



Tackle Football Conference Appeal for the 2025 and 2026 Season
Deadline: Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, at 2 p.m.

In accordance with AIA Bylaw 8.1.10, a school may appeal their conference placement either up or down from the initial football conference placement.

The following information should be provided when appealing conference placement. Please use the cover sheet on the following page, and please provide all requested information in writing to the AIA Office to appeal conference placement, with the deadline for submission of **Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, at 2 p.m.** The form must come from an administrator at the school.

All requests for conference appeals should be submitted to Tayler Coady, AIA Executive Assistant, by email at tcoady@aiaonline.org.

8.1.10.1 The Conference Committee to which a school is appealing will initially review, consider and decide the appealing school's request to be placed in a higher or lower Conference utilizing as a general guideline the following criteria:

- 8.1.10.1.1 Number of level (freshman, junior varsity and varsity) of athletic and activity programs;
- 8.1.10.1.2 Student enrollment, including previous four (4) school years;
- 8.1.10.1.3 Position (support or opposition) of sending and receiving conference on school's appeal;
- 8.1.10.1.4 Geography / loss of school time;
- 8.1.10.1.5 Make-up of student population;
- 8.1.10.1.6 Competitive history over last four (4) years in all sports, at all levels;
- 8.1.10.1.7 Record of cancellation of games and/or sports at all levels over last four (4) school years;
- 8.1.10.1.8 Any other information considered significant by the appealing school or the Conference Committee.

8.1.10.2 An appeal to be placed in a higher or lower Conference must be submitted in writing to the Conference committee no later than October 15 of odd-numbered years.

8.1.10.3 Schools denied their appeal to a different Conference may appeal said decision to the Executive Board. Appeals to the Executive Board must be made within five (5) business days following the decision by the conference.

8.1.10.4 The burden of providing evidence in support of the appeal is solely the responsibility of the appealing school. The weight given to any particular criteria is in the sole discretion of the Conference Committee and if appealed to the Executive Board, at the sole discretion of the Executive Board.



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Attention: Tayler Coady, Executive Assistant, AIA

Subject: Football Conference Placement Appeal for 2025 and 2026 seasons

Date:

School:

Person (must be an administrator) Submitting:

Title (must be an administrator) Submitting:

Tackle Football Conference Appealing From:

Conference Appealing To:

Please provide the narrative and support documentation along with this cover letter.