

Central League

Community	School Name	Phone Number
Edam	H. Hardcastle School	306 397 2944
Glaslyn	Glaslyn Central School	306 342 2114
Paradise Hill	Paradise Hill School	306 344 2055
St. Walburg	St. Walburg School	306 248 3602
Thunderchild First Nation	Piyesiw Awasis School	306 845 3779
Turtleford	Turtleford School	306 845 2079

Meadow Lake League

Community	School Name	Phone Number
Goodsoil	Goodsoil Central School	306 238 2142
Island Lake	Island Lake First Nation School	306 837 4868
Loon Lake	Ernie Studer School	306 837 2025
Loon Lake	Makwa Sehgaiehcan School	306 837 2333
Meadow Lake	Carpenter High School	306 236 5236
Meadow Lake	Jonas Samson School	306 236 5686
Meadow Lake	Gateway Middle School	306 236 4141
Pierceland	Chief Napew Memorial School	306 839 2297
Pierceland	Pierceland Central School	306 839 2024
Waterhen Lake	Wawayekisik Educational Center	306 236 4723

Lloydminster League

Community	School Name	Phone Number
Lloydminster	Bishop Lloyd Middle School	780 875 6239
Lloydminster	College Park School	780 875 7518
Lloydminster	Lloydminster Comprehensive High School	780 875 5513
Lloydminster	ES Laird Middle School	306 825 8826
Lloydminster	Holy Rosary High School	780 875 3600
Lloydminster	The Pursuit of Sport School	587 789 2770
Onion Lake	Sakaskohc High School	306 344 3414
Onion Lake	Eagleview Comprehensive School	306 344 2440

NAME

The name of the district is the **North West High Schools Athletic Association**. It shall be referred to as the **North West District and/or NWHSAA**.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the North West District is to plan, supervise, and administer inter-school athletic activities in the North West District of Saskatchewan, including play-offs leading to District and Provincial level championships.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The guiding principles of the North West District are:

1. The aims and objectives shall be in harmony with the goals of education as set out by Saskatchewan Education.
2. Participation in activities is to be encouraged as these activities are an integral part of the total education process.
3. All students shall have the opportunity to realize the physical, social and emotional values to be derived from inter-school competition; and
4. The North West District is opposed to the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs by players, coaches, officials, supervisors, and other connected with athletic competition.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the North West District are:

1. To encourage the integration of sport activity with other portions of the school program.
2. To encourage the development of citizenship, good sportsmanship and athletic skills.
3. To encourage schools to provide a variety of sports activity programs for their students.
4. To encourage schools to adopt a varied athletic program for their students by restricting play in a school sport to the recognized season for that sport.
5. To encourage participation by students in a wide variety of inter-school athletics.
6. To encourage, plan, supervise and administer inter-school and district competitions.
7. To encourage wide participation by students and discourage all-star competitions.

DEFINITIONS

Association – the Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association (SHSAA).

Board of Education – a Board of Education or Conseil Scolaire established pursuant to *The Education Act, 2006*; but does not include local board of trustees.

High School – a school conducting classes in the North West District in grades 9 through 12 or any of these grades.

Independent School – a school in the North West District registered as an independent school with Saskatchewan Education.

Member – a person as outlined in the Membership section of this constitution.

School – a school conducting classes in the North West District in grades 4 through 12 or any of these grades.

Trustee – an elected member of a Board of Education, Conseil Scolaire or governing body of a Member.

Athletic Division – any of the 6 current or former school divisions associated with the North West High Schools Athletic Association.

Athletic League – any of the 5 leagues formed by the athletic divisions and the independent schools that compete through them.

MEMBERSHIP

Participating Members

The membership of the North West District shall be open to the following:

- a) Boards of education and conseil scolaire of the North West District of the province of Saskatchewan;
- b) any independent school registered with Saskatchewan Education and which is a body corporate or association and which operates a high school in the North West District; and
- c) any first Nations which operates a high school or school or on whose land a high school or school is operated within North West District.

Associate Members

Associate members as outlined in the Association bylaws may send non-voting delegates to general, special general and/or executive meetings of the North West.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

1. Each Member shall pay dues as set by the North West District Council at the annual general meeting of the membership.
\$200.00 per member school
2. Each member school shall pay a fee of \$20.00 per school team for both Senior and Junior Teams. These fees will be collected by the NWHSAA District.
3. Membership dues shall be paid to the North West District as outlined in the Bylaws of the North West District.
4. Failure of any Member to submit the assessed dues to the North West District by April 1 shall entitle the North West District to ask the Association to apply sanctions against that Member.

ORGANIZATION

Districts

1. The North West District boundaries shall be as determined by the bylaws of the Association.
2. High schools or school operated by First Nations, Independent High Schools and Conseil Scolaire shall be included in the division within which each high school or school is geographically located.

VOTING DELEGATES (SHSAA AGM)

The High School representatives in the North West District shall attend the North West District Council Annual General Meeting (Spring) and at that meeting shall elect the seven Voting Delegates for the North West District. These seven Voting Delegates shall be the Voting Delegates for the North West District to the Association (SHSAA) Annual General Meeting.

The seven Voting Delegates shall be made up of the following persons:

- Leads Representative
- Board Trustee Representative
- District Officials Commissioner
- In School Administration Representative
- 3 at large individuals, whereas a minimum of two self-identify as : Indigenous, oppressed by racism, 2SLGBTQ+, new to Canada, female, with disabilities, neurodiverse, from non-dominant faith communities, or any people who historically were and currently are under-represented in Saskatchewan High School Athletics (These should be from different under-represented backgrounds)
- Observer 1 – non-voting delegate
- Observer 2 – non-voting delegate

The seven Voting Delegates do not have to be High School Representatives.

Each Voting Delegate of the district must hold a valid Saskatchewan Teaching Certificate and must be employed by a Member in Saskatchewan at the time of the annual meeting of the Association, except for the delegate appointed as a Trustee who must be a sitting member as a current elected representative of a member at the time of the annual meeting of the Association.

DISTRICT COUNCILS

1. a) North West District Council shall be made up of all the High School Representatives in the district. Any school that is not represented by a High School Representative may appoint a representative to the North West District Council in a manner similar to that used to appoint the High School Representatives.
b) North West District may provide in its bylaws that other persons such as trustees, coaches, officials, or others may be voting members of the North West District Council provided that:
 - i. that such appointment or election of such persons must be approved by the Member operating the high school or school the person(s) are representing;
 - ii. that such persons shall not vote to elect the Voting Delegates to the Association annual meeting.
2. The North West District Council may develop and amend a constitution and may pass bylaws, develop policy, elect officers, hold meetings, collect district membership fees, collect such other fees as are provided for in the bylaws, and spend such monies as are consistent with the North West District bylaws and policy.
3. Prior to any North West District Council constitution, amendments to the constitution, bylaws, or amendments to the bylaws taking effect, the changes passed by the North West District Council must be forwarded to the Association for approval by the Executive Council of the Association at its next meeting.

NORTH WEST DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

At the North West District Council Annual General meeting (Spring), the district council will elect the following officers who shall serve a 2 year term. All elected officers must be employed by a member from the North West District.

President
Officials Commissioner
Assistant Officials Commissioner
Secretary
Vice President
Equity Representative

The NWHSAA District executive shall consist of:

The President, with the approval of the Executive Council shall appoint the Treasurer of the NWHSAA.

1. The North West District Executive may require the resignation of any representative or official of North West District who is negligent in the performance of those people's duties for North West District.
2. The North West District Executive Council may appoint a replacement to fill any vacancies that occur. Such appointments shall be valid only until the next North West District Council Annual General Meeting.

MEETINGS

1. A meeting of the North West District Council shall be held each school year before September 15.
2. Notice of the meeting shall be given to all Members, and to each High School and school in the North West District, at least two weeks prior to the date set for the meeting.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

1. A Special General Meeting of the North West District Council may be called by the President, as and when the President considers it necessary, upon giving two weeks written notice to all Members and to all high schools and junior high schools.
2. The President shall call a Special General meeting of the North West Executive Council when requested to do so in writing by at least half of the North West District Executive Council or by at least two of the members.

VOTING AT MEETINGS OF THE NORTH WEST DISTRICT COUNCIL

1. Each 'athletic league' will have a maximum of 2 votes. Voting at any North West District Council meeting shall be made by these voting delegates. These league voting representatives will be declared at the beginning of the Council meeting.
2. Motions shall pass if more votes are cast in favour of the motion than those cast against the motion. Abstentions shall not be counted on either side. **In the case of a tie the President shall cast the deciding vote.**
3. In the case of amendments, the motion must pass with the required percentages of the voting representatives present. In this case, abstentions count as a vote against the motion.

DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

The North West District, through the North West District Discipline Committee or the North West District General Meeting, shall have the right to impose disciplinary sanctions on Members in the event that a Member or the Member's representative school(s) violate(s) the constitution, bylaws or policies of the North West District.

BYLAWS

1. The North West District Executive may propose bylaws for the North West District in the following manner:
 - a) Such bylaws shall be brought before the next Annual Meeting of the North West District Council and shall be voted on by approved voting delegates.
 - b) If passed the bylaws shall be forwarded to the Association for approval by the Association Executive Council.
 - c) The North West Executive may pass a temporary amendment to the bylaws. This temporary amendment must be brought to the next North West District Council Annual Meeting for discussion and a vote.

2. The Bylaws of the North West District may be amended in the following manner:
 - a) Written notice of proposed amendments to the bylaws shall be forwarded to all Members and all high schools and all junior high schools at least two weeks prior to the proposed date of the North West District Council Annual General Meeting (Spring).
 - b) Proposed amendments shall be voted upon at the North West District Council Annual General Meeting (Spring) and if passed by a 75% majority of the approved voting delegates (2 per league) shall be accepted. The bylaw changes will become effective immediately.
 - c) Any proposed amendment which is not forwarded as outlined in 2. a) above will require a 90% majority of the approved voting delegates at the North West District Council Annual General Meeting (Spring).

3. Proposed amendments to the bylaws shall be brought to the North West District Council Annual Meeting only if the amendment has been proposed and/or supported by:

4. Proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be brought to the North West District Council Annual Meeting only if the amendment has been proposed and/or supported by:
 - a) the North West District Executive Council, or
 - b) at least two Members of the North West District.