



# Burlington Gymnastics Co-op

Burlington/Badger/Catholic Central/Union  
Grove/Williams Bay/Wilmot Union

## WIAA Rule Change/Impact



# Process

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#1 - WIAA Rule Change

#2 - Meetings with Stakeholders

a) Met with Superintendents/Principals/Athletic Directors 1/10/19

b) Met with Athletes/Parents/Coaches/School Representatives 1/21/19

*\*meeting planned for this Wednesday to finalize direction*

Question? How do we want to proceed as a program; what are our options?

#3 - Gymnastics in the future

# WIAA Rule Change

## GYMNASTICS (GIRLS)

### TOURNAMENT PROCEDURE

**1. ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOLS WILL BE ON A GEOGRAPHICAL BASIS IN TWO DIVISIONS (1-2).**

Gymnastics has a two-division tournament format. Schools sponsoring gymnastics are equally divided between Division 1 and Division 2 with the largest 50% in Division 1 and the smallest in Division 2. If there is an uneven number that school would be in Division 1.

a. Schools may be allowed to play up one division in any sport (except football) from where its enrollment would otherwise place it if an application is submitted prior to April 1. This will not cause other schools to be displaced.

**2. THE TOURNAMENT PLAN – LEVELS OF COMPETITION, DATES, QUALIFYING AND SITES – IS AS FOLLOWS:**

Note: In the event scheduled classes are interrupted or terminated due to infectious/communicable disease, refer to WIAA Bylaws, Article II, Section 6-A. (p. 28) of WIAA SENIOR HIGH HANDBOOK.

a. Schools are assigned to:

Divisions 1 and 2 – One of five sectionals on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday, February 21, 22 or 23.

b. State Tournament

The first two teams in Division 1 sectionals (ten in all) and the first two teams in Division 2 sectionals (ten in all) along with the first five individuals in the four individual events and the first five individuals in all-around in both Divisions 1 and 2 sectionals will participate in the State Tournament on Friday and Saturday, March 1 and March 2, at Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln.

**New for 2019-20** - Note: A cooperative team is eligible for the WIAA team tournament series if it consists of a maximum of two schools or the combined enrollment of the cooperative team is less than the largest stand-alone team in the respective division. Individuals from an ineligible cooperative team are only eligible for the WIAA individual tournament competition.

# WIAA Tournament Series 2019-2020

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- How do you as a program want to see us move forward?
  - #1 - Do we stay together and forgo the opportunity to compete as a team in the WIAA Tournament Series?
  - #2 - Do we dissolve our cooperative team agreement and create new cooperative agreements with those in attendance tonight and compete as two teams next year?

# Items to Remember/Consider

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Co-op's in gymnastics & hockey are approved in one year increments

If we stay together we will forgo the opportunity to compete in the Team State Tournament our athletes would only be able to compete as individuals

If we split the co-op into two teams, our student athletes would be afforded the same opportunity of students across the state, to compete in the Team State & Individual State Tournament

By splitting up, more students would have the opportunity to compete at sectionals \*currently only 5 athletes are allowed to compete - this would double that opportunity for the same pool of athletes

# Future of Gymnastics - historical view

## Gymnastics Co-op #'s

	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13
Burlington	3	3	3	3	7	7	7
Badger	4	6	6	6	3	4	5
Catholic Central	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Union Grove	3	5	3	3	2	na	na
Wilmot Union	3	2	4	1	1	1	2
Williams Bay	2	1	na	na	na	na	na

***\*At the end of the season, Burlington had 1 athlete active on the team***

# Potential New Agreement

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Magic number: 2389

## Team #1

Badger 1432

Wilmot Union 1086

2518

## Team #2

Burlington 1083

Union Grove 1006

Williams Bay 212

2301

# Current Agreement

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Magic number: **2389**

Burlington	1083
Badger	1432
Catholic Central	126
Union Grove	1006
Wilmot Union	1086
Williams Bay	<u>212</u>
	4945

By staying with this current cooperative agreement, our student athletes would compete as a team in the regular season only. Once the WIAA post-season begins, we would only be allowed to participate as individuals.

# Future of Gymnastics - Referendum

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The Burlington Area School District passed a referendum in November of 2018 that will lead the building of a new Middle School, replacing the existing Karcher Middle School building.

#1 - Is there another school that is able to host the program?

#2 - Is there a facility in a community that might be able to host the program?

# Gymnastics Questions?

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