

Section #1 - History

On February 8, 2005 Athletic Directors representing eleven schools convened at Lincoln-Way Central High School in New Lenox for the purpose of assisting in the coordination of athletic programs and activities that would equitably address the diverse and expansive offerings these secondary schools offer to their communities and students.

The criteria utilized in the selection of these secondary schools as members of this conference were: current scope of programs, geographic proximity, and student enrollment. The conference formation aligns ten of the premier secondary schools in the southwest suburbs in the Chicagoland area.

A debt of gratitude is owed to many people for their vision, courage, and untiring work and efforts in bringing this conference into being.

Special recognition is given to the people who made the formation of the SouthWest Suburban Conference (SWSC) possible.

Mr. Paul Swanstrom	Superintendent	District 204
Dr. Garry Raymond	Superintendent	District 205
Dr. Lawrence Wylie	Superintendent	District 210
Dr. Patrick McMahon	Superintendent	District 230
Dr. Laura Murray	Superintendent	District 233
Mr. Mike Hogan	Superintendent	District 307
Dr. Phillip Schoffstall	Superintendent	District 365U
Mr. Rich Piatchek	Athletic Director	Andrew High School
Mr. Larry Bernard	Athletic Director	Bolingbrook High School
Mr. Mark Sutton	Athletic Director	Bradley-Bourbonnais H.S.
Mr. Ken Shultz	Athletic Director	Homewood-Flossmoor H.S.
Mr. Chris Olson	Athletic Director	Joliet Township High School
Mr. Dennis Michaels	Athletic Director	Lincoln-Way Central High School
Mr. Dave Brost	Athletic Director	Lincoln-Way East High School
Mr. Kent Irvin	Athletic Director	Lockport Township High School
Mr. Len Motta	Athletic Director	Sandburg High School
Mr. Bob Fabrizio	Athletic Director	Stagg High School
Mr. Ross Howatt	Asst. Athletic Director	Homewood-Flossmoor H.S.
Mr. Ted Robbins	Asst. Athletic Director	Lincoln-Way Central High School

Section #2 - Principles of the Interscholastic Athletic Program

PRINCIPLES OF THE INTERSCHOLASTIC PROGRAM

1. All member schools shall be in good standing with the Illinois High School Association (I.H.S.A.).
2. The Interscholastic athletic program is designed to challenge the student, whose capabilities, abilities, and interests in athletics are above those required in the regular Physical Education classes and in the intra-mural program.
3. The amount of time required for athletic participation should not be so great that it interferes with a student's success in the academic program, which permits no time for the pursuit in sport activities, or fails to recognize the needs of youth.
4. The amount of specialization or time required for participation in any one high school sport should not be so great as to limit a student's participation in other sports or activities. Sport seasons that extend year round or take part in any other sport activity, limits the educational experience of a student and takes away his/her right to pursue his/her own interests in the school program. Likewise, the use of undue influences by a coach to take the student away from another sport infringes upon that student's right to a freedom of choice in athletic activities.
5. Athletic activities in the schools shall be conducted in such a manner that they provide a wholesome experience for both player and spectators. While the Principal and the Athletic Director have the responsibility directly, it is the Coach who has the greatest influence on the conduct of players and the attitude of spectators.
6. Interscholastic athletics are worthy of a place in the educational program. Therefore, each member school shall give adequate financial support to maintain SWSC scheduled competitive activities.

Section #6 - SWSC Administrators & Officers (cont')**OFFICERS and SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS 2008-2009**

Joe Skowronski, Homewood-Flossmoor – *President*
 Matt Lyke, Lincoln-Way North - *Vice-President*
 Alec Anderson, Bolingbrook - *Secretary*
 Larry Bernard - *Historian*
 Rich Piatchek - *Scheduler*
 Chris Olson – *Assignment Chair Liaison & NISOC Liaison*

SPORTS RESOURCE

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Athletic Director</u>	<u>School</u>
Boys/Girls Golf	<i>Steve Locke</i>	Joliet Central
Girls Tennis	Bob Fabrizio	Stagg
Boys Soccer	Bruce Scheidegger	Sandburg
Boys/Girls Cross Country	Joe Skowronski	Homewood-Flossmoor
Girls Volleyball	Matt Lyke	Lincoln-Way North
Girls Swimming/Diving	Dave Brost	Lincoln-Way East
Football	Robbins/ <i>Mosel</i>	L-Way West/ <i>Thornton</i>
Boys Swimming/Diving	Dave Brost	Lincoln-Way East
Girls/Boys Bowling	Rich Piatchek	Andrew
Boys Basketball	Mark Sutton	Bradley-Bourbonnais
Girls Basketball	Alec Anderson	Bolingbrook
Wrestling	Randy Konstans	Lockport
Girls Gymnastics	<i>Hud Venerable</i>	Lincoln-Way Central
Cheerleading	Steve Millsaps	Joliet West
Girls Soccer	Bruce Scheidegger	Sandburg
Girls Badminton	Ted Robbins	Lincoln-Way West
Boys Gymnastics	<i>Hud Venerable</i>	Lincoln-Way Central
Boys/Girls Track and Field	<i>TJ Shirley</i>	<i>Thornridge</i>
Boys/Girls Water Polo	Randy Konstans	Lockport
Boys Tennis	Bob Fabrizio	Stagg
Boys Baseball	Rich Piatchek	Andrew
Boys Volleyball	Matt Lyke	Lincoln-Way North
Girls Softball	Skowronski/ <i>Lagesse</i>	H-F/ <i>Thornwood</i>

Section #7 - Handbook Revision Details

The handbook will be reviewed on an annual basis with input from the coaches at the post-season meetings.