

This proposal should not be taken verbatim. There has already been a meeting set to discuss the details of all the proposals. Please make notes of concerns you have and any suggestions you may offer to address those concerns. A change is inevitable. What's the best way to structure our state meet?

Comments / Questions? Contact:

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5A State Track Meet Proposal (starting in 2010)

Super Regions – Combine (9) 5A1 and 5A2 Regions into (3) Super Regions

Rationale:

The advantages are;

1. Better competition! This will generate more interest for the athletes and coaches.
2. This format will decrease the burden of finding and paying for officials for 9 region meets.
3. More athletes = more spectators = more gate proceeds.
4. Super regions will create a more manageable state prelim and final by eliminating slow heats and having less heats. This in turn will allow meet directors to start the meet later (when the sun is down) as well as provide time for introductions, team score updates, bios on competitors and awards. In general, a more relaxed atmosphere.
5. This format will not hinder the 5A 2 athlete's chances to qualify for the next round.

I. Create 3 Super Regions from 9 Regions in 5A. (20 schools avg. per Super Region)

- A. 3 determinations of creating super regions
 1. Number of 5A Division 1 and 2 teams for an even distribution
 2. Proximity
 3. Annual rotation

II. Conduct 3 Super Region Track Championships. (Wed/Sat)

- A. Every school is allowed 3 entries per event plus any other that meets the OQ standard
- B. Run heats of mixed 5A1 and 5A2 (possibly all from the same region?)
- C. Advance 2 heats of top (8) 5A1 and 5A2 for finals on Saturday
- D. Score individual regions from prelim performances
- E. Score Super Region from Finals? Or not score super region?

III. State Meet Advancement.

- A. Super Region Champs and next best 13 performers from all Super Regions will advance (16 total)
- B. Only 8 Super Region finalists will be considered for advancement

IV. Conduct State Prelims and Finals (Wed/Sat)

A. Seeding

1. 2 heats of 8 for events 100m thru 800m
 - a. Top 8 times advance to finals
2. Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot and Discus are divided into flights.
 - a. Top 8 times advance to finals
4. 1600, 3200 and 4x800 will run one final heat. (16)
5. Pole Vault and High Jump will be final to completion.

B. Schedule

1. Follow the usual order, alternating yearly with B/G, 5A1/5A2, (1600-800)/(4x800, 3200), (TJ/LJ), (PV, HJ) (Disc/shot)