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Topic

Attendance on Behalf of KHSAA

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**Meeting_Session
Attended**

NFHS Legal Meeting

General Commentary

I attended this years NFHS Legal Meeting (along with Commissioner Tackett and Associate Commissioner Cope) held in Indianapolis on April 11-12. This meeting continues to be a valuable opportunity to hear from other states (as well as share our experieinces) about various legal issues and developments from across the country. Of particular interst this year included the seeming national trend of fewer and fewer states doing any significant investigation work on transfer cases (as well as others). In regards to transfers, many states continue to relax their rules and have shorter periods of ineligibility. For example, New Jersey shared their new rule including a maximum 30 day period of ineligibility in many cases. There was also continued discussions on the issue of states adressing the issue of public versus private schools in their championships. Challenges have been made against states or associations that have recently attempted to separate these schools into separate championships and these challenges have often been successful. At the same time, states that long ago separated their championships do not seem to meet the same challenges or resistance. There were also updates on issues like NIL (the fact many states are playing catch up), Open Records, and sportsmanship.