## Conference/Region/Scheduling Timeline

**2022-2024 Two Year Block**  
**Subject to Change**  
**June 15, 2021 – Initial Posting**  
**Sept. 29, 2021 – Swim Classification Update**

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<td><strong>For All Sports, Excluding Football</strong></td>
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<td>Oct. 12, 2021</td>
<td>1A-2A-3A Conferences Meet at AIA to set Initial Conference Placements</td>
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<td>Initial Conference Placements (1A-6A) posted online by 4 p.m.</td>
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<td>Oct. 19, 2021</td>
<td>Deadline for Member Schools to Appeal Conference Placement. Form 8.1</td>
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<td>Conference Placement Appeal Form, <a href="http://www.aiaonline.org/about/forms">www.aiaonline.org/about/forms</a></td>
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<td>Oct. 21, 2021 to Oct. 25, 2021</td>
<td>Conference Committees meet to review conference appeals and set regions</td>
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<td>• All conferences set their region alignments which would filter into the respective sports.</td>
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<td>o 3A responsible for winter soccer</td>
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<td>o 4A, 5A and 6A responsible for boys volleyball</td>
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<td>Oct. 25, 2021</td>
<td>Updated Conference, Region, Division and Section Placements posted online</td>
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<td>Nov. 1, 2021</td>
<td>Deadline for Member Schools to appeal the Conference Committee decision on conference placement to the AIA Executive Board and to appeal Region placement, form 8.2, to the Conference Committee. <a href="http://www.aiaonline.org/about/forms">www.aiaonline.org/about/forms</a></td>
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<td>Nov. 3, 2021 to Nov. 5, 2021</td>
<td>Conference Committees meet to review region appeals</td>
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<td>Nov. 9, 2021</td>
<td>Deadline for member schools to appeal the Conference Committee decision on region, division and section placement to the AIA Executive Board.</td>
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<td>Nov. 15, 2021</td>
<td><strong>AIA Executive Board Meeting</strong></td>
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<td>• Conference &amp; Region appeals heard by the Board</td>
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<td>• Conferences and Regions finalized</td>
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<td>Nov. 16, 2021</td>
<td>Final Conference and Region Placements Posted</td>
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<td><strong>SCHEDULING CREATION FOR CONFERENCES, Excluding Football</strong></td>
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<td>Nov. 23, 2021 to Dec. 14, 2021</td>
<td>Conference Committees meet to generate individual sport schedules</td>
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<td>Jan. 11, 2022</td>
<td>Deadline for Individual Sport Schedules to be posted online. Individual Sports Schedules must be complete and available to schools prior to creating Team Sport Schedules.</td>
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<td>Jan. 13, 2022 to Feb. 24, 2022</td>
<td>Conference Committees meet to generate team sport schedules</td>
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<td>March 8, 2022</td>
<td>Member schools have access to all sports schedules (excluding 11-man football) within their admin with the ability to change dates/times/locations</td>
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<td>Dec. 11, 2021</td>
<td>Championship Football Games Conclude</td>
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<td>Dec. 16, 2021</td>
<td>Football Committee Meets to Review Initial Conference Placements</td>
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<td>Dec. 17, 2021</td>
<td>Initial Football Conferences Posted online by 4 p.m.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dec. 21, 2021</td>
<td>Deadline for Member Schools to Appeal Football Conference Placement to the AIA Executive Board. Form 8.3 Football Conference Appeal Form, <a href="http://www.aiaonline.org/about/forms">www.aiaonline.org/about/forms</a></td>
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<td>Jan. 18, 2022</td>
<td><strong>AIA Executive Board Meeting</strong></td>
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<td>• Football Conference appeals heard by the Board</td>
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<td>Jan. 18, 2022</td>
<td>Final Football Conference Placements Posted. Conferences to set regions</td>
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<td>Jan. 25, 2022</td>
<td>Deadline to post Region Alignments for the Conferences</td>
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<td>Feb. 8, 2022</td>
<td>Deadline to appeal Region placement to Executive Board</td>
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<td>• Football Region appeals heard by the Board</td>
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<td>Feb. 23, 2022 to March 11, 2022</td>
<td>Conference Committees can meet to generate schedules for Football</td>
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<td>March 17, 2022</td>
<td>Football schedules posted</td>
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**Note:** Subject to Change
2022-2024 Individual Sports Classifications

Badminton, Beach Volleyball, Cross Country, Golf, Spiritline, Swim/Dive, Tennis, Track, Wrestling

1. Badminton – Division I – II
   a. Division I – 6A schools
   b. Division II – All remaining schools

2. Beach Volleyball – Division I – II
   a. Division I – 6A and 5A schools
   b. Division II – All remaining schools

3. Cross Country – Divisions I – IV
   a. Division I – 6A schools
   b. Division II – 5A schools and top 17 4A schools based on enrollment
   c. Division III – All remaining 4A school and 3A schools
   d. Division IV – 2A and 1A schools

   a. Division I – 6A schools and top 15 5A schools by enrollment
   b. Division II – All remaining schools
   c. Division III – Spring – 3A/2A/1A schools

5. Girls Golf – Division I – II
   a. Division I – 6A schools
   b. Division II – All remaining schools

6. Spiritline – Divisions I – IV
   a. Division I – Enrollment 2,075 and up
   b. Division II – Enrollment between 1,500 and 2,074
   c. Division III – Enrollment between 600 and 1,499
   d. Division IV – Enrollment less than 599

   **Note:** Exceptions for placement outside of enrollment may be made by the AIA Spiritline Advisory Committee on initial placements

7. Swim / Dive – Divisions I – III
   a. Division I – top 30% of schools / (32 individual qualifiers, 24 relays)
   b. Division II – next 30% of schools / (32 individual qualifiers, 24 relays)
   c. Division III – lowest 40% of schools / (24 individual qualifiers, 24 relays)
8. Tennis – Divisions I – III
   a. Division I – 6A schools and top 20 5A schools by enrollment
   b. Division II – Remaining 5A schools and 4A schools
   c. Division III – 3A/2A/1A schools

9. Track & Field – Divisions I – IV
   a. Division I – 6A schools
   b. Division II – 5A schools and top 17 4A schools by enrollment
   c. Division III – Remaining 4A schools and 3A schools
   d. Division IV – 2A and 1A schools

10. Wrestling – Divisions I – IV
    a. Division I – The first 48 schools based on enrollment
    b. Division II – The next 48 schools based on enrollment
    c. Division III – The next 52 schools based on enrollment
    d. Division IV – Remaining schools based on enrollment
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Conference Scheduling Information:

- Conferences will be responsible for entering in the schedules and will be provided with a complete How-To-Guide prior to scheduling beginning.
- Conferences will determine when they are ready to release schedules to the member schools within their conference.

Two Year Schedules:

- Conferences will have the ability to create schedules for both years of the two year block.
- If the conference chooses to only work on year one, they may do that, but would then have to go back and enter in year two separately. Schedules will not be flipped by the computer for year two.
- Conferences may release schedules for both years of the two year block if they so choose to
  - Conferences can release year one schedules and still keep year two schedules from being released until they are ready to release year two schedules

Member School Access:

Upon release of schedules by sport by the respective conference, the member school in that conference would then have access to their schedule.

The member school may do the following:

- Add additional games (if under the max)
- Change date, time or location of a game with mutual consent

Member schools will be responsible for ensuring they stay under the max number of games by sport.
- For example, the max number of games allowed in the AIA system for girls volleyball is 20, which could include:
  - 17 games and three (3) invitational tournaments
  - 18 games and two (2) invitational tournaments
  - 19 games and one (1) invitational tournament
  - 20 games and no invitational tournaments
- As you add games or are added to an invitational tournament, the admin will keep track of that allowing you complete control up until the max
- If you have reached the max, the admin will not allow you to add any more regular season games or be added to any additional invitational tournaments. Exceeding the max requires Executive Board approval.

Dropping Programs:
- If a school drops a program (Freshman, JV, Varsity, or All) during any time of the two year block, that program will be removed from competition for the two year block.
  - The school must then request the program to be brought back and be responsible for its own scheduling.
Cancelling Games Created by the School:

- Member schools have control to cancel a game (which may involve multiple games at multiple levels over multiple seasons) for which they created in their admin as long as there is mutual consent
  - This is important for out of state games and games vs. associate member schools of which do not need mutual consent, but would be automatically removed.

Cancelling a Game Created by the Conference:

- Consent to cancel is needed at all levels of competition, Freshman, JV and Varsity
- Member schools cannot cancel a game without first submitting an electronic request:
  - Step 1: School makes request to cancel game or contract (which may involve multiple games at multiple levels over multiple seasons) and selects from a drop down (not enough eligible players, travel concern, team in tournament, other) their reason with mandatory field to add comments in a type box.
  - Step 2: Opposing school receives request and may accept or deny (with comments as to why denied). If this game involves an out of state or associate member school, this step would be bypassed and go direct to Step 3).
    - If request is denied, the request is removed and the school must fill out paperwork if still seeking a cancellation, that would be subject to Board approval and fine as outlined in AIA Bylaw 11.4.
    - If school accepted, see Step 3
  - Step 3: Conference is notified and has the ability to accept or deny (with comments as to why denied).
    - If request is denied, the request is removed and the school must fill out paperwork if still seeking a cancellation, that would be subject to Board approval and fine as outlined in AIA Bylaw 11.4.
    - If conference accepted and it is prior to the lock out date for that schedule, the game would be removed
    - If conference accepted and it is after the lock out date for that schedule, see Step 4
  - Step 4: AIA receives complete game cancellation report and the AIA office removes the game

Schedule Lock within Six Week Window:

Schools needing to make a change within the six week window should notify their Area Commissioner or the Officials department.