

## SOME RULES DIFFER FOR INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM SPORTS

Team sports in TAPPS (football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, baseball and softball) have beginning dates as indicated on the TAPPS calendar. The regular season for each sport ends on the certification date as shown on the TAPPS calendar, except for those teams that advance in the play-offs.

The period of time from the beginning date for the sport until the season ends, as describe above is considered “in season” for that sport.

During the school year, days before the beginning of a sport season and days after the season ends for a sport are considered “off seson” for that sport.

Section 136 of the Athletic Manual describes the restrictions placed on team sports, during the “off season” during the school year and the restrictions for team sports during the summer and on non-school teams.

Individual sports (cross country, golf, tennis, swimming/diving and wrestling) do not have beginning or ending dates. Athletes may participate in these sports year round and may receive coaching from the same coach year round.

It should be emphasized that participation in a non-school sport cannot be a prerequisite for participation on a school team.