



OCT 12 2010

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As the representatives of this school, we request to be withdrawn from football championship competition in 2011 through 2014.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):

See attached document.

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

Bell County High School

Principal Signature (required):

Athletic Director Signature (required)

Date:

October 8th, 2010

Bell County is a mountain football team. For us to be placed in a district that puts us in the western half of the state does not sit well with our school and our fans. I knew that a class change was going to take away some of our annual rivals, but never in my wildest dreams did I think we would be completely removed from Southeastern Kentucky. Also, travel in every district was a determining factor, but did anyone look at travel within the region. Bell County traveling to E Town or Louisville is bad enough. What in the world are we supposed to do if we have to travel to Paducah Tilghman for a semifinal contest (350 miles and over 7 hours on a bus)? We would have to leave at 9am in order to get there for a contest. No one should be asked to do this.

Suggestion I

Was there any consideration to have district 5 named district 4. The travel distance between this district and district 3 would be much closer than the current setup. I realize that these teams would have a long trip to the western part of the state for a semifinal game, but at least travel within the region would be a shorter distance.

If this is possible, we have no problem with our current district since the most likely scenario would be to match us against the district currently named district 7 to form region 3.

District 5 would become District 4

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District 7 would become District 6 and

District 6 would become District 7

District 8 would remain the same.

Suggestion II

If this is not an option, we request to be placed in district 7. This would be a total of 6 teams in this district which meets the realignment guidelines. This would keep us in the mountains and some of these teams have been district and regional opponents in the past.

I know that travel during the season is an issue, but if you look at the travel within our current assigned district, it is not that different. With six classes travel is always going to be an issue, but at least our fans can see a semi-final game in the playoffs without having to drive all the way across the state.