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N.O.S.S.A. News 2018-19

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September 2018

Another exciting year is upon us ...

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, including a web calendar that will be updated as the need arises throughout the season.

We hope this season is a successful one for all participating schools!

Dave Makela – NOSSA Secretary

Our New Executive:

President – Nigel Good (CASS-
North Shore District)

1st VP – Greg Arbour and Kim
Policicchio (Korah) – Soo District

2nd VP – Sean Mullan (WSS) –
North Bay District

3rd VP – Bill Gordon (SSS) and Ron
Poulin (ESM) - Sudbury District



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"One call continues to do it all"

NOSSA has a contract in place with the Westmont Hospitality Group, which provides 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 Maija Holla, Regional Sales Manager at 1-866-285-7936 (email: Maija.Holla@whg.com).

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

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

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

Please note that all proceeds from the WHG partnership are used to defray insurance costs thereby reducing fees to participating schools.

See last two pages of newsletter for additional info.

Tournament Info

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

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

Folder address (be sure to bookmark and check regularly for updates):
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1g_NQQMHA3CIRYAxlKPXSN5XAWfvudYZa?usp=sharing

Send your information in any electronic format to Dave Makela at: makelad@rainbowschools.ca

The Kudos File

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

Both recipients were present at the 2018 AGM hosted in North Bay and delivered some heartfelt comments about the time they spent with NOSSA.

Larry Tougas: Pete Beach Award



Widdifield Boys' Curling Team: Westmont Hospitality Award





NOSSA Awards

In the never-ending effort to limit the costs associated with the hosting of NOSSA activities, NOSSA pre-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 each year.

1. Medals (gold, silver or bronze) - \$3.00/medal
2. Championship banners - \$35.00/banner
3. Ribbons - \$0.40/ribbon
Supplied for: track and field, tennis, cross-country running, curling and alpine skiing

Invoices for all awards will be sent to the district treasurer for payment in early fall.

Minimum half payment is due December 1st with the balance due March 1st.

Michael Jordan

"I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."

How NOSSA Championship Entry Fees Are Set

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 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.



Finding NOSSA Event Information

This year, NOSSA championship event information will be linked to the web calendar that appears on the nossa.rainbowschools.ca homepage. It will NOT be linked to the activity calendar that appears in the NOSSA constitution as in past years.

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 so it can be uploaded to the NOSSA website in a timely manner.

Korah's Hanna Jodoin wins Brian Maxwell Scholarship from OFSAA



NOSSA extends sincere kudos to student Hanna Jodoin of Korah CS, for receiving the

prestigious 2018 Brian Maxwell Memorial Character Athlete Scholarship from the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations.

You can read all about Hanna's accomplishments at: <http://ofsaa.on.ca/node/4411>

The scholarship fund was set up in memory of Brian Maxwell, a successful distance runner. The fund awards \$5000 to six successful applicants whom will be pursuing their post secondary education at a Canadian college or university.

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement Hanna!!



Need Further Information?

Each district has a NOSSA district secretary in place to help support NOSSA activities.

Questions or concerns should be directed through the PE program leader of each school as a first step, then to the NOSSA district secretary if necessary.

2018-2019 NOSSA District Secretaries:

North Bay – Bruce Anderson (Widdifield) -

bruce.anderson@nearnorthschools.ca

Sault Ste Marie – Marco Bernabucci (White Pines) -

bernabm@adsb.ca and Michelle Guzzo (St Mary's) -

michelle.guzzo@hscdsb.on.ca

North Shore – Nigel Good, Central Algoma -

goodn@adsb.ca

Sudbury – Dave Makela (makelad@rainbowschools.ca)



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.

New NOSSA Regs for 2018/2019

- In boys basketball, the junior and senior “AA” and “AAA” championships were amalgamated, such that two OFSAA representatives will be derived from the one event.
- The NOSSA curling draw was changed from a double elimination format to a round robin format with the top two in each pool advancing to the semi final round.
- A motion to move girls and boys soccer to a first game forgiveness format was defeated.
- Kim Chezzi-MacLennan was acclaimed for the position of NOSSA rep to OFSAA.



Age Cut-Offs for 18/19

Midget – born in 2004 or later (one year of eligibility at midget level only)

Junior – born in 2003 or 2004

Senior – born in 1999 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 this rule.



New for 2018/2019:

Two new transfer regulations were passed that may have an affect on the status of local transfers.

(a) under category “B”, a new subcategory will be added “iii”: The student transferred to another school for a period of less than one school year and is returning to the school he/she attended prior to the transfer. The student must not have participated in any sports at the interschool level while attending the other school. Written confirmation from the vice principal, principal, department head or athletic director at the previous school is required.

(b) the following was added to By-law 5, Section (d) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), and (v): The student must attend the next closest school (of their choice of school system) to their home residence.

In addition to the above, several other initiatives were passed during the one day meeting, including constitutional and playing regulations.

A motion to remove body checking in hockey at the OFSAA level was defeated.

The complete results from the April 2018 order paper have been uploaded to the NOSSA website as follows:
<https://nossa.rainbowschools.ca/Pages/ofsaaoorderpaperresults-apr18.pdf>

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)

"A" Schools	"AA" Schools	"AAA" Schools
NORTH SHORE DISTRICT		
Central Algoma (318)	None.	None.
Elliot Lake S.S. (293)		
Espanola H.S. (442.75)		
*Franco Ouest (47)		
*Jeunesse Nord (67)		
Manitoulin S.S. (425.74)		
*Villa Francaises des Jeunes (29)		
W.C. Eaket (134)		
* Wikwemikong High School (181)		
NIPISSING DISTRICT		
*F.J. McElligott (107.08)	Chippewa S.S. (633.33)	None.
E.S. Algonquin (471.75)	St Joseph/Scollard Hall (796.29)	
E.S.C. Elizabeth-Bruyère (42.50)	Widdifield S.S. (711.20)	
E.S. Franco Cité (302.25)		
E.S. Northern (284.50)		
*E.S. l'Odyssée (81)		
West Ferris S.S. (435.50)		
SAULT STE. MARIE DISTRICT		
*Notre Dame du Sault (45.50)	Korah C & VS (753)	St Mary's College (1014)
White Pines (467)	Superior Heights (780)	
SUDBURY DISTRICT		
Bishop A. Carter CSS (331)	Lasalle SS (654.59)	None.
*ESC Champlain (192)	Lo-Ellen Park (715.63)	
*Chelmsford Valley DCS (194.75)	St Charles College (826)	
Confederation (460.05)		
*ES Hanmer (97)		
ESC l'Horizon (408)		
Lively DSS (281)		
Lockerby CS (581.50)		
ES Macdonald Cartier (320.30)		
Marymount Academy (224)		
Notre-Dame (570.60)		
*Riviere-des-Francais (43)		
*ES du Sacré-Coeur (209)		
St Benedict CSS (520)		
Sudbury Secondary (503)		

*denotes schools that qualify for NOSSA "B" competition

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HOTEL AMENITIES

FREE HOT BREAKFAST

(refer to attached list for participating hotels)
Breakfast on the Go - we can pre-bag your team's breakfast for early game times

ON-SITE RESTAURANTS

(refer to attached list for participating hotels)
Team Meal Options Available

IN ROOM FRIDGES & MICROWAVES

Based on availability

DISCOUNTS AT LOCAL RESTAURANTS

Ask for details at time of booking

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Plenty of convenient free parking for buses

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HOSPITALITY ROOM

Order in dinner, watch movies or play video games (based on availability)

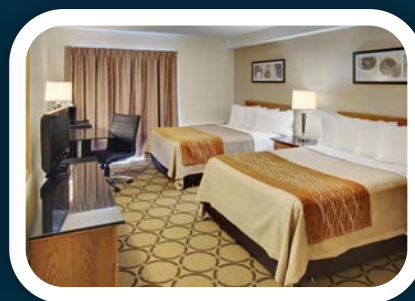
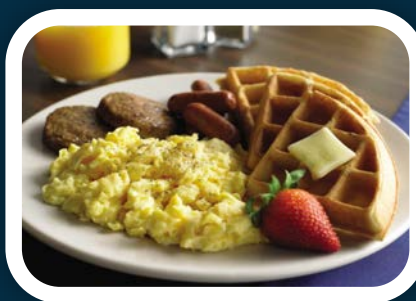
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30 minutes of free long distance in the coach's room

NEWLY RENOVATED GUEST ROOMS

N.O.S.S.A HOTEL PARTNERSHIP Exclusive Benefits

- Rebate Program - 5% of your room rate is given back to NOSSA to help decrease the cost to students to participate in athletic events
- Discounted Team/Group Rates Across Ontario - see attached list
- One Stop Booking Service - all group inquiries are responded to within 24 hours
- Team Meals - dine in or go out, we can provide you with suggestions and discounts to local restaurants that cater to larger groups
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*Homewood Suites Burlington 975 Syscon Road	Delta London Armouries 325 Dundas Street	*Comfort Inn Parry Sound 120 Bowes Street	*Comfort Inn Timmins 939 Algonquin Boulevard East
*Comfort Inn Cambridge 220 Holiday Inn Drive	Station Park All Suite Hotel 242 Pall Mall Street	*Comfort Inn Pembroke 959 Pembroke Street East	*Holiday Inn Express Toronto Downtown 111 Lombard Street
*Comfort Inn Cobourg 121 Densmore Road	*Comfort Inn Newmarket 1230 Journey's End Circle	Holiday Inn Peterborough 150 George Street	*Comfort Inn Waterloo 190 Weber Street North
*Comfort Inn Dryden 522 Government Road	*Holiday Inn Express North Bay 1325 Seymour Street	*Comfort Inn Pickering 533 Kingston Road	Holiday Inn Windsor 1855 Huron Church Road
Holiday Inn Guelph 601 Scottsdale Drive	*Comfort Inn Orillia 75 Progress Drive		

*Indicates that the hotel offers a free breakfast, all other hotels have a restaurant attached to the hotel or adjacent to the hotel

