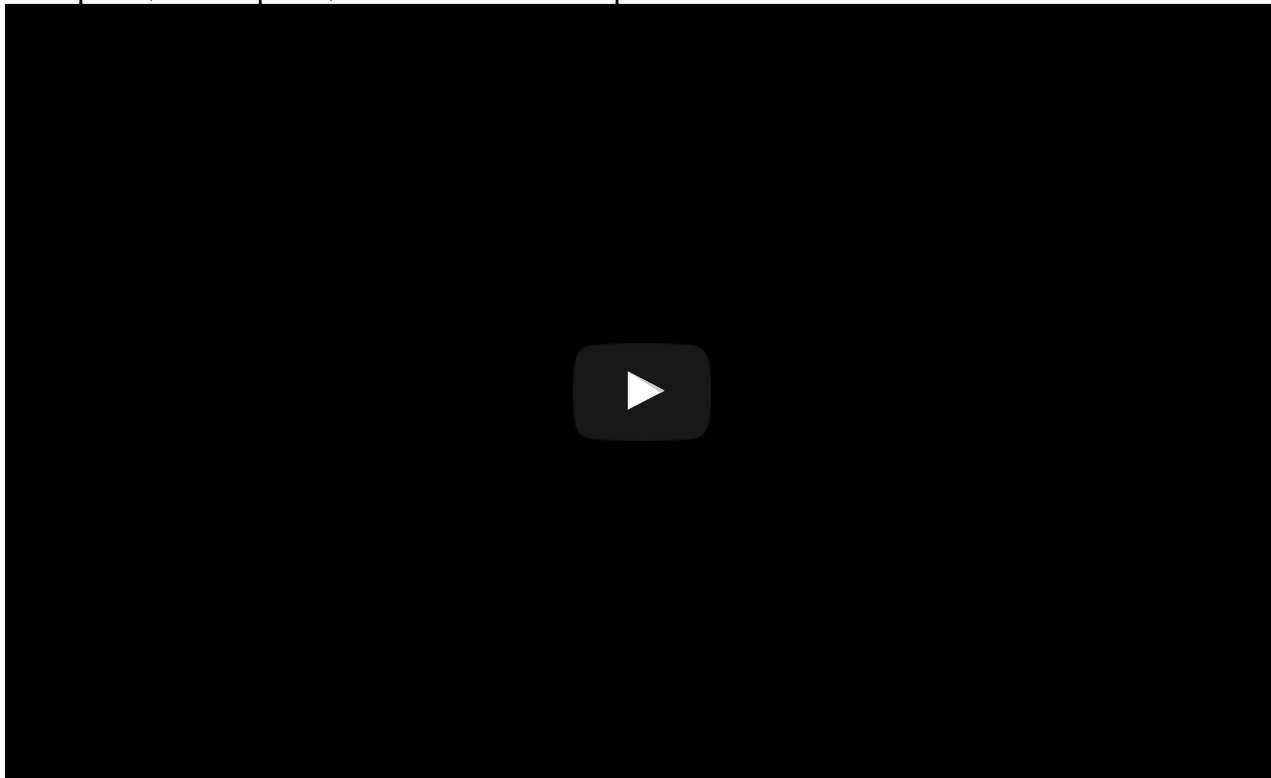




# Stateline Sports Network

## Competitive Balance-How Do You Like Me Now?

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(4-7-17) A lot of Stateline area fans were a little surprised yesterday to see the placements for the 2017 football season.

In the beginning of the Competitive Balance process OHSAA public schools wanted OHSAA private schools to be regulated due to their past success in most of the State tournaments to level the playing fields.

The OHSAA membership recently passed a plan after several earlier votes failed. Most experts will agree that this plan is one of the most complicated formulas in the US out of all the state associations to handle the public vs private issue. The plan is unique to many that are in place in other states because it puts all of the OHSAA member schools into the process.

The new plan places all five Mercer County MAC football schools into D VI, Coldwater, who was the State Runner-up in D V last season, moved down, while Ft. Recovery who had a successful tournament run is moved up to D VI. Those were the only two MAC schools who were moved, but it changes the playing field for the 2017 playoffs.

The movement will allow only one Mercer County school the opportunity to be a State Football Champion, last season Marion Local won the D VI title, Coldwater was the D V runner-up. In 2015, Coldwater took the D V title, Marion Local the D VI championship and Ft. Recovery won their first State title in D VII. That's one certainty from the changes.

### **MAC Football**

- Versailles – V
- Anna – V
- Coldwater – VI – down one division due to Competitive Balance
- Ft. Recovery – VI – up one division due to EMIS
- Marion Local – VI
- Parkway – VI
- St. Henry – VI
- Minster – VII
- New Bremen – VII
- Delphos St. Johns VII

This past football season in the WBL three schools tied for the conference championship, two of the three tri-champions were dropped a division. St. Marys dropped from D III to D IV (*one division down due to EMIS*) and Ottawa-Glandorf (*one division down due to EMIS*) dropped from D IV to D V.

Coldwater, St. Marys and O-G all had play-off seasons and they all end up dropping one division, hmmm, go figure.

The process includes many elements, one being the honesty of the school filling out the forms that determine the enrollment numbers. How do you get competitive balance in OHSAA football, put all of the MAC football powers into the same division.

- **How It's All Figured Out By The OHSAA**  
**(<http://www.ohsaa.org/Portals/0/SchoolResources/EnrollmentBusinessRulesEMIS.pdf>)**

EMIS Codes Used in Compiling the Data:

EMIS How Received Element (FS180)	Definition
*	Attending, resident student and resident district educating the student (district relationship = 1)
1	Attending, in-state, non-resident, tuition
3	Attending, in-state, non-resident, non-tuition, non-contract student (unauthorized student)
7	Attending, in-state, non-resident, grandparent
9	Attending, non-resident, open enrollment
A	Attending, non-resident, employee
C	Attending, foster care
P <sup>1</sup>	Attending, court-placed, excluding foster care and facilities defined by ORC §2151.65 or §2152.41
R	Attending, Jon Peterson Scholarship Program Participant
S	Attending, non-resident, Superintendent agreement
T	Attending, other institution enroll
W	Attending, Title I School Choice

- Moved up a Division due to Competitive Balance (CB)
- Moved up a Division due to EMIS (enrollment) numbers (or through a combination of EMIS plus CB)
- Moved up due to EMIS, down due to Competitive Balance (CB) but net result is same Division as 2016
- Moved down a Division due to Competitive Balance (CB)
- Moved down a Division due to EMIS (enrollment) numbers
- Moved down due to EMIS, up due to Competitive Balance (CB) but net result is same Division as 2016

EMIS Sent Reason Element (FS200 & FS230)	Definition
CT	Instructed elsewhere, Career Technical Education contract
JV	Instructed elsewhere, Joint Vocational School District Participant
PS	Instructed elsewhere, Post Secondary Enrollment Options
SE	Instructed elsewhere, Public District Providing Special Education (other cooperative)

It seems the MAC also took a competitive balance 'hit' in volleyball.

Five of the ten members changed divisions, four of the Mercer County MAC members are now in D IV, with Ft. Recovery Parkway and St. Henry moving down from Div III to join Marion Local in D IV.

So here is one move that puzzles many in all of these changes, Minster who went 3-6 in the MAC, 16-9 overall moves up one division from IV to D III, and is now in the same division as Versailles and Coldwater.

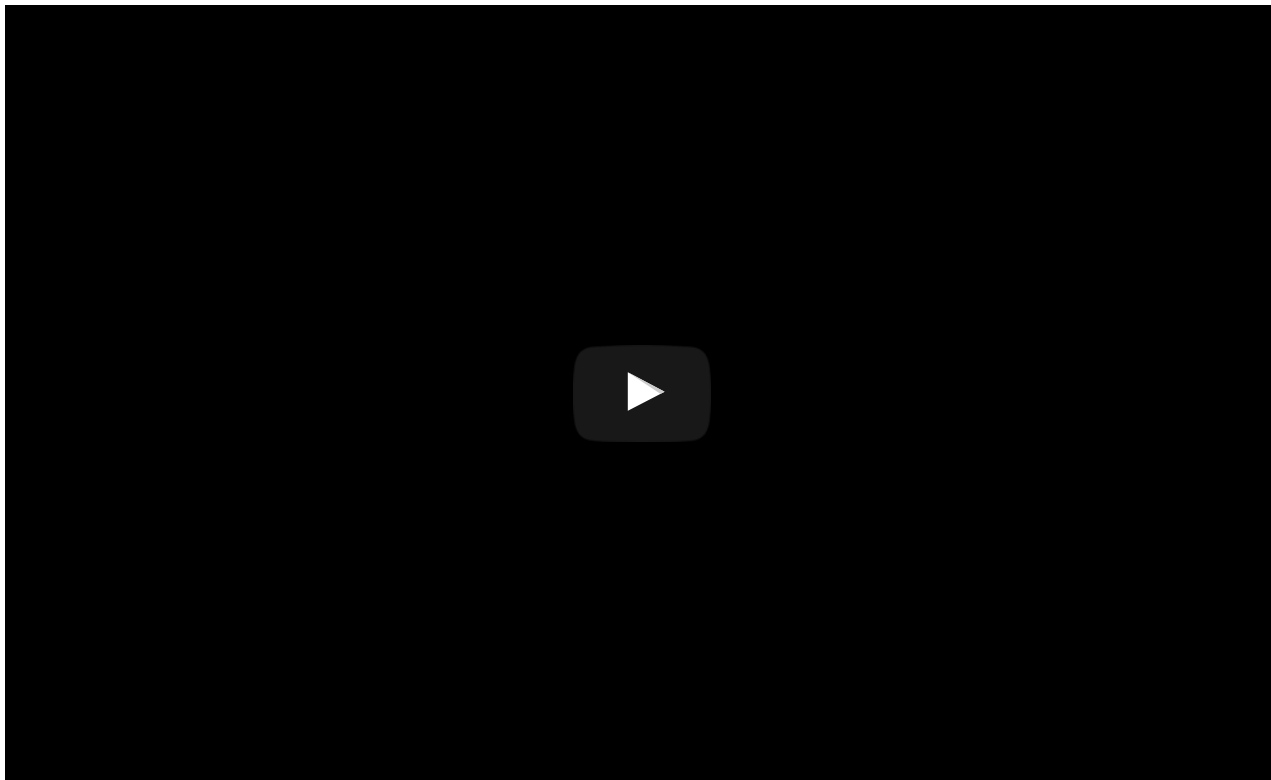
### MAC Volleyball

- Coldwater – III
- Versailles – III
- Minster – III – moves up due to EMIS
- Ft. Recovery – IV – moves down due to EMS
- Marion Local – IV
- Parkway – IV moves down 1 division due to Competitive Balance

- St. Henry – IV moves down 1 division due to EMIS (enrollment) numbers (or through a combination of EMIS plus CB)
- New Bremen IV
- New Knoxville IV
- Delphos St. Johns IV

Is the new Competitive Balance plan working? Who benefited from the change, Public or Private schools? Will changes and adjustments take place? Who wins and who loses with the changes? So is their a success factor mixed in this formula?

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