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TO: Athletic Directors and Coaches

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The OSAA is supportive of charitable initiatives and has developed guidelines in regards to an athletic competition being held in the name of a charitable cause. Each school participating must be in agreement to allow any modifications to the rules.

Schools may host a contest in recognition of a charitable cause under the following conditions:

1. Uniform color must be legal under NFHS rules. Example: Breast cancer awareness pink uniforms would not be legal in sports that require “white and dark” uniforms because pink is neither. It would be a legal color uniform in sports that require “LIGHT and dark” uniforms.
2. A permanently attached commemorative patch may be worn but must adhere to NFHS rules in each specific sport.
3. Colored game balls may not be used during competition unless they are legal under NFHS rules. They may be used during any warm-up period prior to the contest, except in softball and baseball.
4. Basketball Only: Pink headbands or wristbands, not legal under NFHS basketball rules unless pink is a school color, are allowed. Note that all team members must be uniform in color of headbands or wristbands.
5. Officials may use a colored whistle.