Section 10 Athletics

COMBINED TEAMS APPLICATION

1. Describe the reason(s) for this request and any history that will help demonstrate need: Edwards-Knox does not offer the sport of track we have merged with Canton in the past.

2.	List all schools considered:	Indicate their anticipated number of participants and league record	for
	the previous year.		

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	Signature of the Requesting	ng Superintendent*		Date

Signature of the Host Superintendent	Date

COMBINING of SCHOOLS POLICY: As per NYSPHSAA Handbook,

Section 10 form required http://www.nysphsaa.org/Classifications

- 1. The joining together of students from two or more schools shall be permitted for the following reasons provided certain criteria are established and substantiated:
 - a. Lack of enough participants in one or more schools in some or all sports.
 - b. Fiscal problems that force school districts to curtail or eliminate interscholastic programs.
 - c. The inability to secure qualified coaches.
 - d. Declining enrollments.
 - e. In unusual situations, lack of proper facilities, i.e. swimming pool.
- 2. Special factors that need local consideration:
 - a. United and consistent decisions on the following details are mentioned for those who may be considering combinations. This is not an all-inclusive list of considerations:
 - (1) Transportation how, when, where, etc.
 - (2) Medical information common student medical forms
 - (3) Insurance similar or the same
 - (4) Joint agreement on athletic behavior codes
 - (5) Joint agreement on eligibility codes
 - (6) Policies on absentees being or not being allowed to participate
 - (7) Advanced Placement Process exchange copies of paper work etc.
 - (8) Financial obligations for requesting/hosting school-(flat fee or per athlete)

 *Are there future plans and/or steps being taken for combined schools to develop individual programs?
 - b. Any student who previously participated on a combined program must return to his/her home school once that school has established its own program.
- 3. Listed procedures for combinations:
 - a. Schools seeking to combine must be dues paying members of NYSPHSAA and Section X.
 - b. All schools in a combination must have Board of Education approval.
 - c. All schools in a combination must have approval of the league. (If not a member of a league, apply directly to Section X).
 - d. The Athletic Director of the host school is responsible for completing the form and submitting it to the Section X office prior to the start of the respective sport season.

- e. A master copy of all completed merger/combined school applications will be provided to the Athletic Council & Sports Coordinator prior to each sports season.
- f. The Section X Athletic Council will make the final decision and forward its decision to the applying school or schools as well as the NYSPHSAA. *Extensions beyond the date maybe considered by the Executive Committee on a case by case. Requests for extensions and the circumstances must be provided in writing. However, this does not guarantee approval.
- g. If a combined team enters sectional level competition their official BEDS shall be combined for placement in tournament competition.
- h. All schools participating in a combination for a varsity level sport are each responsible for paying the sport fee for that sport when paying their school dues.
- i. The application deadline for all merger/combined school applications:

Fall August 1st, Winter November 1st & Spring March 1st.

4. The merger /combinations are not complete until approved by both Section X and NYSPHSAA.