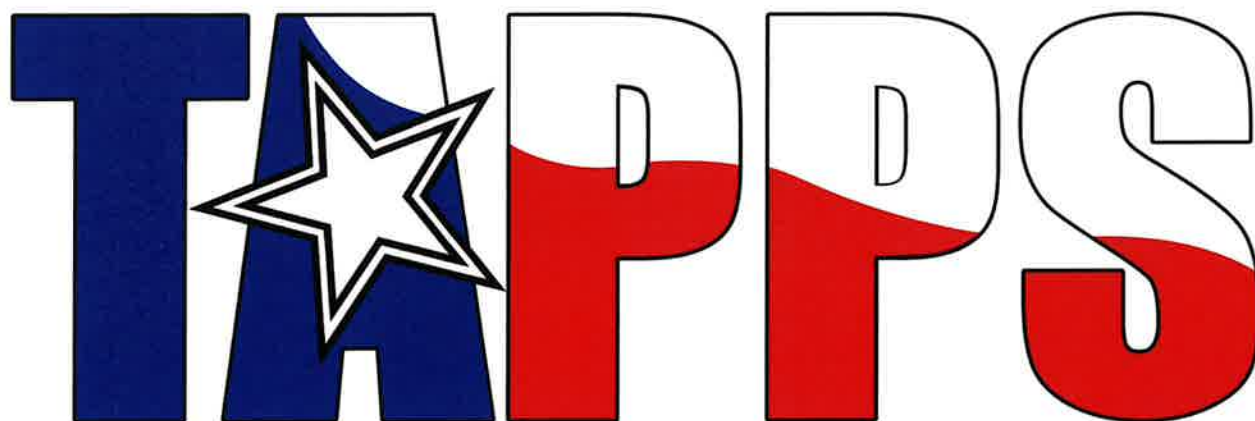




2026-28 BRACKET PLAN

The Athletic Executive Committee and Executive Board met in the fall of 2025 to prepare the 2026-2028 school alignment. As a part of the process, Section 141 of the TAPPS By-Laws was affirmed concerning the preparation of team playoff brackets. The following pages present a recap of potential advancement based on the application of Section 141.

CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed bracket summary was developed in consideration of the following elements.

- Existing TAPPS Governance as presented in the TAPPS By-LawsSection 141
- Number of teams is based on Intent Forms Submitted
- These numbers are subject to Change based on actual participation is determined for the involved scholastic year
- In football only,
 - Wildcard points will come into play for some divisions
 - Wildcard points are based on the table enclosed
 - Wildcard points are only awarded for victories
 - Wildcard points are not awarded for forfeits

BASEBALL								
Division	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
I	4	4	18	18	13	10	-3	55.56%
II	5	6	31	29	17	16	-1	55.17%
III	6	6	33	32	18	17	-1	53.13%
IV	4	4	16	25	15	14	-1	56.00%
V	7	6	32	34	22	19	-3	55.88%

SOFTBALL								
Division	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
I	4	4	18	18	14	10	-4	55.56%
II	5	6	25	25	15	14	-1	56.00%
III	5	6	24	29	15	17	2	58.62%
IV	6	6	28	31	18	17	-1	54.84%

VOLLEYBALL								
Classifi cation	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
6A	4	4	21	21	16	12	-4	57.14%
5A	5	6	33	32	22	17	-5	53.13%
4A	6	6	36	35	21	18	-3	51.43%
3A	5	5	30	34	18	19	1	55.88%
2A	8	6	46	33	25	21	-4	63.64%
1A	9	9	44	58	26	31	5	53.45%

BOYS BASKETBALL								
Classification	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
6A	4	4	19	19	16	10	-6	52.63%
5A	5	6	32	30	17	15	-2	50.00%
4A	6	6	36	35	20	18	-2	51.43%
3A	5	5	31	37	18	21	3	56.76%
2A	8	6	45	33	25	17	-8	51.52%
1A	8	9	47	59	26	31	5	52.54%

GIRLS BASKETBALL								
Classification	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
6A	4	4	21	21	17	12	-5	57.14%
5A	5	6	32	30	18	18	0	60.00%
4A	6	6	35	35	19	23	4	65.71%
3A	5	5	25	34	18	19	1	55.88%
2A	8	6	42	32	24	15	-9	46.88%
1A	8	9	32	51	19	28	9	54.90%

FALL SOCCER								
Division	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
I	5	5	27	29	18	16	-2	53.33%

WINTER BOYS SOCCER								
Division	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
I	4	4	19	19	15	9	-6	47.37%
II	5	6	28	24	16	15	-1	62.50%
III	8	6	41	46	24	25	1	54.35%

WINTER GIRLS SOCCER								
Division	# of Districts		# of Teams		2025-26 # in Playoffs	2026-28 # in Playoffs	Change	2026-28 Percent age
	2025-26	2026-28	2025-26	2026-28				
I	4	4	20	21	17	12	-5	57.14%
II	5	6	26	27	17	16	-1	59.26%
III	5	6	28	33	18	17	-1	51.52%

Tentative 2026-28 Football Playoff Brackets

Division	# of Teams	# of Districts	50% RULE	Teams to playoffs	State Champions	Bracket(s)	Qualifiers
11-man I	16	2	8	8	1	One 8-team	The top three teams from each district and the two highest wildcards between the two fourth place teams and the independent.
11-man II	21	4	10.5	12	2	Large School 6-teams Small School 6-teams	The top three from each district divided into large and small school brackets.
11-man III	17	3	8.5	8	1	One 8-team	The top two from Districts 1-3, the third place from District 3, plus the next highest wildcard.
11-man IV	13	2	6.5	8	1	One 8-team	The top three from each district plus next two highest wildcards.
6-man I	22	4	11	12	3	Large School 8-teams Medium Schools 8-teams Small School 8-teams	Top two from each district plus next eight highest wildcards divided into large, medium, and small school brackets.
6-man II	21	4	10.5	12			
6-man III	31	6	15.5	16	2	Large School 8-teams Small Schools 8-teams	Top four from each district plus the next four highest wildcards are divided into large and small school brackets.

Wild Card Point Tables

11 Man Football

TAPPS Division I	5
TAPPS Division II	4
TAPPS Division III/IV	3
UIL 6A	7
UIL 5A	6
UIL 4A	5
UIL 3A	4
UIL 2A Division I	3
UIL 2A Division II	3
UIL 1A Division I	3
UIL 1A Division II	2
SPC	4
Independent	1

6 Man Football

TAPPS Division I	5
TAPPS Division II	4
TAPPS Division III	3
UIL Division I	5
UIL Division II	4
TCAF /TAIAO / TCAL	2
Unattached School or HomeSchool	1