

**CIF Sac-Joaquin Section
Football Proposal
(Revised 1-30-09)
2010-2014**

Revisions to Original Proposal

(Approved by the Playoff Committee)

- Eliminate the separation between Divisions 2 and 3
- All 20 leagues automatically qualify their league champion and runner-up. (Total of 40)
- The remaining 24 schools are selected through the proposed process of total number of wins, head-to-head competition, combined wins of all opponents, etc.
- A school may only compete in one division lower than their league placement, but will compete in a higher division if their CBEDS numbers places them in a certain division. (For example, if School A were in a Division II league, the lowest division that they can compete in would be Division III. They would compete in Division I or II if their CBEDS number places them there.)

Revisions to Original Proposal

- After the 64 schools are selected, they are divided in four divisions of 16. A school that is misplaced due to the above criteria would be placed in their respective division and the Section staff would adjust the brackets accordingly.
- Division 4 would be divided into two brackets of 8 to compensate for the difference in school size in that respective division. Division 4A would include the 8 largest schools in Division 4 and Division 4B would include the remaining 8 schools. Each bracket would be seeded utilizing the criteria in the power point presentation. The Division 4 championship game would be played by the winners of Division 4A and 4B. There are no awards given to the winners of Division 4A and 4B.
- There are no recommended changes in Division 5 and 6.

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-IV will be comprised of teams from the following 20 leagues: DRL, DVC, MEL, CCC, MMC, SJAA, TCAL, CVC, Metro, SFL, 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-IV

- There are 40 automatic qualifiers.
 - ✓ The 20 league champions and the 20 runners-up.
- There are 24 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-IV

- 64 qualifiers have been determined (40 automatic qualifiers plus the 24 at-large teams).
- The largest 16 schools (based on the previous year's CBEDS enrollment) will be placed in Division I.
- The next 16 schools will be Division II.
- The third group of 16 schools will be Division III.
- The final 16 schools will be Division IV.

Determining Divisions

Division IV

- Division IV will be divided into two brackets of 8 based on enrollment.
- The 8 largest will be IV-A.
- The remaining 8 will be IV-B.
- The Division IV Championship Game will pit the winners of IV-A and IV-B.
- There are no awards given to the winners of IV-A and IV-B.

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 40 automatic qualifiers
 - For Divisions V-VI, pick 8 automatic qualifiers
- 2 – Pick the 24 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

Divisions I-IV

Qualifying Teams

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll	School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Grant	10	1*	53	2158	• Laguna Creek	7	1*	46	2338
• Escalon	10	1*	48	1008	• Johansen	7	1*	40	2533
• Casa Roble	10	1*	43	1721	• Oak Ridge	5	1*	60	2182
• Whitney	10	1*	43	1433	• Hilmar	9	2*	53	704
• Central Catholic	9	1*	63	436	• Granite Bay	9	2*	50	2099
• Merced	9	1*	50	2563	• Nevada Union	9	2*	39	2482
• Napa	9	1*	49	2678	• Folsom	9	2*	36	2402
• Inderkum	9	1*	48	1665	• Modesto Christian	8	2*	56	314
• Lincoln-S	9	1*	44	2638	• Rio Americano	8	2*	52	1740
• Vanden	9	1*	41	1545	• Bear River	8	2*	52	1122
• St. Mary's	8	1*	60	1166	• Sierra	8	2*	48	1571
• Dixon	8	1*	54	1280	• Rodriguez	8	2*	47	2410
• Pleasant Grove	8	1*	52	2086	• Christian Brothers	8	2*	42	1049
• Oakdale	8	1*	47	1592	• Vacaville	7	2*	56	2132
• Roseville	7	1*	54	2131	• McNair	7	2*	48	2824
• Argonaut	7	1*	50	640	• Calaveras	7	2*	48	1060

Division I-IV

Qualifying Teams

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll	School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Tracy	7	2*	47	2662	• Ripon	6	4	55	926
• Rio Linda	7	2*	47	2042	• Fairfield	6	3	53	1943
• Burbank	7	2*	46	2390	• Colfax	6	3	51	998
• Los Banos	6	2*	51	2398	• Ripon Christian	6	5	48	259
• Woodland	6	2*	51	1583	• Summerville	6	3	45	641
• Grace Davis	5	2*	49	2791	• Lodi	6	4	44	2186
• Del Campo	8	3	51	1786	• West Campus	6	5	41	868
• Turlock	8	3	46	2287	• Center	6	4	38	1634
• Manteca	8	3	43	1712	• West	5	3	65	3123
• Patterson	7	3	55	1676	• Woodcreek	5	3	64	2057
• Pitman	7	4	54	2200	• Yuba City	5	3	55	1876
• Ponderosa	7	3	52	1985	• Central Valley	5	5	53	1620
• Bella Vista	7	4	48	1856	• Hughson	5	3	53	753
• Sonora	7	4	47	1391	• Chavez	5	3	52	3413
• Rosemont	7	3	42	1986	• Jesuit	5	4	49	2160
• Elk Grove	6	4	53	2028	• Bethel	5	3	48	1495

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

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
• Rodriguez	8	2*	47	2410
• 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

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
• Rio Linda	7	2*	47	2042
• 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

Division III and IV By Enrollment

Division III

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Yuba City	5	3	55	1876
• Bella Vista	7	4	48	1856
• Del Campo	8	3	51	1786
• Rio Americano	8	2*	52	1740
• Casa Roble	10	1*	43	1721
• Manteca	8	3	43	1712
• Patterson	7	3	55	1676
• Inderkum	9	1*	48	1665
• Center	6	4	38	1634
• Central Valley	5	5	53	1620
• Oakdale	8	1*	47	1592
• Woodland	6	2*	51	1583
• Sierra	8	2*	48	1571
• Vanden	9	1*	41	1545
• Bethel	5	3	48	1495
• Christian Brothers	8	2*	42	1049

Division IV

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
• Whitney	10	1*	43	1433
• Sonora	7	4	47	1391
• Dixon	8	1*	54	1280
• Bear River	8	2*	52	1122
• Calaveras	7	2*	48	1060
• Escalon	10	1*	48	1008
• Colfax	6	3	51	998
• Ripon	6	4	55	926

• West Campus	6	5	41	868
• Hughson	5	3	53	753
• Hilmar	9	2*	53	704
• Summerville	6	3	45	641
• Argonaut	7	1*	50	640
• Central Catholic	9	1*	63	436
• Modesto Christian	8	2*	56	314
• Ripon Christian	6	5	48	259

Division I and II Seeding

Division I

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
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. Rodriguez	8	2*	47	2410
7. Turlock	8	3	46	2287
8. Laguna Creek	7	1*	46	2338
9. Johansen	7	1*	40	2533
10. McNair	7	2*	48	2824
11. Tracy	7	2*	47	2662
12. Burbank	7	2*	46	2390
13. Los Banos	6	2*	51	2398
14. Grace Davis	5	2*	49	2791
15. West	5	3	65	3123
16. Chavez	5	3	52	3413

Division II

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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
5. Roseville	7	1*	54	2131
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7. Rio Linda	7	2*	47	2042
8. Ponderosa	7	3	52	1985
9. Rosemont	7	3	42	1986
10. Pitman	7	4	54	2200
11. Fairfield	6	3	53	1943
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 III and IV Seeding

Division III

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
1. Casa Roble	10	1*	43	1721
2. Inderkum	9	1*	48	1665
3. Vanden	9	1*	41	1545
4. Oakdale	8	1*	47	1592
5. Rio Americano	8	2*	52	1740
6. Sierra	8	2*	48	1571
7. Christian Brothers	8	2*	42	1049
8. Del Campo	8	3	51	1786
9. Manteca	8	3	43	1712
10. Patterson	7	3	55	1676
11. Bella Vista	7	4	48	1856
12. Woodland	6	2*	51	1583
13. Center	6	4	38	1634
14. Yuba City	5	3	55	1876
15. Bethel	5	3	48	1495
16. Central Valley	5	5	53	1620

Division IV

School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
1. Escalon	10	1*	48	1008
2. Whitney	10	1*	43	1433
3. Dixon	8	1*	54	1280
4. Bear River	8	2*	52	1122
5. Calaveras	7	2*	48	1060
6. Sonora	7	4	47	1391
7. Colfax	6	3	51	998
8. Ripon	6	4	55	926

1. Central Catholic	9	1*	63	436
2. Hilmar	9	2*	53	704
3. Modesto Christian	8	2*	56	314
4. Argonaut	7	1*	50	640
5. Summerville	6	3	45	641
6. Ripon Christian	6	5	48	259
7. West Campus	6	5	41	868
8. Hughson	5	3	53	753

Division I and II Matchups

Division I

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

Changes

13/14 - Travel

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-Roseville vs. 12-Elk Grove
- 6-Vacaville vs. 11-Fairfield
- 7-Rio Linda vs. 10-Pitman
- 8-Ponderosa vs. 9-Rosemont

Changes

15/16 – Same league

13/14 – Travel

Division III and IV Matchups

Division III

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

Changes

7/8 – Same league second round

Division IV

- 1-Escalon vs. **8-Colfax**
 - 2-Whitney vs. **7-Ripon**
 - 3-Dixon vs. 6-Sonora
 - 4-Bear River vs. 5-Calaveras
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- 1-Central Catholic vs. 8-Hughson
 - 2-Hilmar vs. 7-West Campus
 - 3-Modesto Christian vs. **6-Summerville**
 - 4-Argonaut vs. **5-Ripon Christian**

Changes

IV-A: 7/8 – Same league

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

Division V and VI Seeding

Division V					Division VI				
School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll	School	Wins	Pl.	Opp.	Enroll
1. Mariposa	9	1*	41	642	1. Big Valley Chr.	9	1*	24	226
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3. Lindhurst	7	2*	49	1318	3. Bradshaw Chr.	8	2*	35	191
4. Le Grand	6	2*	43	545	4. Stone Ridge Chr.	7	3	35	85
5. Waterford	5	3	38	683	5. Brookside Chr.	5	2*	51	153
6. San Juan	5	5	41	894	6. Capital Christian	5	3	49	381

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.