

## **Proposal**

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First, let me preface this by saying that I have always taken up for, and defended the KHSAA in it's actions because I understand the difficulties of the job. However....

This proposal to move Woodford County from the 11th region to the 8th region is totally off base. This is KHSAA gerrymandering at it's worst. If moving 1 team, and only 1 team, is necessary, move Frankfort Independent to the 8th region, if for no other reason, than pure geographic sense. Ideally, though, moving Frankfort and Western Hills would make even more geographic sense.

It is mind blowing that it makes any sense to move a school, that is located minutes from it's natural rivals and place them in a region, where outside of Anderson County, they would have hour bus rides to any region school. Granted, Woodford County has the resources to absorb that extra transportation costs, but for schools like Trimble County, Carroll County, etc. that is unfair to have them even have to consider those extra costs. I read Mr. Hawkins comments, and I would wholeheartedly disagree that the extra transportation costs wouldn't affect those schools.

If one of the reasons is to avoid a 6 team district, this proposal creates a 6 team district. With the Frankfort Christian Academy joining the KHSAA, you are creating a 6 team district with the 2 Scott County schools, 2 Franklin County schools, TFCA and Frankfort Independent. So that argument is out the window.

Also, why not plan for the future growth that will occur in the 11th region by reducing the number of schools in the 11th down to 18 instead of having 20? In all probability there will be a charter school in Lexington at some point and it's a given that the Madison County schools will construct a new high school in the very near future. By planning ahead, you won't have to go thru a realignment again.

As a sports fan, I am asking that this be revisited and move Frankfort Independent to the 8th region and do what's best for several schools instead of just 1 with a powerful voice.

## Thank you for listening,

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