

KHSAA Form FB104
Rev. 7/06



KHSAA Football Alignment
Receipt and / or Request for Changes In the Draft Alignment
(All responses will be copied and given to the Board of Control prior to the October 18 meeting)
Deadline for submission for 2011 through 2014 seasons – October 14, 2010

Section I. To be completed by schools desiring no additional input.

As the representatives of this school we have received and reviewed the proposed alignment of schools and recommend no changes.

Section II. To be completed by schools desiring to withdraw from district competition

As the representatives of this school, we request to be withdrawn from football championship competition in 2011 through 2014. We understand that we will be out of district competition until the end of the classification cycle.

Section III. To be completed by schools desiring to see other alignment changes.

As the representatives of this school, we request that the following suggested amendments to the alignment of schools in football be given consideration by the KHSAA Board of Control with respect to this school (attach additional if necessary):

We would like to request that Leslie Co. High School be placed in Class 2A District 8.

If the above request cannot be considered, we would like to request to move up in class and be placed in Class 3A District 7.

Section IV. To be completed by schools desiring to appear before the Board of Control

As the representatives of this school, we request to appear before the Board of Control on October 18 and testify with respect to Section III above.

School

Leslie Co. High School

Principal Signature (required):

Athletic Director Signature (required)

Date:

10/12/10

**LESLIE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL'S REQUEST FOR AN AMENDMENT OF THE PROPOSED
2011-2014 KHSAA FOOTBALL ALIGNMENT**

Leslie County High School would like to request that the 2011-2014 proposed football alignment, which currently has it in Class 2A, District 7, be amended and that Leslie County High School be placed in Class 2A, District 8 for the 2011-2014 high school football seasons.

Leslie County is currently set to begin football play in 2011 in Class 2A, District 7. District 7 currently consists of Danville, Leslie County, Lexington Christian, Middlesboro and Somerset. Leslie County's participation in this District would place an economic hardship on the school system. Following is a breakdown of mileage and costs involved in travel to these various schools:

| SCHOOLS | ROUND TRIP MILEAGE | ROUND TRIP TRAVEL TIME |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| LEXINGTON CHRISTIAN | 265 MILES | 4 HOURS, 30 MINUTES |
| DANVILLE | 225 MILES | 4 HOURS, 10 MINUTES |
| SOMERSET | 185 MILES | 3 HOURS, 30 MINUTES |
| MIDDLESBORO | 120 MILES | 3 HOURS, 5 MINUTES |

The mileage costs associated with this proposed alignment would be \$1192.50. Given the round trip travel time, it would be very unlikely that many fans would travel these distances. Further, these away trips would mean that the football team would have to leave school prior to the end of classes. In 2009, Leslie County was ranked 225 out of 229 in its CATS test performance. Measurable strides were taken during the 2010 school year and the school moved to 69 out of 229 in its CATS test performance. The school system's central office is not supportive of this alignment due to the removal of some students from classes earlier in the day to make the football trips.

Leslie County requests an amendment that would place it in Class 2A, District 8. A review of the KHSAA map which contains the Class 2A schools and the 2011 proposed alignment reflects that Leslie County is in the eastern Kentucky mountainous area and should properly fall in the mountain area district. Class 2A, District 8 will consist of Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg, Russell and Shelby Valley—all mountain schools. Further, Leslie County has had a history of playing teams from Prestonsburg and Shelby Valley. In fact, a review of the current 2010 Leslie County football schedule will reflect that the overwhelming majority of its games take place in the mountain district of eastern Kentucky. Following is a breakdown of mileage and costs involved in the travel to these various schools:

| SCHOOLS | ROUND TRIP MILEAGE | ROUND TRIP TRAVEL TIME |
|---------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| BETSY LAYNE | 144 MILES | 2 HOURS, 42 MINUTES |
| PRESTONSBURG | 132 MILES | 2 HOURS, 31 MINUTES |
| SHELBY VALLEY | 170 MILES | 3 HOURS, 10 MINUTES |
| RUSSELL | 280 MILES | 5 HOURS, 26 MINUTES |

The mileage costs associated with this proposed alignment would be \$ 1089.00. And, if Russell were omitted from this calculation, the costs would only be \$669.00. Given round trip travel time and the close proximity to Leslie County, much more of the team's fan base would travel to the games. In addition, the football players would not have to be removed from school early to make the trips to the away games.

Based upon the above breakdown, it is abundantly clear that, economically and travel wise, Leslie County belongs in Class 2A, District 8. As such, Leslie County respectfully requests that it be placed in Class 2A, District 8 for the 2011-2014 football seasons.