

# Louisburg Magnet HS

## Conference Adjustment



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## Reasons For The Readjustment Appeal

- ADM discrepancies between The Big East 2A/3A Conference member schools which creates an unfair playing field for Louisburg.
- Inequity the conference creates for postseason play
  - Playoff implications
  - Playoff opportunities compared to other 2A schools and split conferences
  - Conference cup points

**Population differences between Louisburg and The Big East 2A/3A  
Conference members according to the 2022-23 ADMs provided by  
the NCHSAA in the Tuesday Update on 11/29/22**

<b>School</b>	<b>Population</b>	<b>Difference with Louisburg</b>
<b>Franklinton (3A)</b>	<b>1,251*</b>	<b>678</b>
<b>Southern Nash (3A)</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>629</b>
<b>Northern Nash (3A)</b>	<b>1,194</b>	<b>621</b>
<b>Rocky Mount (3A)</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>607</b>
<b>Nash Central (2A)</b>	<b>1,049</b>	<b>476</b>
<b>Roanoke Rapids (2A)</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>329</b>
<b>Bunn (2A)</b>	<b>877*</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>Louisburg (2A)</b>	<b>573*</b>	

\*total ADM including Early College

# Solutions Presented To The NCHSAA Board of Directors

**Solution 1:** Remain in the 2A classification but be placed in a straight 2A conference

- NCHSAA split the 2A/3A conferences (The Big East & Northern Lakes). Combine the 2As into one conference and the 3As into another conference. This will allow for schools to be in a conference with other schools similar in size and it would be more equitable/fair for student athletes.
- Louisburg has full support from all Granville Co. Schools, [Bunn](#), and [Roanoke Rapids](#).

**Solution 2:** Readjust Louisburg to the 1A classification.

- NCHSAA split TRAC into two 5 team conferences.
- NCHSAA add Louisburg to the TRAC conference which will make it a 10 team conference.
- We do not have support from this conference but it is the only 1A conference close to us that has football and that is made up of majority traditional public schools.

**Solution 3:** Remain in the The Big East 2A/3A but readjust Louisburg to the 1A classification with restrictions to make playoffs.

*Suggested Restrictions:*

- If Louisburg finishes 1st in the 2A portion of the Big East, we get slotted in the 1A playoffs as a 1 seed.
- If Louisburg finishes 2nd in the 2A portion of the Big East, we get slotted in the 1A playoffs with the other 2 seeds.
- If neither a 1st or 2nd place finish in the conference, Louisburg goes to the wildcard scenario.

Note: We are asking for the same qualifications as if we were 2A, but going into the 1A playoffs.

# Readjustment Appeal Results

- With a 19-0 vote, the NCHSAA Board has taken us out of The Big East 2A/3A conference and moved us into The Northern Lakes 2A/3A conference starting the **fall of 2023**.
- This move was not one we suggested but we did ask for a better situation than being in the Big East conference and I truly believe the NCHSAA did that for us.
- Though The Northern Lakes conference is also a 2A/3A conference, the **overall** discrepancies in sizes of the schools is smaller than schools in The Big East.
- We already play a lot of these schools and know how they perform which is why I believe it's a better situation overall for Louisburg Athletics.
- In the following slides, I've provided ADMs & travel information comparing The Northern Lakes and Big East schools.

**Population differences between Louisburg and The Big East 2A/3A  
Conference and Northern Lakes 2A/3A conference schools according to  
the 2022-23 ADMs provided by the NCHSAA**

<b>The Big East</b>	<b>Population</b>	<b>Difference with Louisburg</b>	<b>Northern Lakes*</b>	<b>Population</b>	<b>Difference with Louisburg</b>
<b>Franklinton (3A)</b>	<b>1,251</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>Southern Durham (3A)</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>1185</b>
<b>Southern Nash (3A)</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>Vance Co. (3A)</b>	<b>1,316</b>	<b>743</b>
<b>Northern Nash (3A)</b>	<b>1,194</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>Durham School of Arts (3A)</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>491</b>
<b>Rocky Mount (3A)</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>Carrboro (3A)</b>	<b>871</b>	<b>298</b>
<b>Nash Central (2A)</b>	<b>1,049</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>South Granville (2A)</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>128</b>
<b>Roanoke Rapids (2A)</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>Granville Central (2A)</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Bunn (2A)</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>JF Webb (2A)</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Louisburg (2A)</b>	<b>573</b>		<b>Louisburg (2A)</b>	<b>573</b>	

\*LHS could use BHS and FHS as some of their non-conference games

## Travel Distances

Northern Lakes	Distance From Louisburg
Southern Durham (3A)	39 miles
Vance Co. (3A)	16 miles
Durham School of Arts (3A)	42 miles
Carrboro (3A)	57 miles
South Granville (2A)	24 miles
Granville Central (2A)	28 miles
JF Webb (2A)	31 miles

School	Distance From Louisburg
Franklinton (3A)	11 miles
Southern Nash (3A)	25 miles
Northern Nash (3A)	32 miles
Rocky Mount (3A)	37 miles
Nash Central (2A)	32 miles
Roanoke Rapids (2A)	49 miles
Bunn (2A)	13 miles

Travel is more in the Northern Lakes but we were already playing JF Webb, Granville Central, South Granville and Vance Co. in our non conference schedules. We will still be playing Bunn and Franklinton but now it'll be non conference. Also, the drive to Roanoke Rapids may not take place now.

# Playoffs

- Northern Lakes is a more competitive conference as majority of schools are closer to in size and experience to LMHS.
- LMHS will be eligible to participate in any play-off game, including football, that they qualify for, up to and including the State Championship.
- We believe that we will be more competitive, therefore having greater chance of making playoffs.



**Questions?**