

New Association Membership Information

Welcome to the National High School Athletic Coaches Association. We are grateful you have chosen to become a state association member of the NHSACA and look forward to the opportunity of serving the needs of your association and its individual member-coaches. We are also excited for the leadership, dedication, and knowledge the leaders of your association and you member-coaches will bring to the NHSACA.

In welcoming you to the NHSACA, I would like to highlight some of the benefits and opportunities your association and its individual members will receive for your membership in the NHSACA. Please review these benefits/opportunities closely. In addition, I will provide documents to you that define who the NHSACA is, what we do, how we do it, and why we do what we do.

First and foremost, we are a national coaches association organized by coaches, for coaches, to serve coaches. We value coaches and their mission. The NHSACA is here to educate, recognize and serve coaches across the country.

Membership in the NHSACA is driven by state associations. All-sport associations and single-sport (includes; boys and girls sports associations, Track & Field and Cross Country associations) make up the member state associations that make up the NHSACA. Membership also includes an "Education State Membership". As a result of membership, every coach (individual) who is a member of a NHSACA member state association receives "All" of the benefits available through the NHSACA. The leadership of the member state associations will determine their associations' participation in these benefit programs.

The NHSACA sponsors two major awards programs: The National Coach of the Year program and the NHSACA National Hall of Fame program. Nominees for the 19 sports/categories sponsored by the NHSACA are submitted through our member state associations. The nomination forms go through a rigorous scoring system utilizing an objective-scoring rubrics and are evaluated by the sport chairs for each sport/category and by the executive director. This process identifies the 8 finalists for national Coach of the Year in each sport/category. The 8 finalists are then scored by the 3 vice-presidents, whose scores are added to the sport chairs' and executive director's scores. The coach with the highest score is named the National Coach of the Year. Inductees into the National Hall of Fame are determined by the member state associations. The member state associations determine the process they will use to select their inductees into the National Hall of Fame.

Participation in the NHSACA association. Every member state association is guaranteed two voting positions on the NHSACA B.O.D. When determining voting positions, the following groups are included: Members of the Executive Committee; Sport Chairs; Region Directors. If an association does not have two voting members in those groups they will receive at-large positions to reach the guaranteed two voting positions. The member state associations will submit the individuals to the executive director of the NHSACA for inclusion on the B.O.D. as at-large members. Member state associations may change the individuals representing their association as at-large members at any time by submitting the name(s) of the new at-large member representing their association to the executive director of the NHSACA.



The NHSACA establishes partnerships/sponsors with organizations, individuals or businesses that are approved by the Executive Committee. The NHSACA will request that member state associations support these partnerships/sponsors in relation to the agreement NHSACA has with their partners. The NHSACA would not expect, nor ask, a member state association to let the NHSACA partnership override any individual partnerships or contracts the state association has. Partnerships and contracts member state associations have in effect with sponsors will supercede any commitments to NHSACA partnerships. In addition, member state association executive directors will determine the level of participation their state association will have in any NHSACA partnerships/sponsorships.

NHSACA Website: The URL for the website is: www.nhsaca.org

Please visit this site and review the site and its information. You will find many useful links and documents here.