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**SUNSHINE STATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE NORTH FLORIDA LEAGUE
EXPANDS FOR 2021-2022**

The Sunshine State Athletic Conference North Florida League expands its membership for 2021-2022.

Valrico, FL –April 7, 2021 – The Sunshine State Athletic Conference (SSAC) is excited to announce the expansion of the North Florida League membership for 2021. The 2021 season will be the 3rd year of competition for the North Florida League and with more than 50% of the 1A rural teams now members, it looks to be the best yet. The League will grow to 19 participating schools for next year. Schools are drawn to the League after seeing the competition and success of past years.

“Blountstown is super excited about the opportunity to be part of the SSAC North Florida League. We see several awesome benefits. First and foremost we believe in the leadership and values the SSAC stand for. It’s driven by and set up to serve its coaches and what is important to its members,” stated Beau Johnson, Blountstown’s Head Coach and 2019 League Champion. *“It’s a way to have something fun for the kids to play for during the regular season. Another great reason we chose to be in the conference is a true small rural school situation and should benefit our power rating for the post season. Lastly is the beneficial revenue sharing set up for the SSAC playoffs...We are truly blessed to be part of a great conference run by great people.”*

“The SSAC was started by small schools, for small schools, with 8 football only members back in 2008. We now have 150+ members across the State of Florida, offering 10 sports for the 2021-2022 school year. After meeting the coaches of these North Florida schools, we knew we wanted to offer them and their communities the same opportunities our other members enjoy of playing on a level playing field, against like-minded competition. We are thrilled that the league has expanded so quickly going into just our 3rd year here in North Florida! Our expectation is that we will have our best season yet with adding these new members. This will be some of the best football played in the state!”

The SSAC’s North Florida League is going to be competitive, exciting and intense all the way to the championship! The SSAC North Florida League is Competition without Compromise! Below is the North Florida League membership for 2021:



2021 North Florida League:

West Division:

Bozeman High School
Blountstown High School
Cottondale High School
Franklin County High School
Freeport High School
Graceville High School
Holmes County High School
Liberty County High School
Port St. Joe High School
Sneads High School
Wewahitchka High School

East Division:

Branford High School
Chiefland High School
Dixie County High School
Hamilton High School
Hilliard Middle Senior High School
Lafayette High School
Trenton High School
Williston High School

About Sunshine State Athletic Conference:

The Sunshine State Athletic Conference – Florida’s premier independent athletic conference – formed in 2008 as an alternative for Florida high school sports programs. The conference has grown into a multiple sport athletic organization made up of private, public and charter schools located throughout Florida. SSAC’s focus is to promote good sportsmanship and fair play, and student-athlete safety. The goal of the conference is to provide members with a safe, equitable, and enjoyable athletic experience. Additional information on the SSAC can be found at: www.sunshinestateathletics.com.

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