



# Indiana Lacrosse Officials Association

## 2018 Game Assigning Priorities

ILOA currently has a limited number of officials to service the needs of both the High School and Youth leagues during the spring season, the result being that we have had days with more games scheduled than crews needed to work them. Adding to the challenge for our assigners is that officials are independent contractors, meaning they can determine their own availability by blocking days or travel distances, and decline games that have been offered to them. This naturally limits our ability to project scheduling fulfillment until games are offered and accepted.

Therefore, in order to introduce fairness to both leagues, and until we are able to grow our ranks, we have adopted a system used by many officials' associations whereby on specified weekdays one league has priority over the other for having officials assigned to their games. **In short, a league with priority on a given day gets its games assigned first. This does not mean a team without priority can't schedule a game on that day. It simply means that there is a chance that no officials may be available to work their game.**

The table below lists priorities for each day of the week. Friday, Saturday and Sunday follow the priority list from top (1) to bottom (4).

Spring 2018 Priorities	
Mondays, Thursdays	Middle School and Youth
Tuesdays, Wednesdays	High School, College, & Post-collegiate
Fridays, Saturdays	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. HS, College &amp; Post-collegiate <b>with travel</b>*</li><li>2. MS &amp; Youth <b>with travel</b>*</li><li>3. HS, College &amp; Post-collegiate <b>without travel</b></li><li>4. MS &amp; Youth <b>without travel</b></li></ol>
Sundays	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. MS &amp; Youth <b>with travel</b>*</li><li>2. HS, College &amp; Post-collegiate <b>with travel</b>*</li><li>3. MS &amp; Youth <b>without travel</b></li><li>4. HS, College &amp; Post-collegiate <b>without travel</b></li></ol>

\* **"with travel"** means a team has traveled from a different **region**, as defined in the [Mileage Reimbursement Plan](#) developed with IHSLA. **Please note** that some programs are remote from other teams in their region which, due to the travel required, creates difficulties in scheduling weeknight games. Our assigners are aware of these difficulties and will take them into consideration when applying priority to weekend games. This leeway assumes that these programs will make the attempt to schedule according to the priorities listed above. Abuse may lead to a withdrawal of any elevated priority for such a program.