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# N.O.S.S.A. News 2021-22

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## Welcome back from Co-Vid!

With the last NOSSA championship hosted in March of 2019, a return to regional competition is at the very least long overdue.

And, though at time of publication, the extent of the return was not fully known, any such activity signals another small step towards normalcy as all efforts continue to eradicate this virus.

The NOSSA Executive extends a sincere thank you to all volunteer coaches this and every year.

We hope you find this annual newsletter informative and helpful if advancing to or hosting a NOSSA championship this school year.

Further information is available on the NOSSA website at [nossa.rainbowschools.ca](http://nossa.rainbowschools.ca), including a web calendar that will be updated as the need arises throughout the season.

Dave Makela – NOSSA Secretary

## Introducing the 2021-2022 Executive:

Presidents – Dave Zagordo, Michelle Guzzo (St Mary's) – Soo District  
1<sup>st</sup> VP – Tim Lowe (Algonquin) – North Bay District  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Karin Augenstein (Lockerby), Dan Bartolucci (Marymount) – Sudbury District  
3<sup>rd</sup> VP – Gillian Peliter (Wickwemikong HS) – North Shore District



Sault Ste Marie Athletic Association



# INNVEST Hotels

*"One call continues to do it all"*

NOSSA has a contract with InnVest Hotels Hospitality Group to provide accommodations for teams travelling to NOSSA championships or tournaments at reduced rates, including annual meeting bookings.

Take the time to inform participating districts or teams that reservations can be made by contacting Saverio Gioffre, at 1-438-886-8962 (email: [saverio.gioffre@innvesthotels.com](mailto:saverio.gioffre@innvesthotels.com)).

It's also advisable to contact Saverio before event information is released to provide a heads up.

NOSSA will be rebated only for reservations made through Saverio, and these rebates help in turn help fund NOSSA insurance costs.

NOSSA also receives rebates for reservations made for teams outside of our region who participate in tournaments organized by member schools.

## Tournament Info



Hosting a tournament this year?  
Forward an email with the  
details and we'll help spread the  
word.

Any tournament information received  
will be dropped into a shared google folder.

Folder address (be sure to bookmark and check regularly  
for updates):

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1g\\_NQQMHA3CIRYAxlKPXSN5XAWfvudYZa?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1g_NQQMHA3CIRYAxlKPXSN5XAWfvudYZa?usp=sharing)

Send your information in any electronic format to Dave  
Makela at: [makelad@rainbowschools.ca](mailto:makelad@rainbowschools.ca)

## The Kudos File



The Executive and membership at large extend sincere congratulations to NOSSA's newest major award winner.

Karin Augenstein –  
Lockerby CS:  
Pete Beach Award



The presentation will take place at the  
2022 annual general meeting in Sault  
Ste Marie.

## NOSSA Awards

In the never-ending effort to limit the costs associated with the hosting of NOSSA activities, NOSSA orders all the awards needed for all its championships, then invoices each district for their share based on the events each is expected to host.

With Spring Sports cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to CoVid 19, Districts will be allowed to indicate and be billed for their total medal needs for 2021-22, taking into account any unused reserves from previous years and any medals already sent in support of the cancelled events.



## Setting NOSSA Entry Fees

The NOSSA constitution dictates that entry fees are to be set as close to a break-even basis as possible.

For team sports, conveners are to estimate all allowable costs (included in the Convener Duties section of the NOSSA constitution and copied in this newsletter as well) and divide by the total number of teams participating, including host teams.

For individual sports, consult previous event financial statements (available under convener reports on the NOSSA website) to arrive at an appropriate entry fee.

The NOSSA constitution indicates that any profits (not including gate revenues) from team sport championships in excess of \$50/team must be refunded to participating teams to arrive at a zero balance.

A complete financial statement in support of each NOSSA event is to be submitted through the district secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting in April.

These reports are compiled and posted to the NOSSA website for members' review prior to the AGM.

## Need Further Information? Have Questions? Concerns?

Each district has a NOSSA district secretary in place to help support NOSSA activities. Questions or concerns may be directed through the PE program leader of each school as a first step, then to the NOSSA district secretary where deemed necessary.

North Bay – Kareena Lindsay (Elisabeth-Bruyère)

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Sault Ste Marie – Michelle Guzzo (St Mary's)

[michelle.guzzo@hscdsb.on.ca](mailto:michelle.guzzo@hscdsb.on.ca) and Marco Bernabucci

(Korah) [bernabm@adsb.on.ca](mailto:bernabm@adsb.on.ca)

North Shore – Jillian Peltier (Wikwemikong HS)

[jpeltier@wbe-education.ca](mailto:jpeltier@wbe-education.ca)

Sudbury – Dave Makela (Northeastern)

[makelad@rainbowschools.ca](mailto:makelad@rainbowschools.ca)

## Finding NOSSA Event Information

NOSSA championship event information will be linked to the web calendar that appears on the [nossa.rainbowschools.ca](http://nossa.rainbowschools.ca) homepage. As some information is subject to change, this info will NOT be linked to the activity calendar that appears in the NOSSA constitution.

For team sports, following the intent to participate deadline in place for each season (fall sports: Oct 31, winter sports: Jan 14, spring sports: May 10), the number of teams participating from each district will be sent to conveners, after which an entry fee and schedule may be developed indicating district names (the identity of qualifying schools can be inserted when they are confirmed).

Conveners please forward event information to Dave Makela at [makelad@rainbowschools.ca](mailto:makelad@rainbowschools.ca) so it can be uploaded to the NOSSA website in a timely manner.





## Convener Duties – As taken from the NOSSA handbook

A convener shall:

- i) send out pertinent information at least 3 weeks prior to the event.
- ii) encourage media coverage of the event, which includes allowing press photographs during the event.

To see that adequate and regulation facilities are available. Where possible the event should not be given to a school where these conditions cannot be met.

Prepare a schedule of games. In doing so, assume for the purpose of seeding that the first team from each District is the team who won their District playoff in cases where the District submits 2 entries.

Inform all Coaches of the exact time that they will play their first game. This is to be done well in advance of the tournament so that travel and accommodation arrangements can be made.

Arrange for officials.

Receive the eligibility sheets prior to the competition.

Rule on protests.

Arrange for the appropriate trophies to be present, in good condition, at the site of the tournament or meet. The maintenance of N.O.S.S.A. trophies as required shall be the responsibility of the school holding the trophy and the expenses shall be paid by that school.

Arrange for the presentation of trophies, banners and medals (banners and medals are carried in stock by NOSSA). Awards for each championship will be delivered by a Sudbury team participating in the event or shipped if necessary. District treasurers will be invoiced for the cost of the awards that must be paid within thirty (30) days of the completion of the event. Late payments will result in a \$50. fine.

Submit entry forms to OFSAA.

Submit a N.O.S.S.A. Conveners Report including a financial statement to the N.O.S.S.A. Secretary within one month of conclusion of the event.

Pass on a checklist and information of the event to the next convener.

N.O.S.S.A. entry fees for each team sport shall be charged to all participating teams. Allowable expenses to be budgeted for by the convener include the following: officials' fees, accommodation and transportation of officials (where necessary), minor officials' fees (timers, scorers, linespersons), awards as prescribed by Article XI, and production of a program (photocopying). When the aforementioned expenses have been budgeted for, the entry fee will be calculated by dividing the total expenses by the total number of participating teams.

*If, after allowing for the expenses indicated above, a team sport championship still derives a profit of \$50/team or more, the convener shall be required to refund each participating team an equal share of the profit to render a zero balance.* Gate revenue is not to be included in the calculation of event profits.

For all individual sports, the NOSSA convener is responsible to forward a single cheque in payment of OFSAA entry fees and participation fees on behalf of all NOSSA schools participating.

Publish and post in their gymnasiums the OFSAA Code of Behaviour for spectators. The school administration will see that this code is adhered to.



## 2022 NOSSA AGM

Originally scheduled to be hosted in Sudbury, the 2022 NOSSA AGM, to take place Fri, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>, has been switched to Sault Ste Marie to align with the rotation of the Pete Beach and InnVest Hotels award selections.

The resolutions committee, the group that sets the championship calendar and organizes the motions for consideration at Friday's AGM, will meet the previous Thursday at 7pm.



## Age Cut-Offs for 2021/22

Novice (formerly "midget" – born in 2007 or later (one year of eligibility at novice level only)

Junior – born in 2006 or later

Senior – born in 2002 or later

Students are eligible to compete for no more than five consecutive years from the date of entry into Grade 9. There is no appeal to the five year limit.

*"Today I will do what others won't, so tomorrow I can accomplish what others can't" – Jerry Rice*

*"Passion first and everything will fall into place" – Holly Holm*



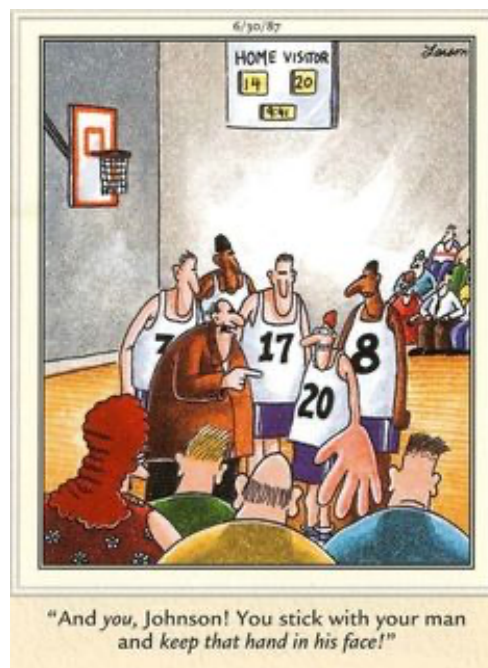
## New for 2021/2022:

Beginning this school year, AELS has been replaced with the new OFSAA Hub.

Each school has or will be assigned a unique username and password to access the system, which boasts a number of user-friendly improvements over the old AELS system.

A workshop was hosted on Jun 9<sup>th</sup> to introduce NOSSA members to the Hub and may be accessed [here](#).

Results from the OFSAA AGM that was hosted in May have been uploaded to the NOSSA website and may be accessed [here](#).



# O.F.S.A.A. CLASSIFICATIONS FOR N.O.S.S.A. SCHOOLS

(derived from O.F.S.A.A. report on N.O.S.S.A. schools' classification - 2019)

"A" Schools	"AA" Schools	"AAA" Schools
<b>NORTH SHORE DISTRICT</b>		
Central Algoma (333)	None.	None.
Elliot Lake S.S. (287)		
Espanola H.S. (421.25)		
*Franco Ouest (48.5)		
*Jeunesse Nord (58)		
Manitoulin S.S. (406.5)		
*Villa Francaise des Jeunes (29)		
W.C. Eaket (129)		
*Wikwemikong High School (136)		
<b>NIPISSING DISTRICT</b>		
*F.J. McElligott (83)	Chippewa S.S. (913.9)	None.
E.S. Algonquin (433.75)	St Joseph/Scollard Hall (846)	
E.S.C. Elizabeth-Bruyère (27)	<a href="#">West Ferris S.S. (809.4)</a>	
E.S. Franco Cité (308.5)		
* <a href="#">E.S. Northern (245)</a>		
*E.S. l'Odyssée (52.5)		
<b>SAULT STE. MARIE DISTRICT</b>		
*Notre Dame du Sault (68.5)	Korah C & VS (863)	None.
White Pines (457)	St Mary's College (850.5)	
	Superior Heights (747)	
<b>SUDBURY DISTRICT</b>		
Bishop A. Carter CSS (304)	Lasalle SS (633.03)	None.
*ESC Champlain (246.75)	Lo-Ellen Park (794)	
*Chelmsford Valley DCS (167.75)	St Charles College (825)	
Confederation (447.88)		
*ES Hanmer (109)		
ESC l'Horizon (398.25)		
Lively DSS (258)		
Lockerby CS (470.5)		
ES Macdonald Cartier (344)		
Marymount Academy (189)		
Notre-Dame (507.01)		
*Rivière-des-Francais (38)		
*ES du Sacré-Coeur (195.75)		
St Benedict CSS (470)		
Sudbury Secondary (482.75)		

\*denotes schools that qualify for NOSSA "B" competition

2020 Breakdown: "A" – 32 schools, "AA" – 9 schools, "AAA" – 0 schools  
 (1999 Breakdown: "A" – 16 schools, "AA" – 18 schools, "AAA" – 12 schools)