## **IHSAA News Release**



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## Student Advisory Committee members announced for 2020-21

Eighteen high school student-athletes from across the Hoosier State will begin next school year as members of the 2020-21 IHSAA Student Advisory Committee (SAC).

Nine juniors will join nine seniors beginning their second year with the group which will receive hands-on leadership experience in various areas via several IHSAA-sponsored events as well as serve as a voice to the IHSAA staff.

Each year, the IHSAA receives nominations from school principals on behalf of student-athletes from IHSAA member schools. From that group of nominations, 20 are selected for interviews by members of the IHSAA Executive Committee and returning members of the SAC. From those interviews, nine incoming juniors are invited to join the group of nine returning seniors.

Student-athletes who will serve as part of next school year's committee include:

## 2020-21 IHSAA Student Advisory Committee

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Name	Grade	School
Rudy Branstetter	11	Connersville
Brookelyn Brown	12	North Vermillion
Brooke Comer	12	North Harrison
Leyton Czarnecki	12	LaVille
Georgia Gray	11	Fort Wayne Canterbury
Keegan Kaiser	11	Floyd Central
Ethan Keehn	12	Lake Station Edison
Gracie Madison	12	Barr-Reeve
Ava Ray	11	Franklin Community
Will Retherford	11	Elwood Community
Raef Sauer	11	Center Grove
Claire Shide	12	Mishawaka
Graham Siefker	12	LaPorte
Elizabeth Steinhart	12	Mt. Vernon
Brynn Urban	12	Fishers
Timothy Weeks	11	Eastern (Greentown)
Amajanea Whitt	11	Fort Wayne Wayne
Olivia Yager	11	Rushville Consolidated



The SAC, which began in 2001-02, represents the entire IHSAA membership of 408 schools, and its structure reflects that of the IHSAA Board of Directors in terms of classification and districts.

The SAC meets four times annually – twice each semester – and is responsible for hosting meetings with student peers at the Fall Area Principals Meetings; assisting with the awards ceremonies at IHSAA state championship events throughout the school year, planning and administering the annual IHSAA Student Leadership Conference in June and; to engage in and support the activities of Special Olympics Indiana including the Unified Track & Field and Unified Flag Football State Tournaments.

Other SAC functions include the development of an IHSAA Captain's Handbook which is posted to IHSAA.org as well as assisting in the creation of multiple public service announcements addressing good sporting behavior which will be utilized during 2020-21 state championships events.

## About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)

The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association's mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its 412 member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private – pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association's tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 22 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and two co-ed (unified flag football and unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.