



Memorandum

To: All Officials
From: Tony Maselli, NJSIAA Chief Operating Officer
Date: June 14, 2021
Re: Uniform News
Copy: All NJSIAA Directors

We hope this message finds you all well. This has been a very tumultuous year to say the least. We would like to thank all officials for dealing with all the guidelines changes and adjustments throughout the year and across all sports. To those of you that opted out because of covid, we hope you will return to the officiating ranks soon.

Our contract with our current uniform supplier, Cliff Keen will expire June 30th. The NJSIAA is proud to announce our new exclusive supplier of officials uniforms is Smitty out of Canton, Ohio. Smitty is a nationwide company with an outstanding product, serving many states as well as the official manufacturer of the NFHS. The NJSIAA will not have a preferred vendor going forward. Not having a preferred vendor will be good for all officials as you may purchase any apparel from any provider across the country. I have provided a link below to the Smitty website. Their website will help you find all local vendors that will be selling Smitty apparel. [Smitty Officials Apparel \(smittyapparel.com\)](https://smittyapparel.com)

Please see our rollout plan below:

- The current officials apparel supplied by Cliff Keen will continue to be sold until December 31st, 2021.
- Starting January 1, 2022, only Smitty apparel will be sold.
- Officials will not be required to wear Smitty apparel until July 1, 2023.

Please contact the NJSIAA office if you have questions.