

To: NJSIAA Program Review Committee

From: Colleen Maguire, Executive Director

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RE: NJSIAA Boys and Girls Wrestling 30-Match Limit

## **Proposal**

On behalf of the Boys and Girls Wrestling Committees, NJSIAA staff recommends an increase to the 30-match regular season limit for the 2025–2026 season. The recommendation is to increase the regular season limit to 33-matches. This increase is unanimously supported by the Association's leagues and conferences and the wrestling coaches associations.

It is important to note that this increase is for the 2025-2026 season only and future regular season match limits will be determined once all tournament dates are confirmed with our host facilities.

## Rationale

Due to a scheduling conflict with Boardwalk Hall, the individual state tournament will be moved to March 12-14 for the 2025-2026 school year (the corresponding dates from this past season would have been March 5-7). As a result, in May 2024, the Executive Committee approved a proposal to push the start of the team tournament back by one week to keep the tournaments progressing on a consistent schedule with prior years; therefore, resulting in one extra week of regular season competition. The increase in the regular season match limit will provide wrestlers with the opportunity to continue competing until the start of the team tournament.