

Washburn



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Dear Mr. Sylling and Board of Directors,

The purpose of my letter is to express a baseball concern on behalf of the schools in Region 8.

Over the past few several baseball seasons a school in our region has had their participation status fluctuate from playing a full varsity schedule, playing a JV schedule, or not fielding a team at all. Working with them this spring has been particular frustrating.

- In February they indicated they would not participate in our region meeting as they felt they would not have a program this spring.
- On March 13th they contacted region schools stating that they had enough interested students and would field a varsity team. That caused the other region teams to adjust their established schedules to accommodate two more region dates.
- On April 4th they emailed region schools that the number of students they had anticipated hadn't materialized and they would not be fielding a team this spring.

I am asking the board of directors to consider establishing a date that requires baseball schools to declare their intentions to field a team similar to what is currently in place for softball.

- Softball Regulation:
 - Teams declaring after January 1, 2012 are not eligible for post-season until 2013.

Sincerely,

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Region 8 Baseball Chairman