

OK Conference

Dave Feenstra, Commissioner

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OK Conference Commissioner Position

The OK Conference is seeking applications for the OK Conference Commissioner.

Experience

Applicants with the following attributes will be preferred:

- 1. Experience in high school administration and high school athletics
- 2. Knowledge of Title IX
- 3. Knowledge of MHSAA policies and procedures
- 4. Strong communication skills in speaking and writing
- 5. A global thinker, a person who plans for the future as well as one who deals with the present
- Comfortable working with officials, athletic directors, principals, superintendents, and the media
- 7. Committed to promoting all sports
- 8. Able to use technology
- 9. Strong organizational skills
- 10. Strong problem-solving skills
- 11. Good listening skills
- 12. Ability to coordinate/facilitate large group discussion/resolution
- 13. Managing conflict resolution

The Following is a list of responsibilities of the OK Conference Commissioner:

- A. Conference spokesperson/communication coordinator/distributor of information
- B. Stay up to date with current issues in high school athletics
- C. Serve and speak on the behalf of the Conference to the media and other public relations outlets
- D. Provide communications and updates to conference membership regarding current events and policy changes
- E. Serve as a liaison to state, national, and local athletic organizations to advocate for the Conference's best interests
- F. Facilitator of Meetings: Athletic Commission, Executive Board, and Executive Council
- G. Committee Coordinator: non-voting member of all OK Conference committees
- H. Establish sites and management concerns for meetings, ie, locations, rooms, timing, meals, etc.
- I. Prepare a yearly calendar for all events
- J. Update the Conference handbook as needed

- K. Initiate any investigations, collect information, and render decisions in cases of dispute between two conference schools or between divisions within the conference
- L. Supervise the Assistant Commissioner
- M. Complete questionnaires requested by the MHSAA and conference as needed
- N. Organize for the assignment of game officials in all sports as requested
- O. Attend as many sporting events as feasible
- P. Attend local, state, and national meetings as requested by the Executive Board

Method of Application:

Email (preferred) or mail a letter of interest and resume to:

Jerry Haggerty, OK Conference Assistant Commissioner Grandville High School 4700 Canal SW Grandville, MI 49418 jhaggerty@gpsbulldogs.org

Salary:

At or near \$30,000 annually. The Commissioner's job is part-time, but she/he may have duties to perform on a year-round basis. The official start date will be July 2025. Please direct any questions to Dave Feenstra or Jerry Haggerty in the OK Conference office.

Timeline:

Application Deadline: March 3, 2025 First Round Interviews: March 10-12, 2025

Second/Final Round (if needed): March 17-19, 2025