



## IHSAA Student Advisory Committee

**Purpose:** The IHSAA Board of Control approved the formulation of a Student Advisory Committee (SAC) beginning with the 2020-21 school year. This Student Advisory Committee is a diverse group of students who participate in interscholastic athletics/activities and are focused on providing education and leadership through open and honest communication with all member schools and their students, administrators and coaches. This committee serves as a liaison between students, administrators, the IHSAA Staff and Board of Control. The Student Advisory Committee helps promote the mission of the IHSAA, including leadership, sportsmanship and integrity.

**Selection Process:** The Student Advisory Committee for the 2020-21 school year will be selected in December 2020. In the first year, a total of twelve students (two from each of five IHSAA Districts and two “at large”) will be chosen through an application process. Six of those students will be juniors in 2020-21 and six will be seniors. From that point on, each year we will select six juniors (one from each of five districts and one “at large”) so the make up of the committee will be six juniors and six seniors each year.

**Duties and Responsibilities:** The Student Advisory Committee (SAC) will discuss current student and Association issues, assist with various Association functions, and help to maintain an avenue of communication between the Association and the student participants themselves. Avenues to accomplish this goal will be:

- Participate in leadership seminars.
- Participate in in-person and telephonic committee meetings.
- Provide student perspective on proposed by-law changes.
- Assist with state tournament responsibilities
- Students can record public service announcements (PSAs), through a media partner chosen by the IHSAA.

**To Be Eligible:** To be eligible for the IHSAA Student Advisory Committee a student **must:**

1. For the 2020-21 committee, be a Junior during the **2020-2021** school year and be able to serve during junior and senior years **or** be a Senior during the 2020-21 school year and be able to serve during the entire senior year.
2. For years beyond 2020-21, be a Junior and be able to serve during junior and senior years.
3. Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.
4. Fill out the IHSAA application.
5. All members need to be available for meetings twice a year and two members will be chosen to attend the NFHS Leadership Conference in Indianapolis, IN, in July 2020.
  - a. The IHSAA member school is responsible for travel expenses for meetings at the IHSAA office.
  - b. The first meeting will be scheduled for June 2020 at the IHSAA office.
6. Complete an essay in answer to the two questions on the application.
7. Supply an administrator recommendation from your school.
8. Complete the application process by: **December 1, 4:00 P.M., 2020.**

**Candidates should:** (1) Show a history of leadership on activity/athletic teams as well as with other extra-curricular activities, community service projects or in the workplace; (2) have an understanding of the role of school activities/athletics; and (3) have ideas for promoting a proper perspective for educational activities/athletics.

Candidates will be notified by December 15, 2020 of their selection.