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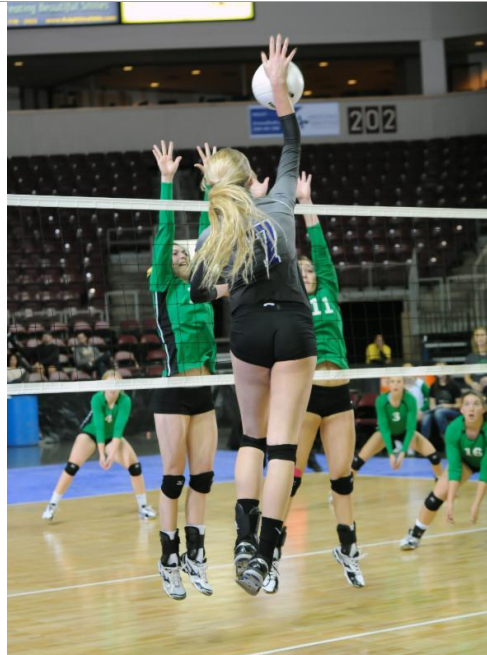
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Division V - Volleyball State Championship  
(Arizona Lutheran Academy vs. Glendale Prep Academy)



Division IV - Volleyball State Championship  
(Sedona Red Rock High School vs. Thatcher High School)



Division III - Volleyball State Championship  
(Monument Valley High School vs. Cactus High School)



Division II - Volleyball State Championship  
(Sunnyslope High School vs. Ironwood Ridge High School)



Division I - Volleyball State Championship  
(Desert Vista High School vs. Hamilton High School)



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## Fall Sports Championships

Congratulations to ALL Fall sports for a great season.

Special Congratulations to the State Champions and  
Runner-Ups:

### ***Badminton:***

#### ***Team***

Xavier College Preparatory  
Perry High School

#### ***Singles***

Karen Guo - Desert Vista  
Drishti Panse - Hamilton

#### ***Doubles***

Tara Garretson / Kristin McCann - Mountain Pointe  
Alexis Mee / Quindeel Kanwar - Chandler

### ***Division IV Boys Soccer:***

Chino Valley High School  
Blue Ridge High School

### ***Division IV Girls Soccer:***

Blue Ridge High School  
Northland Preparatory Academy

### ***Volleyball:***

#### ***Division I***

Desert Vista High School  
Hamilton High School

#### ***Division II***

Sunnyslope High School  
Ironwood Ridge High School

#### ***Division III***

Monument Valley High School  
Cactus High School

#### ***Division IV***

Thatcher High School

## Important Dates

### **2014-15 Executive Board Meetings**

December 8, 2014  
January 20, 2015  
February 17, 2015  
March 16, 2015  
April 20, 2015  
May 18, 2015

### **Hardship Appeals**

#### **Spring Sports:**

January 26-27, 2015  
(Deadline - Jan. 20th)

### **2014-15 AIA Observed Holidays**

November 27-28, 2014  
December 24, 2014 -  
January 2, 2015  
April 3, 2015  
May 25, 2015

## **Please Support Your Sponsors**



Sedona Red Rock High School

*Division V*

Arizona Lutheran Academy  
Glendale Preparatory Academy

**Football:**

*Division VI*

Mogollon High School  
Bagdad High School

We are looking forward to a great Winter season!

### Section Voting Now Open

The AIA section voting is now open for football, girls volleyball, fall soccer, and badminton. Coaches and/or Athletic Directors can access the voting by logging in at [admin.aiaonline.org](http://admin.aiaonline.org). Then click on "Recognition". The section voting includes all-section teams, section player of the year, and section coach of the year.

After the section voting has concluded, you can view the section voting results by going to [www.aia365.com](http://www.aia365.com), clicking on the sport, and clicking on recognition.

For complete information on the section and division voting process, click here. (click here linked to: <http://aiaonline.org/files/14621/section-division-recognition-voting-process.pdf>)

*Division voting will begin on Dec. 2.*

### AIA Coaches Certification

ATTENTION: Administrators

It has come to the attention of AIA staff that there may be some member school coaches that are not in compliance with the AIA Bylaws 17.1 and 17.1.2 (Coaching Certification). I have listed below the coaching requirements based on the bylaws mentioned above for



your review. AIA staff will be contacting those schools that appear to have coaches who are not in compliance. Please keep in mind that this information can be viewed by the public on [www.nfhslern.com](http://www.nfhslern.com) under "User Lookup".

Please call Ms. Staples at 602-385-3826 if you have any questions or concerns.

- Per the AIA Bylaws 17.1 and 17.1.2, any person who is hired as a coach (***paid or volunteer***) must take the following courses at [www.nfhslern.com](http://www.nfhslern.com):

1. Fundamentals of Coaching (one time)
2. Concussions Course (one time)

- If they are hired as a varsity head coach and do not have a valid Arizona Teaching Certificate or Arizona Coaching Certificate, they must take the following courses at [www.nfhslern.com](http://www.nfhslern.com) (or equivalent):

- (NOTE: Please refer to the Arizona Dept. of Education website for more information about the Arizona Teaching Certificate or Arizona Coaching Certificate).
1. Fundamentals of Coaching (6-8 hours) - \$35 (one time)
  2. Concussions Course (20 minutes) - FREE (one time)
  3. First Aid Course (30 minutes) - \$35 (must remain current)
  4. CPR (must be done in person through American Red Cross or equivalent provider) (must remain current)
  5. Sport specific course or Teaching Sport Skills if sport course is not offered (Varies) - \$50 (one time)

***\*\* NOTE: Anything beyond the above mentioned courses is at the discretion of the school and/or district.***

***Once a coach has completed the five above mentioned***



***courses then they are automatically certified as an Accredited Interscholastic Coach with the NFHS at no charge. In the past, it would have cost the coach \$10 to apply for this accreditation.***

- All of the online courses are set up to stop at any time and when they log back in it will remember where they left off. There are questions at the end of each session for them to answer in order to proceed to the next session. I have listed approx. time frames for these courses but it depends on the individual. They will be able to print a certificate of completion after each course and they will need to supply a copy of their certificates to the Athletic Director.
- Also, the student athletes need to take the Brainbook Concussion course only one time during their high school participation.

### **Division/Sections/Scheduling Update**

On Monday, Jan. 20, 2015, the AIA Executive Board will be presented with the final division placement. Upon approval the initial divisions will be posted online by Noon on Tuesday, Jan. 21st. under the Top Story section of [www.aiaonline.org](http://www.aiaonline.org).

Member schools may appeal their division placement, up or down, but must submit their appeal no later than 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 28th. The division appeal form can be [downloaded here](#).

The division appeals will be heard the week of February 3- February 10th, and a complete schedule as to when and what sports will be heard, as well as the overall placement appeals committee, will be posted online by Thursday January 29th.

Past year history can be found at the rankings page of [www.aia365.com](http://www.aia365.com) for purposes of your appeal. To access, select a different season of sport in the year

drop down to switch to the prior years within the rankings page.

The complete timeline for the division/section/computer scheduling process can be [downloaded here](#).

**RefPay - FUNDING FOR FALL - THE TIME IS NOW!**

**ATTENTION** Administrators

- Please fund school's RefPay activity well in advance of payment request for Officials.
- **Invoices are by email REQUEST ONLY. Invoices are not automatically sent.**
- Please monitor the balance and coming activity for RefPay.
- PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL OFFICIALS GAMES FEES COMES FROM THE SAME REFPAY BUCKET. FUND ACCORDINGLY!
- It takes approximately 48-72 hours for funds to become available after check is received by the AIA.
- All Athletic Directors have log-in access to RefPay.com to view their school's RefPay activity.
- Should assistance be needed with this process please contact Denise Doser, Director of Accounting, via email or phone: 602.385.3819.

***RefPay/Arbiter Reminders:***

- Change in AD at school? - contact Denise
- Password Reset? - contact Denise
- Security Questions after login - All answers are lower case: **aia** (do not attempt to change this).
- This is read only access - No transactions can be made by schools.
- All RefPay requests must come through the AIA; Schools are not to contact RefPay directly.



## Seasonal Service Charges - Pending Invoice (Nov/Dec)

### **ATTENTION** Administrators

*As shared with Athletic Directors and other attendees in the AIA Policies & Procedures Fiscal In-Services please note the following:*

The Fall Service Charges/Entry Fees for Spiritline, Badminton, Cross Country, Golf, Game Change Fees, School Assigning Fees (all that are listed on the 2014-15 AIA Service Charge Grid) **will be invoiced to the school seasonally.**

Each service charge or entry fee incurred will be listed on the Fall invoice, then Winter, then Spring; issued at the conclusion of each season, thereby creating one invoice per school per season for the accrued charges.

Individual invoices for each service charge or entry fee will not be issued.

These entry fees do not need to be paid in advance of the event.

**If school or district protocol requires, Purchase Orders may be put in place either individually or blanket for service charges incurred.**

## Service Charge Grid

### **ATTENTION: Administrators and Coaches,**

Now available in your school login is the service charge grid that shows when a charge is applied and to what sports, as well as the schedule lock out date by sport season. You will find this on your dashboard upon logging in at [admin.aiaonline.org](http://admin.aiaonline.org).

It is also available at the following link: [Service Charge Grid](#)

### **Emergency Legislation - Approved by the AIA Executive Board**

**ATTENTION: Administrators and Coaches,**

<b>8-1-14</b>	15.14	Hardship
<b>8-18-14</b>	15.7	Physical Exam Rule
<b>8-18-14</b>	23/5	Football - Number of Games in Season
<b>9-10-14</b>	25.2.5	Soccer - Contact Rule / Heading Training

### **Arizona Super Bowl Host Committee Grant**

**ATTENTION: Administrators and Coaches,**

The AIA is proud to be working with the Barrow Neurological Foundation as one of the recipients of the Arizona Super Bowl Host Committee grants.

Please click on the link below to view the press release:

[AZSBHC Grant Funding Recipients News Release](#)

### **AIA Robotics State Championship- May 23, 2015**

**ATTENTION: Administrators and Coaches,**

The AIA is excited to announce the inaugural AIA Robotics State Championship powered by FIRST on May 23, 2015 at the Prescott Valley Events Center (formerly Tim's Toyota Center).

Please click on the link below for more details:

<http://aia365.com/articles/4644/get-ready-arizona-robotics-is-coming>

### **AIA Complimentary Passes**

### **ATTENTION: Administrators,**

An email was sent the week of July 22nd to all Schools and Districts regarding the procedure to request your 2014-2015 AIA Complimentary Passes. Please contact Robyn Bingham at [rmbingham@aiaonline.org](mailto:rmbingham@aiaonline.org) if you are in need of those instructions again.

If you have already entered your pass requests and have not emailed Robyn to notify her you are ready to print, please do so. Passes cannot go to print until that email is received by Robyn. Robyn will notify you when they are approved and going to print.

### **SMAC Update**

#### **ATTENTION Administrators and Coaches**

The AIA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee has been working diligently over the past few months on the following items:

- [AIA Neck Strengthening Training for Coaches and Parents Video](#)
- Proposed amendment to the Soccer Bylaw 25.2 from the Soccer SAC and SMAC: ***(Approved by the AIA Executive Board contingent on the SMAC's approval at their September meeting)***
  - **Soccer - Season of Sport - Contact Rule/Concussions/Heading training**

Due to the severity of concussions and both number of concussions in soccer and the long-term consequences of concussions the following amendment is being proposed.

#### **25.2 SEASON OF SPORT**

**25.2.4 Pre-Competition Practice** - Practice shall be conducted in a manner consistent with the guidelines set forth in Bylaw 14.17.2 - Heat Acclimatization Protocol, where applicable.

**25.2.5 Contact Rule/ Heading Training** - Definition of Contact/Heading Training - Specific activities wherein the student-athlete(s) actively heads the ball consistently as a manner of technical training. Contact/Heading during the course of simulated match activities does not constitute specific heading training. (i.e. heading a ball from a cross, heading a punted ball during a simulated game, etc.)

**Pre-season** - During the preseason, no more than 15 minutes of practice time each day with no more than two training sessions each week may include specific heading activities.

**Regular Season** - During the regular season, no more than 15 minutes of practice time each day and no more than 2 practices each week may include specific heading activities.

### **Sanctioning Process Q & A**

**ATTENTION** Administrators and Coaches

Please review the link below regarding sanctioning an AIA event which can be found on the scrolling marquee on the AIA website:

[Sanctioning Process Q & A](#)

If you have any questions regarding the sanctioning process please contact Ms. Michele Staples at [mstaples@aiaonline.org](mailto:mstaples@aiaonline.org)

### **Anyone Can Save A Life - Emergency Action Plan**

**ATTENTION** Administrators

An AIA member school **must have** an Emergency Action Plan in place in order to host a post season tournament. It takes only a few minutes to complete the online Anyone Can Save A Life Emergency Action Plan.

Once completed, you will receive a copy of your EAP along with the AIA office via email. A list of member schools that have completed the EAP can be found on the AIA Academy website.

[Anyone Can Save A Life - Emergency Action Plan](#)

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## Barrow Concussion Network FAQ

Attention Athletic Directors - Please click on the link to view the Barrow Concussion Network FAQ:

[Barrow Concussion Network FAQ](#)

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### **2014-15 Quick Glance Calendar / Sports Timeline**

Please click on the link below to view the AIA Quick Glance Calendar.

[2014-15 Quick Glance Calendar](#)