



IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

IHSAA Student Advisory Committee

Purpose: The IHSAA Board of Control approved the formulation of a Student Advisory Committee (SAC), starting 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: New Student Advisory Committee members for the 2026-27 school year will be selected in May 2026. We will select seven members of the class of 2028 to join seven current members for the class of 2027 so the makeup of the committee will be seven juniors and seven 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 telephone 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 IHSAA Student Advisory Committee selection, a student **MUST:**

- For the 2026-27 committee, be a **current sophomore (Class of 2028)** and be able to serve during their junior and senior years.
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.
- Fill out the IHSAA application.
- All members need to be available for meetings twice a year and one member will be chosen to attend the NFHS Leadership Conference in Indianapolis, IN, in July of each year.
 - The IHSAA member school is responsible for travel expenses for meetings at the IHSAA office.
 - The initial spring meeting will be scheduled for late May of 2025 via zoom.
- Complete an essay in answer to the two questions on the application (limit of 150 words).
- Create a short video answering a question. (limit
- Supply an administrator recommendation from your school.
- Complete the application process by: **April 27, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.**

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) understand the role of school activities/athletics; and (3) have ideas for promoting a proper perspective for educational activities/athletics.

Candidates will be notified by May 8, 2026, of their selection, if not before.