

Section VIII Sports Seasons 2016-2017

(Approved January 14, 2016)

HIGH SCHOOL:

Fall:

Football - Monday, August 15, 2016 – Sunday, November 27, 2016
Cheerleading - August 15, 2016 – Sunday, November 27, 2016
Soccer – Monday, August 22, 2016 – Sunday, November 20, 2016
Volleyball - Monday, August 22, 2016 – Sunday, November 20, 2016
Field Hockey - Monday, August 22, 2016 – Sunday, November 20, 2016
Cross Country - Monday, August 22, 2016 – Sunday, November 20, 2016
G Swimming/Diving – Monday, August 22, 2016 – Sunday, November 20, 2016
B Badminton – Tuesday, September 6, 2016 – Sunday, November 13, 2016
G Tennis – Monday, August 22, 2016 – Tuesday, November 1, 2016
Golf – Monday, August 22, 2016 – Sunday, November 13, 2016

Winter:

B/G Fencing – Monday, November 7, 2016 – Sunday, February 12, 2017
Wrestling – Monday, November 7, 2016 – Sunday, March 5, 2017
Cheerleading - Monday, November 7, 2016 – Monday, March 20, 2017
B Swimming/Diving - Monday, November 14, 2016 – Sunday, March 5, 2017
Gymnastics - Monday, November 14, 2016 – Sunday, March 5, 2017
B/G Winter Track - Monday, November 14, 2016 – Monday, March 6, 2017
B/G Bowling - Monday, November 14, 2016 – Monday, March 6, 2017
B/G Basketball – Monday, November 14, 2016 – Monday, March 20, 2017
Rifle – Monday, November 14, 2016 – Monday, March 6, 2017

Spring:

B/G Lacrosse– Monday, March 6, 2017 – Sunday, June 11, 2017
Baseball - Monday, March 6, 2017 – Sunday, June 11, 2017
Softball - Monday, March 6, 2017 – Sunday, June 11, 2017
B/G Track - Monday, March 6, 2017 – Sunday, June 11, 2017
B Tennis - Monday, March 13, 2017 – Sunday, June 4, 2017
B/G Golf – Monday, March 13, 2017 – Monday, June 5, 2017
G Badminton – Monday March 13, 2017 – Sunday, May 28, 2017

MODIFIED PROGRAM:

Fall:

Tuesday, September 6, 2016 – Saturday, October 29, 2016 (36 school days + 7 Saturdays)

Winter I: (Did not count Election Day)

Wednesday, November 2, 2016 – Wednesday, January 11, 2017 (42 school days)

Winter II: (Did not count 5 days for school break)

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 – Friday, March 17, 2017 (39 school days) Make up dates:
Monday, March 20, 2017 – Wednesday, March 23, 2017

Spring:

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 – Thursday, June 1, 2017 (47 days)

HOLY DAYS OF OBSERVANCE 2016-2017

No contest or interschool scrimmage may be scheduled in Section VIII by a member school on the following dates:

*Monday & Tuesday, October 3 and 4, 2016	Rosh Hashanah
*Wednesday, October 12, 2016	Yom Kippur
Saturday & Sunday, December 24-25, 2016	Christmas Eve/Day
*Tuesday, April 11, 2017	First Day of Passover
Friday, April 14, 2017	Good Friday
Sunday, April 16, 2017	Easter Sunday

**Indicates student-athletes must be able to be home by 6:00 PM on the day preceding this date.*

ANTICIPATED TESTING DAYS 2016-2017

ACT DATES

September 10, 2016
October 22, 2016
December 10, 2016
February 11, 2017*
April 8, 2017
June 10, 2017

**No testing dates in NY scheduled*

Anticipated SAT Test Date

October 1, 2016
November 5, 2016
December 3, 2016
January 28, 2017
March 11, 2017
May 6, 2017
June 3, 2017

Anticipated Midterms and Regents - January 24 – 27, 2017.

SIGNIFICANT DAYS 2016-2017

Monday, September 5	Labor Day
Sunday, September 11*	Patriot Day
Monday, October 10	Columbus Day
Tuesday, November 8	Election Day
Friday, November 11	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 24	Thanksgiving Day
Monday, January 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, February 13	Presidents Day
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day

Labor Day may count as a required practice day to achieve the minimum practice days required prior to the start of scrimmages and contests for fall season sports.

**In recognition of those who perished on September 11, 2001 in the tragedy of the World Trade Center, it is recommended that each school playing on this day provide a moment of silence in memory and tribute. Thanksgiving Day may not count as a required practice day to achieve the minimum practice days required prior to the start of scrimmages and contests for winter season sports.*

CONFERENCES

November 16-19, 2016
December 9-13, 2016
March 15-17, 2017

COA/NYSAHPERD Conference
NIAAA/NFHS Conference
NYSAAA Conference

Turning Stone
Nashville, TN
Saratoga Springs, NY