



National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association

Section 1
section1niaaa.org

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Dear Section 1 Colleagues:

Happy New Year!

I hope you all enjoyed your holiday season with family and friends. It was great seeing so many of you in Nashville last month. I cannot believe NADC 22 is in the books and another holiday season is behind us.

Once again, Section 1 continues to lead the NIAAA with all 8 states receiving membership commendations. Well done to all eight state associations. Let's continue to recruit new members within our states. Section 1 achieved the best percentage of members possible surpassing 100%.

- All states in Section 1 are dual states.
- 100% States: Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island
- Record membership: Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island
- Challenge was presented for 8.4% growth through June 2022. Four Section 1 states attained that goal: Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont

Special membership recognition goes to

- New York - state with the most members
- Rhode Island - state with the highest percentage of members

Congratulations to the following Section 1 members for receiving NIAAA awards in 2022:

- Robert Palazzo, CMAA from Rhode Island – NFHS Citation
- David Frazier, CMAA from New Jersey – Bruce D Whitehead Distinguished Service Award
- Murphee Hayes, CAA from New York – Bruce D Whitehead Distinguished Service Award
- Trish Witkin, CMAA from Connecticut – NIAAA Award of Merit

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if there is anything I can do to help you and your state.

Stay warm and safe. See you in Rhode Island in May.

Sincerely,

Lisa Gingras, CMAA – New Hampshire
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NIAAA News and Information

New Members of the Board of Directors

- Josh Mathews, CMAA Georgia Section 3 – replaced Jeryl Fischtziur
- Ann Stewart, CAA New Mexico Section 6 – replaced Karen Higel
- Dustin Smith, CMAA Arkansas At-Large A – replaced Damian Frassinelli
- Deren Oshiro, CMAA Hawaii At-Large B – replaced Jamie Sheetz
- Jim Dorman South Dakota NEDC Liaison – replaced Greg Smith

2023 Board of Directors Officers

- **President** **Damian Frassinelli** **Connecticut** ******Section 1 President******
- Past President Mike McGurk Missouri
- President-Elect Tol Gropp Idaho
- Secretary Lauren Otero Florida

Future Board Positions

December 2023 in Orlando

- **Section 1 Sean Dowling, CMAA** **New Jersey** replacing Lisa Gingras
- Section 4 Aaron Stecker, CMAA Iowa replacing Mike Mossbrucker
- Section 7 Everett Kelepolo, CMAA Utah replacing Xavier Antheaume
- Region C At-Large Section 3 & 6 replacing Tina Woolard

After that for Section 1 rep is NY, RI, VT, CT, ME, MA, NH

Membership

Highlights from the 2021-22 membership year.

- Total membership reached 13,521. This is the first time we have surpassed the 13,000 mark.
- 39 states earned commendations for at least 10% growth, being over 70%, and/or having record membership.
- 26 states earned record memberships.
- 17 states were at 100% or more in membership.

Keep up the good work. Retain current membership and recruit new members!

Professional Development & Certification

There are 6 LTI courses up for revision in 2023 (627, 707, 709, 710B, 719, 720) and there are potentially 4 new courses in the pipeline for 2023 release in Orlando.

The 2021-22 year awarded 729 certifications bring the cumulative total to 13,259.

Committees and interest

Anyone interested in participating on one of the NIAAA committees, please complete the interest application which can be found [here](#).

Current committees include: Accreditation, Awards, Certification, Coaches Education, Conference Advisory, Credentials, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Endowment, Hall of Fame, Membership, Mentoring, National Initiative and Assistance Network, Professional Development, Publications, Resolutions, Retired, and Sports Facilities.

Future National Conference Schedule

December 15-19, 2023	Orlando, Florida
December 13-17, 2024	Austin, Texas
December 12-16, 2025	Tampa, Florida

For more information about NADC visit <https://www.adconference.org/>

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Section 1 Meeting

The spring 2023 Section 1 Meeting is currently scheduled to take place on Monday, May 8 at the Crowne Plaza Providence-Warwick, RI. Be sure to complete [this form](#) before February 1. More information about times and location are located in the form.

Future Section meeting rotation

- 2024 Connecticut
- 2025 Massachusetts
- 2026 New York
- 2027 Maine

Scholarship Information

Please submit your state male and female scholarship winners to me by April 1st for selection of Section 1 winners before our Section meeting in May.

Section 1 Institute

This is still tentative as a new location is being sought.

Awards and Deadlines

Award of Merit – selected by Board of Directors. Nominations can be submitted at any time.

Thomas E Frederick Award of Excellence – selected by Past Presidents

Frank Kovaleski Professional Development Award – nominations due to me by April 1st for rating and selection before the Section meeting. [Click here for nomination form.](#)

NFHS Citation – due to NIAAA office by April 1. Nominations are through the NIAAA Awards Portal.

Bruce D Whitehead Distinguished Service Award – due to NIAAA office by April 1. Nominations are through the NIAAA Awards Portal.

Hall of Fame – state nominations due to NIAAA office by July 1. [Click here for nomination form.](#)

State Award of Merit – nominations due to NIAAA office anytime throughout the year but by October 1 to be included in winter IAA publication. Nominations are through the NIAAA Awards Portal.

Items to send to me prior to the Section meeting in May (I will send reminders as deadlines approach):

- Frank Kovalski nominations
 - Currently in the pool (nominees remain in pool for 3 years from initial nomination)
 - Robert Palazzo (RI)
 - Jim Wright (NY)
- State Scholarship winners

