

CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Football Proposal

2010-2014

Overview

- The current structure of pre-determined brackets for football is basically not working.
- We have had some schools in the past couple of years with outstanding records who did not make the playoffs. Examples include Rocklin (8-2) and Roseville (8-2) in 2007; Manteca (8-2) and Turlock (8-2) in 2008.
- This past year, we had a 2-8 team and a 3-7 team make the playoffs.
- Our current playoff structure is based largely on geographic location of schools for most divisions.
- Currently, each league gets two spots, and, where necessary, thirds are added to fill out the bracket.

Overview

- A major problem with pre-determined brackets is that many times the perceived two best teams are not in opposite brackets.
- This seems to be occurring more frequently in the last three years.
- The Section staff believes there is a need to expand the football brackets, so that the number of entries is comparable to other sports.
- The new plan incorporates the following: expansion of football brackets; automatic entries for first and second place teams; a new system of determining at-large entries; and a method to seed the entrants. Some components of the plan are utilized in the state of Illinois.

The Plan

- There will be four brackets of 16 teams and two brackets of 6 teams (76 total teams).
- Divisions I-IV will be 16-team brackets.
- Divisions V-VI will be 6-team brackets.

Makeup of Divisions

- Divisions I and II will be comprised of teams from the following 10 leagues: DRL, DVC, MEL, CCC, MMC, SJAA, TCAL, CVC, Metro and SFL.
- Divisions III and IV will be comprised of teams from the following 10 leagues: CAL, PVL, SCAC, TCC, SVC, VOL, WAC, GEL, MLL and TVL.
- Divisions V and VI will be comprised of teams from the following 4 leagues: New League, SL, SMAL and HCL.

Selection of Teams

Divisions I and II

- There are 20 automatic qualifiers.
 - ✓ The 10 league champions and the 10 runners-up.
- There are 12 at-large qualifiers.

Selection of Teams

Divisions III and IV

- There are 20 automatic qualifiers.
 - ✓ The 10 league champions and the 10 runners-up.
- There are 12 at-large qualifiers.

Selection of Teams

Divisions V and VI

- There are 8 automatic qualifiers.
 - ✓ The 4 league champions and the 4 runners-up.
- There are 4 at-large qualifiers.

Determining At-Large Qualifiers

All Divisions

- At-large teams will be selected solely on the basis of regular season victories.
 - ✓ However, a team must win at least two leagues games to be considered.
- If 4 or less teams are tied for the final spot(s) and all played each other, the 13-point system will be used.
- If 5 or more teams are tied for the final spot(s) or 4 or less (that did not play each other) are tied, the following will be used to break the ties:
 - ✓ Combined wins of all opponents

If 2 Teams are Tied for Last Spot

- 1 – Head-to-head (if the two played each other) will break the tie.
- 2 – Combined wins of all defeated opponents.
- 3 – If all of the above do not eliminate all ties, Calpreps rankings (as compiled at the time of the seeding process) will be used.

Note: This is used if both teams had the same number of wins and the combined wins of all opponents were the same.

If 3 or More Teams are Tied for the Remaining Spots

- 1 – Head-to-head (if all played each other) will break the tie.
- 2 – Combined wins of all defeated opponents.
- 3 – If at any point in time, there are two teams vying for the last spot, we revert back to the previous slide (If 2 Teams are Tied for the Last Spot).
- 4 – If all of the above do not eliminate all ties, Calpreps rankings (as compiled at the time of the seeding process) will be used.

Note: This is used if all teams had the same number of wins and the combined wins of all opponents were the same.

Determining Divisions

Divisions I and II

- 32 qualifiers have been determined (20 automatic qualifiers plus the 12 at-large teams).
- The largest 16 schools (based on the previous year's CBEDS enrollment) will be placed in Division I.
- The remaining 16 schools will be Division II.

Determining Divisions

Divisions III and IV

- 32 qualifiers have been determined (20 automatic qualifiers plus the 12 at-large teams).
- The largest 16 schools (based on the previous year's CBEDS enrollment) will be placed in Division III.
- The remaining 16 schools will be Division IV.

Determining Divisions

Divisions V and VI

- 12 qualifiers have been determined (8 automatic qualifiers plus the 4 at-large teams).
- The largest 6 schools (based on the previous year's CBEDS enrollment) will be placed in Division V.
- The remaining 6 schools will be Division VI.

Seeding the Tournament

- Schools will be listed in order by number of wins, regardless of league finish (i.e., Granite Bay/Roseville).
- If two or more teams are tied for a particular seed, the following criteria are applied, in this order:
 - 1 – Head-to-head (if exactly two teams are tied)
 - 2 – League standing
 - 3 – Combined wins of all opponents
 - 4 – Calpreps rankings

Bracketing the Tournament

- After all teams are listed 1 to 16 (1 to 6 in Divisions V and VI), the Section staff may move teams in the bracket utilizing the following criteria:
 - ✓ Move a team two spots maximum up or down within the lower half of the tournament bracket to separate first round opponents from the same league.
 - ✓ Move a team two spots maximum up or down within the tournament bracket to correct a serious injustice in the seeding.
 - ✓ If two teams from the same league are in the upper half of the tournament bracket, the Section staff may move the lower of the two teams one spot up or down to separate the two teams into opposite brackets to correct a serious seeding injustice.
 - ✓ In the first round only, if an outright league champion is seeded in the bottom half of the bracket, it will host if its opponent is not a league champion or co-champion.
 - ✓ If travel exceeds 150 miles roundtrip in any first-round games involving 1 vs. 16, 2 vs. 15, 3 vs. 14 or 4 vs. 13, the Section staff has the authority to move teams 13 through 16 to relieve the travel burden.

Selection Review

Process for Divisions I-IV

- 1 – Pick the 20 automatic qualifiers
 - For Divisions V-VI, pick 8 automatic qualifiers
- 2 – Pick the 12 at-large qualifiers
 - For Divisions V-VI, pick 4 at-large qualifiers
 - ✓ Note: An asterisk denotes one of the automatic qualifiers
 - ✓ Note: A double asterisk denotes a team that did not qualify due to combined wins of all opponents.
- 3 - Determine the divisions by enrollment
- 4 – Seed the tournament
- 5 – Bracket the tournament

Division I and II

Qualifying Teams

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll	School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Grant	10	1*	53	2158	• Burbank	7	2*	46	2390
• Merced	9	1*	50	2563	• Los Banos	6	2*	51	2398
• Napa	9	1*	49	2678	• Grace Davis	5	2*	49	2791
• Lincoln-S	9	1*	44	2638	• Turlock	8	3	46	2287
• St. Mary's	8	1*	60	1166	• Pitman	7	4	54	2200
• Pleasant Grove	8	1*	52	2086	• Ponderosa	7	3	52	1985
• Roseville	7	1*	54	2131	• Rosemont	7	3	42	1986
• Laguna Creek	7	1*	46	2338	• Elk Grove	6	4	53	2028
• Johansen	7	1*	40	2533	• Fairfield	6	3	53	1943
• Oak Ridge	5	1*	60	2182	• Lodi	6	4	44	2186
• Granite Bay	9	2*	50	2099	• West	5	3	65	3123
• Nevada Union	9	2*	39	2482	• Woodcreek	5	3	64	2057
• Folsom	9	2*	36	2402	• Chavez	5	3	52	3413
• Christian Brothers	8	2*	42	1049	• Jesuit	5	4	49	2160
• Vacaville	7	2*	56	2132	• Galt	5	4	45	2263
• McNair	7	2*	48	2824	-----				
• Tracy	7	2*	47	2662	• **Enochs	5	3	44	2535

Division I and II

By Enrollment

Division I

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Chavez	5	3	52	3413
• West	5	3	65	3123
• McNair	7	2*	48	2824
• Grace Davis	5	2*	49	2791
• Napa	9	1*	49	2678
• Tracy	7	2*	47	2662
• Lincoln-S	9	1*	44	2638
• Merced	9	1*	50	2563
• Johansen	7	1*	40	2533
• Nevada Union	9	2*	39	2482
• Folsom	9	2*	36	2402
• Los Banos	6	2*	51	2398
• Burbank	7	2*	46	2390
• Laguna Creek	7	1*	46	2338
• Turlock	8	3	46	2287
• Galt	5	4	45	2263

Division II

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Pitman	7	4	54	2200
• Lodi	6	4	44	2186
• Oak Ridge	5	1*	60	2182
• Jesuit	5	4	49	2160
• Grant	10	1*	53	2158
• Vacaville	7	2*	56	2132
• Roseville	7	1*	54	2131
• Granite Bay	9	2*	50	2099
• Pleasant Grove	8	1*	52	2086
• Woodcreek	5	3	64	2057
• Elk Grove	6	4	53	2028
• Rosemont	7	3	42	1986
• Ponderosa	7	3	52	1985
• Fairfield	6	3	53	1943
• St. Mary's	8	1*	60	1166
• Christian Brothers	8	2*	42	1049

Division I and II

Seeding

Division I

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1.	Merced	9	1*	50	2563
2.	Napa	9	1*	49	2678
3.	Lincoln-S	9	1*	44	2638
4.	Nevada Union	9	2*	39	2482
5.	Folsom	9	2*	36	2402
6.	Turlock	8	3	46	2287
7.	Laguna Creek	7	1*	46	2338
8.	Johansen	7	1*	40	2533
9.	McNair	7	2*	48	2824
10.	Tracy	7	2*	47	2662
11.	Burbank	7	2*	46	2390
12.	Los Banos	6	2*	51	2398
13.	Grace Davis	5	2*	49	2791
14.	West	5	3	65	3123
15.	Chavez	5	3	52	3413
16.	Galt	5	4	45	2263

Division II

	School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
1.	Grant	10	1*	53	2158
2.	Granite Bay	9	2*	50	2099
3.	St. Mary's	8	1*	60	1166
4.	Pleasant Grove	8	1*	52	2086
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12.	Elk Grove	6	4	53	2028
13.	Lodi	6	4	44	2186
14.	Oak Ridge	5	1*	60	2182
15.	Woodcreek	5	3	64	2057
16.	Jesuit	5	4	49	2160

Division I and II

Matchups

Division I

- 1-Merced vs. 16-Galt
- 2-Napa vs. 15-Chavez
- 3-Lincoln-S vs. 14-West
- 4-Nevada Union vs. 13-Grace Davis
- 5-Folsom vs. 12-Los Banos
- 6-Turlock vs. 11-Burbank
- 7-Laguna Creek vs. 10-Tracy
- 8-Johansen vs. 9-McNair

Changes

None

Division II

- 1-Grant vs. **16-Woodcreek**
- 2-Granite Bay vs. **15-Jesuit**
- 3-St. Mary's vs. **14-Lodi**
- 4-Pleasant Grove vs. **13-Oak Ridge**
- 5-Christian Bros. vs. 12-Elk Grove
- 6-Roseville vs. 11-Fairfield
- 7-Vacaville vs. 10-Pitman
- 8-Ponderosa vs. 9-Rosemont

Changes

15/16 – Same league

13/14 – Travel

Division III and IV

Qualifying Teams

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll	School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Escalon	10	1*	48	1008	• Del Campo	8	3	51	1786
• Casa Roble	10	1*	43	1721	• Manteca	8	3	43	1712
• Whitney	10	1*	43	1433	• Patterson	7	3	55	1676
• Central Catholic	9	1*	63	436	• Bella Vista	7	4	48	1856
• Inderkum	9	1*	48	1665	• Sonora	7	4	47	1391
• Vanden	9	1*	41	1545	• Ripon	6	4	55	926
• Dixon	8	1*	54	1280	• Colfax	6	3	51	998
• Oakdale	8	1*	47	1592	• Ripon Christian	6	5	48	259
• Argonaut	7	1*	50	640	• Summerville	6	3	45	641
• Hilmar	9	2*	53	704	• West Campus	6	5	41	868
• Modesto Christian	8	2*	56	314	• Center	6	4	38	1634
• Rio Americano	8	2*	52	1740	• Yuba City	5	3	55	1876
• Bear River	8	2*	52	1122	• Central Valley	5	5	53	1620
• Sierra	8	2*	48	1571	• Hughson	5	3	53	753
• Rodriguez	8	2*	47	2410	• -----				
• Calaveras	7	2*	48	1060	• **Bethel	5	3	48	1495
• Rio Linda	7	2*	47	2042	• **Pioneer	5	4	46	1520
• Woodland	6	2*	51	1583					

NOTE: This bracketing was completed prior to the TRO granted to Placer High School.

Division III and IV

By Enrollment

Division III

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• Rodriguez	8	2*	47	2410
• Rio Linda	7	2*	47	2042
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Division III and IV

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9.	Manteca	8	3	43	1712
10.	Rio Linda	7	2*	47	2042
11.	Patterson	7	3	55	1676
12.	Bella Vista	7	4	48	1856
13.	Woodland	6	2*	51	1583
14.	Center	6	4	38	1634
15.	Yuba City	5	3	55	1876
16.	Central Valley	5	5	53	1620

Division IV

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1.	Escalon	10	1*	48	1008
2.	Whitney	10	1*	43	1433
3.	Central Catholic	9	1*	63	436
4.	Hilmar	9	2*	53	704
5.	Dixon	8	1*	54	1280
6.	Modesto Christian	8	2*	56	314
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Division III and IV

Matchups

Division III

- 1-Casa Roble vs. **16-Yuba City**
- 2-Inderkum vs. **15-Central Valley**
- 3-Vanden vs. 14-Center
- 4-Oakdale vs. **13-Bella Vista**
- 5-Rio Americano vs. **12-Woodland**
- 6-Sierra vs. 11-Patterson
- **7-Del Campo** vs. 10-Rio Linda
- **8-Rodriguez** vs. 9-Manteca

Changes

7/8 – Same league second round

12/13 – Same league

15/16 – Same league

Division IV

- 1-Escalon vs. **16-West Campus**
- 2-Whitney vs. **15-Hughson**
- 3-Central Catholic vs. 14-Ripon Chr.
- 4-Hilmar vs. 13-Ripon
- 5-Dixon vs. 12-Summerville
- **6-Bear River** vs. **11-Calaveras**
- **7-Modesto Christian** vs. **10-Colfax**
- 8-Argonaut vs. **9-Sonora**

Changes

6/7/9/10/11 – Same league

15/16 – Same league

Division V and VI

Qualifying Teams

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Mariposa	9	1*	41	642
• Big Valley Chr.	9	1*	24	226
• Marysville	8	1*	40	1050
• Vacaville Chr.	8	1*	33	375
• Bradshaw Chr.	8	2*	35	191
• Lindhurst	7	2*	49	1318
• Le Grand	6	2*	43	545
• Brookside Chr.	5	2*	51	153
• Stone Ridge Chr.	7	3	35	85
• Capital Christian	5	3	49	381
• San Juan	5	5	41	894
• Waterford	5	3	38	683
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• **Foresthill	5	3	32	242

Division V and VI

By Enrollment

Division V

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Lindhurst	7	2*	49	1318
• Marysville	8	1*	40	1050
• San Juan	5	5	41	894
• Waterford	5	3	38	683
• Mariposa	9	1*	41	642
• Le Grand	6	2*	43	545

Division VI

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Capital Christian	5	3	49	381
• Vacaville Chr.	8	1*	33	375
• Big Valley Chr.	9	1*	24	226
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Division V and VI

Seeding

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Division V and VI

Matchups

Division V

- 1-Mariposa – bye
- 2-Marysville – bye
- **3-Le Grand** vs. 6-San Juan
- **4-Lindhurst** vs. 5-Waterford

Changes

3/4 – Same league

Division VI

- 1-Big Valley Christian – bye
- 2-Vacaville Christian – bye
- **3-Stone Ridge Chr.** vs. 6-Capital Chr.
- **4-Bradshaw Chr.** vs. 5-Brookside Chr.

Changes

3/4 – Same league

Note: Due to the fact that there are only 4 leagues in the two divisions, it may not be possible to avoid first round league matchups.

Schedule (11 weeks to play 10)

For 2010-11:

- August 9 – Football practice begins on August 9 (Week 6 of NFHS calendar)
- August 11 – First day of official practice in football pads.
 - **Note: Those schools playing a zero week game, must be in pads on this day. Others may start in pads as late as August 16.**
- August 21 and 26-28 – A school may have up to a maximum of 2 scrimmages. However, a school playing a zero week game, may only scrimmage on August 21.
- August 21 – First date of official scrimmage. Student must have practiced in pads every day since August 11. (Bylaw 1902)
- August 26 -- First day for scrimmages for those starting with pads between August 12 and August 16.
- August 27 – The date a school may play a zero week game.
- September 3 – Week one of the 10-week football season.
- November 5 – Final weekend of regular season.
- November 6 – If a team plays a game on this Saturday, they must start the varsity contest no later than 1:00 p.m. This is necessary for the Section staff to compile all results and release the brackets.
 - **Note: For a school playing a zero week game, there are no restrictions during their bye week.**

Playoff Schedule

2010-11

- November 5-6, 2010: Final week of regular season
- November 6: Release of brackets
- November 12-13: First round, all divisions
- November 19-20: Second round, all divisions
- November 26-27: Third round, Divisions I-IV; Championship Games, Divisions V-VI
- Monday, November 29: Championship Luncheon (see next slide)
- December 3-4: Championship Games, Divisions I-IV
- December 10-11: Open date, unless State adds NorCal playoffs
- December 17-18: State Championship Bowl Games

Championship Week

- The Section would like to host a Championship Week luncheon on Monday prior to the finals of Divisions I-IV (November 29, for 2010). **This luncheon will be mandatory.**
- Each participating finalist would be allowed to bring their head coach, A.D., principal, superintendent and 4 athletes.
- This luncheon would allow the media to interview the participants. The Section will also distribute pre-game materials.
- The Division V and VI winners will also be invited.
- Championship site visits will still take place on Tuesday.