

March 9, 2016

NDHSAA  
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**Subject: Dissolution of Track co-op between Dickinson Trinity and New England**

Dear Members of the NDHSAA Board,

New England Public School requests you to consider our request for dissolution of the track and field co-op between Dickinson Trinity and New England Public School.

As mentioned before, at the request of Dickinson Trinity, administration from New England and Dickinson Trinity met on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 to discuss the co-op between the two schools. Administration from Dickinson Trinity asked us how we felt the co-op went this past year. We stated the co-op has been very successful and beneficial to our students and we were happy to have been able to contribute to the success of the program. We also stated we knew there were some concerns that needed to be addressed; however, we thought they could be worked out to make the co-op even more successful in the future. We asked Dickinson Trinity how they thought the program was going and they stated they felt the co-op was "unhealthy" and they would like to dissolve the co-op effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year. They also stated they were planning on moving down to Class "A" in the next football plan and our enrollment numbers would keep them in Class "AA". Additionally, administration from Dickinson Trinity wanted to discuss the current track co-op and would be getting back to us with their decision on whether or not they wanted to continue with the track co-op.

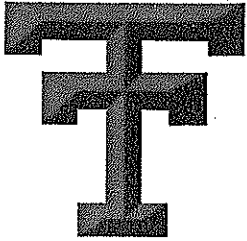
After our conversation with Dickinson Trinity on January 20<sup>th</sup>, we surveyed our students to see what interest we would have in starting our own track program again. Our surveys demonstrated a very positive response to starting our own program again. On Tuesday, February 16, 2016, I called Steve Glasser and I informed him that the New England School Board decided to start a track program effective immediately.

Currently, we have 43 student/athletes participating in track and field this spring. Last year fifteen students participated in track and field at Dickinson Trinity last year. With this in mind, we request you consider our application to dissolve the track and field co-op between Dickinson Trinity and New England effective immediately.

Best regards,



Kelly Koppinger  
Superintendent, New England Public School



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Dear NDHSAA Board of Directors:

It is the intention of Dickinson Trinity High School to dissolve the football and track coop currently in existence with New England Public High School. It is my understanding that both schools need to agree to the dissolution.

It is our formal request to dissolve the cooperative agreement with New England Public High School for the 2016 track season as well as the 2017-18 football season. Thank you for your consideration and please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Steve Glasser

President, Dickinson Catholic Schools