CLASSIFICATION
AND
CULMINATING EVENT
STRUCTURE
FOR
2020-21 AND 2021-22
2020-21 AND 2021-22 SPORTS CLASSIFICATIONS

Two administrative districts are allowed to combine and hold a regional tournament to determine their qualifiers to the State Culminating Event. This can be done by class and by sport. The number of state qualifiers will not exceed the combined total for both of their original allotments.

The Opt Up Rule allows a school to petition the WHSAA Board to move up in a sport for the two years of the reclassification cycle. This must be done before the November Board Meeting of the year that the reclassification cycle is finalized.

**BASKETBALL, TRACK, AND VOLLEYBALL**

The WHSAA recognizes four classifications in volleyball, basketball, and track. The schools with the sixteen largest enrollments shall be 4A, the next largest sixteen shall be 3A, the next largest sixteen shall be 2A and the remaining schools shall be 1A.

**CLASS 1A**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>1A WEST</th>
<th>1A EAST</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Northwest</strong></td>
<td><strong>Northeast</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Burlington</td>
<td>Arvada-Clearmont</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dubois</td>
<td>Hulett</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meeteetse</td>
<td>Kaycee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ten Sleep</td>
<td>Midwest</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>NSI Academy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Upton</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Southeast</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cokeville</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Encampment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Farson-Eden</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Little Snake River</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saratoga</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Southwest</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Southeast</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Chugwater</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Glendo</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Guernsey-Sunrise</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H.E.M.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lingle-Ft. Laramie</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rock River</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rock River</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**1A Culminating Event Structure**

Two regional tournaments will be held in basketball and volleyball with four teams from each regional advancing to the state tournament. In track, the top eight individual qualifiers and the top four relay teams will advance to the state meet from each regional meet, in addition to those individuals that have met the qualifying standard at WHSAA approved track meets.
CLASS 2A

2A WEST

Northwest
Greybull
Riverside
Rocky Mountain
Shoshoni

Southwest

Big Piney
St. Stephens
Wind River
Wyoming Indian

2A EAST

Northeast
Big Horn
Moorcroft
Sundance
Tongue River
Wright

Southeast

Glenrock
Niobrara County
Pine Bluffs

2A Culminating Event Structure

Two regional tournaments will be held in basketball and volleyball with four teams from each regional advancing to the state tournament. In track, the top eight individual qualifiers and the top four relay teams will advance to the state meet from each regional meet, in addition to those individuals that have met the qualifying standard at WHSAA approved track meets.
CLASS 3A

3A WEST
Northwest
Lander
Lovell
Powell
Worland

Southwest
Kemmerer
Lyman
Mountain View
Pinedale

3A EAST
Northeast
Buffalo
Douglas
Newcastle
Thermopolis

Southwest
Burns
Rawlins
Torrington
Wheatland

3A Culminating Event Structure

Two regional tournaments will be held in basketball and volleyball with four teams from each regional advancing to the state tournament. In track, the top eight individual qualifiers and the top four relay teams will advance to the state meet from each regional meet, in addition to those individuals that have met the qualifying standard at WHSAA approved track meets.

CLASS 4A

4A WEST
Northwest
Casper Natrona
Cody
Riverton
Rock Springs

Southwest
Evanston
Green River
Jackson
Star Valley

4A EAST
Northeast
Campbell County
Casper Kelly Walsh
Sheridan
Thunder Basin

Southwest
Cheyenne Central
Cheyenne East
Cheyenne South
Laramie

4A Culminating Event Structure

Two regional tournaments will be held with the top four teams from each regional advancing to the state tournament. In track, the top eight individual qualifiers and the top four relay teams will advance to the state meet from each regional, in addition to those individuals and relay teams that have met the qualifying standard at WHSAA approved track meets.
CROSS COUNTRY

The WHSAA recognizes three classifications for cross country. The schools with the twelve largest enrollments shall be 4A, the next sixteen largest shall be 3A and the remaining schools shall be 2A. Each member school is permitted one boys team and one girls team at the state meet.

GOLF

The WHSAA recognizes three classifications for golf. The schools with the twelve largest enrollments shall be 4A, the next sixteen largest shall be 3A and the remaining schools shall be 2A. Each member school may enter one boys team and one girls team at the state meet.

NORDIC AND ALPINE SKIING

The WHSAA recognizes one classification in nordic skiing and one classification in alpine skiing.

SWIMMING

The WHSAA recognizes two classifications in swimming. The schools with the twelve largest enrollments shall be 4A and the remaining schools shall be 3A. Participants qualify to the state meet when they meet the qualifying standards established by the WHSAA. Each member school may enter one team in each relay at the state meet.

TENNIS

The WHSAA recognizes one classification in tennis.
SOCCER

The WHSAA recognizes two classifications in soccer. The schools with the fourteen largest enrollments shall be 4A and the remaining schools shall be 3A.

CLASS 3A

3A WEST

Cody
Lander
Lyman
Mountain View

3A EAST

Buffalo
Douglas
Newcastle

3A Culminating Event Structure

The top four teams from each conference will advance to the state tournament, with no regional tournament. A cross bracketing format will be used with the conference champions playing the 4th place finishers and the conference runner-ups playing the 3rd place finishers from the opposite conference.

CLASS 4A

4A WEST

Casper Kelly Walsh
Casper Natrona
Evanston

Green River
Jackson
Rock Springs
Star Valley

4A EAST

Campbell County
Cheyenne Central
Cheyenne East

Cheyenne South
Laramie
Sheridan
Thunder Basin

4A Culminating Event Structure

Two regional tournaments will be held with the top four teams from each regional advancing to the state tournament.
**SOFTBALL**

The WHSAA recognizes one classification in softball.

**CLASS 4A**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>4A WEST</th>
<th>4A EAST</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cody</td>
<td>Campbell County</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green River</td>
<td>Cheyenne Central</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kelly Walsh</td>
<td>Cheyenne East</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Natrona County</td>
<td>Cheyenne South</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rock Springs</td>
<td>Laramie</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Worland</td>
<td>Thunder Basin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Wheatland</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**4A Culminating Event Structure**

The top four teams from each conference will advance to the state tournament, with no regional tournament. A cross bracketing format will be used with the conference champions playing the 4th place finishers and the conference runner-ups playing the 3rd place finishers from the opposite conference.
WRESTLING

The WHSAA recognizes three classifications for wrestling. The schools with the twelve largest enrollments shall be 4A, the next sixteen largest shall be 3A and the remaining schools shall be 2A. Each member school is allowed two entries per weight class at regional tournaments.

CLASS 2A

2A WEST
Big Piney
Cokeville
Dubois
Kemmerer
Lovell
Greybull/Riverside
Rocky Mountain
Shoshoni
Wind River
Wyoming Indian
Thermopolis

2A EAST
Glenrock
H.E.M.
Hulett
Lingle-Ft. Laramie
Moorcroft
Niobrara County
Saratoga
Southeast
Sundance
Tongue River
Wright

2A Culminating Event Structure

Two regional tournaments will be held with the top eight wrestlers in each weight class advancing to the State Tournament.

CLASS 3A

3A WEST
Cody
Green River
Lander
Lyman
Mountain View
Pinedale
Powell
Riverton
Star Valley

3A EAST
Buffalo
Douglas
Newcastle/Upton
Rawlins
Torrington
Wheatland
Worland
Burns/Pine Bluffs

3A Culminating Event Structure

Two regional tournaments will be held with the top eight wrestlers from each regional advancing to the State Tournament.
## CLASS 4A

### 4A WEST
- Casper Kelly Walsh
- Casper Natrona
- Evanston
- Jackson
- Laramie
- Rock Springs

### 4A EAST
- Campbell County
- Cheyenne Central
- Cheyenne East
- Cheyenne South
- Sheridan
- Thunder Basin

### 4A Culminating Event Structure

Two regional tournaments will be held with the top eight wrestlers from each regional advancing to the State Tournament.
**FOOTBALL**

The WHSAA recognizes four classifications of eleven-man football and one classification of six-man football. The schools with the ten largest enrollments shall be 4A, the next largest twelve shall be 3A, the next largest fourteen shall be 2A and the next largest fourteen shall be 1A 9-Man. The remaining schools will be in the 1A 6-Man classification.

**CLASS 4A**

| Campbell County | Cheyenne South |
| Casper Kelly Walsh | Laramie |
| Casper Natrona | Rock Springs |
| Cheyenne Central | Sheridan |
| Cheyenne East | Thunder Basin |

**CLASS 3A**

**3A WEST**

| Cody | Buffalo |
| Evanston | Douglas |
| Green River | Lander |
| Jackson | Rawlins |
| Powell | Riverton |
| Star Valley | Worland |

**3A EAST**

**CLASS 2A**

**2A WEST**

| Big Piney | Big Horn-opting up |
| Cokeville-opting up | Burns |
| Kemmerer | Glenrock |
| Lovell | Newcastle |
| Lyman | Tongue River |
| Mountain View | Torrington |
| Pinedale | Upton-Sundance |
| Thermopolis | Wheatland |

**2A EAST**

**CLASS 1A – 9 MAN**

**1A WEST - 9 MAN**

| Greybull | Lingle-Ft. Laramie |
| Riverside | Moorcroft-opting down |
| Rocky Mountain | Niobrara County |
| Shoshoni | Pine Bluffs |
| St. Stephens | Saratoga |
| Wind River | Southeast-opting up |
| Wyoming Indian | Wright |
CLASS 1A – 6 MAN

1A WEST - 6 MAN

Burlington
Dubois
Encampment
Farson-Eden
Little Snake River
Meeteetse
Ten Sleep

1A EAST - 6 MAN

Guernsey-Sunrise
H.E.M.
Hulett
Kaycee
Midwest
NSI Academy

CULMINATING EVENT SERIES

A culminating event series will start on week 17 of the WHSAA calendar with 3 weeks of playoff competition culminating with the five classification State Championships.

Championship Series by classification:

4A

The top 8 teams will advance and be seeded in the first round of the playoffs based on their regular season records. The higher seed will host the lower seed through the first two rounds of the playoffs.

The Championship game will be played at one site, with the higher seed being the home team.

3A, 2A and 1A-9 Man and 1A-6 Man

The top 4 teams from each conference will advance to the first round of the playoffs. A cross bracketing format will be used with the conference champions hosting the 4th place finishers and the conference runner-ups hosting the 3rd place finishers from the opposite conference, as shown below.

Each team in the upper and lower bracket will be assigned a seed number as shown in the bracket below. The second round games will be hosted by the highest upper and lower bracketed seeds.

The Championship game will be played at one site, with the higher seed being the home team. The number one seed is given based on the conference that was the home team in the Championship game the previous year. The opposite conference champion of the home team from the previous year will be the number one seed.
2020 example below:

### 4A

- #1
- #8
- #5
- #4
- #3
- #6
- #7
- #2

### 2A & 1A-9 Man

- #1 - 1E
- #8 - 4W
- #5 - 3E
- #4 - 2W
- #3 - 2E
- #6 - 3W
- #7 - 4E
- #2 - 1W

### 3A & 1A-6 Man

- #1 - 1W
- #8 - 4E
- #5 - 3W
- #4 - 2E
- #3 - 2W
- #6 - 3E
- #7 - 4W
- #2 - 1E