

Field Hockey

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Coach Responsibilities:

1. Know and follow all AACPS policies, procedures, rules and regulations as described throughout the AACPS Athletic Handbook.
2. Know and follow the sport bulletins of the specific sport.
3. Know and follow the “Bylaws” and “Rules and Interpretation” sections of the MPSSAA handbook.
4. Follow the procedures in the MPSSAA bulletin.
5. Follow sport-specific rules in the appropriate rule book.
 - a. Rule Changes:
<https://www.nfhs.org/sports-resource-content/field-hockey-rules-changes-2022/>
 - a. MPSSAA rule clinic courses for field hockey, football, soccer and volleyball
<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/maryland-rules-clinic-2022-2023>

Contact Information:

1. Questions should be initially directed to local school athletic directors.
2. Then, questions should be directed to:
 - a. County sport commissioner - Kyle Hines, Glen Burnie, khines@aacps.org 443-924-4794
 - b. District V Representative - Heather Arnold, Crofton, harnold@aacps.org, 410-569-6225
3. Regional Tournament Directors:
 - a. 4A East r-Heather Arnold, Crofton, harnold@aacps.org, 410-569-6225
 - b. 3A South - Anne Vallandingham, Chopticon, aevallandingham@smcps.org, 240.925.8798
 - c. 2A East, Gina Dean, Pocomoke ES, gmouse011@hotmail.com; 410.726.7804
 - d. 1A East, Gina Dean, Pocomoke ES, gmouse011@hotmail.com; 410.726.7804

Divisions:

4A	3A	2A
Annapolis Broadneck Glen Burnie Meade North County Old Mill Severna Park South River	Arundel Chesapeake Crofton	Northeast
		1A
		Southern

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Important Dates:

August

- Monday, August 8 at 4:00 pm - Fall Coaches Meeting, Glen Burnie High School
- Wednesday August 10 - First day of tryouts
- Tuesday August 16 - First scrimmage day
- Friday, August 26, 2022 - Academic assistance sessions start date
- Saturday, August 27, 2022- SAT Testing - No Mandatory Practice or Contests before 2:00 PM

September

- Friday, September 2, 2022 - MPSSAA start date for contests (except golf)
- Monday, September 5, 2022 - Labor Day- All Schools Closed- Practices still allowed
- Thursday, September 15, 2022 - Academic assistance sessions end date and **Grade Check**
- Monday, September 26 - Rosh Hashanah- All schools closed- No practices or contests

October

- Saturday, October 1- SAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2:00 pm
- Tuesday, October 4, 2022 - Yom Kippur, No practices or Contests after Sundown
- Wednesday, October 5, 2022 - Yom Kippur, No practices or Contests
- Wednesday, October 19, 2022 - Two-hour early dismissal for all students
- Thursday, October 20, 2022 - Two-hour early dismissal for all students

November

- Thursday, November 3, 2022 - Two-hour early dismissal for all students
- Friday, November 4, 2022 - Two-hour early dismissal for all students
- Saturday, November 5, 2022 - SAT testing- No mandatory practices or contests before 2pm
- Tuesday, November 8, 2022 - Election Day- Schools Closed- No Practices Allowed
- Thursday, November 17, 2022 - Check Ineligibility Lists
- Monday-Friday, November 21-25, 2022 - No School, only football allowed to practice on Thanksgiving

Contests:

- 12 contests (9-11 county games, possibility 1-3 out of county games) or 14 with designated optional tournament;
- No more than two games per week;
- Three games in one week may be scheduled twice during the season;
- A team may elect to play in one designated optional two or three-game tournament;
- If a team elects to play in a designated optional three-game tournament, only 11 regular season games may be scheduled
- 2 scrimmages - a multi-team scrimmage counts only as one scrimmage
- Allowed one postseason scrimmage (in between last game and first playoff game). No officials, no score keeping, and no bus transportation (no added costs).
- JV Regular Season Contests: JV contests that end in a tie after regulation will end in a tie

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County Championship and Awards:

- Monday, October 24, 2022 at Southern High School
- **JV County Championship criteria:**
A JV player is eligible to participate so long as they have entered no more than two regular season varsity contests (excluding tournaments – they may also play in varsity tournaments).
- If tied at the end of regulation, play one 10-minute overtime period and then penalty strokes
- Awards:
 - Varsity: 25 medals for both participating teams (gold and silver); team and head coach plaques
 - JV: team plaque

Playoffs:

- Every school is automatically entered into the region tournament unless the MPSSAA office receives written notification to the contrary.
- Only those schools that win in the region championships are required to submit the tournament entry form and team photo.
- All teams will be seeded.
- Region final will be played at the site with the team that had the higher win percentage at time of seeding.
- <https://www.mpssaa.org/state-championships/field-hockey/>

Regional Tournament Information:

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| ● October 22, 2022 | Last playable date for seeding |
| ● October 24, 2022 | Tournament Seeding |
| ● October 26, 2022 | Last play date |
| ● October 27, 2022 | Region Quarterfinals |
| ● October 31, 2022 | Region Semifinals |
| ● November 2, 2022 | Region Finals |
| ● November 4/5, 2022 | State Quarterfinals |
| ● November 9/10, 2022 | State Semifinals |
| ● November 12, 2022 | State Finals |