Division Appeals for the 2013-2015 Two Year Block
Deadline: Oct. 31, 2012 at 2 p.m.

In accordance with AIA Bylaw 8.1.11.1, a school may appeal their division placement, by sport, and by gender, either up or down from the initial division placement.

The following information should be provided when appealing division placement either up or down by sport and by gender. Please use the cover sheet on the following page, and please provide all requested information in writing to the AIA Office to appeal division placement, with the deadline for submission of Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2012 at 2 p.m. The form must come from an administrator at the school.

Please use one form per sport/gender.

All requests for division appeals should be submitted to Brian Bolitho, Director of Business Media, by email at bbolitho@aiaonline.org. You may also fax to the Attention of Brian Bolitho at 602-385-3779. The packet will then be sent to the respective sport advisory committee via the state tournament coordinator for review and action.

8.1.11.1 The Placement Appeals Committee or the appropriate Sports Advisory Committee will review, consider and decide a school's appeal, with the Executive Board hearing any appeal of the Sports Advisory Committee findings. The appealing school may utilize as a general guideline, where applicable, the following criteria:

8.1.11.1.1 Number and level (freshman, junior varsity and varsity) of athletic and activity programs;
8.1.11.1.2 Student enrollment, including previous four (4) school years;
8.1.11.1.3 Geography/loss of school time;
8.1.11.1.4 Makeup of student population, including but not limited to, how many students are on free or reduced lunch and/or received financial tuition assistance;
8.1.11.1.5 Competitive history over last three (3) school years in the appealing sport, at all levels, e.g. has the school been in the bottom eight of final season power rankings for the past three (3) years;
8.1.11.1.6 Record of cancellation of games and/or sports at all levels over last four (4) school years;
8.1.11.1.7 Location of school, if it is in a rural or metro population center;
8.1.11.1.8 Any other information considered significant by the appealing school or the Executive Board.

8.1.11.2 A school's appeal shall be submitted in writing, and procedures for appeals shall be determined by, the Executive Board. A calendar for the process will be posted by August 15 of each reclassification and scheduling year.

8.1.11.3 The burden of providing evidence in support of the appeal is on the appealing school. The weight given to any particular criteria is in the sole discretion of the Sports Advisory Committees and the Executive Board.

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Attention: Brian Bolitho, Director of Business Media, AIA
Subject: Division Placement Appeal for 2013-2015

Date: _____

School: _____

Person (must be an administrator) Submitting: _____

Title (must be an administrator) Submitting: _____

Sport: _____

Gender: _____

Division Appealing From: _____

Division Appealing To: _____

Please provide the narrative and support documentation along with this cover letter.

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