

# Together, We Are Building

Community Schools, Thriving Students

a full-service community school district that serves the whole child, eliminates inequity and provides each child with an excellent teacher, every day.

### **Oakland Unified School District**

### **Oakland Athletic League**

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#### **About the Commissioner**

#### <u>Vision</u>

- Increase the awareness of rules governing the OAL such that all stakeholders are knowledgeable and know where to look for clarification
- Create a more positive image of OAL

#### 2014-2015 Goals

- Improve credit, eligibility and transcript review process
- Increase and maintain principal involvement & participation
- Amend current hiring process to include commissioner input on candidates and ongoing support

### **Status of OAL/Title IX**

## (see handout)

- 13 sports a year in 3 seasons
- Student Participation

- 2012-2013: <u>1761</u>

- 2013-2014: <u>1692</u>

- 2014-2015: <u>1800+ (projected)</u>

Male	Female	Both
Baseball**	Badminton	Basketball*
	Softball	Bowling
		Cross Country*
		Swimming
		Tennis*
		Track & Field*
		Wrestling*
		Volleyball*
		Golf*
		Soccer
		Football*
		Cheerleading

\*CIF Championship Sports

<sup>\*\*</sup> TransBay

## Status of OAL / Challenges

- Communication/Collaboration
- Site inclusiveness of all sports
- Hiring coaches
- Recruitment of student-athletes

#### **OAL Structural Benefits & Policy Committee**

- OUSD is its own section
  - Advantageous for OUSD Student-Athletes access to state championships and playoffs
- Policy Committee
  - 6 OAL member principals & Commissioner (monthly meeting)
  - Roberts Rules of Order (Quorum of 4)
    - Decisions made through majority vote of committee
    - Commissioner must adhere and uphold decisions
    - Commissioner is not a voting member

### **Coaching Expectations**

- •6 Core Principles of Pursuing Victory with Honor: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and good citizenship.
- Promote sportsmanship and foster good character.
- •Student-athletes and parents 1<sup>st</sup> priority is a serious commitment to education.

## **Academic Programming**

Programs should be facilitated by the school site based on specific needs of each site.

#### Possible ideas:

- After School Programs
- Mandatory study hall
- Mandatory progress report
- Mandatory graduation check

### **Expansion & Charter**

OAL supports High Schools

### Focus: OUSD Restructuring & Growth

- Academic Accountability
- Sportsmanship
- Professional Development/Expectations/Accountability

### City of Oakland - Parks & Recreation

City of Oakland sites are used primarily for baseball and softball.

3 schools do not have suitable space for baseball/softball: Castlemont, Fremont and Mack

Fremont does not have suitable space for football

Consider partnership with Parks & Recreation to improve sites used by OAL schools.

## (see handout)

- Improve Budget Systems:
  - Backwards map costs of sports to articulate clear budget decisions including increased student participation and inflation costs.
  - Expand visibility of OAL to organize funding events and attract sponsorship to subsidize growing costs.



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