

## **2.14 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATION**

### **APPROVED RULINGS & INTERPRETATIONS FOR 2.14.1**

#### **Emerging/Adding A Sanctioned Activity**

*Emerging sport means there is statewide interest for the activity to become sanctioned under the NSAA.*

*The membership shall consider the following criteria when recommending a new or emerging activity for NSAA Sanction:*

- (1) Results from a formal survey submitted by the requesting parties that provides data regarding number of schools participating, student participation numbers, coaches availability (salary cost estimate), funding (equipment, uniforms, etc), site availability, season of sport preferred, etc.*
- (2) Data regarding the positive/negative impact of the addition to the proportionality ranges and sport offerings to the membership and the NSAA.*
- (3) Adequate number of schools in geographical area to complete a schedule (Statewide programs or Metro centered).*
- (4) Travel.*
- (5) Practice and Competition site availability.*
- (6) Cost estimates per school for start and maintenance for the activity.*
- (7) Officials' availability, training/certification, fees.*
- (8) Cost estimates for NSAA Championships (awards, officials, site rental, administration, etc).*
- (9) Safety and liability issues with the new activity.*

*The NSAA Board of Directors may approve emerging sport status for up to three years as a non-sanctioned school sponsored activity.*