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Fwd: Update Regarding Golf Championships

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To: "Tackett, Julian" <jtackett@khsaa.org>

Sat, May 11, 2019 at 5:51 PM

Please see the response from our golf coach.

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From: Curtis, Jeremy <Jeremy.Curtis@53.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 11, 2019 10:00:05 AM
To: Tackett, Jeremy
Subject: RE: Update Regarding Golf Championships

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Have to go with Option 1. Having 5 players and taking best 4 scores is the only way to play team golf. It allows for illness, injury or an inadvertent disqualification.

The best option would be to start postseason a week earlier and add a semi-state. It would eliminate the teams or individuals who career it on regionals and in the past the eastern Kentucky qualifiers for state always finished at the bottom of the state tournament when other teams who could possibly contend for a state title were left out (ie North Oldham not going because they were with St X and Trinity). If there were 4 semi state competitions, more teams and individuals capable of competing for the team and individual title would be in Bowling Green.

Right now they want 144 players in Bowling Green, under the semi-state format 128 players (16 5-person teams and 48 individuals) meaning pace of play should be better because there were would be fewer players on the course. Each region would send 4 teams and 5 individuals to the semi-state where top 4 teams and 12 individuals would advance to the state competitions.

Jeremy

From: Tackett, Jeremy [mailto:jeremy.tackett@union.kyschools.us]
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2019 1:18 PM
To: CURTIS, JEREMY; Curtis, Jeremy
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Which option do you prefer?

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As you know from so many pieces of communication this year, the Board of Control has been examining the Golf Championships for the past year. As was detailed in the March summary post (<https://protect2.fireeye.com/url?k=5a1769e3-064b9dec-5a17437b-0cc47a33347c-491b788ceabeaf10&u=https://khsaa.org/031919-golf-realignment-and-format-status/>), this review was comprehensive, to say the least.

At its November meeting, the Board defined four basic parameters for the project in its discussion and decisions:

- There would not be an interleaving round added to change the number of schools who had an opportunity to advance to the state as had been discussed among a subset of golf coaches;
- The alignment for golf would be the same for boys and girls schools;
- The state championship would be capped at 144 golfers;
- The Association would continue to bring the winning and runner-up teams

In keeping with those objectives, in January, the decision was made and published to only bring four golfers to the state championship tournament for each qualifying team.

In February, the alignment was finalized and distributed along with the summary of the championship structure going forward.

Following this decision, the Board and the Association staff heard from some specific program parents and a minimal number of coaches with displeasure over the final product, including a couple of individuals who desired to address the Board at its May meeting. The Board held an open comment session before its May meeting and heard from two sets of individuals with concerns specific to the January decision regarding team composition.

After a review of that input, it was the direction of the Board President to place the item on the agenda for the July meeting for a final review before implementation in September of 2019. The Board will be asked to choose from two, and only two, alternatives going forward:

OPTION 1 (restore five-person team only bringing region winning team)

- Cap the field at 144 golfers with each region's winning team advancing and the best seven at-large players not on the region winning team also advancing;
- All 144 qualifying players eligible for the individual championship;
- Only the twelve region winning teams would be eligible to compete for the team championship;
- Each team competing for the team championship having five golfers participating and the top four scores counting for the team score;
- Each team competing for the team championship participating in both the first and second round with individual second round advancement based on adopted principles

OPTION 2 (affirm the February adoption)

- Cap the field at 144 golfers with each region's winning and runner-up team and the best four at-large players not on the region winning team;
- All 144 qualifying players would be eligible for the individual championship;
- Only the twelve region winning and runner-up teams would be eligible to compete for the team championship;
- Each team competing for the team championship having four golfers composing that team counting for the team score
- Each team competing for the team championship having its four competitors selected by the coach from those four or five that competed in the region tournament
- Determination of second-round advancement and play based on adopted principles

If you have feedback, feel free to reach out to the members of the Board or submit your notes to me by reply. Any feedback submitted to the office will be provided to the entire board.

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Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

"Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are," Coach John Wooden

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