

2023 - 2024

Classification

Bulletin





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| To: | LHSAA Member School Principals | | |
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| | LHSAA Classification Committee | | |
| From: | Eddie Bonine / LHSAA Executive Director | | |
| Re: | Classification Meeting Information | | |
| Date: | September 5, 2023 | | |
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The first classification meeting will be held at the LHSAA office on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Only schools that wish to appeal their classification placement need to be present. Schools have until October 31, 2023 at the 12:00 noon deadline to submit a declaration to play up in classification or division. That form should be emailed to Michael Federico at mfederico@lhsaa.org.

Appeals of classification placement, if any, will be considered in classification order beginning with Class 5A at 10:10 a.m. The appeals will be heard by a classification committee appointed by the president of the Executive Committee.

The proposed districting plan will be sent to all member schools via email and posted to the LHSAA website, <u>www.lhsaa.org</u>, after the first classification meeting. **Member schools shall have until 1:00 p.m. on November 9, 2023** to make a written response/recommendation to the Executive Director about their concerns regarding the proposed districting plan.

The second classification meeting shall be held at the LHSAA office on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. At this meeting, school principals shall be allowed to attend the meeting and address the LHSAA administration to voice their approval of the second proposed plan or appeal the placement of their school. Principals will appear before the administrative staff at the following times:

Class C - 11:00 a.m. Class B - 11:10 a.m. Class 1A - 11:20 a.m. Class 2A - 11:30 a.m. Class 3A - 11:40 a.m. Class 4A - 11:50 a.m. Class 5A - 12:00 p.m.

After hearing oral presentations and/or reviewing written responses/recommendations to the second proposed plan, the Executive Director and his administrative staff shall evaluate and revise the districting plan, if necessary and feasible. After the second meeting, the Executive Director shall send out a proposed final districting plan to member schools. The plan that is sent to the schools at this time will be the plan that will be submitted to the Executive Committee at the third meeting for final adoption.

The third and final classification meeting shall be held at the LHSAA office on Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. At the final classification meeting, **only if a principal has submitted a written request to appear before the Executive Committee at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date or Monday, November 27, 2023 by 1:00 p.m. shall be allowed the opportunity to appeal the placement of his/her school in the districting plan to the Executive Committee**. Once everyone is given the opportunity to be heard, the Executive Committee shall possess the authority to revise the districting plan, if necessary and feasible, and certify the entire districting plan. Upon final approval by the Executive Committee of the division and districting of schools, the plan shall become final, and schools may begin scheduling district contests.

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LHSAA CONSTITUTION ARTICLE 8: CLASSIFICATION

8.1 <u>PURPOSE</u>

- **8.1.1** Membership classification shall be applied for administration and competition purposes. A school may not participate in a classification below that mandated by its enrollment. Enrollment is based on the Louisiana Department of Education October 1st enrollment numbers.
- **8.1.2** The official titles of the LHSAA classifications shall be Class 5A, Class 4A, Class 3A, Class 2A, Class 1A, Class B, and Class C.

8.2 <u>CHANGES</u>

- **8.2.1** Classification and districting shall be changed in even years to become effective in odd years. *Note: The 2021 22 school year is a classification and districting year.*
- 8.2.2 Changes in classification and districting shall be made at regular two-year intervals.

8.3 ENROLLMENT CALCULATION

- **8.3.1** In a classification year, a school's classification shall be based on its October 1 total enrollment in grades 9-12 of the current school year as reported to the LDE. Schools shall enter their October 1 enrollment figures as submitted to the LDE on the LHSAA Members' Only website. School enrollments reported on the LHSAA Members' Only website shall be considered official for classification purposes.
- **8.3.2** A school's classification enrollment shall include all students in grades 9-10-11-12. Each student shall be counted as one (1) regardless of the percentage of hours enrolled.
- **8.3.3** A student enrolled in a special program approved by the local educational authority that may be assigned to another school for all or a portion of the day shall be counted at the school where the student's permanent records are on file. A member school may petition the Executive Committee for special consideration for a reduction in enrollment numbers when that school has a unique situation that could affect the enrollment numbers enough to impact classifications. In order for the petition to be considered, the member school shall submit *a written request to the LHSAA by 9:00* <u>AM on the day before the first classification meeting</u> in a classification year. The member school principal shall be in attendance and prepared to address the Executive Committee on the day of the first classification meeting.
- **8.3.4** For schools with less than four (4) grades, the enrollment figure shall be *increased by 1.40 for each grade* that does not exist at the school.
- **8.3.5** Figures shall be doubled for all-boy or all-girl schools. However, the 7th and 8th grade students added to the classification enrollment numbers under the note of Bylaw 1.22.1(3) shall not be included in the figure that is doubled.
- **8.3.6** Schools that report inaccurate and/or false enrollment information shall be penalized under the provisions of Rule 5.11.13.

- **8.4** <u>UNCLASSIFIED SCHOOLS</u> A school that has been declared an unclassified school because it failed to meet classification requirements shall:
 - 1. Be allowed to remain a member of the LHSAA.

2. Be required to pay membership dues for the classification in which its enrollment causes it to be placed.

- 3. Not be placed in a district in any sport.
- 4. Be ineligible for championship honors in all sports.
- 5. Comply with LHSAA constitutional rules and bylaws.

6. Be allowed to participate in the legislative processes of the Association, excluding the classification meetings held in conjunction with the annual meeting.

7. Be allowed to return to classified status the next classification year if it adheres to all of the classification requirements that accompany the classification process.

8.5 <u>ENROLLMENT CORRECTIONS</u> - No requests for corrections shall be accepted by the Executive Committee once the LDE has certified the enrollment numbers and the numbers have been received by the Executive Director or his/her designee.

8.6 <u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S CLASSIFICATION RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

- **8.6.1** The Executive Director and his/her staff shall meet in even years to classify and district schools.
- **8.6.2** The Executive Director's duties include the following:
 - 1. Conduct meetings to classify and district schools.
 - 2. Verify the classification enrollments of all schools.
 - 3. Divide classifications.
 - 4. Place schools in proper classifications.
 - 5. Schedule classification meetings after noon on the day of the first meeting.

6. Adopt a final plan for the division of schools, subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

7. Consider schools' requests to compete in certain districts (baseball, basketball, football, outdoor track and field, softball, and volleyball).

8. Place schools in districts in baseball, basketball, football, outdoor track and field, softball, and volleyball subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

9. Number districts within classifications, subject to approval of the Executive Committee. 10. Adopt a final plan for the districting of schools, subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

11. Adopt a final classification plan, subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

8.7 CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA

- **8.7.1** Once classified, a school may choose to compete for postseason play in any classification higher than that based on its October 1 enrollment certified to the LHSAA under the guidelines of Article 8.3-Enrollment Calculation. If a school chooses to compete for postseason play in any higher classification, it must do so in all sports. The declaration shall apply for the two-year classification intervals. The school shall make a written request to play in a higher classification no later than 48 hours prior to the 1st meeting.
- **8.7.2** Divisions involving two or more classifications may be created by the Executive Committee to provide competition in certain sports. The Executive Committee shall place schools in districts on an annual basis, if necessary.
- **8.7.3** Schools that compete in football shall be classified every two years according to the one-fifth principle for each class. Non-football schools, below the lowest Class 2A school, shall be classified according to the one-half principle.

8.7.4 Schools Competing in Football:

1. Football schools shall be divided into five equal or nearly equal classes.

2. Counting to achieve equal fifths shall begin with the lowest and end with the highest football school enrollment.

3. Schools with equal enrollment that form the dividing line in a classification shall play in the lower classification.

4. In a classification year a school which was a non-football school the preceding year but desires to participate in varsity football the coming season shall notify the Executive Director in writing by October 15 of that year.

5. If a school fails to timely declare to participate in the sport of varsity football, it shall not be allowed to participate in the sport of football at any level for the first year and at the varsity level during the second year of the new classification school years. The school shall not be considered a football school for classification purposes.

6. A school officially declaring in writing to field a varsity football team for the first time shall be required to post a \$10,000 bond with the LHSAA prior to being classified a football school. The bond shall remain in effect for the first two years that the school fields a varsity football team and shall be distributed to schools with signed contracts, should the school cancel the scheduled varsity game(s) for any reason. The Executive Director shall determine how the bond money will be distributed to the school(s) affected by the cancellation of a scheduled game.

8.7.5 Non-Football Schools below Class 2A:

1. Classes B and C coed schools shall be divided into two equal or nearly equal classes. Afterwards, Classes B and C all-girl schools shall be placed in the appropriate classes according to their enrollments.

2. Counting coed schools with enrollments that are lower than the lowest Class 2A school shall begin with the lowest and end with the highest non-football school enrollment.

3. Schools with equal enrollment that form the dividing line in a classification shall play in the lower classification.

8.7.6 Non-Football (includes all-girl) Schools above Class 1A: Non-football schools (including all-girl schools) with higher enrollments than the largest Class 1A school shall be classified according to their enrollments after football schools have been divided.

8.8 <u>CLASSIFICATION MEETINGS</u>

8.8.1 All classification meetings shall be open to the press and public unless the Executive Committee votes to close the meeting. All classification meetings shall be at all times open to the principals, athletic directors and coaches of all member schools. A total of three meetings may be held to classify and district schools. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to modify the classification meetings if deemed necessary.

8.8.2 First Meeting:

The Executive Director shall set a date, time, and place after the first Monday in November.
Schools' enrollments shall be verified, and classes and divisions shall be divided according to the LHSAA Constitution.

3. A committee appointed by the President of the Executive Committee shall be present at this meeting to verify the division of schools, place schools that opt to play up in classification and/or division in the proper classification and/or division and hear appeals on classification matters. 4. Final submission of all school enrollment numbers shall be October 15th.

8.8.3 Second Meeting:

1. After the first meeting, the Executive Director and his/her staff shall send out a proposed districting plan to member schools.

2. The Executive Director shall set a date, time, and place for the second meeting to occur approximately two weeks after the first meeting.

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4. After hearing oral presentations and/or reviewing written responses/recommendations to the proposed plan, the Executive Director and his/her staff shall evaluate and revise the districting plan, if necessary and feasible.

5. After the second meeting, the Executive Director and his/her staff shall send out a proposed districting plan to member schools. The plan that is sent to the schools at this time will be the plan that will be submitted to the Executive Committee at the third meeting for possible final adoption.

8.8.4 Third Meeting:

1. The Executive Director shall set the date, time, and place to occur approximately two weeks after the second meeting.

2. At the third meeting, a principal shall have an opportunity to appeal the placement of his/her school in the districting plan to the Executive Committee if that principal has submitted a written request to appear before the Executive Committee. The written request shall be received and processed by the Executive Director's office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date.

3. Once everyone is given the opportunity to be heard, the Executive Committee shall possess the authority to certify the entire districting plan. However, at no point in the classification process may a new districting plan be voted on and passed by the Executive Committee without the proposed districting plan being sent out to member schools before the third meeting.

8.8.5 <u>**FINAL PLAN**</u> - Upon final approval by the Executive Committee of the division and districting of schools, the plan shall become final and the Executive Committee shall not meet again to address districting matters unless two-thirds of the Committee members make written requests to meet again. Unless it is placed on the agenda of the annual meeting by the Executive Committee, the classification plan shall not require either ratification or rejection by the Association's membership. If a vote on the classification and districting plan is required, the plan shall be presented to the membership at the next LHSAA annual meeting.

FOOTBALL BYLAW

14.3.3 Schools with enrollment numbers that place them in Classes C, B or A will have the option of declaring to participate as a Class C or B school, depending on their enrollment numbers, or as a Class A non-football school. If the choice is to participate in Class A non-football, schools will be required to follow all rules pertaining to Class A. Class A non-football school will not be able to start basketball until the official start date for Class A.

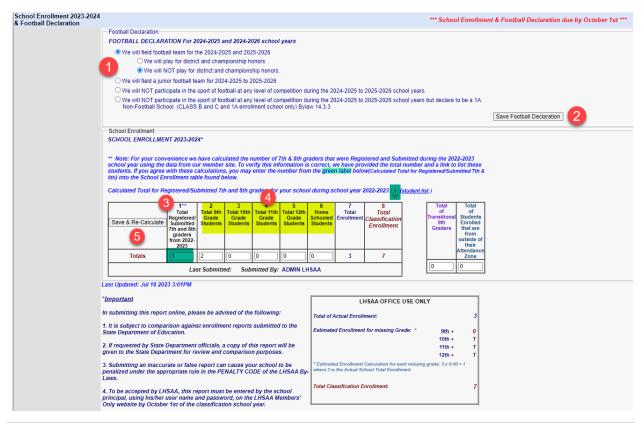
ENROLLMENT CALCULATIONS AND FOOTBALL DECLARATION

LHSAA Rule and Regulation 1.22 Students in the 7th and/or 8th Grades:

"Note: Any 7th and/or 8th grade student who is registered and submitted by a member school on the Members' Only website for the (2022 - 2023) school year <u>shall be included</u> in the school's 2023 classification enrollment numbers."

That said, when entering student enrollment numbers for the 2021 Classification, count the school's total enrollment as of October 1st for grades 9th -12th. For 7th and 8th grade registered student-athletes, use the previous year's (2022 - 2023) numbers.

Once you login to the member site and click the Start button, scroll down on the School Information page to the **School Enrollment and Football Declaration** section. Please complete the Football Declaration section and save. After submitting the football declaration, you will find a link that will display the 7th & 8th graders Registered/Submitted during the 2022 - 2023 school year. Please take this number and plug it into Column #1. Then input your enrollment figures for columns 2 – 7. Click Save & Recalculate. (See screenshot below)



IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

| | Date |
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| Total enrollment of grades 7-12, as submitted to the LDE, to be completed and submitted on the members only website by $4:00$ pm. | October 15, 2023 |
| DECLARATION TO PLAY FOOTBALL - TO BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED ON THE MEMBERS ONLY WEBSITE BY 4:00 PM. | October 15, 2023 |
| REPORTS BECOME DELINQUENT AND SCHOOLS WILL BE FINED FOR FAILURE TO REPORT ENROLLMENT FIGURES ON TIME. | October 16, 2023 |
| Schools failing to submit their enrollment report SHALL NOT be classified for the 2024 - 25 and 2025 - 26 school years. | October 16, 2023 |
| DECLARATION TO PLAY IN ANY HIGHER CLASSIFICATION FORM DUE BY 12:00 PM, NOON. | October 31, 2023 |
| CLASSIFICATION MEETING #1 | NOVEMBER 2, 2023 |
| DEADLINE TO SUBMIT WRITTEN RESPONSE/RECOMMENDATION TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ABOUT CONCERNS REGARDING THE PROPOSED DISTRICTING PLAN BY 1:00 PM. | November 9, 2023 |
| CLASSIFICATION MEETING #2 | NOVEMBER 13, 2023 |
| DEADLINE TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN REQUEST TO APPEAR BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE Committee to appeal the placement of school in the districting plan by 1:00 PM. | NOVEMBER 27, 2023 |
| CLASSIFICATION MEETING #3 | NOVEMBER 29, 2023 |

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER CLASSIFICATION

Schools must complete and return this form to Michael Federico at <u>mfederico@lhsaa.org</u> <u>by 12:00 P.M.</u>, <u>Wednesday, October 31, 2023</u> to be placed in any higher classification for the 2024 - 2025 and 2025-26 school years.

School Name:

Principal (Print Name):

This is an official request to place the above-named high school in a higher classification than the one its October 15 enrollment places it in for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years.

Rule 8.7.1 requires a school choosing to play up in a higher classification to do so in ALL sports.

Rule 14.3.3 allows schools placed in Classes C, B or A to have the option to participate as a Class C or B school, depending on their enrollment, or as a Class A non-football school.

| CURRENT CLASSIFICATION | | CLASSIFICA | ATION TO BE PLACED |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------|
| CLASS 4A | | CLASS 5A | |
| CLASS 3A | | CLASS 4A | |
| CLASS 2A | | CLASS 3A | |
| CLASS 1A | | CLASS 2A | |
| CLASS B | | CLASS 1A | |
| CLASS C | | CLASS 1A Non-Football | |
| | | CLASS B | |

I understand that once this form is submitted and the established deadline has passed, my school shall be obligated to participate in the higher classification chosen above for the 2024 - 2025 and 2025 - 2026 school years. Likewise, without timely filing this declaration, my school will remain in the classification it has been placed by the Executive Director for the 2024 - 2025 and 2025 - 2026 school years based on my school's enrollment numbers.

Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER BOYS' BOWLING DIVISION

| Schools must complete and | return this form to Michael Federico at <u>mfederico@lhsaa.org</u> |
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| by 12:00 P.M. , Wednesday, Octobe | er 31, 2023 to be placed in any higher classification for the 2024 - 2025 |
| | and 2025-26 school years. |
| School Name: | |
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| Principal (Print Name): | |

This is an official request to place the above-named high school in a higher Division than the one its October 15 enrollment places it in for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years.

| CURRENT DIVISION | | DIVISION TO BE | PLACED |
|------------------|--|-----------------------|--------|
| DIVISION II | | DIVISION I | |

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER CROSS COUNTRY DIVISION

| Schools must complete and | return this form to Michael Federico at <u>mfederico@lhsaa.org</u> |
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| by 12:00 P.M., Wednesday, Octobe | e <u>r 31, 2023</u> to be placed in any higher classification for the 2024 - 2025 |
| | and 2025-26 school years. |
| School Name: | |

| Principal (| Print Name) | : |
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This is an official request to place the above-named high school in a higher Division than the one its October 15 enrollment places it in for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years.

**Schools that have both a boys' and girls' cross country shall declare to play in the higher division for both sports.

| CURRENT DIVISION | | DIVISION TO BE | PLACED |
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| DIVISION II | | DIVISION I | |
| DIVISION III | | DIVISION II | |
| DIVISION IV | | DIVISION III | |
| DIVISION V | | DIVISION IV | |

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER BOYS' GOLF DIVISION

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School Name:

Principal (Print Name):

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| CURRENT DIVISION | | DIVISION TO BE | PLACED |
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| DIVISION II | | DIVISION I | |
| DIVISION III | | DIVISION II | |
| DIVISION IV | | DIVISION III | |

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER GIRLS' GOLF DIVISION

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| School Name: | | |
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Principal (Print Name): _____

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| DIVISION II | | DIVISION I | |

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER POWERLIFTING DIVISION

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School Name: _____

Principal (Print Name): _____

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| DIVISION III | | DIVISION II | |
| DIVISION IV | | DIVISION III | |
| DIVISION V | | DIVISION IV | |

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER BOYS' SOCCER DIVISION

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| by 12:00 P.M. , Wednesday, October | <u>r 31, 2023</u> to be placed in any higher classification for the 2024 - 2025 |
| - | and 2025-26 school years. |
| School Name: | |

| Principal | (Print Name) | |
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| CURRENT DIVISION | | DIVISION TO BE | PLACED |
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| DIVISION II | | DIVISION I | |
| Division III | | DIVISION II | |
| DIVISION IV | | DIVISION III | |

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER GIRLS' SOCCER DIVISION

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| by 12:00 P.M. , Wednesday, October | <u>. 31, 2023</u> to be placed in any higher classification for the 2024 - 2025 |
| | and 2025-26 school years. |
| School Name: | |

| Principal | (Print Name) | |
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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER SWIMMING DIVISION

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School Name:

| Principal (Print Name): | |
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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER TENNIS DIVISION

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER VOLLEYBALL DIVISION

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Principal (Print Name): _____

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| DIVISION IV | | DIVISION III | |
| DIVISION V | | DIVISION IV | |

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Principal's Signature

Date

DECLARATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER WRESTLING DIVISION

Schools must complete and return this form to Michael Federico at <u>mfederico@lhsaa.org</u> <u>by 12:00 P.M.</u>, <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October 31</u>, <u>2023</u> to be placed in any higher classification for the 2024 - 2025 and 2025-26 school years.

School Name:

This is an official request to place the above-named high school in a higher Division than the one its October 15 enrollment places it in for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years.

| CURRENT DIVISION | | DIVISION TO BE | PLACED |
|------------------|--|-----------------------|--------|
| DIVISION II | | DIVISION I | |
| DIVISION III | | DIVISION II | |

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