



# MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

## 2027-2028 and 2028-2029 TWO YEAR CYCLE TIMELINE

### CLASSIFICATION / COMPETITIVE SECTION PLACEMENT

### DISTRICT FOOTBALL

#### FEBRUARY - JUNE 2026

League will communicate directly with member schools, the timeline and the required items for each portion of the process that requires submission.

#### SEPTEMBER 11

Deadline for submission of:

1. Opt ups for any team in sports or activities according to board policy.
2. Completed applications for new co-ops or dissolutions of existing co-ops to be placed.

#### SEPTEMBER 15

Classification cut-offs for all activities will be released to member schools and Administrative Regions.

#### SEPTEMBER 25

Deadline for filing an appeal for lower classification of teams defined board policy.

#### OCTOBER 6

ADs Advisory Committee hears appeals from schools and recommends those that will be granted.

#### OCTOBER 7

MSHSL Board of Directors Executive Committee meets to review appeals and schools are notified.

#### DECEMBER 1

ADs Advisory reviews all section assignments.

#### DECEMBER 3 BOARD MEETING

MSHSL Board of Directors approves all section assignments for 2027-2028 and 2028-2029.

#### SEPTEMBER 11

School information form due from schools.

#### SEPTEMBER 11

Schools inform MSHSL of new football co-ops.

#### SEPTEMBER 25

9-Player declaration/appeal form due.

#### LATE NOV./EARLY DEC.

Football Placement Committee meets to assign schools to districts.

#### JANUARY 2027

Football Placement Committee meets to assign schools to districts.

#### FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING

MSHSL Board of Directors approves all district football placements for 2027-2028 and 2028-2029.

Nonpublic Report Forms are due each year on December 1.

These numbers will be utilized to calculate the MSHSL

Annual Enrollment for Nonpublic Schools.

*Dates are subject to change.*

**RED = Action required by member schools**  
**BLUE = Informational only, no action required**

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