



# **RECLASSIFICATION & COVID**

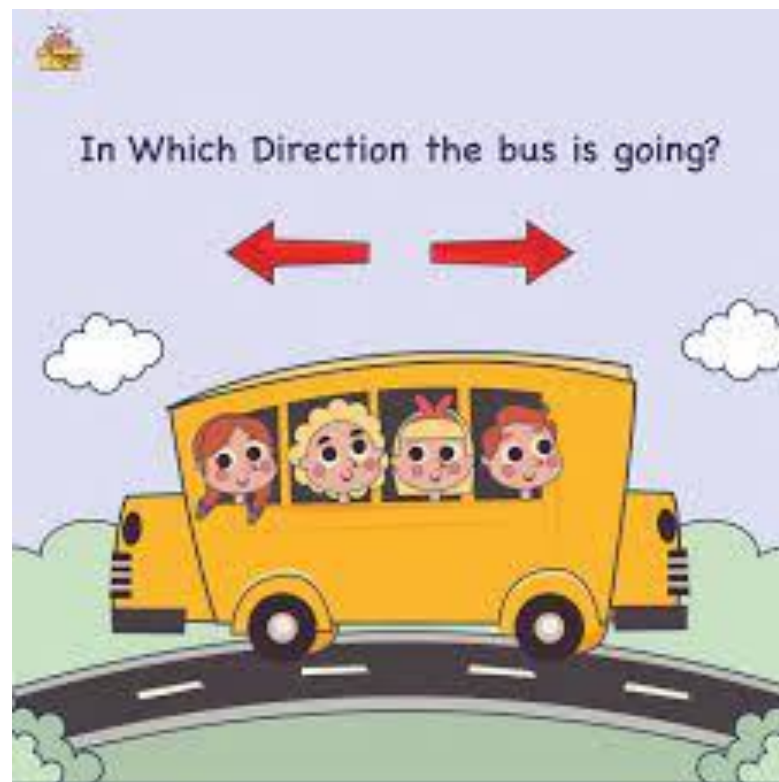
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# Reclassification? What are we talking about?

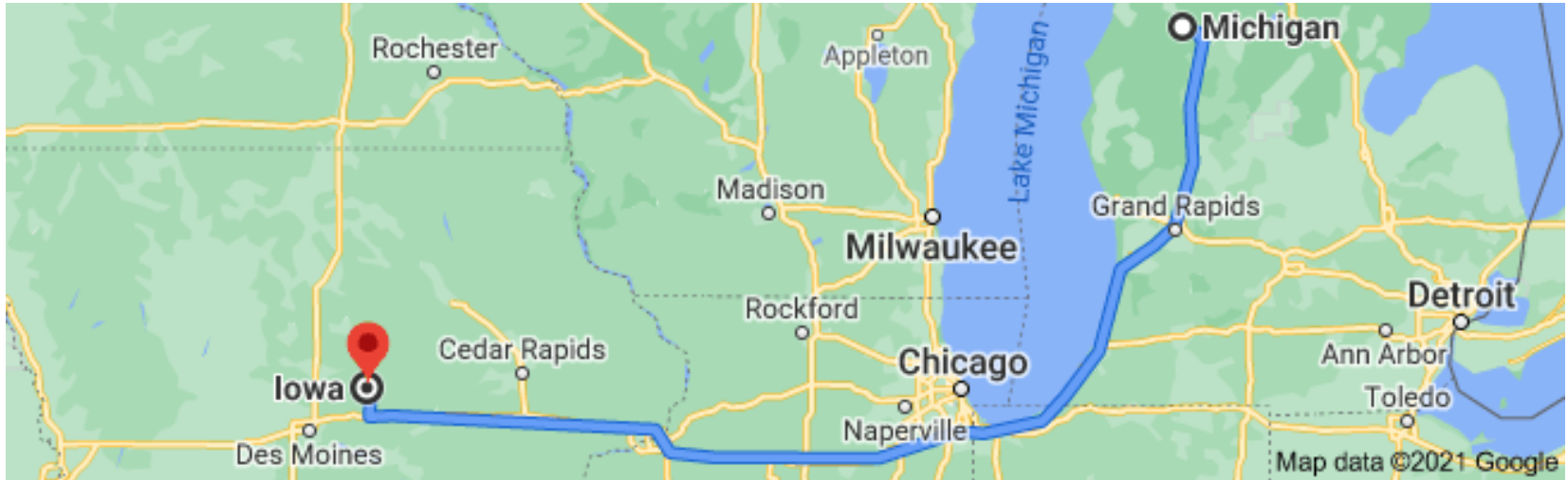
- Individual students....what “reclassification” meant pre-COVID.
- Sports....will all teams come back? Those that didn’t play in 20-21, will those count for classification in 21-22?
- Future offerings and potential transfer issues?



# The Michigan Story...



# My best COVID transfer story...



- All fall sports started on-time on August 10, 2020....sort of.
- FB, VB and Girls Swim.....
- August 14....EO 160.



# THE POWER OF SPORT







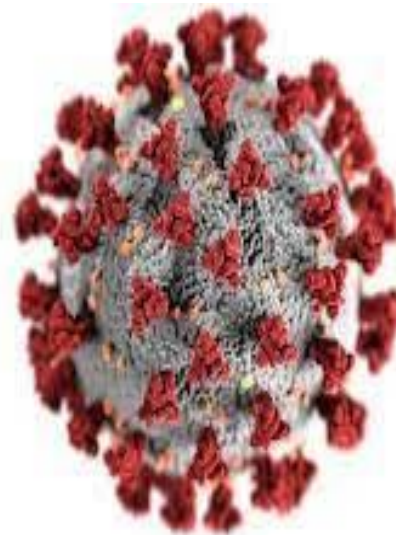
# Individual Reclassification

- Who is this person?
- What has this meant in recent years?
- Never been an issue...



# COVID & Reclassification in REVERSE

- Talk in many states of giving kids a 5<sup>th</sup> year of eligibility.
- DOA in Michigan given how we fund our public schools.
- The Kentucky situation....





# Kentucky

- The KHSAA shall allow a 20-21 high school student a fifth consecutive year of eligibility at the same school, but the participation age limit of being no older than 19 years old that's currently in place, will stay in its original place. Also, no transfer regulations are waived.
- Students and families who want to take advantage of the do-over year would have until May 1 to submit a request to the local school district. By June 1, school boards would accept all or none of the applications. By June 16, the districts would have to submit their plans for waivers to the Kentucky Department of Education.



# Lessons Learned...

- Eligibility and State Legislators can be a **DANGEROUS** combination.
  - The current fight is the HS level is **DIFFERENT** than the NCAA level.
- NIL & Amateurism
- Transfer Rules



# Sports Classifications in Your State

- Various cycles....annual, EOY, 3-years and 4-years.
- Number of schools that sponsor or have a team divided by the number of classifications/divisions.
- Has COVID impacted these dynamics?

sports classifications - Google S... TSSAA Announces New 2021-2023 Sports Classifications

centraldigest.com/sports-center/sports/2020/12/14/tssaa-announces-new-2021-2023-sports-classifications/

HOME CALENDAR STAFF ABOUT THE DIGEST STORY SUGGESTIONS APPLY

## TSSAA Announces New 2021-2023 Sports Classifications

Luke Keown, Staff Writer  
December 15, 2020

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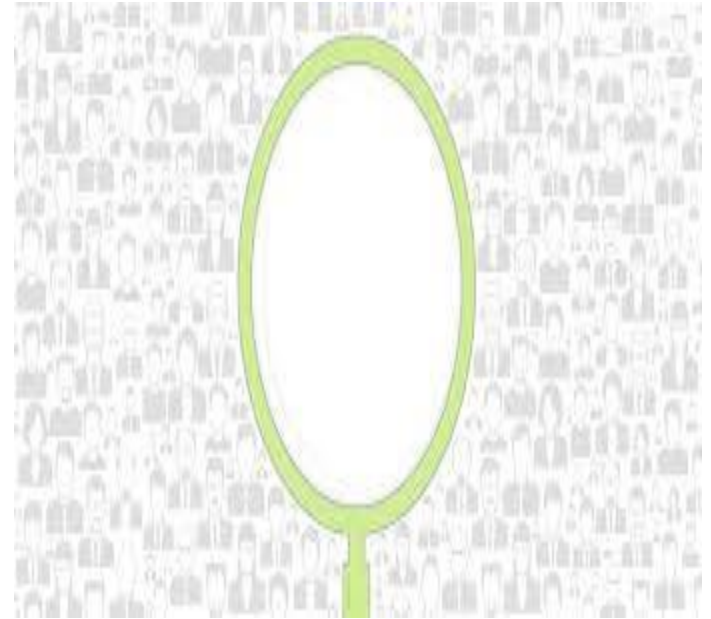
# RECLASSIFICATION INFORMATION DUE TODAY

October 5, 2020 News, Sports 1,863 Views

The MHSAA is beginning the process of reclassification for the 2021-23 period. It is vital that we receive information from each high school regarding enrollment for grades 9-12 and which sports and activities the school will participate in during the 2021-23 reclassification period.

# Classification Issues

- Sports sponsored.....the issue in MI.
- Sports played in the past 2 years....
- Issues of a school no longer sponsoring the sport post-COVID. Transfer issues?





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## Closing Comments & Questions

**THANK YOU!**

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