

## Walla Walla Public Schools Walla Walla High School - Blue Devil Athletics 800 Abbott Road, Walla Walla, WA 99362

April 10, 2017

To: Walla Walla Public School Board of Directors

Wade Smith, Superintendent

Ted Cohan, Executive Director, Business Services

Re: Mid-Columbia Conference joining District 8 Greater Spokane League

- 1. Combining the MCC and the GSL would guarantee berths to state rather than the combining situation we are currently working under. Since allocations are given to districts, rather than leagues, the WIAA will view us as having 11 schools in the 4A and 7 schools in the 3A (rather than separating and placing berths).
- 2. Combining leagues should give us a better voice at WIAA Rep Assembly meeting due to the increase number of teams we have in our district, and will help in cross bracketing sports such as football, soccer, and baseball as we move through post season events.
- 3. The Mid-Columbia Conference has spoken "off the record" to members of the WIAA and all have indicated it would be wise for us to request this move. If for no other reason, then for allocations purposes.
- 4. The new District 8 could still be set up with north (GSL) and south (MCC) divisions which will allow both leagues to keep their current scheduling formats. Playoffs would not need to change either.
- 5. Eligibility committees would be set with representatives from each league coming together as one, we would have 2 separate eligibility committees due to the distance between leagues. If need be, the MCC and the GSL could have a rep on the other leagues eligibility committee for consistency between both parties. Both GSL and MCC agreed to this process at our last meeting on 3/22/2017.

In conclusion, all MCC & GSL Superintendents, Principals and Athletic Directors are unanimously in support of this change. Please consider our request.

Respectfully Submitted

Dirk Hansen

Assistant Principal & Athletic Director

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Walla Walla High School



## Washington Interscholastic Activities Association REQUEST TO CHANGE WIAA DISTRICTS CRITERIA AND PROCESS

This request is regarding schools that want to change the current position of their WIAA District. Listed below are the steps needed for any school requesting a change in their current District format.

- 1) Form is sent to the League that school is leaving.
- 2) Form with League response is then sent to the WIAA District school is leaving.
- 3) Form response from League and WIAA District that school is leaving is then sent to the new League the school wishes to join.
- 4) Form with responses from numbers 1-3 is then sent to the new WIAA District you wish to form with.
- 5) Responses from numbers 1-4 are then sent to the WIAA Executive Board which has the authority to approve or deny the request.

This process must be completed to allow the Executive Board time to make a decision **no later than their April meeting**, **prior to the year you wish to change Districts**. Responses from steps 1- 4 must be sent to the WIAA office at least two weeks before the April Executive Board meeting.

LEAGUES AND DISTRICTS, please use the following criteria and the space provided to list any positive or negative effects that this request, if approved, will have on your League/District. This information will be used by the WIAA Executive Board when considering the school's request to change WIAA Districts.



The following Mid-Columbia Conference schools wish to submit this request to move from WIAA District 5 to WIAA District 8. Please accept this cover page as a consolidation of our conference requests and signatures.

School Name	Submitted By	<u>Signature</u>
1. Chiawana HS	John Cazier	730
2. Hanford HS	EPIC DAVIS	SJ.
3. Kamiakin HS	Casey Grant	Cay VfA
4. Kennewick HS	Anna Fazzari	Anthi
5. Pasco HS	Jake Davis	1 Dug
6. Richland HS	MINE EDWARDS	lite Elik
7. Southridge HS	Tim Novs	Turková
8. Walla Walla HS	Dich Hanger	Land James

1) <u>Travel</u> – Will this change travel mileage for League/District events?
YES NO Comments:
There will be no change to our current conference schedule or current post season agreements with the
Greater Spokane League
2) <u>Time out of School</u> - Will this change the time out of school for League/District events?
YES NO Comments:
There will be no change to our current conference schedule or current post season agreements with the
Greater Spokane League
3) <u>Scheduling</u> - Will this affect the ability of the League/District to create League schedules or District post-
season events?
YES NO Comments:
There will be no change to our current conference schedule or current post season agreements with the
Greater Spokane League
4) <u>Classification/Competition</u> – What effect will the move have on schools with the same classification in your League/District?
Comments: None – the entire Mid-Columbia Conference is requesting the change from District 5 to District 8
5) <u>Allocations for post-season play</u> – What effect will this move have on your League allocations to District events or on WIAA allocations for State events?
Comments: No change to district events since we currently have combined Bi-District playoffs with the
Greater Spokane League. WIAA allocations could change with the merger of the MCC and GSL but those
allocation adjustments would not take place until 2018-19 since both the 3A and 4A allocations for District 5/8
are already set for next year with the added berth.

School requesting approval for change of WIAA Districts: The entire Mid-Columbia Conference			
Kamiakin, Kennewick, Southridge, Hanford, Richland, Pasco, Chiawana, Walla Walla			
Classification: 4A 3A 2A 1A 2B 1B			
Current WIAA District: Desired WIAA District: &			
Please attach the request form to change WIAA Districts prior to league and WIAA District signatures.			
Submitted by Casey Grant - Mid Columbia Conference President			
Signature Date			
SIGNATURES OF APPROVAL			
School Name:			
(Print)			
School Board President:			
Yes No Date:			
League President: (Current League) (Signature)			
Yes No Date: 3/29/17			
League President:			
(New League) (Signature)  Yes No Date:			
District Director: Kent Quleu			
(Current District) (Signature)			
Yes No Date: 3/29///			
District Director:			
(New District) (Signature)  ☐ Yes ☐ No Date:			
Additional Comments:			
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