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## Many league changes coming in 2026-27. Here's how it will look

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### Key Points AI-assisted summary ⓘ

- Several Greater Akron high school athletic conferences will see changes in membership starting in the 2026-27 school year.
  - The Metro Athletic Conference will expand to 10 schools, adding Cuyahoga Falls, Kent Roosevelt, and Tallmadge.
  - The Suburban League will realign its National and American conferences, with some schools moving between them for football.
  - The Principals Athletic Conference will grow to eight teams with the addition of Coventry.
  - The City Series, Federal League, and North Coast Conference will have no changes to their current membership.
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What conference will [Cuyahoga Falls](#) be in next fall? What will the Suburban League National Conference look like?

How many teams will be in the Principals Athletic Conference?

It's tough to keep up with all the moves slated for 2026-27, but the [Beacon Journal](#) is here to help. Here's what Greater Akron league play will look like in all conferences when school begins next August.

### Metro Athletic Conference schools

Three schools added, one school exits.

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**Metro Athletic Conference (10 schools):** Cloverleaf, Cuyahoga Falls (from Suburban League American Conference), Field, Kent Roosevelt (from SLAC), Norton, Ravenna, Tallmadge (from SLAC), Springfield, Streetsboro, Woodridge

**Out:** Coventry

## Principals Athletic Conference

One school added.

**Principals Athletic Conference (8 schools):** Canton South, Coventry (from Metro Athletic Conference), Fairless, Manchester, Northwest, Orrville, Triway, Tuslaw

## Suburban League National Conference

**In football only:** One school moved from the SL American Conference. One school added.

**Suburban League National Conference (8 schools):** Highland (from SLAC), Hudson, Nardonía, North Royalton, Medina (from Greater Cleveland Conference), Solon, Stow, Wadsworth,

**Note:** Brecksville will compete in the National Conference for every other sport

## Suburban League American Conference

**In football only:** Two schools moved from the National Conference. Two schools added.

**Suburban League American Conference (8 schools):** Aurora, Barberton, Brecksville (from SLNC), Copley, Kenston (from Western Reserve Conference), Mayfield (from WRC), Revere, Twinsburg (from SLNC)

**Note:** Nardonía will compete in the American Conference for every other sport.

## City Series, Federal League, North Coast Conference schools

No changes.

**City Series (6 schools):** Buchtel, East, Ellet, Firestone, Garfield, North

**Federal League (7 schools):** Canton McKinley, GlenOak, Green, Hoover, Jackson, Lake, Perry

**North Coast Conference (8 schools):** Benedictine, Beaumont, Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, Holy Name, Elyria Catholic, Lake Catholic, Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin, Padua

## Independent Greater Akron schools

No changes.

Hoban, Mogadore, St. Vincent-St. Mary, Walsh Jesuit

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