



BOARD OF EDUCATION/GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION

Authorizing 2019-2020 Membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association

Whereas, **BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS**, District IRN number: **46748**

of _____ County, Ohio
(Street Address/P.O. Box/ City/ Zip Code) (County)

Has satisfied all the requirements for membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association, a voluntary unincorporated association not-for-profit; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education/Governing Board ("Board") and its Administration desire for the schools with one or more grades at the 7-12 grade level under their jurisdiction to be voluntary members of the OHSAA;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION/GOVERNING BOARD that all schools listed on the reverse side of this card do hereby voluntarily renew membership in the OHSAA and that in doing so, the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations and Business Rules of the OHSAA are hereby adopted by this Board as and for its own minimum student-athlete eligibility requirements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board reserves the right to raise student-athlete eligibility standards as it deems appropriate for the schools and students under its jurisdiction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the schools under this Board's jurisdiction agree to conduct their athletics programs in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Business Rules, interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA and cooperate fully and timely with the Executive Director's office of the OHSAA in all matters related to the interscholastic athletic programs of the schools. Furthermore, the schools under this Board's jurisdiction shall be the primary enforcers of the OHSAA Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Business Rules and the interpretations and rulings rendered by the Executive Director's office. The administrative heads of these schools understand that failure to discharge the duty of primary enforcement may result in fines, removal from tournaments, suspension from membership and/or other such penalties as prescribed in Bylaw 11.

Date of Resolution _____

President of the Board of Education/Governing Body
(Print)

(Signature)

Superintendent

(Signature)

Superintendent E- Mail: _____



SCHOOL(S)

The list below is all schools within your district that will abide by the resolution as printed on the front of this card. To add or remove any school to or from OHSAA Membership, please attach that request, signed by the superintendent on school letterhead to this card.

BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS

High Schools (9-12)			
School Name	IRN	School Name	IRN
BIG WALNUT	2709		

7 th and 8 th Grade Schools			
School Name	IRN	School Name	IRN
BIG WALNUT MIDDLE SCHOOL	43265		



OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Jerry Snodgrass, Executive Director

April 1, 2019

The Ohio High School Athletic Association's Constitution requires the Board of Education or similar governing board (in a non-public school/system) to annually adopt a resolution authorizing their schools that were members during the 2018-19 school year to continue membership for the 2019-20 school year. Once your Board of Education or similar governing body has passed this resolution for continued membership, the enclosed "Board of Education Resolution Card" needs to be completed and returned per the enclosed instructions.

Eligibility for Membership:

Schools eligible for membership are those which include one or more grades at the 7-12 level.

Conditions for Membership:

Voluntary membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association is also an agreement by all schools listed on the back of the card to conduct their athletic programs of OHSAA sponsored sports in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, and Regulations of the Ohio High School Athletic Association and the interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA staff. Participation in sponsored tournaments is voluntary and membership is also an agreement to abide by all tournament regulations when participating. This also means that member schools agree to their respective tournament assignment and accept that all decisions by contest officials – whether in regular season contests or tournament contests – are final. The Bylaws and Regulations are approved annually by the member schools and are made available to each member school through the annual publication of the OHSAA Handbook.

It is also important to note that beginning with the 2017-18 school year, member high schools that wish to have the privilege of continued full membership in the OHSAA must meet the following requirements:

- Must sponsor a minimum of two OHSAA Sanctioned interscholastic sports per sport season
- Compete in at least 50% of the maximum allowable regular season contests permitted
- Participate in all OHSAA post season tournaments in the minimum 2 sports sponsored by the school.

Scheduling Board Meeting

Continued membership in the OHSAA requires adoption of the resolution to continue membership for the schools on the enclosed card by your Board of Education or similar governing body. The card must be received no later than July 31, 2019 to ensure continued membership. Therefore, please add this item to the agenda of your next board meeting.

Contents of this Mailing:

Please find enclosed in this mailing:

- Cover Letter from Executive Director Jerry Snodgrass
- Instruction sheet for completing and returning the Resolution Card.
- Pre-addressed and stamped return envelope using US Postal Service

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE 2019-20 OHSAA BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION CARD

Please read these instructions carefully as incomplete cards cannot be accepted which may delay the continuation of membership and its benefits for your member schools. Please contact OHSAA Membership Services (614-267-2502) if you need assistance or have questions.

FRONT OF CARD

The front of the enclosed card contains the text of the resolution that can simply be read at the board meeting to allow your board to act upon the resolution. After the resolution is passed please:

- Write the street address and county in the spaces provided near the top of the card.
- Write the date of the Board meeting in which the resolution was authorized in the space provided.
- Print the names of the Board President and the Superintendent/Head of School in the spaces provided.
- Have the Board President and the Superintendent/Head of School system sign the card in the appropriate spaces provided. Prior to signing, please ensure school administrators and the Board of Education understand and accept the conditions of membership outlined on the cover letter.
- Please write the superintendent's email address in the space provided.

BACK OF CARD – NEW for 2019-20

Schools within your school district or system that were members in 2018-19 are printed on the back. THIS RESOLUTION CARD IS FOR CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP OF THESE SCHOOLS ONLY. Therefore, please review the list of schools on the back of the card. Because 7th & 8th grade sport programs may have different regulations and requirements, these schools are listed separately from your 9-12 grade school(s) even if they share the same building.

All schools on this card and their students must abide by all OHSAA rules and regulations. Students that do not attend your school(s) are not eligible to participate in your athletic programs unless the student meets one of the eligibility exceptions or is permitted in accordance with state law. Students in 6th grade and below may not participate with 7th and/or 8th grade sports programs. Students in 8th grade and below are not permitted to participate in high school sports programs. Review the list of schools carefully to ensure that the schools listed are abiding by all OHSAA regulations.

REMOVING A SCHOOL - If a listed school needs to be removed from membership, for any reason, please mark through the name on the card and attach a letter, on school letterhead, signed by the superintendent or school principal explaining the reason for non-continued membership.

OPENING OF A NEW SCHOOL - If your school district will be opening a new school in 2019-20, please attach a letter, on school letterhead, signed by the superintendent or school principal, requesting membership for the new school.

CHANGE OF SCHOOL NAME - If the name of a listed school has changed, please attach a letter, on school letterhead, signed by the superintendent or school principal explaining the name change of the existing school. Be sure to include any change in the IRN numbers listed.

CHANGE OF IRN NUMBER – Please review the IRN number listed for each school. If a number listed is incorrect, please mark through the number and write the correct number next to it.

RETURN THE CARD VIA US POSTAL SERVICE – DEADLINE JULY 31, 2019

For your convenience, a pre-addressed return envelope with postage is included with this mailing. Please use envelope to return the completed and signed card prior to July 31, 2019.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and your continued membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association. Please contact OHSAA Membership Services (614-267-2502) with any questions.

