Conference/Division, Region/Section, Reclassification Timeline

2026-2028 Two Year Block

Subject to Change

August 21, 2025 – Initial Posting; Oct. 20: Update to Wrestling Division Splits

For All Sports, Excluding Tackle & Flag Football	
Date	Task
Oct. 1, 2025	Sports Participation, Oct. 1 Enrollment, Venue Survey open to membership
Oct. 7, 2025	Sports Participation, Oct. 1 Enrollment, Venue Survey deadline
Oct. 9, 2025	1A-2A-3A Conferences meet at AIA to set initial conference placements
Oct. 10, 2025	Initial Conference placements posted online by 4 p.m.
Oct. 16, 2025	Deadline for member schools to appeal Conference placements.
OCt. 20, 2025	Initial Division placements posted online by 5 p.m.
Oct. 21, 2025 to Oct. 28, 2025	Conference committees meet to review Conference appeals.
Oct. 29, 2025	Updated Conference placements posted online
Nov. 5, 2025	Deadline for member schools to appeal the Conference Committee decision on Conference placements or Division placement to the AIA Executive Board. (Access the Reclassification button in the Admin to Appeal)
Nov. 17, 2025	**AIA Executive Board Meeting** ● Conference & Division appeals heard by the Board ● Conferences & Divisions finalized
Nov. 19, 2025 to Dec. 4, 2025	Conference committees meet to set regions ● All Conferences set region alignments, which filter into the respective sports. ● 3A responsible for 3A soccer ● 2A responsible for fall & 2A winter soccer ● 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A responsible for boys volleyball
Dec. 5, 2025	Region & Section placements posted online by 4 p.m.
Dec. 17, 2025	Deadline to appeal region placements to the Conference Committee (Access the Reclassification button in the Admin to Appeal)
Jan. 6, 2026 to Jan. 9, 2026	Conference Committees meet to review region placement appeals.
Jan. 13, 2026	Deadline for member schools to appeal the Conference Committee decision on region placements, and section placements to the AIA Executive Board.
Jan. 20, 2026	**AIA Executive Board Meeting** ● Region & Section appeals heard by the Board ● Regions & Sections finalized
Jan. 21, 2026	Final Conference/Region, Division/Section placements posted online.
Jan. 22, 2026 to March 31, 2026	Conference Committees meet to generate sports schedules to enter into the AIA Dashboard
April 4, 2026	Member schools have access to all sports schedules within their admin with the ability to change dates/times/locations

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2026-2028 Individual Sports Classifications

Badminton, Beach Volleyball, Cross Country, Golf, Spiritline, Swim/Dive, Tennis, Track, Wrestling

1. Badminton
    a. Division I – 6A schools
    b. Division II – All remaining schools

2. Boys Beach Volleyball
    a. Division I – All schools

3. Girls Beach Volleyball
    a. Division I – 6A and 5A schools
    b. Division II – All remaining schools

4. Cross Country
    a. Division I – 6A schools
    b. Division II – 5A schools and top 17 4A schools based on enrollment
    c. Division III – All remaining 4A school and 3A schools
    d. Division IV – 2A and 1A schools

5. Boys Golf
    a. Division I – 6A schools and top 15 5A schools by enrollment
    b. Division II – All remaining schools
    c. Division III – Spring – 3A/2A/1A schools

6. Girls Golf
    a. Division I – 6A schools
    b. Division II – All remaining schools

7. Spiritline
    a. Division I – Enrollment 2,075 and up
    b. Division II – Enrollment between 1,500 and 2,074
    c. Division III – Enrollment between 600 and 1,499
    d. Division IV – Enrollment less than 599

    Note: Exceptions for placement outside of enrollment may be made by the AIA Spiritline Advisory Committee on initial placements

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8. Swim/Dive
    a. Division I – top 30% of schools
    b. Division II – next 35% of schools
    c. Division III – lowest 35% of schools

9. Tennis
    a. Division I – 6A schools and top 20 5A schools by enrollment
    b. Division II – Remaining 5A schools and 4A schools
    c. Division III – 3A/2A/1A schools

10. Track & Field
    a. Division I – 6A schools
    b. Division II – 5A schools
    c. Division III – 4A schools
    d. Division IV – 3A schools
    e. Division V – 2A and 1A schools

11. Wrestling (Boys)
    a. Division I – 6A schools
    b. Division II – 5A schools and the top 10 4A schools based on enrollment
    c. Division III – All remaining 4A schools and top 20 3A schools based on enrollment
    d. Division IV – All remaining 3A schools, 2A and 1A schools

12. Wrestling (Girls)
    a. Division I – 6A and 5A schools
    b. Division II – 4A, 3A, 2A and 1A schools