

A-1 Officials

FINGERPRINT POLICY

September 12, 2005

- 1) All members should proceed with making an appointment with one of the local School Boards to have their fingerprints taken in order to obtain a Level II Background Check. Student Officials under the age of 18 are exempt.
- 2) A copy of the paid receipt and the confirmation number sheet shown you have paid to have your fingerprints taken must be supplied to the A-1 Treasurer. (This is for two reasons: One, in order to get your \$34 dollar refund from FHSAA and two, to show that you are in the process of obtaining your background check.)
- 3) The State requires you to list a point of contact (POC) when completing the paper work for fingerprints. At this time the President will be the point of contact.

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- 4) Upon receiving a copy of a member's paid receipt or confirmation sheet showing that the member has paid to have their fingerprints taken, and is in the process of getting the procedure done and submitted to the processing authority, the Treasurer will place that member's name on a list. This list will be supplied to any School or School Board requesting it with the following statement.

“ At this time the members listed below have paid their fee to have their fingerprints taken and are either in the process of making an appointment to have the procedure done or are in the process of having their backgrounds checked after submitting their fingerprints through the appropriate channels. Should A-1 Officials be notified in writing by the clearing authority that an individual member is approved, a separate approved list will be maintained.”

- 5) At this time a member must be registered, and all dues and fines paid, with FHSAA and A-1 Official in order to referee. At this time each member is encouraged to make an appointment to have their fingerprints taken as soon as possible, there is, however, no restriction on being able to referee at any school at this time (September 30th, 2005) while obtaining your clearance. This, however, may change in the future and could be implemented state wide, or on an individual school basis, or by an individual County School Board. It could come to pass that you have to have been cleared in order to referee at a Public School. It is also possible the law could be changed, but at this time we must show good faith effort to comply with the law.

Vance A. Harris, President
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