

Football Playoff Study Survey

Board of Control Information Survey on Football Playoffs

The Board of Control has requested that staff conduct a survey of the Superintendents, Principals, Athletic Directors and Football Coaches in Football to discuss the postseason format. Please keep in mind that none of these changes could possibly be in effect until 2013, and if Bylaw 25 changes were required, not until 2015.

The Board is constantly reviewing its championships to determine if they are optimal. This survey discusses items related to postseason pairings and play, and many issues are involved, including travel, rivalries, duration of the playoffs, and scheduling.

*1. Name-

*2. Please select member school (Superintendents, please select any one of your member schools)

*3. Position in School or District

- Superintendent
- Principal
- Athletic Director
- Head Football Coach

*4. In my role, I am in favor of the following playoff system

- I favor four teams from each district advancing into the playoffs (current system)
- I favor three teams from each district advancing into the playoffs with the first place team receiving a bye
- I favor two teams from each district advancing into the playoffs, and consideration of starting the season a week later.

*5. If a system were adopted to where less than four teams from each district advanced to the playoffs, I would favor allowing the non-qualifying teams to schedule one additional game during those first two playoff weeks against another team that did not qualify for the playoffs.

- Yes
- No
- No preference

*6. In my role, I favor the following pairing system for the first rounds of the playoffs. Please keep in mind issues such as travel, rivalries, fan interest, etc.

- I prefer that the teams continue to be cross-bracketed, to where district opponents cannot meet until the second round, and the third round decides a champion of the region.
- I prefer to reduce travel by playing within the district for the first two rounds, with the third round matching winners from a "district tournament"