

# GHSA Reclassification Proposal

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1. Non-football playing schools will not be included in the reclassification process.
2. Big 44
  - A. Teams may opt to play up.
  - B. No team may move out of the Big 44.
3. Public/Private (same as before)
  - A. Public – 24 teams; Private – 24 teams
4. 5 other classes:
  - A. 5AAAAA
  - B. 4AAAA
  - C. 3AAA
  - D. 2AA
  - E. 1A
5. The 5 classes will be split at the natural breaks between 19-21% of the remaining number after Big 44 and Public/Private have been set. Example: 300 schools divided by 5 will be approximately 60 schools each.
6. A Multiplier of 2-3% will be placed on all schools. The only exceptions to the multiplier will be for schools in the Big 44 (schools in the highest class possible) and schools in the public/private class (which already separated based on school population size).
  - A. **Example:** A school with an FTE count of 1,000 students may represent a AA school.

Students (FTE Count)	Increase (Multiplier)	Students out of district	Student amount to move up class
1,000	2% (out of school attendance zone)	20	21
1,000	2.5% (out of school attendance zone)	25	26
1,000	3% (out of school attendance zone)	30	31

- B. If a school is found to be reporting incorrect numbers, that school will be banned from participating in state championship games for two (2) years.

## Possible By-Law Changes

- After all of the teams have been placed into regions by the reclassification committee, the region state playoff slots will be determined using the following procedures:
  - For regions that have 5 or fewer teams, the number of teams going to the state playoffs will be one (1) fewer than the number of teams in that region. (Example: If there are 4 teams in a region, 3 teams will go to the state playoffs).
  - The available play off slot(s) will be awarded to non-playoff team(s) with the highest power ranking of the remaining regions.

### State Playoffs:

A5. Playoff ticket prices are as follows (NOTE: Only babies in arms do not need a ticket.):

First Round: \$8.00 (All classes)

Second Round: \$10.00 (All classes)

Quarterfinals: \$12.00 (All classes)

Semifinals: \$15.00 (All classes)

Championships: \$18.00 for presale at schools; \$20.00 for Ticketmaster and at Georgia Dome

B2. The expense and revenue shares by classification will be as follows:

Big 44: 17.5%    5A: 15%    4A: 15%    3A: 13%    2A: 12%    1A: 11.5%

Public/Private: 16% (8% public & 8% private)

B3. The schedule for the championship games will be four games on Friday and four games on Saturday.

C4. The stadium shall have adequate working space in the press box as follows (NOTE: the first priority for access to the press box after the clock operator and the PA announcer is the working media.):

Public/Private.....30 linear feet

Classes A, AA, & AAA.....30 linear feet

Class AAAA.....40 linear feet

Class AAAAA 7 Big 44.....50 linear feet

### Article III, Section 2 of Constitution:

- A. The Reclassification Committee of the GHSA Executive Committee shall place member schools in classifications and regions based on student F.T.E. figures and geographic proximity, respectively.
- B. Member schools will be realigned every four years. Adjustments will be made at the end of every two years according to updated F.T.E. figures.
- C. The number of reclassifications and the number of regions will be determined by the Reclassification Committee at the time of each realignment.
- D. The realignment plan of the Reclassification Committee shall be ratified by <sup>or modified</sup> a simple majority vote of the full Executive Committee.