



Eastern Cincinnati Conference

February 1, 2012

Dear Principal and Athletic Director,

The Eastern Cincinnati Conference (ECC) is exploring the possibility of league expansion to an even number of members. The ECC is a new, seven school league that begins operation with the 2012 – 2013 school year. Any new member school would begin league membership and competition in the 2014 – 2015 school year. The current seven member high schools are Anderson High School, Glen Este High School, Kings High School, Loveland High School, Milford High School, Turpin High School and Walnut Hills High School – all located in eastern Cincinnati, Ohio in Hamilton, Clermont and Warren Counties. ECC schools are Division I in all sports except football. This year four schools were Division I in football and three schools were Division II.

Factors to be used in the review of schools under consideration can be found in Section 10 of the ECC Constitution which states: “The following will be among the factors to be used in the review of schools under consideration for entry into the ECC: proximity to current ECC schools, curriculum structure, high school and junior high school programs, financial stability, ticket revenue generation potential, facilities, school size, competitiveness in conference sports/activities, commonality of purpose and additional extracurricular activities. This list is not necessarily all-inclusive and the Expansion Committee may take into consideration other relevant factors.”

Schools interested in being considered for admission must complete and send the official ECC Application with all associated documentation by April 2, 2012. The application will be available February 1, 2012. All applications will remain sealed until April 2, 2012. The official ECC Application, ECC Constitution, and important directions for completing the application are available for public review and download from the ECC web page: www.eccsports.com. Also note that site visits and interviews with administration will be part of the selection process.

If you have procedural questions, please contact Ray Spicher at rlspicher@gmail.com.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

The ECC

Eastern Cincinnati Conference (ECC) Application Instructions

- The official ECC Application and all associated documentation must be sent in a hard copy format by **certified mail**, to insure tracking, to:

**ECC Expansion Committee
c/o Joseph L. Pahls CPA, LLC
10999 Reed Hartman Hwy Suite 305
Blue Ash, OH 45242**

513-661-6550 (Office)

Applications must have a postmark of no later than April 2, 2012. Do not send anything to any other league official or member. Do not send applications or associated documents electronically (by email or otherwise) - hard copy format only.

- Applicants will be notified of the league's receipt of their application and associated documentation within 10 business days of April 2, 2012. It is each applicant's responsibility to contact Ray Spicher at rlspicher@gmail.com if you do not receive such notification.

- All communication between the ECC and an applicant will only be with the person designated as the 'Official Contact' on the ECC Application and only through the email and ordinary mail address provided for that 'Official Contact'.

ECC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

School Name	
School Address	
School Phone Number	
School Fax Number	

	Name	Phone Number	Email	Years in District
Superintendent				
Principal				
Athletic Director				

YOUR OFFICIAL CONTACT FOR ALL APPLICATION MATTERS

Name	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Ordinary Mail Address	

Current League Affiliation Years	
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Prior League Affiliations Years (20 year history)	
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Answer each of the following questions in full and attach all supporting documentation.

1.) The following questions are regarding the factors identified in Section 10 of the ECC Constitution.

A.) Proximity to current ECC schools:

Distance & Travel Time from Your School to the Following ECC Member Schools		
	Miles Using MapQuest	Travel Time
Anderson High School		
Glen Este High School		
Kings High School		
Loveland High School		
Nagel Middle School		
Milford High School		
Turpin High School		
Walnut Hills High School		

Feel free to add any other pertinent information on your school's proximity to current ECC schools.

B.) Curriculum structure:

Please comment on yours as it relates to sharing best practices with other member schools.

C.) High school and junior high school programming:

a.) Complete the attached "Table One: High School and Junior High School Programming" and feel free to add any other pertinent information on your school's high school and junior high school programming.

b.) Include or describe your five-year strategic plan for athletics.

D.) Financial stability:

Discuss the long-term financial stability of your athletic program, high school and junior high. Include in your answer:

a.) each funding source for your athletic program by name and percentage of total funding for each of the last 5 years, including but not limited to pay to participate, booster organizations, fundraising, and the school and school district;

b.) a description of any cuts or reductions that have been made in your school's athletic programming, including coaching positions, over the last 5 years and any projected cuts or reductions in the future; and

c.) a description of any *specific* additions that have been made in your school's athletic programming, including coaching positions, over the last 5 years.

Feel free to add any other pertinent information on the long-term financial stability of your athletic program, high school and junior high.

E.) Ticket revenue generation potential:

How will the admission of your school enhance existing rivalries and create new natural neighborhood rivalries?

F.) Facilities:

Identify and describe the athletic facilities and their locations for your entire athletic program, high school and junior high.

G.) School size:

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Boys	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Last Year						
Present Year						
Next Year						

Girls	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Last Year						
Present Year						
Next Year						

H.) Competitiveness in conference sports/activities:

Complete the attached “Table Two: Competitiveness in Conference Sports/Activities” and feel free to add any other pertinent information on your school’s competitiveness in conference sports/activities and non-conference sports/activities.

I.) Commonality of purpose:

a.) Identify the values you associate with this league and its seven member schools, including the no discrimination policy in the ECC Constitution, and explain how your values match those values.

b.) Describe the athletic mission at your school.

c.) Describe the sense of community you perceive among existing ECC member schools and explain how the admission of your school will deepen that sense of community.

J.) Additional extracurricular activities:

Please list and describe any additional extracurricular activities not already mentioned in this application.

2.) In what other ways does your school add value to the schools in the ECC?

3.) Why would your school like to become a member of the ECC and what is special and unique about the ECC that prompts you to apply?

List All Conference, Sectional, District, Regional, State Titles from 2007-2012 by Sports & Gender _____
