



## PRESS RELEASE

The OSSAA Board of Directors discussed a wide range of issues at their December 4, 2002 Board Meeting concerning cutbacks of OSSAA activities. The board reviewed the results of the legislation and voted unanimously to enact the following cost-cutting and cost-saving measures on a temporary basis due to the financial crisis that most schools are facing. These changes are to take effect immediately. The cuts reflect between 20% and 25% of each schedule.

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>CURRENT GAME LIMITATION</b>	<b>LIMIT FOR SPRING 2003</b>
<b>Baseball</b>		
High School	28-3 tournaments	22-3 tournaments
Junior High	18-2 tournaments	14-2 tournaments
<b>Softball</b>		
High School	28-3 tournaments	22-3 tournaments
Junior High	18-2 tournaments	14-2 tournaments
<b>Golf</b>		
High School	12	9
Junior High	6	4
<b>Track</b>		
High School	10	8
Junior High	8	6
<b>Tennis</b>		
High School	18	14
Junior High	10	8
<b>Soccer</b>		
High School	12-1 tournament 4 scrimmages	10-1 tournament 3 scrimmages
Junior High	8	6

Additionally, all OSSAA Coaches' Advisory Committee Meetings will be rescheduled to begin no earlier than 4:00 p.m. The Board reaffirmed their commitment to reimburse all activities at the top level of each formula and committed an additional \$10,000 of revenue from Cox Communications to Football and Basketball State Championship Game participants. Also, the OSSAA Board of Directors in previous board meetings approved increasing basketball reimbursement by approximately \$140,000. This commitment to the schools was reaffirmed. The Board will continue to review all OSSAA activities and make any adjustments possible to help during this time of financial crisis. Activities currently involved in their seasons will be reviewed for the 2003-2004 school year.

December 4, 2002