

Bullitt County Public Schools

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Commissioner Julian Tackett KHSAA Board of Control 2280 Executive Drive Lexington, KY 40505

Dear Mr. Tackett and the KHSAA Board of Control:

As the representatives of the three Bullitt County high schools (Bullitt Central, Bullitt East and North Bullitt), please accept our formal, collective request to be placed into a different region, outside of the sixth or the seventh in the next KHSAA realignment.

Currently, in the sports of baseball, basketball, volleyball, soccer and softball, Bullitt County schools compete in three different regions (6th in baseball, softball and basketball, 8th in volleyball and the 5th in soccer). Since the KHSAA is considering alignment for these five sports, Bullitt County Schools are requesting to be placed in a region that reflects our geographic and demographic makeup.

At present, we believe that we are the only district in the state whose athletic decisions are strongly influenced so much by one county's policies, board of education and personnel, leaving us with a very limited voice when it comes to scheduling, facilities and game times. Being in such proximity to Louisville, Bullitt County schools and students are denied the opportunity to host regional and other events that are dictated to us by Jefferson County Public Schools.

With this in mind, we understand that a large body, such as Jefferson County Public Schools, must make widespread and unilateral decisions based on the unique needs of their population. Due to their size, those decisions are unique from any other city in the state. However, those decisions don't always coincide with the needs of our rural schools and students.

As a result, the Bullitt County community has a strong sense of county pride and strongly desires to have its athletic competition and community reflect that pride. As aforementioned, we have competed in the 5^{th} , 6^{th} , 7^{th} , and 8^{th} regions and have a deep understanding of all those regions operating procedures and strongly believe that we deserve and need to be considered for a new region in the next basketball realignment. We would be pleased and satisfied to be placed into what is currently the fifth or eighth region in all five sports.

Thank you for considering our collective request. All three principals and athletic directors, our superintendent and Director of Secondary Education have all have signed this letter to show our unified support for this request, based on what is best for our students.

Respectfully,

Dave Marshall
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Director of Secondary Education

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